

WEYBURN FREE METHODIST CHURCH



Board Nomination Profiles for Election at the January 24, 2021 Annual Meeting



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



SPECIAL GIFTS AND STRENGTHS I BRING TO THIS POSITION:

- **Wisdom through experience**
- **Leadership ability**
- **Organizational skills**
- **Good communicator**
- **I like to serve others**

NOMINEE:

Marnell Cornish

Occupation: Retired

MINISTRY HISTORY:

- **Past Board Member**
- **Christian Education Director**
- **Women's Ministry**
- **Free Methodist Church in Canada Conference Delegate**
- **Member of the Ministerial Guidance & Placement Committee of the Free Methodist Church in Canada**
- **Sunday School teacher**
- **Personnel Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **Missions Committee**

STRENGTHS OF OUR CHURCH:

- **Reliance and belief in the importance of prayer**
- **Value of individuals**
- **Diversity in age groups**
- **Ministry-gifted members**

CHALLENGES WE FACE/ THINGS I HOPE TO ADDRESS:

- **Finding God's plan for us in the "new world" of Covid and engaging the whole church family in this plan.**



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Nominating Team: Cherith Alexander or Taka Iida



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SPECIAL GIFTS AND STRENGTHS I BRING TO THIS POSITION:

- **A long relationship with our church. Preaching, leadership and vision development skills.**
“Where there is no vision the people perish”
Proverbs 29:18.

NOMINEE:

Wade Fitzpatrick

Occupation: Clergy, Missionary, Local Store Receiving Associate

MINISTRY HISTORY:

- **Twenty-seven years as a pastor in western Canada, including 15 here at WFMC.**
- **Nine years as a missionary to Haiti with my wife.**

STRENGTHS OF OUR CHURCH:

- **Stable long-term pastoral leadership.**
- **A deep, long history of strong lay leadership.**
- **Strong finances.**
- **Age groups are all well represented in our church.**

CHALLENGES WE FACE/ THINGS I HOPE TO ADDRESS:

- **Post Covid is very uncertain.**
- **Keeping our people engaged, to prevent them from drifting away. The back door to our church is very open.**



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Having not come from a devout Christian family, I feel like I may be able to offer a differing perspective on things. Being involved in worship ministry, as well as my wife being in the youth ministry, I can have an ear to the ground in these areas of our church. This church has given me a lot over the years, and I have a desire to give back.

NOMINEE: Shawn Ruley

Occupation: RV Service Technician

MINISTRY HISTORY:

- I have served as a musician on the worship team for every church I have attended (all two of them!).
- I have helped with other ministries, but worship ministry is something that I know I am able to serve well in.

STRENGTHS OF OUR CHURCH:

- It is accessible. It does not matter what background you come from, or who you are, you are welcome here.

CHALLENGES WE FACE/ THINGS I HOPE TO ADDRESS:

- We are losing people. If we have a mindset that we are always doing the right thing, then we cannot get better.

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As a mother to two young children, I have a vested interest in engaging the children and young families of our church. I have also had the privilege of experiencing and learning from the wisdom of the generations before me in different Bible study environments; I recognize that their wisdom cannot be overlooked. I value teamwork and envision working together as a team - the pastoral staff, the board, and the church body at large, to ensure that WFMC remains a God-honouring community seeking to further God's work and Good News in our larger community.

NOMINEE:

Lenora Vatamaniuck

Occupation: Registered Dietitian

MINISTRY HISTORY:

- Sunday School teacher/leader (mostly ages 4-7, short time with grades 7-9)
- MCC Vacation Bible School troupe
- Short missions experience during Bible College (1-3 weeks)
- Co-lead/co-co-ordinate evening Mom's Group for WFMC.

STRENGTHS OF OUR CHURCH:

- Welcoming
- Adaptable
- Non-judgmental

CHALLENGES WE FACE/ THINGS I HOPE TO ADDRESS:

- Engaging the congregation during this pandemic when we can't be physically together.
- Providing children's ministries in a safe and effective manner for the remainder of the pandemic.
- Recreating and maintaining the "family" aspect and feeling of the church family.



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