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EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Princeton Theological Seminary, 2012;
Area: Old Testament
Dissertation: "'Not a Lion, But a Dragon,' The Monstrification of Egypt in the Book of Ezekiel 29:1-16 and 32:1-16"
Advisor: Prof. Jacqueline Lapsley

S.T.M., Union Theological Seminary in New York City, 2002;

M.A.T.S., Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, 2001;

B.Th., Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, 1999.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary: Associate Professor of OT/HB, Fall 2011- present;

Saint Joseph's University: Adjunct Instructor, Spring 2010 – Fall 2010;

Princeton Theological Seminary: teaching fellow, January 2010; Fall 2009; Summer 2006, Summer 2008; Fall 2006, Fall 2008; research assistant to Dennis Olson, 2005-2006;

Princeton University: teaching fellow, 2005-2006;

Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo: adjunct instructor, 2002–2005; Jan 2013;

The Coptic Catholic Seminary in Cairo: adjunct instructor, 2002-2005.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Safwat Marzouk, *Exodus* (Interpretation; Louisville: John Knox Westminster, under contract 2022).

Safwat Marzouk, *Intercultural Church: Biblical Foundations* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, under contract 2019).

Safwat Marzouk, *Exodus, Joshua, Ezekiel: A Contemporary Arabic Commentary* (Cairo: Dar Al Thaqafa, forthcoming winter 2018).

Safwat Marzouk, *Egypt as a Monster in the Book of Ezekiel* (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015).

Essays and Book Chapters

“Egypt and Israel,” in *Baker Illustrated Background Bible Commentary* (Forthcoming);

“Egypt in the Book of Jeremiah,” in *Oxford Handbook of Jeremiah* (Forthcoming);

“Assyrian Empire” in *Oxford Handbook of Postcolonialism and the Bible* (Forthcoming);

Safwat Marzouk, “Interrogating Identity: A Christian Egyptian Reading of the Hagar-Ishmael Traditions” pages 3-30 in *Colonialism and the Bible: Contemporary Reflections from the Global South*. Postcolonial and Decolonial Studies in Religion and Theology. Ed. Tat-siong Benny Liew. Lanham: Lexington Books, 2018.

Marzouk, Safwat. “Famine, Migration, and Conflict.” In *Where Are We?: Pastoral Environments and Care for Migrants, Intercultural and Interreligious Perspectives*, edited by Daniel S. Schipani, Martin Walton, Dominiek Lootens, and Society for Intercultural Pastoral Care and Counseling. Düsseldorf, Germany: Society for Intercultural Pastoral Care and Counseling/Gesellschaft für interkulturelle Seelsorge und Beratung, 2018.

Safwat Marzouk, “Monstrous Empires and the Kingdom of God in Daniel 7: What Do Monsters Reveal about the Empire?” in *@this point: Theological Investigations in Church and Culture*; Volume 11, No. 1. Spring 2016. <http://www.atthispoint.net/articles/monstrous-empires-and-the-kingdom-of-god-what-do-monsters-reveal-about-the-empire/275/>

Safwat Marzouk, “The Paradoxical Monstrification of Egypt in the Book of Ezekiel: Violence, Impurity, and the Other,” in *Struggles for Shalom: Peace and Violence across the Testaments* (ed. Laura L. Brenneman and Brad D. Schantz; Eugene, Or.: Wipf and Stock, 2014).

Nicholas Rowe and Safwat Marzouk “God’s Shalom for Postcolonial Communities: Two Reflections,” in *Evangelical Postcolonial Conversations: Global Awakenings in Theology and Praxis* (ed. Kay Higuera Smith, Jayachitra Lalitha, and L. Daniel Hawk; Downers Grove, Il.: InterVarsity Press, 2014).

Safwat Marzouk, “Reading Jeremiah 42-44 as a Christian Egyptian,” and “Lessons from Esther for Christians in Egypt,” in *Global Perspectives on the Old Testament* (ed. Mark Roncace and Joseph Weaver; Boston: Pearson, 2014).

Jeremy Hutton and Safwat Marzouk, “The Morphology of the tG-Stem in Hebrew and Targaltî in Hos 11:3.” *Journal of Hebrew Scripture* 12 (2012): 1-41. http://www.jhsonline.org/Articles/article_171.pdf

Entries in Encyclopedias

“Oppression,” “Dragon,” “Horns of Moses,” “Ahban,” “Ahiam,” “Ahian,” *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*; <https://www.degruyter.com/view/db/ebr>

"Libya" *New Interpreter's Bible Dictionary*, vol. III (2008).

Book Reviews

Marzouk, Safwat. "Dictionary Of Daily Life In Biblical And Post-Biblical Antiquity Vol 1 A-Da." *Near Eastern Archaeology* 78.4 (2015): 306-307.

A Review of Galvin, Garrett, *Egypt as a Place of Refuge* (FAT, II/51; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2011). *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 13 (2013)
http://www.jhsonline.org/reviews/reviews_new/review640.htm

A Review of Russell, Stephen C., *Images of Egypt in Early Biblical Literature: Cisjordan-Israelite, Transjordan-Israelite, and Judahite Portrayals* (BZAW, 403; Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2009). *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 11 (2011)
http://www.jhsonline.org/reviews/reviews_new/review558.htm

Book Review, “Ezekiel” by Steven Tuell, in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* (2010) 40:179-180;

Popular Writings

Huffington Post Religion Blog: <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/safwat-marzouk-phd/>

Christian Century: <https://www.christiancentury.org/contributor/safwat-marzouk>

The Institute of Youth Ministry, Princeton Theological Seminary: Paris, Syria and Iraq, Talking ISIS with Youth <http://iym.ptsem.edu/resources/engage/paris-syria-iraq-talking-isis-with-youth-with-youth/#tab-id-5>

PRESENTATIONS:

AAR and SBL Presentations:

“Cross Cultural Transactions in the Story of Joseph: Assimilation, Separation, and Transnationality,” SBL Annual Meeting, Fall 2017;

“Micah 4:1-5, A Vision of Peace Subverting Imperial Discourse,” SBL Annual Meeting, Fall 2015;

“Exodus and Assimilation: The perspectives of Moses Mendelssohn and Christian Egyptians” and a panelist on “Immigration, Militarization, Economy,” SBL Annual Meeting, Fall, 2014;

“The Semiotics of the Dismembered Body of the Monster in the ANE Chaoskampf Myths and Ezekiel In the Light of Foucault’s Discipline and Punish,” SBL Annual Meeting, Fall 2012;

“A Postcolonial Reading of the Hagar-Ishmael Narratives in Genesis,” American Academy of Religion, Fall 2011;

“The Monstrification of Egypt in Ezekiel: Why is Egypt a monster in Ezekiel?,” and “Putting the Monster, Egypt, under Check: Geo-Political minimization of Egypt (Ezekiel 29:12-16) and Pharaoh’s Descent into Sheol (Ezekiel 32:17-32),” SBL Annual Meeting, Fall 2010;

“Not a Lion, But a Dragon: Funeral Dirge and Combat Myth in Ezekiel 32:1-16,” Mid-Atlantic Regional SBL meeting, Spring 2008;

Lectures and Talks:

“Intercultural Church,” Co-Taught with Rachel Miller Jacobs, Leadership Clinic at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, February 2017;

“Joseph and Migration: Integration, Assimilation, Separation and Transnationalism,” University of Zurich, Spring 2017;

“Paradoxical Nature of the Covenant” and “Intercultural Church: Biblical Foundations,” Mennonite Church Canada, July 2016;

“Bible, Empire, Reception History in Africa,” A Panelist, Columbia Theological Seminary, November 2015;

“What Monsters Reveal about Empires: the differences between the Kingdom of God and the Monstrous Empires in Daniel 7,” Bethel College, the Staley Lectures, October 2015;

“Love Liberates,” Michiana Mennonite Church Annual Assembly, June 2014;

“Holy Ground: Worship as Our Mission,” Mennonite Church Eastern Canada Annual Assembly, Spring 2014;

“Blessed Be the Odd: Ishmael as an Interstitial Figure,” Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Pastors Week, Jan 2014;

“Hagar and Ishmael as an Other,” Fellowship of Hope Mennonite Church, Fall 2013;

“Egypt: an ongoing revolution,” Sunnyside Presbyterian Church, South Bend, fall 2013;

“The Land” and “Immigration” from a Biblical Perspective, Sunnyside Presbyterian Church, South Bend, Fall 2012 and Spring 2013;

“Reading Difficult Texts in the Old Testament,” Mennonite Church Canada Assembly, Summer 2012;

"Reading the Old Testament and the Middle East," PCUSA Big Tent, Atlanta, June 2009; "Introduction to Islam," co-leader of a seminar at Riverside Church in NYC, spring 2002;

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Arabic American Evangelical Church in Jersey City, "part-time Pastor", 2010-2011;

SAT-7, the First Arabic Christian Satellite Channel, "program host", 2003-2004;

El-Saraya Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, Egypt, "Assistant Pastor," 2002-2005.

MEMBERSHIPS:

Society of Biblical Literature;

The Synod of the Nile, Presbyterian Church in Egypt;
Wabash Valley Presbytery (Presbyterian Church USA).

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Thinking theologically about monsters in the Bible, Ancient Near East, and popular culture;
Constructing the Other in the Old Testament; Middle Eastern Christian Hermeneutics; Immigration and the Bible.

LANGUAGES:

Biblical Hebrew, Koine Greek, Aramaic, Ugaritic, Middle Egyptian, Arabic, some German, some French

GRANTS:

Summer Fellowship, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion; Summer 2015.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZING:

"Word, Spirit and the Renewal of the Church," with Jamie Pitts and John Roth, an ecumenical and a global conference commemorating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation (Fall, 2017; Goshen College and Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary)

