

National Conference 2019

Official Ballot

Denominational Vice President (elect 1)

Rev. Jimmy Santiago

Denominational Secretary (elect 1)

Rev. Brian Beall (Central)
Dr. Jason Nicholls (North Central)

GOC Clergy Representatives (elect 2)

Rev. Rodney Arnold (Connect)
Rev. Sam Gallucci (Western)
Rev. Bert Jones (Central)
Rev. Jon Ranous (North Central)

GOC Lay Representatives (elect 3)

Dr. Jim Bollier (Central)
Mr. Ron Hoskins (Midwest)
Mr. Jeff Hummel (Eastern)
Dr. Randall Suttor (North Central)
Mr. Olin Wiland (Central)

Nominating Committee (elect 2)

Rev. Rodney Arnold (Connect)
Rev. Jeff Hossler (Michigan)
Rev. Jeff Kephart (East Central)
Rev. Andy Petro (Midwest)

Constitution Committee (elect 3)

Rev. Edwin Colon (Eastern)
Rev. Bert Jones (Central)
Dr. Jason Nicholls (North Central)
Rev. Mike Somers (Western)
Rev. Hunter Wright (Connect)

BIOS FOR BALLOT NOMINEES

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CANDIDATE FOR DENOMINATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

JIMMY SANTIAGO

Rev. Jimmy Santiago, Director of Latino Ministries for the Central Region since 2001, oversees ministry in the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana. He has led the way in planting 18 churches in these three states. He also serves on the Bethel University Board of Trustees, the Missionary Church Investment Foundation (MCIF) Board, and the General Oversight Counsel (GOC) of the Missionary Church. He and Myriam, his wife of 44 years, have two adult children and two grandchildren.

CANDIDATES FOR DENOMINATIONAL SECRETARY

BRIAN BEALL

At Pathway Community Church (Fort Wayne, Indiana), Brian serves adults as the Next Steps Pastor, overseeing the assimilation strategies by helping adults take their next steps in their journey with Jesus. Brian grew up in the Missionary Church, graduated with a degree in Biblical Literature from Bethel College in 2004, and received a Masters of Divinity from Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University in 2014. He and his wife, Sheri, have been married for 15 years; they two sons, Noah and Gideon, and two daughters, AnnaLynn and EllaJane (both adopted from China).

JASON NICHOLLS

Jason Nicholls is Lead Pastor at Redeemer Missionary Church (South Bend, IN), where he has served for over 16 years. His formal training includes Vennard College (B.A.), Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (M.A.) and Marquette University (Ph.D., Historical Theology). In addition to teaching briefly as an adjunct lecturer, Jason is also a fellow with the Center for Pastor Theologians. He has worked on a variety of boards and committees for the North Central District. At the national level he is currently denominational secretary and a member of the Doctrinal Fence Post Team. Jason and his wife, Terri, reside in South Bend with their four children.

CANDIDATES FOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL ORDAINED MINISTERS

RODNEY ARNOLD

Rodney, the founding pastor of OneLife Church in Knoxville, Tennessee, graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in communications and moved on to receive a Master's degree in church planting from Liberty Theological Seminary. OneLife Church has grown from 12 people (in his living room) in 2009 to three Knoxville campuses with a fourth campus currently forming a launch team. OneLife has also helped to launch four autonomous church plants around Knoxville and East Tennessee in addition to helping launch the Ignite Church Network that has grown to nearly 100 churches nationwide and trains hundreds of pastors and leaders each month. OneLife's passion for church multiplication has led Rodney to be a coach and speaker for Leadership Network's Multisite Innovation Lab, Missionary Church's Ignite Church Network, and the Church Multiplication Training Center's Generate Training Intensives. Rodney has a passion to see churches equip their members to be sent out as missionaries every week where they live, work, and play.

SAM GALLUCCI

Sam and his wife, Toni, have devoted the past 15 years to ministry — first at Calvary Community Church and since 2007 at Embrace (f.k.a. Harbor Community Church), a church that focuses on reaching the homeless and migrant worker population of Ventura County, California. Sam is also a published author (Road Warrior), president of The Kingdom Centers (a community ministry that cares for the poor and broken), and current member of our General Oversight Council.

BERT JONES

Since 2015 Bert has served as the senior pastor at Woodburn Missionary Church in Woodburn, Indiana. Prior to serving at WMC, Bert was the president of GO InterNational (a short-term mission agency based in Wilmore, Kentucky). Over the last 30 years of full-time Christian ministry Bert has served in both local churches and para church ministries and has co-authored two books, Leadership Proverbs and Servant Leadership (published by the Christian Medical and Dental Associations). Because of his passion for world missions, Bert has traveled to over 35 different countries to help individuals and congregations engage in the Great Commission; and he currently serves on the World Partners advisory board as well as the board of directors at GO InterNational. Bert and his wife, Cheryl, have three grown children.

JON RANOUS

Jon Ranous, lead pastor of Gospel Center Missionary Church in South Bend (Indiana) since 2014, also serves on the North Central District Bylaws Committee. Previously, while pastoring for nine years at Newson Missionary Church in St. Paris (Ohio) he served on various boards and committees including the District Executive Board, the DayView Nursing Home Board, and the district credentialing committee. He has a bachelor's degree from Bethel College and a Master of Divinity degree from Wesley Biblical Seminary. Jon is happily married to Bethann, and they have four children.

CANDIDATES FOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL LAYPERSONS

JIM BOLLIER

Jim, a member of Grabill Missionary Church, has served on adult leadership teams and currently works with the youth and young adults. At the national level, he formerly served a term on GOC. For more than 25 years, Jim has practiced pediatrics in the Fort Wayne area and has served professionally as pediatric committee chair. He and his wife (Rhonda) have two married children.

RON HOSKINS

Ron Hoskins came to a life-changing faith in Christ as a result of a car accident while in seventh grade. After 47 years farming in Iowa, he recently retired. After studying at Mountain View Bible College, Ron ministered in Kansas and later filled a variety of roles at Harvest Fellowship Missionary Church in Iowa. Over the years, he's also served the Midwest District as Youth Director, Camp Board Chairman, and Executive Board member and secretary. Ron and Bonnie, his wife of 43 years, enjoy spending time with their three children and six grandchildren.

JEFF HUMMEL

Jeff, a member of Fleetwood Bible Church (FBC) in Fleetwood, Pennsylvania, has served in various ministries in the church for many years. Besides leading worship, Jeff and his wife have led FBC's wide-reaching community outreach ministry. Most recently Jeff has chaired the World Outreach Missions Committee, bringing missionaries and ministry partners to FBC for visits and facilitating short-term missions trips.

Jeff has worked many years for a chemical company, and he and his wife manage several rental properties in the area. Married 26 years, the Hummels have two adult children. One of Jeff and Bev's greatest joys is hosting missionaries and guest speakers in their home's private "mission quarters."

RANDALL SUTTOR

Randall and his wife (Bonnie) have four children and two grandchildren. He has been active at Nappanee Missionary Church for nearly 30 years in various capacities. Currently a member of the faculty of a medical residency program, he has been in private practice in the past and has also worked as a missionary physician."

OLIN WILAND

Prior to entering the world of manufacturing as an owner/operator, Olin Wiland, currently president of the Specialty Forming Group of Samuel, Son & Co. (a large privately-held Canadian company with an integrated network of metal manufacturing, processing, and distribution businesses), was a practicing CPA with Price Waterhouse (Indianapolis) and Ernst & Young (Fort Wayne). Olin and Maria (his wife of 41 years) have lived in Fort Wayne since 1986, and they have one daughter, one son, and five very active grandchildren. Active members of Woodburn Missionary Church, Olin currently serves as church board chairman, teacher, and praise team member. Though an avid golfer and musician, attending his grandchildren's activities is hobby #1.

CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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JEFF HOSSLER

Jeff Hossler, an Missionary Church pastor since 1996, has served as senior pastor at The Orchards Community Church (Romeo, Michigan) since 2003. Jeff earned both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Bethel College. He and Shalon, his bride of 25 years, have 8 children.

JEFF KEPHART

Jeff and his wife, Donna, have served in various Missionary Church ministries since 1985, including assistant pastor, lead pastor, interim pastor, worship, Christian education, denominational secretary, and currently Director of the East Central Region.

ANDY PETRO

Andy has served as Midwest District Superintendent since 2009. Prior to that, he pastored in Milford, Nebraska, and Livonia, Michigan. Andy entered full-time ministry at the age of 36 after working as an advertising copywriter for nearly 12 years. He has been married to his high school sweetheart, Ramona, since 1981. Andy and Ramona have six children and one grandchild; they make their home in Lincoln, Nebraska.

CANDIDATES FOR CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

EDWIN COLON

Edwin Colon, senior pastor of Primera de Corintios 13 in Allentown (Pennsylvania) since 1992, also serves in leadership roles in the Eastern region. He spear-headed and continues to teach for the Allentown "chapter" of the Pastoral Leadership Institute that saw 23 students graduate in 2017. He and his wife Carmen enjoy developing new leaders and ministries with the intention of making new disciples.

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MIKE SOMERS

As Regional Executive Pastor for the Western Region, Mike helps churches and individuals take small steps of faith to accomplish big things for God. Mike's degree in organizational leadership and 30-year management experience at Trader Joe's have been used for the Kingdom over the past 15 years in his role of executive-administrative-missions pastor at Crossroads Church in Camarillo, California, where he gained experience in church administration (finances, capital campaigns, HR, facility, IT), people development, and systems development. With a passion for missions, Mike partnered with Saddleback Church to launch "PEACE Plan," a healthy church initiative that includes local community partnerships and a global outreach. He currently helps Crossroads take "PEACE Plan" to the country of Burundi.

When not focusing on his primary job functions, Mike enjoys life with his wife (Jane), sailing, traveling, playing the cello, and spending time with their five kids and seven grandchildren.

HUNTER WRIGHT

With a core team of 14 people, Hunter and his wife (Kristina) planted Ignition Church in the heart of Knoxville (Tennessee) in 2011 where he continues to serve as lead pastor. Hunter regularly shares Jesus with people far from God, disciples them to live for Him, and multiplies leaders. In addition to pastor, discipler, and husband, Hunter enjoys music (vocal, guitar, piano, and drums) and parenting.