

## DIRECTOR NOMINEE (Ministry Corporation)

### **ANDREW HARWOOD**



#### ***Coming to faith....***

I grew up in a Christian home, which I am thankful for, and I became a believer as a child. My faith grew a lot in university when I was surrounded by four solid Christian friends. We enjoyed spending time together discussing theology and the Christian life. I moved to the MET around 2000 and have grown through solid Bible-based teaching. I was baptized as a believer at the MET. Jen and I regularly attend a Bible study group at The Met where we continue to grow in our faith.

#### ***Christian service and leadership...***

I have had the privilege of serving on the Ministry Board alongside some wonderful Christian brothers. During that time, I have grown a lot and gained a solid understanding of how The Met operates and is governed. I have also served on several Board committees, taught The Met membership class on several occasions, taught several MACS classes, served on the events team for The Met men's ministry, and served on the Property Board. For six years I served on the Board of an Ottawa-based Christian charity (First Place Options). I work full-time as an engineer.

#### ***Family....***

Jen and I met each other and were married at The Met. We celebrated our 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary last year. We have two wonderful young sons, Caleb and Daniel – Caleb is 17 and Daniel is 15.

#### ***What excites me about The Met's mission...***

I was asked if I would put my name forward for a second term and am ready to serve God at our local church in whatever capacity I can. I would like to see our congregation continue to grow in their faith and in their relationship with Christ, to apply their Biblical knowledge in their daily lives, and to glorify God.

#### ***Other relevant experience in preparation for this role...***

I have worked in Ottawa as an engineer for over 20 years and am experienced working as a member of a team. As mentioned above, I have had the privilege of serving on The Met Ministry Board as an Elder/Director in the past.

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### **DAVID THAI**



#### ***Coming to faith...***

I was born and raised in Ottawa and grew up in a home that loved Jesus. I came to trust in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour when I was a teenager through the love, help, and mentorship of my family and church community. A pivotal moment was when a mentor from my church helped me see that my identity in Christ freed me from my shortfalls and inability to live a morally perfect life.

#### ***Christian service and leadership...***

I love preaching, teaching, and leading discussions about God's word. I consider it a privilege to serve through those means at The Met's Youth, Young Adults, and Men's ministries once as a Met Intern (2019-20) and now as a lay member. In my previous church, I served as one of its English Ministry leaders where I was responsible for leading community groups and teaching Bible studies. For an interim period, I was responsible for leading, preaching, and shepherding the ministry.

#### ***Family...***

I met my wife, Grace, at church when we were babies. It took 24 years for Grace to finally say "I do" to me in 2019. We are now blessed with a baby girl named Evelyn. Our favourite activities are traveling and eating out at new restaurants and cafes.

#### ***What excites me about The Met's mission...***

I am excited to see The Met continue to faithfully spread the Gospel through the many ministries. Whether it is through men, women, young adults, youth, or children ministries, it brings me great joy to see our church lead my hometown toward Jesus' redemptive love. I am particularly thrilled to see our teaching ministries, such as the Timothy Trust, training believers to fall in love with learning and teaching Scripture.

#### ***Other relevant experience in preparation for this role...***

Currently, I work as an analyst for the Government of Canada, specializing in strategic planning and decision-making through business intelligence. I am also a part-time seminary student at Tyndale University studying for a Master of Theological Studies.

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### **DOUG MCLELLAN**



#### ***Coming to faith...***

I trusted the Lord as my personal Savior in 1966. My wife Cynthia and I came to Ottawa in 1980 and started to attend The Met.

#### ***Christian service and leadership...***

I have been on the Ministry Board in the past in various roles. I have been on the Missions Committee as a member and chairman and taken part in several short term missions trips. I have been involved in teaching Sunday School, ushering, CSB and Men's Ministry. The Relocation and Building Committees were part of my past involvement, as well as the Deacon Ministry.

#### ***Family...***

We have been blessed with two daughters, two sons, two daughters in law and one son in law. We also have the privilege of grandparenting eight grandchildren.

#### ***What excites me about The Met's mission...***

The Met has the desire to have expository preaching of the Word and the commitment to train and send out young people through the Internship, Timothy Trust and Missions ministries.

#### ***Other relevant experience in preparation for this role...***

I serve on the boards of Word of Life Canada and Encounter the Truth ministries.

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### **ROBERT TOOKE**



#### ***Coming to faith....***

I accepted the Lord as a young child in VBC at our AGC home church in Niagara Falls, Ontario. My walk with the Lord became personal and meaningful through my teen years. My heart's desire is to finish strong in my walk with the Lord and service for Him.

#### ***Christian service and leadership...***

I have served through teaching younger children to adults, leading small groups, camp counselling, CSB leader and involvement with several key Christian ministries. I served on the Board as the appointed Treasurer for two years and then as Elder/Director for three years up to May, 2018 and from June 2020 to the present.

#### ***Family....***

I am married to my wonderful wife, Nancy, and have been for 48 years. We are blessed with two married children, Rebekah and Jonathan, and five grandchildren.

#### ***What excites me about The Met's mission...***

We love The Met and all that it stands for. I am particularly passionate that we take a strong stand in our witness and ministries based on our core historical Scriptural values. Jesus Christ is the only hope for the world.

#### ***Other relevant experience in preparation for this role...***

I am a retired CPA, CGA with 35 years of accounting and management experience. I enjoy working with the Pastors and lay Elder/Directors. I look forward, with humility, and by God's grace, to serving as an Elder/Director for the coming three-year term.