

# Meet Our Consultants ...

Church Extension is a ministry to congregations of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Close, caring knowledge of congregations, their dynamics and their role in the lives of Christians is central to every service we provide and is a foundational requirement for the consultants who serve with and through us. We are eager for you to get to know these men and women and to experience them as partners committed to serving you and your local church.

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# William L. "Bill" Bass

Associate Vice President for Congregational Services



A former congregational pastor and regional staff member for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Bill Bass ensures that Church Extension provides congregations with quality services through up-to-date training and development of the consultant team and new church ministry team. Bill is also charged with providing project management for some of Church Extension's new initiatives and loan monitoring.

Prior to joining Church Extension, Bill served as deputy regional minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the Upper Midwest, working with congregations in Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota. His responsibilities included nurturing pastors and congregations for youth ministry and camping, leader development, evangelism and new congregations. He also has served congregations in Iowa, Georgia, Missouri and Indiana.

Bill has a Bachelor of Music degree from Culver-Stockton College in Canton, Mo. He has master's degrees from Christian Theological Seminary and Butler University and a Doctorate of Ministry degree from Christian Theological Seminary.

# Nadine Burton

Minister, New Church Leader Development



As an ordained pastor, Nadine joined the New Church Ministry team in 2003, having most recently served Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church, in Memphis, Tenn., as associate pastor for Christian education, where she was responsible for new members and Christian Education Ministries. As minister for new church leadership development, Nadine guides the discernment and assessment process regarding call to ministry, including the assessment of gifts and skills. She also is responsible for organizing training events for new church planters.

Nadine is a graduate of Memphis Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity and Lexington Theological Seminary's Doctorate of Ministry Program, where she focused on "The Relevance of a Multi-Cultural

Reality with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)."



# Gilberto Collazo

Vice President for Congregational Services



Gilberto Collazo, who is an ordained minister from San Juan, Puerto Rico, joined Church Extension eight years ago. In addition to working closely with Disciples congregations in Puerto Rico, Gilberto provides leadership, training and operational oversight for all congregational and loan services and for Church Extension's anti-racism initiative. He is also responsible for ensuring seamless services to new churches as they progress through their life cycle.

Gilberto has a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Business Administration Studies from the University of Florida and a Master of Divinity from the Evangelical Seminary in Puerto Rico. He recently completed his Doctorate of Ministry at Lexington Theological Seminary.

# John M. Davidson

Congregational Services Consultant



John Davidson is a fourth generation Disciple from Red House, Kentucky. He has served the denomination in local, regional and general ministry, and his current work at Church Extension centers on his passion for environmentalism and stewardship.

As a congregational services consultant, he helps local congregations assess their building planning, capital fundraising and financing needs. LEED-certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) by the U.S. Green Building Council, John also works with congregations to "green" their facilities by lowering their energy costs and reducing their "carbon footprint."

John has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Transylvania University and a master's degree from Lexington Theological Seminary in Lexington, Ky. He holds a graduate degree in ecumenical theology from the Bossey Institute of the World Council of Churches in Switzerland.



# Daniel Feliciano

Hispanic Congregational Services Consultant



An ordained minister and former congregational pastor, Daniel Feliciano's responsibilities at Church Extension include assisting congregations as they address ministry and building planning needs. In particular, Daniel is available to serve Hispanic congregations, some of the fastest growing among Disciples congregations in North America and Puerto Rico.

Before joining Church Extension, Daniel was senior pastor of La Hermosa Christian Church in New York, N.Y. He has a degree in business administration from National American University, Colorado Springs, Colo., and a Master of Divinity degree from Alliance Theological Seminary.

Daniel is originally from Vega Alta, Puerto Rico.

# Dee Long

Congregational Services Consultant



Dee Long joined Church Extension's Congregational Services team as a congregational services consultant in 2002. Headquartered in Charleston, South Carolina, she is responsible for advising congregations as they plan and finance capital projects. Dee is also a member of Church Extension's anti-racism team, whose focus is ensuring that our services are customized to address the needs of Disciples congregations within their cultural context. In addition, she has special assignments with African-American churches on the East Coast.

Before joining the Congregational Services team, Dee served as a program administrator for Church Extension's New Church Ministry team. She has also worked for the Council on Christian Unity of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Dee has a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Memphis in Tennessee and is a graduate of Rutledge Business College in Raleigh, N.C.



# Rick Morse

Vice President for New Church Ministry and Mission Initiatives



An ordained minister originally from Federal Way, Wash., Rick Morse joined Church Extension in 2001 as the lead minister for New Church Ministry. Since 2006, when he was named vice president for New Church Ministry and Mission Initiatives, Rick has led and coordinated Disciples' and Church Extension's mission initiatives in new and established congregations. Rick uses lessons learned from the New Church movement to inform the development of new services for congregations at pivotal points in their life cycles. He has written a book about contextual ministry planning entitled, "From Our Doorsteps" that will be published in 2010 by Chalice Press.

Engaged in church planting for more than 25 years, Rick served as a new church planter at Lake Washington Christian Church in Kirkland, Wash. and as a minister at First Christian Church in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, before joining Church Extension. During his ministry he started more than 13 non-profit organizations serving the mentally ill, challenging racism and promoting civil discourse.

Rick has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash., and a Master of Divinity and a Doctorate of Ministry from San Francisco Theological Seminary.

# James L. Powell

President



James L. Powell has served as president of Church Extension since 1995, after leading the denomination's first major new church initiative in the 1980s and serving as vice president for Congregational Services.

As president, Jim has made major contributions to Church Extension's efforts to better serve the ever-changing face of the Christian Church. He is responsible for all activities that support the 125-year-old ministry's mission to provide mission-driven capital planning and funding services to individuals, congregations and units of the Christian Church.

Jim earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland and his Master of Divinity degree from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis.

Prior to joining Church Extension, Jim served as pastor of congregations in Orestes and Sheridan, Indiana and as associate regional minister of the Christian Church in Indiana. He has also worked with many initiatives and boards of the Christian Church during his career.



# Eugene Randall, II

Vice President for Congregational Relations



An ordained minister, former congregational pastor, author, husband and father, Eugene Randall, II, oversees congregational relations and customer service and assists local congregations in planning and financing their capital expansion projects.

Before joining Church Extension as a general consultant in 1994, Eugene served as pastor of Third Christian Church in Louisville, Ky. and Macedonia Christian Church in Birmingham, Ala. While in Louisville, he served as Christian Church Homes in Kentucky chaplain and was selected to participate in the National Religious Leadership Program, a three-year ecumenical church leader development project funded by Lilly Endowment.

Graduating summa cum laude, Eugene has a bachelor's degree from Miles College. He received a Master of Divinity degree from Lexington Theological Seminary in Lexington, Ky.

Eugene also is author of an African-American Disciples history, "From the Balcony to the Board Room: A Brief History of Black Disciples in Kentucky and Surrounding Regions."

# Rick Reisinger

Vice President and Treasurer



Rick Reisinger joined Church Extension more than 30 years ago after graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration and economics from Culver-Stockton College in Canton, Mo.

Upon joining Church Extension, Rick worked with the treasury, accounting and investment operations, becoming assistant treasurer in 1977. In his current position as vice president and treasurer, he is responsible for securities compliance and financial operations for Church Extension. He also assists congregations in planning and financing capital expansion projects.



# Donggook “John” Roh

## Korean Congregational Services Consultant



As a Korean congregational services consultant for Church Extension, John Roh consults with new and established Korean congregations and pastors, assisting them with strategic planning, investment services and capital funding.

John is a former pastor of Yeunmoo Christian Church in Korea, where he also held the positions of vice president and professor at Choongnam College for Preschool Teachers. John has served as pastor developer for Church of Love Christian Church in Marietta, Ga., and Evergreen Christian Church in Arlington Heights, Ill. He also served as the associate regional minister for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin and has been an officer in the Korean Disciples Convocation in the United States and Canada, and in the North American Pacific Asian Disciples (NAPAD).

John holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hankuk University of Foreign Studies in Seoul, Korea, a Master of Divinity degree from the Divinity School of the University of Chicago and a doctorate degree from McCormick Theological Seminary.

# Matthew Rosine

## Congregational Services Consultant for New Beginnings



Matthew Rosine, an ordained Disciples of Christ minister from Burlington, Texas, joined Church Extension in 2008 to provide leadership and oversight to New Beginnings, Church Extension's assessment service for Disciples congregations facing issues of future viability. Working directly with regional partners of the Christian Church, Matt helps congregations to assess their strengths, capital assets and possible challenges and then to determine how best to move forward in their ministry.

Matt was senior minister for First Colony Christian Church, Sugar Land, Texas, and First Christian Church in Grand Prairie, Texas. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Christian University and a Master of Divinity from Brite Divinity School.



# Ketty Santos

Minister, New Church Coaching



As minister for coaching, Ketty's responsibilities include supporting new church planters; creating and maintaining an effective coaching (Barnabas) network that involves training and assessment; and providing educational opportunities for church planters once they are in their third year of development. Before joining New Church Ministry, Ketty served as senior pastor of El Aposento Alto Church in Forest Park, Georgia.

Originally from San Juan, Puerto Rico, Ketty has a bachelor's degree from the University of Puerto Rico and a master's degree in counseling from New York University. She also earned a lay pastor diploma from Instituto Discípulos de Cristo, Rev. Juan Figueroa Umpierre, and has studied at Columbia Theological Seminary.

# William "Bill" Singer

Vice President for Loan Services



Working closely with Church Extension's consultants and treasury teams, Bill Singer is responsible for all aspects of Loan Services, including the application process, risk assessment review, the approval process, disbursement of funds, monitoring of payments, development of alternative capital formations and forecasting, and loan projection.

Prior to his work at Church Extension, Bill worked in the secular lending and investment industries. He also served as a missionary in China. Bill has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Millsaps College and a Master of Divinity from Yale Divinity School and is currently attending Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis. He has received several licenses and certifications from the National Association of Securities Dealers.

# Charlie Wallace

Minister for Congregational Relations



Before joining Church Extension, Charlie Wallace was a missionary in Haiti and Venezuela, where he served as a church planter and coach, helped to start a seminary and worked closely with congregations in crisis. He now uses those experiences to interface New Church Ministry with established churches and to encourage Anglo churches to consider starting new churches. He also engages individuals and congregations in support of the new church movement through the Pentecost Offering and New Church Ministry Annual Fund. In addition, Charlie is fluent in Spanish and Creole.

Charlie holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Northern Arizona University. He also has a Master of Divinity and Doctorate of Ministry from Lexington Theological Seminary.

# Maribeth Westerfield

Congregational Services Consultant



An ordained pastor and former associate regional minister, Maribeth Westerfield assists local congregations as they address capital-funding and building-planning needs. She is also responsible for coordination of special architectural services and offers expertise in regional capital campaigns. Most recently, she has developed a new fundraising service for larger capital projects.

With a bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas, Maribeth matriculated to Phillips Theological Seminary, where she received her Master of Divinity degree. She is currently enrolled in the Doctorate of Ministry program at Lexington Theological Seminary.

Maribeth pastored University Place Christian Church in Enid, Okla., and First Christian Church in Walters, Okla. She served as a member of the board of directors and an adjunct faculty member for Phillips Theological Seminary. She also chaired the Commission of Clergy of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oklahoma.