## **GAYTON.CHURCH** DTG NOMINATIONS FOR GAYTON BUSINESS MEETING JUNE 3, 2020

Below, you will find a list of nominated candidates from the Discernment Task Group (DTG) for various leadership and council positions. You will also find pictures and bios for our new SLC candidates. Our Gayton Family Business Meeting is set for Wednesday, June 3 at 6pm via Zoom online meeting. A link to the meeting will be distributed to Gayton members via email prior to the meeting. An online ballot will open during the meeting on June 3 and will close Sunday, June 7 at 6pm.

## SERVANT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (SLC)\*

Karl Enters Marybeth Essex Doug Hall \*Pics and bios on the following pages

#### AGAPE/SPACE/QUEST BOARD (ASQ)

Angela Agee

## STEWARDSHIP TASK GROUP (STG)

Jim Carney Steve Jones Cathy Woodring

## HUMAN RESOURCES TASK GROUP (HRTG)

Todd Fuller Jill Vaughan

## **MISSIONS COUNCIL**

Susan Eads Katheryn Enters Keith Morauske Christie Thadikonda

## **GAYTON.CHURCH** SLC CANDIDATE BIOS FOR GAYTON BUSINESS MEETING JUNE 3, 2020



# KARL ENTERS

I am married to Katheryn, an attorney at a law firm in Washington D.C., and between us we have a blended family of four children: Mikaela 26, a Software Designer in Phoenix; Marin 23, a Psychology Graduate Student in Dallas, Roark 19, a Pastoral Leadership major at Liberty University; and Monet 15, a Junior at Deep Run High School.

I am a PhD Toxicologist. I taught at MCV years ago before a career as a regulatory affairs and product safety senior executive at several large multinational companies. I have

been in ministry bi-vocationally for over 25 years, having been on staff at 2 traditional churches and involved in 5 church plants globally.

It has been a 40-year faith journey, first falling madly in love with Jesus, then accepting that He is madly in love with me, before finally learning what grace looks like in my life and the lives of others. The greatest change in my life over this time has been the movement from a life lived solely for my own gratification with no thought of God, to a life lived with earnest desire that God be at its center and reflected in its living. Through my experience as a bivocational Church Planter and Pastor, Seminary studies at Dallas Theological Seminary, and a deeply developed passion for the study, preaching and teaching of God's Word, I am absolutely certain that there is no more powerful truth than that old Sunday School song ... "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so." He does! And IT does! Praise God! At present, we feel called to Gayton and anticipate eagerly what God will do both in the lives of our family and at Gayton. We are praying for revival in the Richmond area and that it begins at Gayton. We are currently active in a weekly small group, teaching a Sunday School Class, hosting Wednesday Evening Deep Desserts for the High School youth and serving as Prayer Leaders for Nexus and the current online 10:45 gathering.

# SLC CANDIDATE BIOS



# MARYBETH **ESSEX**

I have been a member of Gayton since 2006. My husband Jay and I have been married for 28 years, and we have two children. Megan just graduated from JMU and Sam just finished his first year at Christopher Newport. Both children have grown up at Gayton and are also members.

I am a graduate of JMU with a degree in English and Education. During my teaching career, I have taught a variety of ages from preschool (at AGAPE) through high school. Since 2014, I have been employed as the Director of a daily preschool program at another local church.

At Gayton, I have served as chair of the AGAPE/SPACE/QUEST Board, as a Deacon, on the Nexus Guest Services team, with the youth and VBS, on the youth renovation team, the youth pastor search team, and mission trips to Panama. Jay and I facilitate a couples' small group and value the lifelong relationships developed by "connecting small."



## DOUG HALL

I have been a member of Gayton for over 20 years. My wife (Ferebee) and I immediately felt welcome when we began attending Gayton. At that time, our daughter (Casey) and twin sons (Cullen and Hampton) were very young and it was important for us to find a nearby church home. The love and kindness Miss Becky and the other volunteers at Gayton provided our children have had a lifelong influence on all three of them. Casey is now married to Brian Pulsifer, and last month we were blessed with our first grandchild (Farrah). All three of our children work in the Richmond area.

I am a Virginia Tech graduate and Hokie for life. After 12 years of public accounting at Ernst & Young, I joined a local audio-visual company named Whitlock and served in a number of leadership roles until retiring as the CEO this past February. Although Ferebee and I have had to postpone our retirement travel plans, we have enjoyed the time with family, especially with our granddaughter.

I have been fortunate to serve at Gayton in a number of roles including the Servant Leadership Council, Deacon, and several committees. I have participated in weekly Gayton men's breakfast Bible study meetings for several years and cherish my time with my church buddies.