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1975 – Due to a random encounter with a member of the Unification Church (founder Sun Myung Moon) I began personal research in the area of cults.

1983 – In May I graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from North Central Bible College (now NCU)

1983 - In December I began publically speaking on cults. To date I have spoken in 35 states, conducting multiple day seminars mostly in churches. Also, I frequently speak at national conferences throughout the United States. Occasionally I am sought out by newspaper and television to report on national cult related stories.

On an ongoing basis I am contacted by families who seek me out to help them extricate loved ones from cult groups. I do not actively solicit for this type of work but individuals and agencies will give out my telephone number when families request help.

I have written a number of articles on cult issues, primarily for my publication. I have also authored two books, one related to the problem of cults.

2005 – I was asked in the summer by Dr. Paul Martin, founder of Wellspring Retreat and Resource Center in Albany, Ohio, to join the staff as their resident “cult expert” and video workshop leader. Wellspring which started in 1986, at that time, was the only treatment center in the world that helped cult victims recover from the physical, emotional and psychological damage done by these destructive groups. I worked with clients from the US, Austria, England and Sweden in my one year stint at the facility.

International Work

Since 1989 I have lectured in the following countries:

Argentina – 1989 and 1996

The Philippines – 1993, 1997, 2003

Romania – 1998

Ukraine – 1995 and 1998

Zambia – 2004

The United Kingdom – Planned for the fall of 2014

In addition to these areas of involvement, over the last 30, years I have interviewed hundreds of current and former cult victims, partly for my ongoing research and also to attempt to aid them.