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**Biography**

Professor of Psychology and Chair Department of Psychology, Concordia University, Irvine since 1994. Classes taught include Marriage and the Family and Principles of Counseling.

Clinical Psychologist in private practice specializing in couples therapy since 1994 in Newport Beach.

Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and M.A. in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary in 1992. B.S. from USC in 1984.

**Publications:**

Mendez, Buddy (2003), “Recognizing Addictive Behavior in your children.” *Family Talk.* 7(1)

Psychological Consultant for “Overcoming Depression” by Joseph Barbour and Donna Steiner. 1996 Concordia Publishing House.

 **Presentations at Churches:**

Speaker on Marriage and Family Issues at:

Mariners Church

Frequent speaker at MOPS, Relationship Foundations, Home Builders University, Wednesday Night Applications, Family Ministries Retreat.

Christ Lutheran Costa Mesa

 Marriage Retreat Keynote Speaker, 2007 and 2009

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

 Marriage Retreat Keynote Speaker, 2003

Hope Chapel Torrance

 Marriage Retreat Keynote Speaker, 2001

Other Churches I have spoken at on marriage issues include, Irvine Presbyterian, San Clemente Presbyterian, Rock Harbor, Christ Lutheran Brea, Lutheran Church of the Cross, King of Glory Lutheran, Dana Point Lutheran, Redeemer Lutheran of Huntington Beach, St. John’s Lutheran, Mount of Olives Lutheran, Aliso Viejo Lutheran.

 **Presentations at Schools:**

Harbor Day School

Sage Hill High School

Pegasus School

Fountain Valley High School

Aliso Viejo Christian School

 **Presentations to Organizations:**

Keynote Speaker at Kaiser Hospital Family Weekend Retreat (2003, 2010)

Speaker: Lutheran Educators Conference (2009)

Speaker: Tri-district Lutheran Conference (2000)

Speaker: Lutheran Youth Conference (2002)

 **Media Experience:**

Marital Preparation Program on “Good Morning America” (1998)

Romance on KFUO radio (2010)

Marriage and Sexuality on KFUO radio (2010)

Dating and Courting on KFUO radio (2010)