

John M. Young

EDUCATION

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

PhD in history, 2020 (Dissertation adviser: John Giggie)

Dissertation title: “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Historical Ecclesiology in and around the Stone-Campbell Movement”

M.A. in history, 2015

B.A., honors, summa cum laude in history and political science, 2012

ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND TEACHING

Amridge University, Montgomery, Alabama. Assistant Professor, Turner School of Theology, Summer 2020-present

TH6304, “Restoration History” (Fall 2020, Fall 2021)

TH6300, “Early Church History” (Summer 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021)

HY2404, “Western Civilization II” (Fall 2021)

HY1401, “United States History I” (Summer 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021)

TH3401, “Survey of Christian History and Thought” (Fall 2020, Summer 2021)

TH2435, “Survey of Ecclesiastical History” (Summer 2020, Summer 2021)

HY2403, “Western Civilization I” (Summer 2021)

HY1402, “United States History II” (Fall 2020, Summer 2021)

TH6303, “Reformation and Modern Church History” (Spring 2021)

HY3415, “Disease Epidemics that Changed History” (Spring 2021)

PS6326, “History and Philosophy of Christian Education” (Fall 2020)

Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln, Illinois. Adjunct Instructor, School of Bible and Theology, Spring 2020-Spring 2021

CH380, “History of American Christianity and the Stone-Campbell Movement” (Spring 2020, Spring 2021)

Amridge University, Montgomery, Alabama. Adjunct Instructor, College of General Studies, Fall 2018-Spring 2020

HY1402, “United States History II” (Fall 2018, Summer 2019, Spring 2020)

HY1401, “United States History I” (Spring 2019, Fall 2019)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Instructor, Department of History, Summer 2016-Summer 2019

HY104, “American Civilization since 1865” (Summer 2016, Summer 2019)

HY103, “American Civilization to 1865” (Summer 2017, Summer 2018)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Editor, *Southern Historian*, Summer 2018-Spring 2019

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Assistant Editor, *Southern Historian*, Summer 2017-Spring 2018

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Fall 2013-Spring 2017

HY101, “Western Civilization to 1648” (Professor James Mixson, Fall 2014, Spring 2017)

HY103, “American Civilization to 1865” (Professor Joshua Rothman, Fall 2016)

HY101, “Western Civilization to 1648” (Professor Dan Riches, Spring 2016)

HY104, “American Civilization since 1865” (Professor Bart Elmore, Fall 2015)
 HY102, “Western Civilization since 1648” (Instructor Charles Clark, Spring 2015)
 HY104, “American Civilization since 1865” (Professor Sharony Green, Spring 2014)
 HY103, “American Civilization to 1865” (Professor David Beito, Fall 2013)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Peer Mentor, Department of History,
 Spring 2011-Spring 2012

HY101, “Western Civilization to 1648” (Professor James Mixson, Spring 2011, Spring
 2012)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

*Redrawing the Blueprints for the Early Church: Historical Ecclesiology in and around the
 Stone-Campbell Movement* (Heritage Christian University Press, 2021)

Visions of Restoration: The History of Churches of Christ (Cypress Publications/Heritage
 Christian University Press, 2019)

Edited Collections

*Living and Active Word: A Symposium by the Faculty of the Turner School of Theology, Amridge
 University*, co-edited with Daniel J. Fletcher and David Musgrave (Amridge University
 Press, 2020)

Peer Reviewed Journals

“A Cosmology of Work: The Spiritual Landscape of Scott Adams’s *Dilbert*,” *Journal of Faith
 and the Academy* (13:2, Fall 2020): 27-33.

“Christadelphian Blueprints for Restoring the Early Church, 1848-1920,” *Stone-Campbell
 Journal* (22:2, Fall 2019): 165-177.

“Dixieland’s Demise: T.B. Larimore’s Dixieland College and the Tenuous Position of Christian
 Colleges within the Churches of Christ,” *Restoration Quarterly* (58:3, 2016): 143-159.

Contributions to Edited Collections

“From P.U. to Pew: Church History for the Everyday Christian,” in *Living and Active Word: A
 Symposium by the Faculty of the Turner School of Theology, Amridge University* (2020):
 187-199.

“Conclusion,” in *Living and Active Word: A Symposium by the Faculty of the Turner School of
 Theology, Amridge University* (2020): 201-203.

Other Publications

“North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ: Year Five” (2020), circulated within church community.

“North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ: A Chronicle of the First Four Years” (2019)

<https://northtuscaloosa.com/north-tuscaloosa-church-of-christ-a-chronicle-of-the-first-four-years/>

“A Journal Looks at Forty: A Retrospective of the *Southern Historian*’s First Four Decades,”
Southern Historian (Volume 40, 2019): 6-9.

Interview of U.S. Rep. Tom Cole, *Southern Historian* (Volume 40, 2019): 16-23.

Interview of Dr. Danielle McGuire, *Southern Historian* (Volume 40, 2019): 10-15.

Interview of Dr. James Downs, *Southern Historian* (Volume 39, 2018): 30-37.

- Interview of Dr. Paul Harvey, *Southern Historian* (Volume 39, 2018): 20-29.
 “William Manning Lowe,” in *Encyclopedia of Alabama* (2018)
<http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-3971>
 “Vattel, Emmerich de,” in *War and Religion: An Encyclopedia of Faith and Conflict* (2017):
 823-824.
 Interview of Dr. Darren Dochuk, *Southern Historian* website (2016)
<http://southernhistorian.ua.edu/interview-with-dr-darren-dochuk/>
 “Madalyn Murray (O’Hair) Files Suit to End Prayer and Biblical Readings in Public Schools
 (1960),” in *Great Events in Religion: An Encyclopedia of Pivotal Events in Religious
 History* (2016): 928-930.

Book Reviews

- Review of *Religion and the American Revolution: An Imperial History*, by Katherine Carte,
Stone-Campbell Journal, forthcoming
 Review of *The Myth of the Stone-Campbell Movement*, by Jim Cook, *Stone-Campbell Journal*,
 forthcoming
 Review of *The Kingdom of God Has No Borders: A Global History of American Evangelicals*,
 by Melani McAlister, *Missio Dei Journal*, forthcoming
 Review of *America’s Religious History: Faith, Politics, and the Shaping of a Nation*, by Thomas
 S. Kidd, *Journal of Faith and the Academy*, forthcoming
 Review of *Hard-Fighting Soldiers: A History of African American Churches of Christ*, by
 Edward J. Robinson, *Restoration Quarterly* (63:2, 2021): 113-114.
 Review of *Looming Civil War: How Nineteenth-Century Americans Imagined the Future*, by
 Jason Phillips, *Southern Historian* (Volume 41, 2020): 65-67.
 Review of *Race and Restoration: Churches of Christ and the Black Freedom Struggle*, by
 Barclay Key, *Church of Christ Theology*
<https://churchofchristtheology.com/2020/05/19/review-of-barclay-key-race-and-restoration-churches-of-christ-and-the-black-freedom-struggle/>
 Review of *Soldiers of a Different Cloth: Notre Dame Chaplains in World War II*, by John F.
 Wukovits, *H-War* (February 2020)
<https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=54766>
 Review of *The Biblical Canon Lists from Early Christianity: Texts and Analysis*, by Edmon L.
 Gallagher and John D. Meade, *Essays in History* (Volume 51, 2018)
<http://www.essaysinhistory.com/the-biblical-canon-lists-from-early-christianity-texts-and-analysis/>
 Review of *The New Peplum: Essays on Sword and Sandal Films and Television Programs Since
 the 1990s*, edited by Nicholas Diak, *Journal of Popular Film and Television* (46:4, 2018):
 235-236.
 Review of *Enlisting Faith: How the Military Chaplaincy Shaped Religion and State in Modern
 America*, by Ronit Y. Stahl, *H-War* (April 2018)
<https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=51725>
 Review of *Through a Glass Darkly: Contested Notions of Baptist Identity*, edited by Keith
 Harper, *Southern Studies* (24:2, 2017): 118-120.
 Review of *Loyal Protestants and Dangerous Papists: Maryland and the Politics of Religion in
 the English Atlantic, 1630-1690*, by Antoinette Sutto, *Southern Historian* (Volume
 38, 2017): 85-86.

- Review of *Saving Faith: Making Religious Pluralism an American Value at the Dawn of the Secular Age*, by David Mislin, *American Nineteenth Century History* (17:3, 2016): 360-361.
- Review of *Combat Chaplain: A Thirty-Year Vietnam Battle*, by James D. Johnson, H-War (September 2016) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=46656>
- Review of *The Evangelical Origins of the Living Constitution*, by John W. Compton, H-AmRel (June 2016) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=46123>
- Review of *The Muscle Shoals Legacy of FAME*, by Blake Ells, foreword by Jason Isbell, *Southern Historian* (Volume 37, 2016): 124-126.
- Review of *American Protestant Theology: A Historical Sketch*, by Luigi Giussani, translated by Damian Bacich, foreword by Archibald J. Spencer, H-AmRel (March 2016) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=44165>
- Review of *The Age of Evangelicalism: America's Born-Again Years*, by Steven P. Miller, H-AmRel (January 2016) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=44167>
- Review of *Superchurch: The Rhetoric and Politics of American Fundamentalism*, by Jonathan J. Edwards, H-AmRel (October 2015) <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=44166>
- Review of *Apocalypse, the Millennium, and the American Civil War Era*, edited by Ben Wright and Zachary W. Dresser, *Southern Historian* (Volume 36, 2015): 116-118.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Disciples of Christ and the University of Alabama School of Religion That Wasn’t, 1920-1935,” part of a panel on “Engaging ‘Publics’ in the Churches of Christ and the Disciples of Christ in the Twentieth Century,” Christian Scholars’ Conference, June 9, 2021
- “Disciples of Christ and the University of Alabama School of Religion That Wasn’t, 1920-1935,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 16, 2021
- Presider for Joseph Baumstarck, “Alexander Campbell: Antebellum Communication Innovator,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 16, 2021
- “Disciples of Christ and the Origins of Religious Education at the University of Alabama,” UA Department of History “Visit Day” Research Symposium, February 26, 2021
- Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Living to Tell the Tale: Teaching Restoration History in Congregational Settings,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, September 12, 2020
- “From P.U. to Pew: The Intersection of Church and Public Histories,” UA Department of History “Visit Day” Research Symposium, March 6, 2020
- Panel Organizer, “A Most Excellent Theophilus: The Life and Legacy of Mars Hill’s T.B. Larimore,” Annual Meeting of the Alabama Association of Historians, February 29, 2020
- “Dixieland: The Lost Colony of T.B. Larimore,” part of a panel on “A Most Excellent Theophilus: The Life and Legacy of Mars Hill’s T.B. Larimore,” Annual Meeting of the Alabama Association of Historians, February 29, 2020
- “Overcoming Cultural and Temporal Boundaries and Replicating Biblical Principles in the International Churches of Christ,” part of a panel on “Boundaries in American Religion,” Western Regional Conference on Faith and History, October 12, 2019
- “‘And see how lofty are the highest stars!’: The Most Famous Member of Churches of Christ, 1919-2019,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 5, 2019

- “Vintage Theology: Restorationism and the Emerging Church Movement,” UA Department of History “Visit Day” Research Symposium, March 1, 2019
- “The Replicability of the Early Church in the Present Day,” UA Department of History Workshop, February 22, 2019
- Panel Organizer, “‘For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning’: Christian Uses of the Past to Shape the Present and Future,” Conference on Faith and History, October 6, 2018
- “‘beloved prostitutes and rough fishermen’: Appeals to the Early Church in the Emerging Church Movement,” part of a panel on “‘For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning’: Christian Uses of the Past to Shape the Present and Future,” Conference on Faith and History, October 6, 2018
- “Recursive Restorationism in the Stone-Campbell Movement,” Cleanth Brooks Dissertation Forum at the Annual Meeting of the St. George Tucker Society, July 27, 2018 (unable to travel to conference for personal reasons)
- Panelist, “Herding Cats: Publishing Student Based Academic Journals,” Annual Meeting of the Alabama Association of Historians, April 14, 2018
- “Standing at the Crossroads: Historical Ecclesiology in the International Churches of Christ, 1992-2016,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 7, 2018
- “‘beloved prostitutes and rough fishermen’: First-Century Christianity in Emerging Church Movement Theology,” ESPRMC Graduate Research Symposium, March 23, 2018 (unable to present at conference because of illness)
- “Standing at the Crossroads: Historical Ecclesiology in the International Churches of Christ, 1992-2003,” part of a panel on “Religious Culture from the Colonial South to the Present Day,” Southern Studies Conference, February 10, 2018
- “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Changes in Christadelphian Historical Ecclesiology During the Movement’s First Two Decades,” part of a panel on “Social Movements in Britain and the United States,” Winter Meeting of the American Society of Church History, January 6, 2018 (unable to travel to conference because of illness)
- “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Changes in Christadelphian Historical Ecclesiology During the Twentieth Century,” part of a panel on “Religious Battlegrounds,” University of Alabama Graduate History Association Conference on Power and Struggle, September 23, 2017
- “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Changes in Christadelphian Historical Ecclesiology During the Movement’s First Two Decades,” Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 7, 2017
- “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Changes in Christadelphian Historical Ecclesiology, 1848-1973,” UA Department of History “Visit Day” Research Symposium, March 10, 2017
- “Redrawing the ‘Blueprints’ for the Early Church: Changes in Christadelphian Historical Ecclesiology, 1848-1973,” UA Department of History Workshop, October 21, 2016
- “Dixieland’s Demise: T.B. Larimore’s Dixieland College and the Tenuous Position of Christian Colleges within the Churches of Christ,” part of a panel on “Cults, Churches, and Fraternal Orders,” Southern Studies Conference, February 5, 2016
- “Dixieland’s Demise: T.B. Larimore’s Dixieland College and the Ambiguous Role of Education within the Churches of Christ,” UA Department of History Workshop, October 3, 2014

INVITED LECTURES, FILM, AND RADIO INTERVIEWS

Various guest sermons and lessons at Double Springs, EastPointe, Greensboro, Mercedes Drive, Whitson Place, and Woodlawn Churches of Christ

“The Restoration Movement: The Here and the How,” lesson series at North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ, May-June 2021

Interviewed by *Christian Chronicle* for a piece titled “Moving during a pandemic complicates hunt for church home: For relocated Christians, virtual worship options help bridge the COVID-19 gap,” March 18, 2021, <https://christianchronicle.org/faith-on-the-move/>

Interviewed by *Christian Chronicle* for a piece titled “Saints and singers: The surprising ties that bind some of country music’s biggest stars to Churches of Christ,” February 15, 2021, <https://christianchronicle.org/faith-dolly-parton-loretta-lynn-country-music/>

“Race and Religion in American History,” lesson series at North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ, June-July 2020

Book signing and discussion for *Visions of Restoration: The History of Churches of Christ*, Overton Memorial Library at Heritage Christian University, September 12, 2019

“The Great Depression and the Re-Invention of Modern Government,” Dr. John Giggie’s HY104 class at the University of Alabama, October 1, 2018

Panelist, “Lunch with Discussion Panel of Veteran GTAs,” University of Alabama Annual Workshop for New Graduate Teaching Assistants, August 17, 2018

“1918-1968,” part of bicentennial celebration at First United Methodist Church (Tuscaloosa), July 22, 2018

“1868-1918,” part of bicentennial celebration at First United Methodist Church (Tuscaloosa), July 15, 2018

“The History of Churches of Christ,” lesson series at North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ, May-June 2018

Interview for Summersell Center for the Study of the South, October 2017
<https://vimeo.com/240014714>

“Melville, ‘Bartleby,’ and American History,” AP English Literature class at Paul W. Bryant High School, September 18, 2017

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

UA Graduate Council Fellowship, 2019-2020 academic year

UA Graduate School Conference and Research Funding Awards, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Fall 2019

Graduate Teaching Fellow, University of Alabama Annual Workshop for New Graduate Teaching Assistants, August 2018, August 2019

Funded Participant, Cleanth Brooks Dissertation Forum at the Annual Meeting of the St. George Tucker Society, July 2018 (unable to travel to conference due to personal reasons)

Funded Participant, University of Alabama Dissertation Writers’ Retreat, May 2018

Recipient, Gary B. Mills Endowed Dissertation Support Fund, 2017-2018 academic year
Winner, Colonial Dames of America Essay Award for the State of Alabama, 2016-2017 academic year

Finalist, Twelfth Annual Student Paper Competition (Graduate Division) of the Stone Campbell Journal Conference, April 2017

Nominee, Outstanding Teaching by a Doctoral Student Award, 2016-2017 academic year
Winner, Christopher G. Swindle Graduate Teaching Award, 2015-2016 academic year

RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT AND DIGITAL PROJECTS (NON-TEACHING)

Creator, *Church of Christ Celebrities*, August 2017-present

<https://churchofchristcelebrities.wordpress.com/>

College/Young Professionals Minister, North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ, January 2017-July 2020

Media Editor, *Southern Historian*, January 2017-July 2017

Research Assistant for Professor John Giggie, January 2016-May 2017

Associate Campus Minister, North Tuscaloosa Church of Christ, May 2015-December 2016

Associate Campus Minister, Cottondale Church of Christ, June 2013-April 2015

INVOLVEMENT

Moderator of r/StoneCampbell on Reddit, April 2020-present

Education Chair of Graduate History Association, 2018-2019 academic year

Secretary of Graduate History Association, 2016-2017 academic year

Co-chair of Graduate History Association Conference Committee, Spring 2015-Fall 2016

Member of Graduate Conference on Power and Struggle Clean-Up Committee, Fall 2017

Member of Graduate Conference on Power and Struggle Technical Committee, Fall 2014

Member of Summersell Center Program in Public History, 2016-2017 academic year

Member of History Department Environmental Lab Group, 2015-2016 academic year

SERVICE

Amridge

Organized research/writing group for new faculty members, July 2020-present

Spoke at faculty meeting about reflections on teaching, December 11, 2020

Spoke at faculty meeting about blogging in higher education, October 9, 2020

Spoke at faculty meeting about journal article publication, July 12, 2019

Alabama

Spoke at "Teaching History" course on teaching assistant experience, September 7, 2016;

September 20, 2017; September 19, 2018; November 6, 2019

Organized workshop for first-time conference presenters, March 27, 2019

Organized workshop for first-time summer adjunct instructors, March 6, 2019

Drove airport shuttle for UA Department of History "Visit Day," February 22, 2018; March 1, 2019

Organized workshop for first-year doctoral students on comps, February 6, 2019

Organized workshop for graduate students on creating CVs, November 12, 2018

Drove airport shuttle for symposium on "Religious Life, Elites, & Medieval Culture," October 16, 2018

Organized workshop for second-year master's students on comps, September 26, 2018

Organized workshop for incoming students on graduate student life, August 31, 2018

Staffed departmental advertising table at Southern Association for Women Historians Conference, June 7-10, 2018

Judged at Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Conference, March 29, 2018

Spoke at workshop for first-time summer adjunct instructors, March 21, 2018

Spoke at workshop for first-year doctoral students on comps, February 21, 2018

Drove airport shuttle for symposium on “Dixie’s Great War: World War I and the American South,” October 6, 2017

Spoke at workshop for incoming students on graduate student life, August 28, 2015; September 9, 2016; September 1, 2017

Spoke at workshop for second-year master’s students on comps, February 19, 2016; February 14, 2017

Judged at UA Hall of Fame High School Speech and Debate Tournament, January 13-14, 2017

Spoke at Pre-Law Student Association meeting about benefits of history major, October 18, 2016

STUDENT MENTORING

Dissertation Committee Chair: Paul Adomako-Mensah (Amridge)

Dissertation Committee Secretary: David Clark, Jeremy Goen, Ward Jones, Roger Shepherd, Carl Jenkins, Robert Holland (Amridge)

Masters Examination Committee Member: Bret Carter, Joseph Haymore, Kevin Randles, Michael Peters, Garrick Sullivan (Amridge)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Alabama Association of Historians

Alabama Historical Association

American Society of Church History

Conference on Faith and History

Disciples of Christ Historical Society

Southern Historical Association

Stone-Campbell Scholars Community