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**1996-present** Therapist Intern, Center for Family Services, Virginia Tech, Falls Church, VA

- Provide systemic, brief couple and family therapy with live supervision.
- Internship is part of master's degree program in Marriage and Family Therapy. Thesis: How Parents Experience a Transition to Adolescence.
- Won 1998 Graduate Student Research Award from American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT) for thesis proposal.
- Graduate Assistant, 1995-1996: Successfully revised grant application to NIMH on Systemic Treatment of Batterers in Intact Relationships.

**1988-present** Independent Writer and Editorial Consultant

- Child Welfare League of America: Edit training materials for National Center for Consultation and Professional Development. Projects include curricula for foster parents, adoptive parents, kinship caregivers, public and private agency workers and supervisors. Edited policy manual and case practice manual for City of Philadelphia, Dept. of Human Services.
- Prison Fellowship: Article writing and editing for periodicals and books; wrote crime-prevention book, *Staying Safe* (Zondervan, 1994).
- American Pharmaceutical Association: interviews and article writing.
- Manuscript critique and editing for authors seeking publication.
- Author of magazine articles on topics including crime prevention, spiritual direction, adoption, infertility, hospice care, marriage and family life, homelessness. Articles appeared in *Christianity Today*, *Guideposts*, *Marriage Partnership*, *The Saturday Evening Post*, *World Vision*, *Clarity*, *Christina Legal Society Quarterly*, *Leadership*, *Discipleship Journal*.
- Interviewed and wrote profiles of newsmakers including Elizabeth Dole, C. Everett Koop, Congressman Tony Hall.
- Public speaking on editorial and family life issues. Topics include infertility, adoption, church involvement in public policy issues, interviewing techniques, newswriting.

**1981-1987** Washington Editor, *Christianity Today*, Carol Stream, IL

- News reporting for national, nondenominational magazine.
- Averaged 30 articles per year including six cover stories.
- Won press association awards in 1985 and 1986
- Broadcast UPI radio commentaries, 1984-1985.

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**1978-1980** Managing Editor, Int'l Management and Development Institute, Washington, DC

- Planned and produced newsletters and 48-page biannual journal for nonprofit institute concerned with government-business relationships.

**1975-1977** Advertising staff, *The Centre Daily Times*, State College, PA

- Ad layout, client contact, copy writing.

**Education** Virginia Tech, Falls Church, VA

Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy, May 1999

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, June 1975

**Books**

*Staying Safe: Prison Fellowship's Guide to Crime Prevention* by Beth Spring (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1994).

*Still Married, Still Sober* by David & Elsie MacKenzie with Beth Spring (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1991).

*Twelve-Part Harmony* by Pat & Jill Silliams with Beth Spring (Old Tappan, NJ: Fleming H. Revell, 1990).

*Childless: The Hurt and the Hope* by Beth Spring (Batavia, IL: Lion, 1989).

*Euthanasia: Spiritual, Medical, and Legal Issues in Terminal Health Care* by Beth Spring and Ed Larson (Portland, OR: Multnomah Press, 1988).

*The Infertile Couple* by Beth Spring (Elgin, IL: David C. Cook, 1987).

**Activities**

Training Programs: The Nurturing Program, Fairfax County, VA, 1997

Stephen Ministry, The Falls Church (Episcopal), Falls Church, VA 1996

Volunteer, Homestretch, Fairfax County, VA (program providing housing for homeless families), summer 1996. Provided home visits and telephone follow up with one client family.

Chair, Pastoral Care Ministry, The Falls Church (Episcopal), Falls Church, VA, Worked with psychologist to develop intake and referral system and resource directory for parishioners seeking help.

Board member, Northern Virginia FACE (Families Adopting Children Everywhere), 1991-1994. Planned and implemented programs on topics such as finances, cross-cultural adoption, and ADHD.

Organized and led support group for infertile couples, The Falls Church (Episcopal), Falls Church, VA, 1985-1986. Spoke at several other local churches about starting support groups.