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### **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

- Date of Birth: September 23, 1978.
- Married, with four children.

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Brown University**

Department of Religious Studies  
Providence, RI, USA  
Bachelor of Arts Degree (BA): July 2003  
Religion (Religious Studies)

#### **Florida State University**

Department of Religion  
Tallahassee, FL, USA  
Masters Degree (MA): May 2005  
Ancient Religions of the West (Religions of Western Antiquity)

#### **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki**

School of Theology, Faculty of Theology  
Doctor of Theology: June 2012  
Doctoral Thesis: “«Η Διακονία των» (Α’ Κορ. 16,15). Διακονία και Μαρτυρία κατά τον Απ. Παύλο και η Σύγχρονη Ορθόδοξη Χριστιανική Μαρτυρία στην Βόρεια Αμερική”  
[“The Service of the Saints (1Cor. 16:15): Service and Witness According to St Paul and Contemporary Orthodox Christian Witness in North America”]  
Supervisor: Prof. Petros Vassiliadis

## UNIVERSITY POSITIONS

- 1) Assistant Professor of Missiology, D.Min. Program  
St Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, April 2014 – present
  
- 2) Lecturer, Patristic History and Doctrine  
Samford University, Beeson Divinity School, January 2024 – present

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Chariots of the Soul and Garments of Skin: Platonic and Biblical Imagery in Gregory of Nyssa's *On the Soul and the Resurrection*.” Presented at The First Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 15-16 April 2005, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “The Parable of the Elder Son: Patristic Perspectives on Judaism in Luke 15:11-32.” Presented at The Second Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 23-25 March 2006, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “The Thrill of Victory and the Agony of Defeat: The Contest for Christian and Jewish Identity in Martyrdom Literature.” Presented at The Fourth Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 17-19 April 2008, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “Local Leadership in the Pauline Communities: Rereading 1 Clement.” Presented at The Fifth Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 19-21 March 2009, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “The Charisma of Administration (1Cor 12:28): Leadership in the Pauline Communities and Its Interpretation.” Presented at The Sixth Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 11-13 March 2010, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “Ministry and Church Structure in Eastern Orthodox Perspective: Metropolitan John Zizioulas's Contribution to the Study of the Pauline Literature.” Presented at The Seventh Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Student Colloquium of Patristic Studies, 10-12 March 2011, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA.
  
- “Theology of Mission in the Work of N. Nissiotis.” Presented at Theological Portraits, No. 2 in a Series of Theological Conferences: *Nikos Nissiotis, Orthodoxy's Ecumenical Theologian*, 6 April 2013, The Volos Academy for Theological Studies, Volos, Greece.
  
- “Ecclesiastical Music and Mission.” Presented at the First International Interdisciplinary Musicological Conference: *The Psaltic Art as an Autonomous Science. Scientific Branches, Related Scientific Fields, Interdisciplinary Collaborations and Interaction*. 29

June-3 July 2014, The Volos Academy for Theological Studies: Department of Psaltic Art and Musicology, Volos, Greece.

- “Orthodox Mission, the Ecclesiastical Arts, and Peace Among Peoples.” Presented at the Third St Petersburg International Cultural Forum. 7-9 December 2014, hosted by the Russian Federation, St Petersburg, Russia.
- “Contextual Understandings of the Gospel: A Comparison of Mission in the U.S. and Greece.” Presented at the Third Orthodox-Evangelical Consultation of Senior Leaders: *The Gospel as Good News*. 1-5 September 2015, hosted by the Lausanne-Orthodox Initiative, Sophia Cultural Center, Helsinki, Finland.
- “Orthodox Christian Witness for the Third Millennium: Improving the Mission Document.” Presented at the Eighth International Conference of Orthodox Theology. 21-25 May 2018, hosted by the Faculty of Theology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, Greece.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Metropolitan John (Zizioulas) of Pergamon, *Receive One Another: 101 Sermons*, translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, Los Angeles: Sebastian Press, 2023.
- Edwards, Γρηγόριος. “«Η Διακονία Των Αγίων» (Α’ Κορ. 16,15). Διακονία Και Μαρτυρία Κατά Τον Απ. Παύλο Και η Σύγχρονη Ορθόδοξη Χριστιανική Μαρτυρία Στη Βόρεια Αμερική. Vol. 17, CEMES Publications, 2020.
- “Orthodox Christian Witness for the Third Millennium: Improving the Mission Document.” *Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference of Orthodox Theology*. 21-25 May 2018, hosted by the Faculty of Theology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, Greece, pp. 330-335. Available here: [http://www.orthodoxconference.theosch.auth.gr/index\\_eng\\_bul.htm](http://www.orthodoxconference.theosch.auth.gr/index_eng_bul.htm) and here: [http://www.orthodoxconference.theosch.auth.gr/keimena\\_final/33\\_Edwards\\_Gregory.pdf](http://www.orthodoxconference.theosch.auth.gr/keimena_final/33_Edwards_Gregory.pdf)
- Metropolitan John (Zizioulas) of Pergamon, *The One and the Many: Studies on God, Man, the Church, and the World Today*, edited by Fr Gregory Edwards, Los Angeles: Sebastian Press, 2010.
- Christos Yannaras, *The Meaning of Reality: Essays on Existence and Communion, Eros and History*, edited by Fr Gregory Edwards and Herman A. Middleton, Los Angeles and Athens: Sebastian Press and Indiktos, 2011.
- Nenad Milosevic, *To Christ and the Church: The Eucharist as the All-Encompassing Mystery of the Church*, translated by Fr Gregory Edwards and Dushan Radosavljevic, Los Angeles: Sebastian Press, 2011.
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, *Orthodoxy and Political Theology*, translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, Geneva: WCC Publications, 2012.

- Pantelis Kalaitzidis (ed.), *The Church and Eschatology*, translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, Geneva: WCC Publications, 2012 [forthcoming].
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, “From the 'Return to the Fathers' to the Need for a Modern Orthodox Theology,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 54, n. 1 (2010), pp. 5-36.
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, “Orthodoxy and Hellenism in Contemporary Greece,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 54, n. 3 & 4 (2010), pp. 365-420.
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, “Christians in the Middle East: Building Bridges between East and West, Old and New,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *The Ecumenical Review*, v. 64, n. 1 (March 2012), pp. 61-68.
- Christos Karakolis, “Church and Nation in the New Testament: The Formation of the Pauline Communities,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 57, n. 3 & 4 (2013), pp. 361-380.
- Grigorios D. Papatomas, “Ethno-Phyletism and the [So-called] Ecclesial ‘Diaspora’,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 57, n. 3 & 4 (2013), pp. 431-450.
- Metropolitan John Zizioulas of Pergamon, “Primacy and Nationalism,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 57, n. 3 & 4 (2013), pp. 451-460.
- Athanasios N. Papathanasiou, “Signs of National Socialism in the Greek Church?,” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 57, n. 3 & 4 (2013), pp. 461-478.
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, “Ecclesiology and Globalization: In Search of an Ecclesiological Paradigm in the Era of Globalization (After the Previous Paradigms of the Local, Imperial, and National),” translated by Fr Gregory Edwards, *St Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 57, n. 3 & 4 (2013), pp. 479-502.

## LANGUAGES

- 1) English
- 2) Modern Greek
- 3) French (reading proficiency)
- 4) Ancient Greek
- 5) Latin