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**DEGREES**

2011: Ph.D Religions, University of Ghana.

2005: B.A. (Hons), First Class, (Religions and History) University of Ghana.

1997: Certificate in Ministry, Trinity College, Legon.

1996 Diploma in Study of Religions, University of Ghana.

1991 Teachers Certificate ‘A’, University of Cape Coast.

**FELLOWSHIP**

2013-2014: ESKAS Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Research Fellow, Faculty of Theology at the

Universität Basel, Basel, Switzerland.

2017 DAVID STOWE Fund for Mission Research at the Yale Divinity School.

2017-2019 TEMPLETON FOUNDATION Grant through the Nagel Institute’s “African

Theological Advance”

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Refereed Journal Articles and Book Chapters**

Martin Knispel and Nana Opare Kwakye, *Pioneers of the Faith: Biographical Studies from*

*Ghanaian Church History,* (Akropong, Akuapem Presbytery Press, 2006)

Cephas N. Omenyo & Nana O. Kwakye, ‘Authentically African, Authentically Anglican’, in

Cephas N. Omenyo & Eric Anum (ed.),  *Being All things to All People: Trajectories of Religion in Africa. Essays in honour of John S. Pobee* (Rodopi, Amsterdam, 2014)

Abraham Nana Opare Kwakye, “Encountering ‘Prosperity’ Gospel in 19th Century Gold Coast:

Indigenous Perceptions of Western Missionary Societies” in *Pastures of Plenty: Tracing Religio-Scapes of Prosperity Gospel in Africa and Beyond* (Studies in the Intercultural History of Christianity, Vol. 161), edited by Andreas Heuser (Frankfurt et al.: Peter Lang), 2015.

Abraham Nana Opare Kwakye, “Mission Possible becomes Possible: West Indian Missionaries

and Mission in the Gold Coast” in *Interkulturelle Theologie, Zeitschrift für Missionswissenschaft,* 2-3/2016, 42 Jahrgang.

Nana Opare Kwakye, “The Sixteenth-Century Reformation and Lessons for the Contemporary Church in Africa” in *Journal of African Christian Thought,* 20.2 (2017): 38-45

Abraham Nana Opare Kwakye, “Returning African Christians in Mission to the Gold Coast” in *Studies in World Christianity* 24.1 (2018): 25–45.

Abraham Nana Opare Kwakye, The Presbyterian Church of Ghana” in *Christianity in Ghana: Vol. 1 – A PostColonial History* (Accra: Sub-Saharan Publishers, 2018), 30-47

Abraham Nana Opare Kwakye, “Crucify the Cocoa – The Basel Mission Church in the Gold Coast and the Threat of the Cocoa Boom” in *The ‘Golden Pod’: Its Religious, Socio-Economic and Political Impact on the Gold Coast and Ghana* (Akropong: Regnum Africa, 2018) 50-67.

**RECENT CONFERENCES**

* Presented a paper “Catherine Mulgrave, Pioneer Missionary and Teacher in the Gold Coast” at an International, Interdisciplinary Conference organized by The World Christianity & History of Religions Program Department of History & Ecumenics, Princeton Theological Seminary, New Jersey, USA from January 18th January to 20, 2018. Theme: “CURRENTS, PERSPECTIVES, AND METHODOLOGIES IN WORLD CHRISTIANITY.”
* Presented a paper “Adaptation and Survival! Changing Patterns of Ministry in a Growing African City” at the Conference on “RELIGION AND THE 21ST CENTURY CITY: OPENINGS AND CLOSURES” organised by the Department for the Study of Religions, University of Ghana, Legon from 20th to 22nd June 2018.
* Guest Lecturer at the 18th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana on “The Development of the PCG’s Synod/General Assembly System - The Future Perspective of the General Assembly”, held at Akropong, in August 2018.
* Presented a paper “Literature, Music and Prayer as Expressions of African Values and Spiritualties” at the II International Interdisciplinary Conference: Global African and Afrodiasporic Religions, held at the Federal University of Juiz de Fora – UFJF (Brazil) from 22nd to 25th October 2018.

**OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Vice Chairman of the Presbyterian Committee on Specialised Ministries. 2018

Vice Chairman, Presbyterian Women’s Centre Board. 2018

Member, Presbyterian Church of Ghana Committee on Heritage and Doctrine 2018

Member, Management Board, Presbyterian School of Leadership and Management. 2015-present

Member, Governing Council, Presbyterian College of Education, 2014-2016

Chief Recorder, General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana. 2012-present

Facilitator, Presbyterian School of Church Leadership and Management. 2013 to present

Facilitator, Ministerial Probationary Studies, Presbyterian Church of Ghana. 2007 to present

**ACADEMIC SERVICES**

Editorial Team, Heritage Publishing House, Accra, Ghana

Member, German Missiological Society

Member, Yale-Edinburgh Group on the History of the Missionary Movement

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Chairman, Continuing Education Committee, Akrofi-Christaller Institute, Akropong.

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