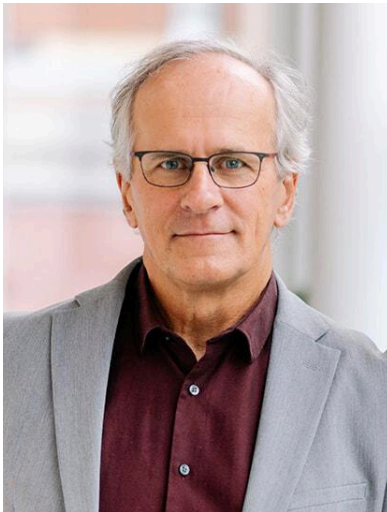


# Nominees

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## **PAUL FAST | EXECUTIVE BOARD, MEMBER-AT-LARGE**

Paul Fast came to faith in Jesus at a young age and has attended Vancouver MB churches (currently Christ City Church South Van) all his life. Over the years, he has hosted community groups in his home, taught, preached, and served as an elder and in youth ministry. Paul and his wife, Ruth, have been married for 44 years and have been blessed with 9 children and 27 grandchildren. Paul has been in private practice as a consulting engineer for nearly 40 years. Since 2007, he and Ruth have been actively involved in orphan ministry work in Russia and Armenia.



## **ANDREW KOWAN | EXECUTIVE BOARD, MEMBER-AT-LARGE**

Andrew Kowan is married to Victoria and together they have three young children (with one more on the way). He began his current role as the lead pastor at Sardis Community Church at the beginning of the pandemic in April 2020. Andrew earned a BSc in Chemistry from Trinity Western University as well as an MDiv from Regent College. He began to sense a call to ministry in college while leading sports ministry among resettled refugees and continues to be active in cross-cultural ministries today.



## **GIL DUECK | PASTORAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

Gil Dueck serves as Academic Dean at Columbia Bible College. He has spent almost 20 years in Christian higher education, first at Bethany College in Saskatchewan and for the last seven years at Columbia. For most of these years, he also served as an instructor in theology, Bible, and ethics. He was also involved in the Saskatchewan MB Conference in the area of leadership development. His studies have taken him from Bethany to the MB Biblical Seminary (Fresno) to the Free University of Amsterdam for a PhD where he wrote on a theology of transformation in the context of young adult faith formation. Gil and his wife, Shelley, have three amazing young adult daughters and are members at South Abbotsford Church.



## **LORI NICKEL | PASTORAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

Lori Nickel was born and raised in Abbotsford, BC and has spent all her life in the local church and community. She is currently the Moderator at South Abbotsford Church where her husband, Norm, has attended all his life. Lori also serves as the Member Care Team Leader for Multiply where she has worked for the past 16 years. Lori and Norm celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2023, and are the proud parents of 4 adult kids and have been blessed with 10 grandchildren (so far). Lori is passionate about the local church fulfilling its calling and being a lifelong learner and apprentice of Jesus. She is a lover of reading, cooking, baking, walking, family, and friendship (to name a few things).



## **PAUL SIEMENS | PASTORAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

Paul Siemens is the Lead Pastor of King Road Church in Abbotsford. He has been in this role since September 2020, which was a fun time to start a new job! Prior to this, he spent five years in an associate role at Northview Community Church. Paul has been a member of BCMB churches in Abbotsford, Whistler, and Squamish for most of his life. He holds a Master of Divinity degree from Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, which he earned in 2015. Before entering ministry, Paul worked in the telecommunications industry for 12 years. He has been married to his wife Carla for almost 27 years and together they have three daughters, one son, and one son-in-law (soon to be two).



## **BRIAN STEWART | PASTORAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

Brian Stewart accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour when he was ten years old. He graduated from York University with a B.A. in Economics, received his Masters of Divinity from Tyndale Seminary, and his Doctorate of Ministry from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Brian and his wife, Carol, have two adult children: Mark and Rachel. Brian served as the Associate Pastor at Alta Vista Baptist Church in Ottawa, Ontario for eight years, the Lead Pastor at Oxford Baptist Church in Woodstock, Ontario for nine years, the Lead Pastor at Parkland Fellowship in Surrey, B.C. for eight years, and has been serving as the Lead Pastor at The Life Centre in Abbotsford since 2016. He has taught homiletics at Seminaries and Bible Colleges since 2002. He also enjoys running, playing tennis, reading, travelling, and eating out with his wife.



## **VICKI DOUBROFF | STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Vicki Doubroff was born and raised in Victoria, B.C. in a loving and supportive Christian home. She attended Bible school in Chicago, where she met her husband, Phil. Seasons of life have led them to North Vancouver, Burnaby, Surrey, and now Maple Ridge. They have two children and six grandchildren. Vicki's work resume includes bank teller, receptionist, cashier, office manager, bookkeeper and Worship and Women's Pastor at Cedar Grove Baptist Church in Surrey. Her life's mission is "to encourage, inspire and motivate others to walk in freedom". Whether leading worship, teaching a finance class, leading a bible study, or having coffee with a friend, this is how God's purposes are revealed in her life.



## **JONATHAN GIESBRECHT | STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Jonathan Giesbrecht has been an Executive Pastor at Northview Community Church for the past five years and a Worship Pastor prior to that. He's married to Breanna and has two kids Eli (9) and Maisy (7). He has a Biblical Studies degree from CBC and an MBA from Abilene Christian University. Jonathan has enjoyed serving on the BCMB board for the past four years as a member-at-large and loves the mission of the Conference: to multiply Christ-Centered Churches in BC and see people in our communities transformed by the good news of Jesus Christ.



## **GLEN MADDEN | STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Glen Madden has been pastoring in the BCMB family for 14 years, initially serving as a Campus Pastor before stepping into his current role as both Campus and Executive Pastor at Willow Park Church in Kelowna. His background includes roles as a school administrator, teacher, business owner, and itinerant speaker while working as a part-time pastor in the UK. Married for 30 years to the ever-patient and incredible Sarah, Glen has four grown children and one daughter-in-law. He is a big fan of dating his wife, renovating their home, and supporting Manchester United.



## **JASON POHL | STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Jason Pohl holds degrees in theology and business administration and is the Founder and President of Pohl Strategic Marketing, a digital marketing company. His family attends Arnold Community Church and he devotes time to mentoring and counselling at the Yarrow Men's Centre of Adult & Teen Challenge. Jason enjoys time with family, motorcycling, volleyball, backyard bonfires and gardening.



## **KEVIN YIP | STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Kevin Yip has been a Chartered Professional Accountant in public practice since 1993 with his firm in south Burnaby. He has a Bachelor of Commerce with distinction from the University of Saskatchewan and a Diploma in Urban Land Economics specializing in Real Estate Management from UBC. Over the course of his career, he has worked with many churches and Christian non-profit organizations. He has also served as the treasurer for the non-profit Vancouver Chinese Choir Association for over ten years. A long-standing member of the Mennonite Brethren community since 1987, Kevin is currently serving on a deacon board at Burnaby Pacific Grace Church. Kevin enjoys travelling, exercising, and learning new skills. He and his wife Kandi have three adult children and two grandchildren.



## **PHIL CANN | COMMITTEE FOR RENEWAL, EVANGELISM & MULTIPLICATION**

Phil Cann is a recent transfer to BCMB from the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. He has been married to Miriam for over 40 years (she deserves a medal), and they have 3 adult children and 5 small grandkids. They emigrated to Canada in 1999. As a couple, they have been in ministry for over 35 years on three continents. Phil currently pastors in Pemberton, north of Whistler in the best backyard in BC.



## **KATE REID | BCMB NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

Kate Reid is a devoted member of BCMB and their partner organizations. She currently serves as a board member for BCMB Camps and Columbia Bible College. She graduated from Columbia Bible College and had the privilege of serving as Camp Director for Camp Likely for many years. Kate is a member of Broadway MB and now spends her time with her husband and three kids. She enjoys biking, loud music, and competitive board game nights.