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Dean of the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology University of Balamand

Professional Summary

A distinguished academic leader and Professor of New Testament Studies with over 25 years of experience in higher education and ecclesiastical service. Currently serving as the Dean of the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology at the University of Balamand, he oversees undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral programs. He recently concluded a successful mandate as President of the Association of Theological Institutes in the Middle East (ATIME) from 2022 to 2025, a period in which he drove regional theological advancement. A prolific researcher with a Ph.D. from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, his expertise encompasses Biblical Exegesis, New Testament theology, and international ecumenical relations, supported by an extensive record of multilingual publications and active membership in the World Council of Churches' Central Committee.

Education

Ph.D. under Professor Ioannis Karavidopoulos from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece	2003
Coursework and doctoral research under Professor Dr. Otfried Hofius Eberhard-Karls-Universität - Tübingen, Germany	1999-2002
Bachelor of Theology, University of Balamand, Lebanon	1998
Licentiate in Business Administration (Maitrise Equivalent), Université Saint Esprit – Kaslik, Lebanon	1991

Languages

Modern Languages

- **Arabic:** Native Proficiency (Mother Tongue).
- **Modern Greek:** Near-Native Proficiency.
 - *Certificates for all levels with Highest Distinction from the Center of Modern Greek Studies, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki; Language of university instruction.*
- **French:** Fluent / Professional Proficiency.
 - *Language of primary, secondary, and university-level education.*
- **English:** Fluent / Professional Proficiency.

- *Language of university-level research and instruction.*
- **German:** Advanced Proficiency.
 - *Completed Mittelstufe II and three years of graduate-level coursework.*

Ancient & Biblical Languages

- **Ancient Greek:** Advanced Research Proficiency.
- **Ancient Hebrew:** Advanced Research Proficiency.
- **Syriac:** Basic Reading Proficiency.
- **Latin:** Basic Reading Proficiency.

Administrative Leadership

Dean, St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology | 2020 – Present

- **Executive Governance:** Direct all academic, financial, and administrative operations for the Institute, ensuring institutional alignment with the University of Balamand's strategic mission.
- **Institutional Accreditation:** Successfully spearheaded the development and accreditation of the **PhD in Theology** program, significantly expanding the Institute's academic standing and research capacity.
- **Digital Transformation:** Overseeing the modernization of pedagogical tools and the expansion of distance-learning initiatives to increase the Institute's global reach.
- **International Diplomacy:** Represent the Institute at high-level ecumenical and academic forums, fostering strategic partnerships with international theological institutions.

Coordinator, Master of Theology Program | 2013 – 2020

- Spearheaded the development of the Master's Program Rules and Regulations.
- Led the multi-disciplinary team responsible for establishing the program's Mission, Objectives, and Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs).

Chairman, Research Committee | 2019 – 2020 (*Previously Chairman of Research and Publications Committee, 2010–2013 & 2006–2007*)

- Oversee the strategic direction of research initiatives and scholarly output within the Institute.

Coordinator, KALIMA E-Learning Program | 2010 – 2013

- Managed the comprehensive revision of the KALIMA curriculum and its transition to digital learning platforms.

Coordinator, International Liturgical Series of Lectures: "Antioch & Liturgy" | 2015

- Orchestrated the international lecture series, facilitating scholarly dialogue on Antiochene liturgical traditions.

Undergraduate Coordinator, Bachelor of Theology | 2005 – 2006

- Managed academic advising and curriculum implementation for the undergraduate student body.

Institutional Service and Governance

Member, Institute Council | 2011 – Present; 2005 – 2007

- Contribute to the governance and decision-making processes of the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology.

Member then Director, Doctoral Academic Committee | 2011 – Present

- Served as a member of the **Founding Team** responsible for the strategic launch and accreditation of the Doctoral program.

Member, Editorial Committee of “Annals” | 2011 – Present; 2004 – 2007

- Review and select scholarly contributions for the Institute’s official academic journal.

Member, University of Balamand (UOB) Senate | 2011 – 2013; 2005 – 2007

- Represented the Institute in the University’s primary legislative and advisory body.

Member, University Research Council | 2011 – 2013; 2005 – 2007

- Evaluated university-wide research proposals and advised on institutional research policy.

Academic Appointments

St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology, University of Balamand, Lebanon

- **Professor of New Testament Studies** | 2020 – Present
- **Associate Professor (Full-Time)** | 2011 – 2020
- **Associate Professor (Part-Time)** | 2010 – 2011
- **Visiting Professor** | 2007 – 2009
- **Assistant Professor (Full-Time)** | 2004 - 2007
- **Lecturer** | 2000 – 2004
- **Instructor, Ecclesiastical Music** | 1996 – 1998

Lebanese University, Beirut, Lebanon

- **Professor**, Philosophy and Archaeology Departments | 2009 – 2014

Professional Recognitions & Prestigious Invitations

Governmental Appointment: Full Professor, Lebanese University | 2014

- Formally appointed to a Full-Time Professorship by the Lebanese Government; elected to remain at the University of Balamand to continue teaching within the Institute of Theology.

Selected Lectureship: IOCS & The Cambridge Theological Federation, UK | 2008–2009

- Successfully selected for a Half-time Lectureship at Cambridge following an international independent assessment committee. (Invitation declined due to personal circumstances).

Visiting Professorships & International Teaching

- **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece** | 2025; 2022–2023; 2022; 2005–2007
 - Courses/Lectures: Theological Premises of St. Paul's Teaching about Freedom from the Mosaic Law; Soteriology of St. Paul; The Resurrection in the Narrative Structure of the Gospel According to Mark; The Social Activity of the OT Prophets in the 8th c. B.C.

- **Dimitru Staniloae Faculty of Theology**, University of Iasi, Romania | 2022 – 2023
- **Hussite Theological Faculty**, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic | 2022
- **St. Plato Orthodox Seminary**, Tallinn, Estonia | **2009–2019**
 - Courses: Introduction to St. Paul’s Epistles; Exegesis of St. Paul; Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels; Introduction to the Gospel according to St. John.
- **University La Sagesse**, Beirut, Lebanon | 2009–2010; 2018–2019
 - *Graduate Courses*: Marriage and Celibacy in the New Testament; The Law and the Grace in the New Testament.
- **Graduate School of Neapolis University**, Paphos, Cyprus | 2018
 - *Graduate Course*: Theology of St. Paul.
- **The Institute of Theology of the Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church**, Tallinn | **2016–2017**
 - *Course*: Exegesis of St. Paul’s Epistles.
- **Theological Faculty of the Church of Cyprus** | 2016 – 2017
 - *Course*: Introduction to the New Testament.
- **University of Eastern Finland**, Joensuu, Finland | 2014
 - *Lecture*: The Teaching of St. Paul about Justification by Faith.
- **National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**, Greece | 2012 – 2014
 - *Lecture*: The Mosaic Law in St. Paul’s Theology and the Canons of the Church.
- **Lebanese University**, Beirut, Lebanon (Philosophy/Archaeology Depts) | **2009–2014**
 - *Lectures*: Religious Philosophy / Christian Thought; Philosophy in the Middle Ages; Ancient Greek Language.
- **Institut de Théologie Orthodoxe Saint-Serge**, Paris, France | 2007 – 2008
 - *Lecture*: La loi de Moïse et la loi du Christ selon l’enseignement de Saint Paul.
- **The Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies**, Cambridge, UK | 2007 – 2008
 - *Lectures*: The Orthodox Approach to the Bible; The Bible and Tradition: Conflict or Consensus? (Case-Study from Romans 5:1-11); The Resurrection in the Gospel according to Mark.
- **Institute St. Paul**, Harissa, Lebanon | 2005 – 2010
 - *Courses*: Old Testament Exegesis – Prophets; Introduction to Biblical Exegesis; Johannine Corpus; Synoptic Gospels and Acts.

Teaching/Mentorship

PhD Level (University of Balamand)

- The New Perspective on Paul Questioned (2016 – Present)

Graduate (M.Th. / M.A.) Level

- **University of Balamand:**
 - The Genuineness of the Pauline Letters considered Pseudonymous (2008 – Present)
 - ⊖ The Death and the Resurrection of Christ for our sake in the NT (2013 – Present)
 - Ancient Israel and the Church in St. Paul's Epistles
 - Antiochian Hermeneutics and Theology (2010 – 2012)
 - Pastoral Theology (2005 – 2006)
- **Université La Sagesse, Beirut:**
 - Marriage and Celibacy in the New Testament (2009 – 2010)
 - The Law and the Grace in the New Testament (2018 – 2019)
- **Neapolis University, Paphos:**
 - Theology of St. Paul (2018)

Undergraduate (B.Th.) Level

- Introduction to the New Testament
- Exegesis of the Pauline Corpus
- Exegesis of the Johannine Literature
- Exegesis of the Old Testament: Prophetic Books

E-Learning (KALIMA Program)

- New Testament Letters (2010 – Present)
- Gospels, Acts of the Apostles, and Revelation (2010 – 2019)

Dissertation and Thesis Supervision & Mentorship

Master of Theology Theses Supervised:

- **Fr. Saba Nasr:** *The Council of Ferrara-Florence in Manuscript Sbath 280: Historical and Doctrinal Conclusions* (2023).
- **Dn. Nektarios (Firas) Saad:** *The Spiritual and Pastoral Meaning of Almsgiving: A Biblical Exegetical Study in the Pauline Epistles* (2024).
- **Extensive Experience:** Served as First or Second Reader for numerous Master's theses at the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology since 2005.
- **PhD Dissertation Supervised:** Served as First or Second Reader for PhD Dissertation at the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology, Faculty of Theology at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, and the Antiochian house of Studies (AHOS).

Leadership & Executive Roles

- **President**, Association of the Theological Institutes in the Middle East (ATIME) | 2022–2025
- **Co-chair**, Orthodox Theological Institutions Group, International Orthodox Theological Association (IOTA) | 2021–2023
- **Member of the Central Committee**, World Council of Churches (WCC) | 2013–Present
- **Eastern Orthodox Representative**, WCC Continuation Committee on “Ecumenism in the 21st Century” | 2007–2012

Editorial & Scientific Boards

- **Consulting Editorial Board**, *Sacrum Testamentum* (International Theological Journal) | Present
- **Editorial Board**, Faith and Order Digital Edition, WCC | 2016–Present
- **Editorial Committee**, *Biblia* – Biblical Federation in Lebanon | 2005–Present
- **Member**, APELLA (System for election and promotion of Professors), Athens and Thessaloniki | Present
- **Member**, Revision Committee of the van-Dyck – Boustani Arabic Bible Translation | 2006–2011

International Commissions & Societies

- **Theological Commission on “Faith and Order”**, WCC | 2014–Present
 - *Convener of Study Group 2: “The Church: Toward a Common Vision”*
- **Hellenic Society of Biblical Studies** | 2003–Present
- **Biblical Federation in Lebanon** | 2004–Present
- **Biblicum of the University of Thessalonica** | 1998–Present

Conference Leadership & Organization

- **Head of Organizing Committee**, *Antioch and Early Christianity: From the Apostolic Proclamation to the Nicene Faith*, Thessaloniki, Greece | May 2025
- **Head of Organizing Committee**, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd ATIME Students Conferences, Cairo, Egypt | 2023–2025
- **Head of Organizing Committee**, *The Orthodox Church of Antioch from the 15th to the 18th Century*, University of Balamand | 2023
- **Member of the Steering Committee**, *Ecumenical Perspectives on Climate Change*, MECC and ATIME, Beirut | 2022
- **Organizing Committee**, *Studia Theologica Doctoralia* – International Symposium | 2020–Present
- **Organizing Committee**, Biblical Conferences, Institut de Théologie Orthodoxe Saint-Serge, Paris | 2007–2008

Research In the Service of the Church

Theological & Synodical Research

- **Theological Committee Member**, Preparation for the Holy and Great Council of Crete | 2016

- **Research Contributor**, Various theological studies presented to the Holy Synod of the Patriarchate of Antioch | Ongoing
- **Academic Consultant**, Research and analysis regarding the Qatar Jurisdictional Crisis
- **Committee Member**, Research study on the debate of Primacy within the Orthodox Church
- **Organizing Committee Member**, Synodical Sessions on the Family | October 2019

Biblical & Liturgical Translation

- **Member**, Committee for the Modern Antiochian Translation of the New Testament (Arabic) | 2017–Present
- **Member**, St. John of Damascus Committee for the Translation of Liturgical Books | 2011–Present

Pastoral Exegesis & Publications

- **Lead Researcher & Presenter**, Comprehensive interpretation and commentary on the Sunday Epistle Lectionary.
- **Lead Researcher & Presenter**, Comprehensive interpretation and commentary on the Daily Epistle Lectionary.

Publications

Authored Books (Monographs)

- ***Justification – Reconciliation – Final Judgment in Romans: A Contribution to Pauline Soteriology*** (Written in Greek). *Bibliotheca Biblica* Series #30. Thessaloniki: P. Pournaras Publishing, 2004.
 - *Original Title*: Δικαίωση – Καταλλαγή – Τελική Κρίση στην προς Ρωμαίους Επιστολή. Συμβολή στην Παύλεια Σωτηριολογία.
 - **Academic Impact: Selected as a required textbook at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (School of Theology) for:**
 - *“Grace and Freedom”* (2005–2008), Chair of Prof. Demetrios Tselengidis.
 - *“Theological Themes from the Epistles to the Galatians and to the Romans”* (2010–2011), Chair of Prof. Charalambos Atmatzidis.

Edited Volumes

- ***The Orthodox Church of Antioch from the 15th to the 18th Century: Towards a Proper Understanding of History*** (Written in Arabic). Editor. *Balamand Theological Conferences* Series #5. Tripoli: St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology – University of Balamand, 2025.

Book Chapters

- **“Faith and Justification.”** In *Theological Anthropology, 500 Years after Martin Luther*. Edited by C. Chalamet, K. Delikostantis, J. Getcha, and E. Parmentier. *Studies in Systematic Theology* 25. **Leiden: Brill, 2021, pp. 161–181.**
- **“An Interpretation of Romans 3:21-26 Within its Proper Context.”** In *Participation, Justification and Conversion: Eastern Orthodox Interpretation of Paul and the Debate between Old and New Perspectives*

on Paul. Edited by Athanasios Despotis. Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament (WUNT) II/442. **Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2017.** ISBN: 978-3-16-154140-7.

- **“Peace, Mercy and Justice: Reconciling the World and Judging the World by God.”** In *Just Peace: Orthodox Perspectives*. Edited by S. Asfaw, A. Chehadeh, and M. Gh. Simion. **Geneva: WCC Publications, 2012.** ISBN: 978-2-8254-1554-2.
- **“A Textual-Critical Study and Interpretation of the Liturgical Response ‘ἔλεον εἰρήνης, θυσίαν αἰνέσεως’.”** In *Holy Scripture and the Ancient Word: Festschrift for Professor Ioannis Galanis*. Thessaloniki: P. Pournaras Publishing, 2011.
- **“Why Christians are Free from the Mosaic Law According to St. Paul”** (Written in Estonian). In *Usk ja Elu 9*. Tallinn: EAOK, 2011.
 - *Original Title:* Miks Kristlane on Apostel Pauluse Õpetuse Järgi Moosese Seaduse Alt Vaba.
- **“Abraham in the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans”** (Written in Greek). In *Holy Scripture and the Contemporary Man: Festschrift for Professor Johannes Karavidopoulos*. Thessaloniki: P. Pournaras Publishing, 2006.
 - *Original Title:* Οι αναφορές στον Αβραάμ της προς Ρωμαίους επιστολής του Απ. Παύλου.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- **“The Ecclesiology of St. Paul: One Church or United Churches. The Universal Dimension of the One Church in the Epistles of St. Paul.”** *Teologie și Viață*, vol. 98, issues 5–8 (2022): 20–37. Iași: Doxologia.
- **“A Study of St. John of Damascus’ ‘Treatise of Icons’: Biblical and Linguistic Approach.”** *Analogia*, vol. 16 (2022): 98–100. Athens: Pemptousia.
- **“The Meaning of the Expression ‘Chosen Holy Day’ in the Irmos of the 8th Ode of Pascha”** (Written in Greek). *Synthesis*, vol. 7, issue 1 (2018): 84–89. Thessaloniki: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH).
 - *Original Title:* Σημασία Της Έκφρασης «Κλητη Ἀγία» Στον Ειρμί της Η΄ Ωδής Του Πάσχα.

Articles in the Annals of the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology

- **“Saint Maron the Hermit between the Syriac Tradition and the Greek Milieu: A Study of Literary Testimonies and Archaeological Discoveries”** (Written in Arabic). *Annals 15*. University of Balamand, 2025.
- **“The Great Joy in the Lukan Work”** (Written in Arabic). *Annals 14*. University of Balamand, 2024.
- **“Ἀρχή and Λόγος: New Arguments in Favor of a Parallel Understanding of Terms in 1 John 1:1 and the Johannine Prologue.”** (Written in Arabic). *Annals 13*. University of Balamand, 2023.
- **“The Ecclesiology of St. Paul: One Church or United Churches.”** (Revised Version, Written in Arabic). *Annals 12*. University of Balamand, 2021.
- **“The Bishop in the Pastoral Letters: Insights for the Contemporary Episcopacy.”** (Revised Version, Written in Arabic). *Annals 11*. University of Balamand, 2016.

- **“The Essential Bread in the ‘Our Father’.”** (Written in Arabic). Annals 10. University of Balamand, 2014.
- **“A Study of St. John of Damascus’ Biblical and Linguistic Approach in his Three Apologies on the Divine Icons.”** Annals 9. University of Balamand, 2012.
- **“A New Proposal for the Translation and Interpretation of Romans 9:7a.”** (Written in Arabic). Annals 7. University of Balamand, 2006.
- **“‘Faith in Hope against Hope’: An Exegetical Study of Romans 4:17–25.”** (Written in Arabic). Annals 6. University of Balamand, 2004.

Published Conference Proceedings

- **“A Textual-Critical Study and Interpretation of the Liturgical Response ‘ἔλεον εἰρήνης, θυσίαν αἰνέσεως’.”** In *Studia Theologica Doctoralia XIV: De la lumina rugăciunii la teologia luminii*. Edited by Fr. Viorel Sava. Iași: **Doxologia**, 2022, pp. 11–25.
- **“The Holy Royal Priesthood in 1 Peter 2:9.”** In *Doctoral Research in Pandemic – Challenges, Solutions, Opportunities*. Edited by Fr. Viorel Sava. Iași: **Doxologia**, 2021.
- **“The Ecclesiology of St. Paul: One Church or United Churches. The Universal Dimension of the One Church in the Epistles of St. Paul.”** In *Aspecte Ale Cercetării Științifice Doctorale, Astăzi*. Edited by Fr. Viorel Sava. Iași: **Doxologia**, 2020.
- **“The Roots of St. Ephrem’s Anti-Jewish Thematics: A Response to Dominique Cerbelaud.”** (Written in Russian). In *St. Ephrem The Syrian and His Spiritual Heritage*. Edited by Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk. Moscow, 2019.
- **“The Person and Ministry of the Priest According to the Pastoral Epistles of St. Paul.”** (Written in Greek). In *Priesthood and Ecclesiastical Ministry: Proceedings of the 2nd and 3rd Annual Priestly Conferences*. Edited by Fr. Chrysostomos Nassis. Thessaloniki: **Metropolis of Nea Krini and Kalamaria**, 2019.
- **“Biblical Hermeneutics in the Theology and Life of the Orthodox Church.” [Keynote Address].** (Written in French). In *Lire la Bible, écouter la Parole: Enjeux et expériences œcuméniques*. Paris: **Cerf – Patrimoines**, 2018.
- **“The Church in the Book of Exodus and Subsequent Books.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Book of Exodus*, Biblical Studies 55. Edited by A. Chahwan. Lebanon: **Biblical Federation**, 2017.
- **“The Incarnation of the Teacher of Faith and Love.”** (Written in Arabic). In *God’s Love and Neighbor’s Love*, Biblical Studies 55. Edited by A. Chahwan. Lebanon: **Biblical Federation**, 2014.
- **“St. Paul’s Case Against Proselytism.” [Keynote Address].** In *Making Mission from The Model of Christ*. Edited by Aurel Pavel et al. Sibiu: **Astra Museum**, 2013. ISBN: 978-606-8520-41-4.
- **“The ‘Thorn in the Flesh’: An Interpretation of 2 Cor. 12:6–7.” [Keynote Address].** (Written in Arabic). In *St. Paul’s Letters to the Corinthians*, Biblical Studies 58. Edited by A. Chahwan. Lebanon: **Biblical Federation**, [n.d.].
- **“The Interpretation of the ‘Royal Priesthood’ (1 Pet 2:9).”** (Written in Arabic). In *Le sacrement du Sacerdoce*. Beirut: **La Sagesse University Publications**, 2011.
- **“The Bishop in the Pastoral Letters: Insights for the Contemporary Episcopacy.”** In *In the Footsteps of Saint Paul: An Academic Symposium*. Edited by Archbishop Demetrios of America and Rev. John Chrysavgis. Istanbul & Brookline: **Holy Cross Orthodox Press**, 2011.

- **“The Understanding of the Church by St. Paul: One Community or United Communities?”** In *Saint Paul The Chosen Instrument*, Biblical Studies 44. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2011.**
- **“Emeth of the LORD in the Psalms.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Book of Psalms*, Biblical Studies 43. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2010.**
- **“The Universality of Judgment According to St. Paul in Romans 2.”** (Written in Arabic). In *St. Paul: Apostle of the Gentiles*. Beirut: La Sagesse University Publications, 2010, pp. 457–485.
- **“Translating Romans 9:7a: Toward an Accurate Understanding of a Difficult Verse.”** In *The Letter to the Romans*, BETL 226. Edited by Udo Schnelle. **Leuven: Peeters, 2009**, pp. 691–697.
- **“The Meaning of the ‘New Creature’ in 2 Cor 5:17.”** (Written in Greek). In *St. Paul and Corinth: International Scholarly Conference Proceedings*, Vol. II. **Athens: Psychogios Publications, 2009**, pp. 75–88.
- **“The Column and the Cross in the Life of St. Symeon the Stylite.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Stylites 1: Conference on St. Symeon the Stylite*. **Aleppo: Monastery of the Annunciation, 2009.**
- **“Christ’s Salvific Work and the Realization of the New Creature (2 Cor 5:14–17).”** (Written in Arabic). In *St. Paul: The Apostle of the Gentiles*. Edited by Fr. George Khawam. **Jounieh: St. Paul’s Library Editions, 2009**, pp. 33–43.
- **“The Resurrection in the Gospel of Mark: The End of the Gospel of God.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Gospel according to Mark*, Biblical Studies 35. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2008.**
- **“Translation Challenges: A Study of Romans 4:17–25.”** (Written in Bulgarian). Published online via *Dveri* (2008).
- **“Textual Criticism and Interpretation of the Liturgical Response: ‘Mercy of peace, sacrifice of praise’.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Bible and Liturgy*, Biblical Studies 39. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2007.**
- **“St. Paul’s Teaching on Justification According to St. John Chrysostom.”** (Written in Greek). In *From St. Paul to St. John Chrysostom: International Congress XIII Pavlia Proceedings*. **Veria: Metropolis of Veria, Naousa and Kampania, 2007.**
- **“Why Christians are Free from the Mosaic Law According to St. Paul.”** (Written in Arabic). In *Freedom in the Bible*, Biblical Studies 31. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2006.**
- **“The Historicity of Jesus’ Baptism by John the Baptist.”** (Written in Arabic). In *The Historical Jesus*, Biblical Studies 29. Edited by A. Chahwan. **Lebanon: Biblical Federation, 2005.**
- **“‘The Great Joy’: A Theological and Exegetical Approach to Luke 2:10–11.”** (Written in Arabic). In *Voice of the Church*. **Amman, Jordan, 2004.**
- **“Prophecy in the Old Testament and in Mesopotamia.”** In *Biblia*. **Kaslik: Université Saint-Esprit, 2004.**

Forthcoming Publications (In Press)

- **“St. Paul’s Doctrine on Justification by Faith according to St. John Chrysostom.”** In *Balamand Theological Conferences 5*. Tripoli: St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology, University of Balamand.
- **“The Interpretation and Translation of the Expression ‘Κλητή και Ἀγία Ἡμέρα’ of the 8th Ode’s Eirmos of the Canon of Pascha.”** (Written in Greek). In *Holy Scripture and Orthodox Worship*. Thessaloniki: Faculty of Theology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.
- **“Social, Cultural, Ethnic, and Economic Challenges to Proclaiming the Gospel: The Case of St. Joseph of Arimathea.”** In *The Reading of the Holy Scripture and the Challenges of the Proclamation of Faith*. Organized by the Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Babeş-Bolyai University. Cluj-Napoca, Romania, November 5–6, 2019.
- **“‘Angel of Satan’ in 2 Corinthians 12:7.”** (Written in Greek). In *Angels and Spirits*. Hellenic Society of Biblical Studies.
- **“The Sacramentalism in the Johannine Narration of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fish.”** (Written in Arabic). In *La spiritualité du désert*. Kaslik: USEK.

Synodical Papers & Presentations

- **“Marriage as Mystery in the New Testament.”** Study presented to the Holy Synod of the Patriarchate of Antioch. October 2019.
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Invited Keynote Speaker & Guest Lecturer

International

- **Keynote Address:** “The Foundation of the first Church of Gentiles and Jews in Antioch and the Union of the Chief Apostles there.” (Written in Greek). **International Conference of the Three Faculties of Theology (Balamand, Athens, Thessaloniki)**, Thessaloniki, Greece | May 2025.
- **Workshop Organizer:** “The Church: Toward a Common Vision” (Faith and Order Convergence Document). **WCC Conference on World Mission and Evangelism**, Arusha, Tanzania | March 2018.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “Thorn in the Flesh (2 Cor 12:7)” (Written in Arabic). **15th Congress of the Biblical Federation in the Middle East**, NDU & University of Balamand, Lebanon | January 2017.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “History of Antioch” and “Theology of St. Paul” (Series of 7 Lectures). **Annual Meeting of Antiochian Priests**, Los Angeles, USA | Jan/Feb 2017.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “The Interpretation and Translation of the Expression ‘Κλητή και Ἀγία Ἡμέρα’ of the 8th Ode’s Eirmos of the Canon of Pascha.” (Written in Greek). **International Conference: Holy Scripture and Orthodox Worship**, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece | February 2015.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “L’herméneutique biblique dans la théologie et la vie de l’Église orthodoxe.” **Colloque des Facultés, Institut Catholique de Paris**, France | April 2014.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “God of Life lead us to Justice and Peace: Perspectives on Reconciliation.” **Inter-Orthodox Consultation for the 10th WCC General Assembly**, Kos, Greece | October 2012.

- **Guest Lecturer:** “Orthodox Hermeneutics.” **Catholic Biblical Federation International Congress**, Pontifical University Urbaniana, Rome, Italy | December 2010.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “St. Paul’s Pattern of Spiritual Guidance and its Influence on Patriarch Ignatius IV.” **3rd International Conference of the Orthodox Fellowship of St. John the Baptist**, Swanwick, England | July 2010.
- **Featured Speaker:** “The Bishop in the Pastoral Letters: Insights for the Contemporary Episcopacy.” **Pauline Symposium at the invitation of His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew**, Constantinople/Istanbul | October 2008.
- **Guest of Honor:** “Our Life in Christ,” “Teaching the Faith,” and “The Priesthood of the Baptized.” **2nd Annual Conference of the Antiochian Orthodox Deanery of the UK and Ireland**, Sheffield, UK | May 2008.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “Translation Problems in Romans 4:17–25.” **Colloque Biblique International, Institut Saint-Serge**, Paris, France | February 2008.
- **Guest Lecturer:** (Lecture Series) “Justification by Faith in St. Paul,” “The Ending of Mark,” and “Resurrection in the Narrative of Mark.” **Institut Saint-Serge**, Paris, France | 2005–2008.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “Abraham in the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans.” **Biblicum of the University of Thessaloniki**, Greece | December 2003.

National (Lebanon)

- **Academic Lecture:** “Israel in the Epistles of St. Paul.” **Near East School of Theology (NEST)**, Beirut | April 2020.
- **Seminar Presenter:** “Should Romans 5:1–11 be read as a Statement or an Exhortation?” **University of Balamand Research Seminars** | May 2006.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “The Biblical Background of St. John of Damascus’ Teaching on Icons.” **Celebrations of the St. John of Damascus Feast**, Balamand | December 2005.

Refereed Conference Papers

- **“The Interpretation of the Metaphor *Περιπατῶ* and its Implications for Pauline Studies.”** International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL). **Rome, Italy** | August 1–5, 2019.
- **“New Arguments in Favor of a Parallel Understanding of *Ἀρχή* and *Λόγος* in 1 John 1:1 and the Johannine Prologue.”** International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL). **Helsinki, Finland** | July 30 – August 3, 2018.
- **“Interpreting ‘Thorn in the Flesh, Angel of Satan’ in 2 Cor 12:7 through an Original Exegetical Analysis of its Context.”** International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL). **Helsinki, Finland** | July 30 – August 3, 2018.
- **“Justification by Faith: Orthodox and Protestant Perspectives.”** International Theological Conference on *The Anthropology of Luther*. **Geneva, Switzerland** | December 7–8, 2017.

Multimedia & Public Media

Television & Radio (Select Broadcasts)

- **“The Law of Christ”**. Preparation and Presentation (10 episodes in English). *Nour Al Sharq*, 2025.
- **“Between Spirit and Flesh”** Guest Speaker (13 episodes in English). *Nour Mariam*, 2025.
- **“Interpretation of the Readings from the Apostolos in the Triodion.”** Guest Speaker (10 episodes in English). *Nour Al Shabab*, Lenten Season 2019.
- **“The Holy Theotokos.”** Feature Interview (90 minutes). *Télélumière*, August 2017.
- **“Toward Christian Union.”** Panel Discussion with four leading theologians. *Télélumière*, February 2017.
- **“For Our Sake.”** Guest Speaker (Series of 10 interviews in Arabic on the Passion of Christ). *Télélumière and Noursat*, Holy Week 2012.
- **“Everything Has Become New.”** Guest Speaker (Series of 22 interviews in Arabic on Pauline Theology). *Télélumière and Noursat*, July–December 2011.
- **“He is The LORD.”** Guest Speaker (Series of 13 interviews in Arabic on the Divinity of Christ). *Télélumière and Noursat*, 2011.
- **“The Cross in the Life of the Christian.”** Guest Speaker. Moderated by Metropolitan Vasilios of Constantias. *Mega Channel (Cyprus) & RIK Satellite*, March 27, 2011.
- **“The Word is Yours.”** Guest Speaker (Arabic series). Broadcast on *MTV Lebanon & OTV* during Great Lent 2011.
- **“Jesus is the Bread of Life.”** Featured Guest (Hour-long specials on the Nativity, Baptism, and Death of Christ). *Nour Al Sharq TV*.
- **Ongoing Media Presence:**
 - **Regular Guest**, “*Annour Maana*” (The Light is with Us), *Télélumière and Noursat*.
 - **Theological Commentator**, Multiple interviews on *MTV Lebanon*, particularly during Holy Week.
 - **Radio Commentator**, Multiple theological segments on *Melody FM* and *Van Radio* (Beirut), specifically regarding the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Multimedia Publications

- **“The Bishop in the Pastoral Letters (I & II Timothy and Titus): Insights for the Contemporary Episcopacy.”** In *SYNAXIS of the Heads of the Orthodox Churches & Pauline Symposium* (DVD 5 of 6). Published by **Greek Orthodox Telecommunications, New York**, 2008.
- **“Life in Christ.”** Multimedia series (12 episodes) focusing on the core themes of St. Paul’s Theology.

Print & Online Media Interviews

- **“Who Can Be Called a Martyr?”** Feature Article/Interview. *Annahar Newspaper*, March 6, 2017.
- **“Die Universität von Balamand und ihre Wirkung für die Toleranz im Libanon.”** (The University of Balamand and its impact on tolerance in Lebanon). Interview with the German newspaper *Südwest Deutsch*, published September 28, 2006.

Awards & Honors

- **Medal of St. Vladimir** | Awarded by His Beatitude Metropolitan Vladimir of Kyiv and All Ukraine.
 - *Presented during the 1,020th Anniversary Celebrations of the Baptism of Kievan Rus’.*
- **Medal of St. Paul** | Awarded by His Eminence Metropolitan Panteleimon of Veria, Naoussa, and Kampania.
 - *Presented at the 13th “Pavlia” International Congress: From Apostle Paul to St. John Chrysostom, Veria, Greece | July 2007.*
- **Valedictory Accolade and Award of Patriarch Ignatius IV** | University of Balamand.
 - *Awarded to the graduating student with the highest cumulative average for the 1997–1998 academic year.*