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GENERAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Moderator-Elect

Clyde E. Hunt, Jr. is a native of Covington, Tennessee. Clyde graduated from the University of Memphis in December of 1981, with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He also holds a Master's in Engineering Management from Christian Brothers University, Memphis, Tennessee and is a certified Project Manager Professional (PMP).

Clyde's professional career began in 1982 with a brief stint as a structural engineer with the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad in Chicago, Illinois. He went on to work as a project manager for the Illinois Department of Transportation in Schaumburg, Illinois. He then returned to Memphis in 1989 to begin work with the Memphis District U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. One of the highlights of his career was serving in Kabul, Afghanistan in 2005 as the Program Manager for Schools and Clinic Refurbishment for Afghan children. After 37 years, Clyde has recently retired, and enjoys long distance cycling, fitness training and dining with family and friends.

Clyde accepted Christ as Lord at the age of 10. He is a 30-year Disciple and is a member of Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church, Memphis, Tennessee. He has served in various leadership capacities including Chair of the Diaconate Ministry, Elder Board Chair, and has contributed his gifts in several committees and Boards of the church, community, and Christian Church (DOC) Tennessee Region. Moreover, Clyde served two three-year terms as Moderator under two senior pastors, Rev. Dr. Frank A. Thomas and Rev. Dr. J. Lawrence Turner. He currently serves on the Elder Board and co-teaches with his wife in the Christian Education Department.

Clyde is married to the former Norma Lynnette Simpson, Family Nurse Practitioner in Memphis and they are the proud parents of Clyde E. Hunt III, Electrical Engineer and Christina L. Hunt, Supply Chain Manager. Both Clyde III and his wife, Kenya Goggans Hunt will complete their graduate programs from the School of Management from Yale University and Harvard University, respectively in May of 2019.

First Vice Moderator

The Rev. Stephanie Kendell is the Executive Minister at Park Avenue Christian Church (The Park) in New York City. She received her Master of Divinity from Brite Divinity School with an added certificate in History, Theology, and Ethics. Stephanie is passionate about justice seeking ministries that aid in the value of intersectional perspectives. She works closely with the New Sanctuary Coalition-New York bringing attention to the need for immigration reform and immigrant rights. Ministries that she contributes to have been written up in the Wall Street Journal, New York Daily News, and Disciples.org.

Before her call to Ordained ministry, Stephanie was a Producer and Head of Operations for an international theatrical marketing agency based in Los Angeles. This skillset drives her relational ministry that seeks to grow and sustain the faith development of her congregants as they lead the congregation. She is also responsible for starting the online ministry at The Park which has expanded and shared the incredible bilingual worship ministries with Disciples around the world.

A current Bethany Fellow, Stephanie also serves on the Regional Committee on Ministry for the Northeastern Region and is a current Writer in Residence for Young Clergy Women International.

Stephanie is a native of the San Francisco Bay Area where she continues to be an avid supporter the SF Giants. In 2005, she graduated with a degree in Musical Theater and Theater Arts from the University of Redlands.

Second Vice Moderator

A native from Medellín, Colombia, **Néstor Gómez** has served as the pastor for both English and Spanish-speaking congregations for over 15 years. He is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). He earned his Master of Divinity degree from Baptist Theological Seminary, and Bachelor degrees from Xaverian Pontifical University (in Religion Sciences) and Baptist Theological Seminary (in Theology), and is on track to defend his doctoral dissertation, *"En el Poder del Espíritu: (In the Power of the Spirit)" A Qualitative Research Study on Social Ethics/Theology among U.S. Latina/o Pentecostals* in April 2019.

Néstor has taught at Claremont School of Theology, Columbia College, Baptist Seminary and Regis University. As a PhD candidate, teacher and pastor surrounded by people from cultures and religions other than his own, he has learned to value, respect, and honor both the differences and commonalities of all human beings. He practices

inclusive excellence in teaching, research, and service for the benefit of all in the academic community. His participation in various programs and services at the University of Denver Center for Multicultural Excellence, such as the Latino Center for Community Engagement and Scholarship (DULCCES), and the Latinx Graduate Association (LGA) has fostered and developed such practices of inclusion. He has also received several awards and honors such as a Dissertation Fellowship from the Louisville Institute and an Outstanding Leadership and Community Service from the Graduate Student Association/Iliff School of Theology.

Néstor's passion for ecumenicism, social justice and marginalized communities has driven him in both his ministries and his studies. While serving as a pastor in Salida, CO, he partnered in an atmosphere of ecumenical spirit with pastors and churches from mainline Protestant denominations to advocate for social justice. He also developed an immigration film project in the church. The film created a space for learning and discussion about immigration and how policies impacted the lives of Latinx immigrants and their families. Néstor also loves many types of art and seeks to incorporate storytelling, visual arts, poetry and technology in his teaching and preaching. He enjoys social dancing –particularly, salsa, swing, bachata and merengue. Other than dancing, he spends his free time sharing with people from other cultures, reading and going out on his bike. Néstor loves Jesus and Mexican bread!

**For membership on the General Board
(Nominated by the General Nominating Committee)**

General Board Class of 2023

Sage Appleby	(L, F, W, 30-39, SW)
Valeria Bejar	(L, F, H, 23-29, AZ)
Toni Colbert	(C, F, B, 60+, IN)
Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder	(C, F, B, 50-59, IL/WI)
Steven Gower	(C, M, W, 30-39, OH)
Chanhee Her	(C, F, API, 30-39, OK)
Hubert Reece	(L, M, B, 60+, CAN)
Miriam Rodriguez	(L, F, H, 50-59, CCCA)
Beau Underwood	(C, M, W, 30-39, MID-AM)

6 females, 3 males; 5 clergy, 4 lay leaders

3 African-American, 1 Asian/Pacific Islander, 3 Caucasian, 2 Hispanic

Ages: 23-29 (1), 30-39 (4), 50-59 (2), 60+ (2)

Continuing GNC General Board Class of 2021

Kristin Alstott	(L, F, W, 23-29, UMW)
Shanell Bowden	(L, F, B, 23-29, IL/WI)
Jackie Compton Bunch*	(L, F, B, 60+, OH)
Katie Hayes	(C, F, W, 40-49, SW)
Angela Kaufman*	(C, F, W, 40-49, SW)
Eula Pagdilao	(L, F, API, 23-29, PSW)
Allison Ruari *	(C, F, API, 30-39, TN)
Candis Wilson	(L, F, B, 30-39, OH)

8 females, 0 males, 3 clergy, 5 lay leaders

3 African-American, 2 Asian/Pacific-Islanders, 3 Caucasian

Ages: 23-29 (3), 30-39 (2), 40-49 (2), 60+ (1)

*Re-electing to fill vacancy

New Members for the General Nominating Committee

For election through the 2023 General Assembly

Jim Barton	(L, M, W, 40-49, AZ)
Shanell Bowden	(L, F, B, 23-29, IL/WI)
Irma Elizarraras	(L, F, H, 50-59, SW)
Eula Pagdilao	(L, F, API, 23-29, PSW)
Tevita Uesi	(C, M, API, 30-39, CRM)

3 females, 2 males, 1 clergy, 4 lay leaders

1 African-American, 2 Asian/Pacific-Islander, 1 Hispanic, 1 Caucasian

Ages: 23-29 (2), 30-39 (1), 40-49 (1), 50-59 (1)

Continuing members of the General Nominating Committee through the 2021 General Assembly

Arnold Hayes	(L, M, B, 60+, TN)
Jong Kook Hong	(C, M, API, 60+, NW)
Dean Phelps	(C, M, W, 50-59, KY)
Bere Gil Soto	(C, F, H, 30-39, IN)
Diane Watkins	(L, F, W, 50-59, KS)

2 females, 3, males, 3 clergy, 2 lay leaders

1 African-American, 1 Asian/Pacific Islander, 1 Hispanic, 2 Caucasian

Ages: 30-39 (1), 50-59 (2), 60+ (2)

In keeping with The Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the members of the Corporation of the Division of Disciples Home Missions and the Corporation of the Division of Overseas Ministries were elected by the General Board at its February 2019 meeting. They are reported here to comply with the Bylaws of the two ministries:

Disciples Home Missions

The General Board elected the following persons

Xochitl Alvizo	(L, F, H, 30-39, NoE)
Beverly Bell	(L, F, B, 60-69, TN)
Candyce Black-Wells	(L, F, B, 30-39, NoE)
Tim Campbell	(L, M, W, 30-39, CAN)
Rhonda Cole-Green	(L, F, B, 40-49, SC)
Tom Cooley	(L, M, W, 40-49, SW)

Chimiste Doriscar	(C, M, B, 50-59, OH)
Jennifer Larson	(L, F, W, 50-59, VA)
Sandy Messick	(C, F, W, 50-59, NW)
Derrick Perkins	(C, M, B, 30-39, MID-AM)
Katherine Raley	(C, F, W, 25-29, CRM)
Juan Rodriguez	(C, M, H, 60-69, FL)
Reuben Sancken-Marx	(C, M, W, 25-29, IN)
Jeremy Skaggs	(C, M, W, 40-49, SW)
Charles Chuck Tooley	(L, M, W, 60-69, MT)

Division of Overseas Ministries

The General Board elected the following persons

Dale Braxton, Sr	(C, M, B, 50-59, AL/NW FL)
Deborah Swift-DeWitt	(L, F, B, 60-69, TN)
Rick Spleth	(C, M, W, 60-69, IN)
Ryan Cullumber	(L, M, W, 40-49, PSW)
Nancy Lear	(L, F, W, 60-69, GKC)
Selena Reyes Martinez	(C, F, H, 50-59, FL)
Antonio Rodriguez	(L, M, H, 50-59, FL)
CyndyTwedell	(C, F, W, 60-69, SW)
Diana Brown	(L, F, W, 70+, OK)
Baek Hee, Kim	(C, M, A, 40-49, IN)
Nestor Gomez Morales	(C, M, H, 40-49, CRM)
Jeremy Gillett	(L, M, B, 30-39, PSW)
Dara Cobb Lewis	(C, F, B, 40-49, NC)
Tyler Reeve	(L, M, W, 25-29, OH)
LaVerne Thorpe	(L, F, B, 60-69, AZ)