

## Curriculum vitae

Abraham van de Beek

Born 1946.10.09

1968: married to Neeltje Lydia de Bruijn

- three children

### **Education and awards**

1964 –1970 Study of theology University of Utrecht

1968 Mdiv (paper honoured with the Thesis award of the University)

1970 MTh – supervisor Prof. Dr. A.A. van Ruler

1974 PhD in botany, University of Utrecht; supervisor Prof. Dr. F.P. Jonker. Dissertation: *The Brambles of the Geldrian District* (written in German)

1980 DTh, University of Leiden; supervisor Prof. Dr. H. Berkhof. Dissertation: *The human Person of Christ: an inquiry in the concept of the anhypostasia of the human person of Christ.*

1995 Doctorate of honor by the Theological Academy of Cluj (Romania)

2005 Doctorate of honor Gáspár Károly University Budapest

### **Professional**

1970-81 Minister of the Dutch Reformed church in several congregations.

1981-2000 Church professor in biblical en systematic theology at the University of Leiden.

1988-94 Chair of the board of church professors of the Dutch Reformed Church

1994-97 Rector of the Hervormd Theologisch Wetenschappelijk Instituut (Reformed Academic Theological Institute)

1991-94 Member of the editorial board of the *Nederlands Theologisch Tijdschrift*

2000- 05 Professor in the Symbols of the Church at VU University in Amsterdam/

director of the International Reformed Theological Institute.

2005- 2008 Dean of the faculty of theology of VU University in Amsterdam

2008- Research professor in the Symbols of the Church at VU University in Amsterdam

### ***Other present functions:***

\* Member of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences

(- chairperson of the section Theology and Philosophy 2002-2006)

\* Extraordinary professor of the University of Stellenbosch

\* Referee of several international theological journals

Frequently guest lectures were given at theological faculties in several countries.

Publications (a selection of the main monographs only):

- *Why? On Suffering, Guilt, and God* (Dutch 1984; English 1990)
- *The Breath of God: the Holy Spirit in Church and Cosmos* (Dutch 1987)
- *Miracles and Miracle Stories* (Dutch 1991; Indonesian 1996)
- *Creation: the World as a Prelude to Eternity* (Dutch 1996)
- *Jesus Kyrios: Christology as the Heart of Theology* (Dutch 1998; English 2002)
- *The Circle around the Messiah: Israel as the People of the Suffering Lord* (Dutch 2002)
- *Creation or incident* (Dutch 2006)
- *God does justice: Eschatology as Christology* (Dutch 2008)