

Nominations for Associate Pastor Nominating Committee



Nilanthi Beekhuysen

Joined National in 2004

Nilanthi has served as a Deacon. She and her husband have raised their two children in NPC.



Janet Forlines

Joined National in 2007

Janet has served as the Chair of National Presbyterian School's Board of Trustees.



Glenn Schmitt

Joined National in 1998

Glenn is a member of the Care Council, Military Ministry, and a leader in Stephen Ministry. He is currently serving as a Confirmation Mentor. He was the chair of the search committee for the current Interim Care Pastor.



Megan Schmoll

Joined National in 2014

Megan is a Deacon and a Small Group Leader.



Lucille Smiley

Joined National in 2005

Lucille is currently an Elder on Session and chair of the Care Council and a leader in Stephen Ministry. She is also a Small Group Leader and has been a Deacon.

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Mike Unger

Joined National in 1995

Mike recently served as a Deacon and has participated in the Men's Breakfast leadership.



Robert Wingfield

Joined National in 2016

Robert is a Small Group Leader at NPC and has served as a Deacon in another congregation.

Nominated as Session Representative to NPC Fund for Charitable Giving



Mark Goodin

Mark is currently serving as an Elder on Session. He was Chair of National Presbyterian School's Board of Trustees.

2018-19 Congregational Nominating Committee

Thea Bournazian, chair

Bruce Boyd

David Moore

Sandy Sharpe

Ruthie Lovejoy

Allison Smith Gordon

WALLS & GATES

In the Bible...

“Walls” (clear boundaries) are necessary

- Nehemiah 1:2-11 – Nehemiah is called by God to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem (Jerusalem is also known as “Zion,” not just a place, but the community of God)
- Revelation 21:12-14 – The New Jerusalem (Heaven) has walls

So too are “Gates” (access points)

- In both Nehemiah and Revelation, the walls of Jerusalem provide vital security, and self-definition for God’s people. But these walls *intentionally also have 12 gates* – a highly symbolic number representing plenty access for all.
- John 10:1-9 – speaks of Jesus not as “the Wall” but as “the Gate.”
- Romans 5:1-2, Hebrews 10:19-22, Ephesians 2:14 – Jesus’ death was understood by the first Christians as opening a door (a gate) and providing access to the very presence of God. The image used was that of the barriers (a curtain and walls) in the Jerusalem temple, which previously divided Jews from Gentiles, men from women, and all people from God), being torn apart and broken down by Jesus’ death.

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LAHORE, PAKISTAN: Forman Christian College University

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Among the graduates of the college are two presidents, an attorney general and

a chief justice of Pakistan, a prime minister of India, and a number of governors and chief ministers of the Punjab and other provinces – leaders forever influenced by their education in a Christian environment.

For more details: www.FriendsofForman.org;
www.theoutreachfoundation.org; www.fccollege.edu.pk

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AMMAN, JORDAN: Evangelical Marka Philadelphia Nazarene Church

(note: “Marka” is an area of Amman, akin to Anacostia in DC; “Philadelphia” is the ancient name for Amman)

“Our goal from the beginning is to establish a community that knows Jesus Christ as Savior and Redeemer; and, to instruct this community to serve the Lord, not only within His Church; but throughout the nation of Jordan.”

Most of the 1.4 million Syrian and Iraqi refugees in Jordan do not live in camps but within the urban areas of Jordan, especially Amman. Less than 10% of Syrian refugees have been able to get work permits, and Iraqis are not permitted to work at all. Poverty is endemic.

Some have hope of being resettled elsewhere, especially Canada and Australia – but some, including some who have worked for the U.S. Military in Iraq, have little hope of returning home or of finding a permanent residence elsewhere than Jordan.

The Marka Church serves both Christian and Muslim refugees in Amman and in some of the smaller refugee camps. Men and women, widows and orphans, and children who have faced indescribable trauma are provided with food, education, job training, medical and dental help, and much more.

Ultimately, the church feeds both physical and spiritual hunger in every sector of the refugee population through a vibrant, open, and immensely practical witness to the faith, hope and love found in Jesus Christ

For more details: www.asenseofcommunity.org/refugeeservices;
www.impactmiddleeast.org/jordan; see Evangelical Marka Church on Facebook; <http://www.dalehansonbourke.com/how-your-church-can-help-refugees/>

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