Gateway Church of the Nazarene Candidate Information Guide For Annual Meeting and Election on March 25, 2012



Dr. Margaret Bailey—Dr. Bailey and her husband, David, moved to Temecula in 1989. They earnestly prayed that God would begin a Nazarene fellowship in the region. Maggie and David worked with other Nazarenes, along with Marsha and Kenn Coil, to help plant Gateway Church. Over the past 23 years, Maggie served on the Board, as adult Sunday school teacher, NMI President, Chair of the Finance Committee, Chair of the Personnel Committee, and several other positions as the Lord has directed. She wrote the original policies and procedures for employees, finances, facilities, etc. She continues to serve the church fellowship as God leads.



Karen Baruth—I've been a leader (not teacher) in Sunday school class and have lead Women's Ministries for the last four years. My husband, Ken, and I have served in different areas of leadership in Church of the Nazarene throughout our adult lives.



Burdette Barth—My name is Burdette Barth. I asked the Lord into my heart 66 plus years ago. Although I was up and down, I yielded my life completely to the Lord. Down through the years I've been a Sunday School teacher, on church boards, Treasurer, Worship Leader, directed choirs and sang in groups. Since joining Gateway, I've been on the JOY Council, sang in the Ole English Carolers and choirs and help stuff the Sunday Bulletins each week.



Dottie Barth—My name is Dottie Barth. I gave my heart to the Lord at a young age. Through the years and in different Nazarene churches, I have been a Sunday School teacher, Missionary President, and sang in choirs and groups. I have been very involved in music programs. I truly love the Lord and want His will in my life.



Wally Borchard—I have attended Gateway for 7 years and a member for the past six. For the past four years, I have been teaching the Friendship Sunday School class and over the past year, I have served on the Sunday School Ministries Board and Discipleship Ministries Board. Prior to attending Gateway, I was a Sunday School teacher & Bible study leader at Lakeview Chapel EMC for 37 years, as well as serving as Youth Pastor, interim pastor, Church Board steward, trustee and Board chairman. I love the Lord with all my heart and willing to serve our church family as unto the Lord.



Janice Bray—My husband and i moved from Fresno in April, 2011. Soon after, we joined Gateway which we found to be a warm, loving church. I am currently facilitating "The Healing Place" group here at the church. I have had the privilege of serving the Lord in Nazarene churches through the years. Some of the positions I've held include youth leader, Children's director, Missionary president, and Bible quizzing coach. I have also offered a counseling ministry. I praise God for giving me the opportunities and abilities to serve Him.



Marlene Bowman—I love the Lord with all my heart. I have worked in ministry alongside my husband, Pastor Roger Bowman, all of our married life, and currently serve on the JOY Ministry Council. I would be honored to serve as your delegate.



Sue Brown—I became a Christian in November 1972 at the age of 17. I have served the Lord in many capacities throughout the years. I have been on several short term Missions trips into Mexico. I have attended Gateway Church of the Nazarene for about six years and became a member 4 years ago. I have been part of the Missions Council and a have assisted with Christmas at Cornerstone for 3 years. For many years now, the Lord has placed missions on my heart. It is my desire to continue to serve Him in this area.



Jim Carlton—I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior when I was 30 years old. I continue to grow in my relationship with Him and seek to do His will. I have attended Gateway for over 17 years and I am currently on the Church Board. I have served in many areas of ministry during my years at Gateway and would be honored to serve if elected.



Nancy Carlton—I gave my life to the Lord when I was in my mid-twenties. He is Lord of my life and I love Him with all my heart. I have attended Gateway for 17 years and have worked in the church office for over 15 years I have taught children's Sunday School, worked in VBS, been a part of our Women's Ministry council, and in my current office position, have tried to help our different ministry leaders accomplish their goals in ministry.



Marissa Cloud—I have attended Gateway Church since I was 4 yrs old. I have been involved with both the children's & youth ministries. I am currently on the Nursery Staff and volunteer each Wednesday night in AWANA's for the children. I also volunteer to do childcare for MOPS. I am a sophomore student at Palomar Community College.



Jason Davidson—I'm a lifetime Nazarene. I was a PK in the church until the age of 13. I tend to have a more traditional view of life. I also have a traditional view of the church. I have had a number of roles in the church in my adult life. From caregiver in the nursery to a small group leader. I'm currently privileged to serve in the Route 56 class as a Sunday school teacher of 5th and 6th graders. While I think it is important for the church to grow, I feel our #1 responsibility is to teach the truth with love no matter how "unpopular." I also feel it is very important to grow our new Christians and not let them flounder in relativism. I love the Nazarene church and believe our doctrines are true. It's up to us to live them. God help and bless us.



Reginald Fujimoto—I have been attending the Gateway Church of the Nazarene for 7 years now and am committed to help Gateway in any way that I can. There is not much I can add to this, except to say that my goal for the rest of my life is to be a better person, obeying God's commandments and following Jesus' example to the best of my ability. I first found Christ as a teen in a small Christian church in Honomu, Hawaii and was active in the Christian Church in New Orleans while attending college. My re-awakening took place after I married Rebecca and she has been my inspiration ever since.



Mike Haight—I was born and raised in Alaska and became a Christian as a child. I have served on the Church Board for three years and I am currently the Church Board Secretary. I have also served as the Buildings & Grounds Committee Chairman in the past. I participated in the Haiti Work & Witness trip in 2009 and following the 2010 earthquake.



Theresa Grigory—A lifelong Nazarene, I have also been a pastor's wife for over 35 years, serving in every role (Sunday School teacher, Children's Ministries director, NMI President, Youth Ministries, etc.) in the church at one time or another—even preaching once! At Gateway, I serve on the Women's Ministries Council, lead the Greeter Ministry, serve as LINKS secretary, and participate in our annual outreach musicals. I serve the church behindthe-scenes in ministry with my husband. I want to see Gateway's ministries make a difference in people's lives!



Joan Harrison—My husband and I became members of the Gateway Church six years ago when we retired. We joined the Nazarene Church back in the 60's when we lived in New Mexico. Here at Gateway I have taught MOPS children, 3rd & 4th graders, and led Bible Study lessons. I am currently a member of the JOY council and involved in the WOWED Group that ministers to single adults. I grew up in a parsonage and accepted Jesus into my heart at an early age. I love the Lord and strive to always do His will for my life.



Olga "Augie" Jaquess—I have been a member of Gateway since 1997. Prior to that, my husband and I were long-time members of the Ontario Church of the Nazarene. Across the years. I have served in various ministries of the church, such as S.S. teacher, S.S. Board member, VBS worker and director, Caravan and Choir. I also had the privilege of working as the Church Office Secretary for 14 years. At a young age, I let Christ into my geart and my entire life has been centered around the church and serving Him in whatever way I can. I thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon my life.



Don Jaguess—I became a member of the Ontario Nazarene Sunday School at the age of 4 years and officially joined the church in 1947. My parents and siblings always focused our lives around the activities of the church. My wife and I transferred our membership from Ontario to Gateway when we moved to Murrieta from Upland in 1997. Over the years I have served on church boards and various committees, including Board of Trustees; Finance; Building and Property; also as Sunday School van driver and usher and other areas where needed. I am grateful for the saving and redeeming Grace of our Lord Jesus and my desire is to serve Him faithfully.



Randy Lovett—My family and I have attended Gateway Church since 1999, and I have been a member for 12 years. During those years, I've been privileged to serve in several areas of the church. Currently, I serve on the Church Board and Finance Committee. Also, I am the Church treasurer, and I am an usher during the second service.



Ray Lyons—I have been married to Jennifer Lyons for 15 years and have four children. I have been walking with the Lord for over 22 years and growing in faith and knowledge through men's Bible studies, devotions, fellowship and going to church. I consider Gateway Church as my home and have been greatly blessed to be here. We attend the second service and currently help in Youth Ministry. I would be honored to serve Gateway.



David Miner—I came to Christ at about age 10 & made a total dedication at age 22. I have served in many ministries. SS teacher - 4th & 5th grade, jr. high, & high school, and adult (at Gateway in 2001 & 2002). Greeter & usher & home Bible study leader, & building committee at Gateway. Lay pastor at Skyline Wesleyan Church under John Maxwell. Also altar counselor & coordinator, prayer ministry & home Bible study leader at Skyline. We came to Gateway in Jan. 2001—June 2002, moved to NC & then back again in 2007 till now.



Marian Paige—I have attended Gateway for 12 years and Salem, OR First Church for 4 years before moving to Murrieta. I have been active in JOY ministry; FBI Class & District retreat. I have been a part of Compassionate Ministry Mission Trips to SESD and San Bernardino Cornerstone, and helped with church-wide photo gallery. Terry and I meet the Barth's at the church office every Thursday morning and stuff the weekly bulletins. I have served as both NMI and District Assembly Delegate in years past.



Terry Paige—Attended Gateway for 12 years and Salem First Church for 4 years before moving to Murrieta. I have been active in Prime Time (JOY) Programs; FBI class & District retreat, Compassionate Mission Trip to SESD and San Bernardino Cornerstone Nazarene, and home & hospital visitation. I coordinated church-wide ministries photo gallery and church history. Marian and I meet the Barth's at the church office every Thursday morning and stuff the weekly bulletins. I have served as both NMI and District Assembly Delegate in years past.



Elsie Pittam—We pastored 7 years in San Francisco and Heighson, California and served as a Nazarene missionaries for 14 years in Nicaragua and Panama. I participate in Work & Witness trips to Spanish-speaking countries, serving as an interpreter. I actively serve on our Missions Council, serving as our Mission Education Coordinator. You can find me each Sunday at the Missions table in foyer. Come by and pick up a Mission CD or book.



Megan Quinn—I accepted Jesus in my heart in 2006 at church camp and decided that I would follow His path; I was baptized in 2007. My dad was called home to heaven in 2008. I have grown so much from that time and in 2009 I became a member of Gateway. I am so blessed to be where I am in my walk with God. This last year I have been on the youth student council am a missions representative for the youth on the Missions Council.



David Raines—I retired and moved to Menifee and Gateway in May 2009, and joined Gateway this past year by transfer from Redding First. I have served in choirs, church boards, in areas of church maintenance & operations, grounds & building, future facilities committees, finance committees, home visits with choir for shut-ins, and other activities with the youth. I currently host an adult small group Bible study in my home. I love the church, especially Gateway and its ministry, and hope it will be my lasting church home and final move. The Devil is working full time, and despite changes in my life, health, and retirement, I am committed to walk with Jesus all the way.



Kay Riscol—I have been attending Gateway since 1991. I have directed VBS, taught 2nd grade S.S., and helped coordinate the ushers and greeters with my husband for 10 years. I come from a fourth generation Nazarene family and came to know the Lord early in my life. The Lord has been especially close to me in the last few years; He continues to show His faithfulness over and over. I am willing to serve where ever He needs me.



Nelson F. Sheets—I have been attending Gateway since 1998. I've been board member, active in teaching Sunday School and Wednesday night, prison ministry, JOY Council member, and music. I was co-editor of "Good Morning, Lord"; and have contributed to "The Hawk's Perch". I have organized "Holiness Today" subscription drive in the past. I am currently a member of NMI and have represented Gateway as delegate to District Assembly.



Ruth Sheets—I accepted Jesus as my Savior as a small child and have continually served Him. I have served as Sunday School teacher, board member, and interim pastor, assistant chaplain and in prison ministry. I am currently serving with the Grandparents of Nazarene Compassion and member of NMI. I have contributed to the Hawk's Perch Newsletter.



Lissa Simpkins — I became a Believer in Christ at the age of 16 as a result of a Sunday School bus ministry who invited my family to church. Since that time I have grown in the Lord and found places of service within the church. I have served in different capacities, primarily in Children's Ministries and Music. I am currently serving on the Church Board, Finance and Music/Worship Committees and a host home of a small group. In the past I have worked at two different churches on staff as an office manager. I am now an account manager for a national insurance brokerage firm. My family and I have been a part of Gateway since its beginning. A favorite Scripture of mine is Psalm 37:4.



Gene Spinozzi—Member of Olive Knolls Church of the Nazarene, Bakersfield Ca. since 1984. Moved to Murrieta with my wife Janis in December 2010. My daughter Erin and son-in law Benji Rench also attend Gateway. Church Service: Awana Leader, Sunday School Teacher, Youth leader, NYC Chaperone, Choir, Evangelism Team, Usher, Greeter, Building Committee, Hope Center Outreach, School Board (Infant, K-6), Church Board.

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Larry Upson— I came to know Jesus as my Lord and Savior in 1973, at Norco Nazarene, and started a personal relationship with Jesus. He filled me with His Holy Spirit, and totally turned my life around. One day I was on my way to hell, the next Jesus was leading my life. Been at Gateway 3 years . Served on Norco, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Menifee Nazarene church boards.



Linda Wallace—I have a B.A. in vocal performance from Azusa Pacific, a CA teaching credential, and a Masters degree in Curriculum and Instruction. I've been an educator in Christian and public schools for 29 years. I've also been a church music leader and choir director for 13 years at 2 previous churches. Currently, I serve as the "curriculum specialist" on the Gateway Kids Pre-school board, sing on the traditional worship team, schedule special music, and direct the seasonal choral/drama programs. This past year, I have served on the church board. My earnest desire is to follow and obey the Lord in every area of my life.



Adam Walters—Adam has been a Christian since he was a young child and has dedicated his life to the Lord ever since. Adam and his wife, Kasie, have been married for almost a year. Previously, Adam has volunteered in the church setting within the Children's Department as well as with the worship team, playing the drums. Adam, along with his wife, now volunteer with the youth group here at Gateway.



Lisa Watamura—I accepted our Lord when I was in First Grade and attending Vacation Bible School at my church. I have in the past been a Sunday School Superintendent here when the church first started. I have been a Children's Ministry Assistant, I have been a sub and teacher for Children's Sunday School and now am presently an Assistant for AWANA's Truth and Trainers, and serve in the Greeter Ministry.



Rod Watamura—I accepted our Lord when I was 27 when we were attending Temecula Valley Church of the Nazarene. I have always been willing to serve wherever I have been asked. This past year, I have served in the Greeter Ministry and on the Church Board.



Steve Webb—Attended Gateway since 1991 when we were still in the Adobe Plaza in Temecula. Taught adult Sunday School most of that time and is now the teacher for the Sunday School class, *Faith Matters*. Served on the church board for several years. Steve is currently on the Sunday School Ministries Board and is heading up our small group ministry that was started this last fall.



Kelli Wise—As a charter member of Gateway, I have been involved with several ministries. I have been involved in the music ministry at Gateway since I first attended. This involvement has included playing in the worship band from the early years, participating on worship team, singing with the Olde English Caroling group, and various musical events. I have also run lighting for many of the dramas over the years. I have also been involved with the prison ministry and lead children's church. Most recently I have been a member of the Church Board for the last three years and have been the Sunday School Superintendent this past year.



Eileen Young—I was born in Cincinnati into a Nazarene parsonage! My parents, Lowell & Audrey Young moved out to California in 1941 where we attended Santa Ana Nazarene Church. I am a Charter member of Gateway. I've worked in Children's Ministries, and have served as a MOPS Mentor Mom. I love the Lord with all my heart and have walked with Him all my life!



Jim Zubor—My wife Doris and I were so blessed to have been shown the way to Gateway only two years ago. Since that moment, the Lord, church staff and fellow parishioners have gifted us with opportunities to serve at Gateway on many levels. Whether it's been dispensing popcorn and water bottles on movie night, serving those in need at Cornerstone or to spend a few fasting hours with our youth, it's been a privilege. Once again, an opportunity exists to faithfully serve in the call to missions. Thank you for your consideration to elect me to be a representative on the NMI (Missions) Council.



Doris Zubor—I joined Gateway in 2010 and came to love Jesus. I am currently serving in a mission's capacity by working the Food Pantry. It would be a blessing to have the opportunity to serve on the NMI Council.