

Brookwood Church
**TRUSTEE
NOMINEES**

2026





Members Vote December 7

A business meeting will be held following each service on Sunday, December 7, for church members to vote on nominated Trustees to serve on the 2026 Advisory Team.

Trustee Qualifications and Responsibilities

Trustees are lay persons (non-pastors) who serve on the Advisory Team to provide direction and guidance for our church. They must be members in good standing and fulfill the spiritual qualifications of deacons, as described in **1 Timothy 3:8–13**. Those recommended to serve as Trustees must demonstrate spiritual maturity, a willingness to serve, and practical experience in areas such as finance, facility construction, human relations, management, communications, missions or evangelism.

In the same way, deacons must be well respected and have integrity. They must not be heavy drinkers or dishonest with money. They must be committed to the mystery of the faith now revealed and must live with a clear conscience. Before they are appointed as deacons, let them be closely examined. If they pass the test, then let them serve as deacons.

In the same way, their wives must be respected and must not slander others. They must exercise self-control and be faithful in everything they do.

A deacon must be faithful to his wife, and he must manage his children and household well. Those who do well as deacons will be rewarded with respect from others and will have increased confidence in their faith in Christ Jesus.

1 Timothy 3:8–13 (NLT)

Trustees serving Brookwood Church shall have the following powers and duties:

1. Provide financial counsel to the Pastoral staff.
2. Assist in the interview, selection and employment of pastoral staff.
3. Determine compensation of the Senior Pastor, and with the Senior Pastor, of other ordained ministers of the church.
4. Serve the church as official representatives of the church in terms of business contracts and other legal matters. Trustees, under the direction of the Advisory Team or, if required, congregational approval, may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the Church and cause to be executed and delivered for the Church's purposes and in the Church's name, promissory notes and other evidence of debt and securities.
5. Conduct other duties and activities as requested by the Senior Pastor, pastoral staff or Advisory Team.

The Advisory Team determines the number of Trustees annually, and they are nominated to the church body annually by the Senior Pastor. They are elected by the members at the annual business meeting and may only be removed from completing their 3-year term by a vote of the members.

Trustee responsibilities include:

All trustees serve on the Brookwood Advisory Team, which meets quarterly to:

- Review and discuss quarterly financial reports.
- Review and discuss ministry reports and activities.
- Pray for the pastors, ministries and congregation.
- Hear from and share with pastors what we see God doing in our church.
- Discuss new business.
- Provide feedback on proposals and plans presented by pastors.

Additional meetings are held as needed to discuss:

- Annual budget development.
- Pastoral interviews and hiring.
- New trustee interviews.
- Significant projects.
- Other matters as appropriate.



Bob Felts

Trustee Nominee (2026–2027)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Spouse: Deb Felts.

Children: Three adult sons and five grandchildren.

Professional Career: Financial Advisor, College and Seminary Adjunct professor, Pastor.

Brookwood Member: First joined in 2013, left to serve another church for five years, back since 2020.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Marriage ministry–Deb and I teach Passionate Teammates, facilitate Re|Engage groups, Men's Leadership Team, Men's Discipleship Group, Devotional Writing Team.

Other volunteer experience: Hospice and YMCA Board member (in the past).

Community Group experience: Fathered by God Men's Groups. Deb and I participate in the Sunday Disciples when not leading Marriage groups or classes.

My vision for Brookwood: That we will be faithful to love and delight in God, love people, and change the world by making disciples.

My relationship with Christ: I grew up in a small family in Atlanta and was taken to church every time the doors were open. As a teen, however, I saw hypocrisy in the church and conflict at home. I concluded God wasn't real and the Bible was just a collection of ancient myths. God never stopped drawing me, and a couple of years later, I gave my life to Christ. Then, to my surprise, God called me into ministry. I met my amazing wife, Deb, when I was a freshman at Georgia Tech, and four years later, we were married and in seminary in Fort Worth. We have experienced so many blessings and joys serving the Lord all these years, and at the same time, we have experienced great hardships, including my battle with lung cancer in 2010. Again, to my grateful surprise, through prayer and multiple surgeries, God healed me. I realize every day is a gift from the Lord, which has given me great joy and peace as I seek to make Christ the center of my life every day.

Favorite Bible verse: *And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.*

2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)



Jason Bergeron

Trustee Nominee (2026–2028)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Spouse: Jilly Bergeron.

Children: Three children–Jocelyn, Jeorgia and Jude.

Professional Career: Owner, Bergeron Custom Homes.

Brookwood Member: Since 1998.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Care Ministry After Service Prayer, Pre-Marital Counselor, Community Group Leader, Disaster Relief, Men's Mentor, Feeding the Homeless, ServeFest.

Other volunteer experience: Assistant coach to Upstate Home school Coop Archery Team.

Community Group experience: Leader of Pursuing Manhood Group.

Other church experience: None, Brookwood is the only church I have ever been a part of.

My vision for Brookwood: That Brookwood may be a healthy, thriving part of the body of Christ. That we would love God and love people well. That the people are loving and are transformed through God's grace and that we can make the world a better place pushing back against the spiritual powers of darkness. That we can challenge people to live in obedience and submission to God's law and show them that we can receive true joy and satisfaction if we're willing to live His way.

My relationship with Christ: I accepted Christ on March 8, 1998, at the age of 24. I had been searching for answers since the age of 17. God used a number of people and events to get me to the point of salvation, but God was faithful in answering, revealing and opening His answers to my asking, seeking and knocking. When I accepted Christ, I was all in. I consciously made a decision to examine my beliefs and discard them if they did not have a biblical basis. In 2000, I married the most wonderful woman I know. God has used my wife Jilly more than any other person to challenge me to grow as a man and Christian. We have three awesome children who God has used to grow and humble me as well. Life was relatively smooth until the economic downturn of 2008. We almost lost everything financially. It was a time of testing, but we held fast to God's promises and goodness. I found out I had cancer in the spring of 2012. This was another shock after losing so much financially. Through several surgeries and chemotherapy, I was healed of my cancer. It's hard to explain because I wouldn't have wished for either of these things to happen to anyone, but we have seen God's hand move and provide for us in these trials. I can truly say that I am thankful and I am a better man for experiencing loss like this. I have a life debt to pay to God in the manner Friday honored his life debt to Robinson Crusoe (for you literature fans). I am nothing without Him. I spend time with God and in God's Word on most days.

Favorite Bible verse: *"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."*

John 16:33 (NIV)



Marilyn Kendrick

Trustee Nominee (2026–2028)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Spouse: Rob Kendrick.

Children: Four children—Tracy, Josh, Nick and Heather, and seven grandchildren.

Professional Career: Currently owns and operates GreenLeaf Realty, Inc., previously worked at Brookwood Church for 5 years and Michelin North America for 22 years.

Brookwood Member: Since 1998.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Currently co-leads Women's Community Group, Serves on Decorating Team, Previous Women's Ministry Director, Brookwood Trustee (2014-2016 and 2018-2020).

Other volunteer experience: Greenville Sertoma Club, served on various committees for SC Association of REALTORS®, SC REALTOR ® Leadership Graduate.

Community Group experience: Leader of WOW Group for 10+ years, Area Leader and Coach for Women's Small Groups, Leader for youth (high school girls) discipleship group.

My vision for Brookwood: To share the good news of Jesus Christ. To be united as a congregation, Loving God and People—in our church, our community and around the world.

My relationship with Christ: I accepted Christ as a youth, but really understood my need for a Savior as an adult. I made many mistakes along the way, but God still accepted and forgave me. I am humbled that He could use me to serve Him and others. God continues to work in my life, to draw me closer to Him. I am more aware than ever that I will never deserve the sacrifice He made for me by sending His Son, Jesus, to take away my sins. My desire is to glorify Him in all that I do, and I am very thankful that I serve a Loving God who wants to have a personal relationship with me.

Favorite Bible verse: *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)



Scott Day

Current Trustee (2025–2027)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Spouse: April Day.

Children: Cecelia (21) and Cooper (19).

Professional Career: Chief Engineer – GE Vernova.

Brookwood Member: Since 2000.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Kentucky Mission Trip, Pass It Forward, Child Care (past), Welcome Team (past).

Other volunteer experience: Habitat for Humanity, GE Wheelchair Ramps.

Community Group experience: Out to Lunch Group, Parenting Group Leader (past).

My vision for Brookwood: To remain an open and engaging community where folks can start or continue building a relationship with Christ.

My relationship with Christ: My relationship with Christ started in 1992 when I met my wife and reached a milestone in 2000 when I was baptized in Perry's pool. Over the last 24 years my relationship with Christ has matured as April and I raised our children and imprinted the word of God on their hearts and truly engraved it on my heart.

Favorite Bible verse: *Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.*

Romans 12:3 (NLT)

Hobbies: Bicycle riding, I am switching from running after a hip replacement.

Hometown: Phelps NY – Upstate New York – Finger Lakes region – Lived in Greenville since 1995.



Dawn Carter
Current Trustee (2024–2026)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Children: Ryan and Brandon.

Professional Career: Retired Ministry Assistant.

Brookwood Member: Since 2014.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Women's Connecting Point Table Leader, Watchers Prayer Team, Transformation Prayer in Caring Communities, Lay Counselor, Pastoral Prayer Shield Team, Women's Community Group Leader, Care Ministries Training Supervisor, Lay Counselor Supervisor, Auditorium Team, Pre-Service Prayer Team, HUG Table Leader.

Community Group experience: Leader of Prayer in Community Group.

Other church experience: Former Ministry Assistant in Palm Beach FL; Administrative Assistant to the Pastor, Accounts Payable and Women's Ministry Leader at church plant Greenway Church in Kissimmee FL; Administrative Assistant for Navigators in St. Petersburg FL.

My vision for Brookwood: I desire to see Brookwood continue to grow as a light on a hill, drawing many to Christ, providing a loving community for people to experience life in Christ together, and that prayer will increase more and more, with Christ as the center of the church. That more people will become passionate for Christ and want to serve as part of Brookwood Church. The harvest is ripe, and the workers are few.

My relationship with Christ: I gave my life to Christ as a teenager at *Youth for Christ*. I also made a public profession of faith at my church a couple of years later. But I didn't really walk in my faith. I got married. My husband was a non-believer. We joined a church when we moved to Milwaukee WI. There were more moves due to work, but we always joined a church. When we moved to West Palm Beach, we joined Palm Beach Community Church. My faith began to grow and my desire to truly follow Jesus began to develop. Over time, my faith grew, and I experienced God's transformation power. I'm passionate about using the gifts that God has given me to help others and make a difference that will last for eternity. I can only do that with the strength and discernment I get from Christ. I start every day with the Lord in quiet time, being in His Word, reading a devotional, and just talking with Him. This is where I get my direction for the day and, many times, confirmation from something He was talking to me about the day before. There is nothing more fulfilling and exciting than to be in the middle of God's activity and see how it changes the lives of others and me as well.

Favorite Bible verse: *Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.*

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT)



Betty Zeller

Current Trustee (2024–2026)

Trustee Nominee 2026

Spouse: Michael E. Zeller.

Children: Two children, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Professional Career: Previous positions as VP in marketing and advertising, both in the advertising agency and company side of national and regional accounts.

Brookwood Member: Since 1994.

Volunteer service at Brookwood: Community Group Leader, Succession Planning Team, Pastoral Prayer Shield Team, TPM (Transformation Prayer Ministry), Auditorium Team and Sunday Morning Prayer Group.

Other volunteer experience: Served on the Board of Directors for TPM International, B Encouraged Ministries, Boys Home of the South, March of Dimes, member of Mission Carolina Prayer Group and MyFaithVote.

Community Group experience: Community Group Leader, have attended other Brookwood Community Group studies and Bible Study Fellowship.

Other church experience: Set Free Alliance sponsor, Holt International Child Sponsor, Prayer Ministry Leader, developed Prayer Room Ministry, Seeds of Hope sponsor, speaker for various ladies' ministry groups, helped Brookwood leadership develop the Mentoring Ministries, previous member of Pre-Marital Mentors, Youth Director in former church and former Brookwood Trustee (2006-2008, 2011-2013, 2016-2018, 2020-2022).

My vision for Brookwood: That we follow God's will as a church. That we love Him and love people in a way that He changes lives in our church, our community, and around the world. That each person attending Brookwood develops a strong prayer life and personal, intimate relationship with Jesus and experiences hearing from Him daily. Be a church on fire for God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

My relationship with Christ: I live to be surrendered and obedient to whatever God wants to do in my life. The most important thing to me is for me and my family to be in the center of His will as we serve Him each day. I give God the glory for what He has done in my life and how He has used me. I passionately believe deeply in the power of prayer and have a strong prayer life. I thank God each day for one of His greatest gifts—my faithful, loving and devoted Christian husband, Michael.

Favorite Bible verse: *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

2026 Advisory Team

Pastors

Bryan Jones, Senior Pastor

J.C. Thompson, Executive Pastor Strategy and Community Engagement

David Hardy, Executive Pastor Connect Track

Matt Plunkett, Executive Pastor NextGen and Missions

Trustees

(Pending approval by church member vote December 7)

New Nominee - Bob Felts (2026-2027)

New Nominee - Jason Bergeron (2026-2028)

New Nominee - Marilyn Kendrick (2026-2028)

Current - Scott Day (2025-2027)

Current - Dawn Carter (2024-2026)

Current - Betty Zeller (2024-2026)



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