

EMBA DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS 2022

The EMBA board of Directors currently comprises twelve trustees. Eight positions are elected by EMBA churches at the AGM for a term of three years (staff positions are ex-officio and we currently have one co-opted Director).

Two nominations have been received for the three vacancies on the Board of Directors. You may therefore vote for as many nominees as you wish.

Revd David Harvey

Nominated by the trustees of Belper Baptist Church, Derbyshire

I have served as Moderator of the EMBA Directors since July 2015. I continue to work closely with the Staff Team seeking to provide support and encouragement to local churches during challenging times. My role includes overseeing the appointment of staff and guiding the Directors and Staff Team through the process of a Strategic Review to ensure that the EMBA is fit for purpose in a digital age. I am a member of BU Council. I served EMBA as Moderator of Langley Mill Baptist Church from 2011 to 2017.

I am the sole Elder at Belper Baptist Church engaged in ministry and leadership during a pastoral vacancy which began just as the 2020 lockdown started. I am also Church Treasurer. I have previously served as a Deacon and Church Secretary.

I believe that my many years of experience of ministry, hands on service in various roles in church leadership, and strategic leadership experience at Director level in both local government and private sector consultancy enables God to use me to provide informed and effective leadership to the EMBA Board of Directors.

Christian Conversion

I became a Christian as a teenager whilst attending a Christian Endeavour Young People's Group at Cinderford Baptist Church in Gloucestershire. Shortly afterwards, I began studies at Loughborough University, worshipping at Loughborough Baptist Church where I was baptised as a believer.

Christian Experience/Ministry

Following our graduations, Jean and I married and settled at Broadway Baptist Church, Derby. We were jointly involved in youth work and I was elected a Deacon. My involvement in Christian Endeavour expanded to include a number of years as Convener of Young People's work at National level and I was elected National President of Christian Endeavour for 1984-85.

Becoming members of Wirksworth Baptist Church in 1976 following a house move, we jointly continued youth work whilst I responded to a call to train for Supplementary Ministry. I met the BU academic requirements through a combination of distance learning and part time attendance at Northern Baptist College whilst exercising ministry at the Church and doing Christian Endeavour work at National level. I was Ordained in 1982 becoming a member of

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the Ministry Team serving the Church at Wirksworth for over 12 years until mid 1995. I am now on the list of retired Accredited Ministers.

After a few years at other churches, we became Members of Belper Baptist Church in 2003.

My vision for the wider church

I believe that God wants churches to be more connected to and actively engaged in mission with local communities, particularly as we seek to catch God's vision for church under the "new normal". Sharing experiences, ideas and resources with other churches both locally and amongst the wider church family, and working collaboratively for the Kingdom, makes us all stronger and more effective than if we try to do things alone.

Mrs Kay McManus

Nominated by the leadership of New Day Baptist Church, Morton, Lincolnshire

I have always believed in God from a child but didn't really know about a relationship with Jesus. I started going to a toddler group when my children were young and was told about Jesus. I went on an Alpha course and realised that Jesus needed to be the centre of my life. On the Holy Spirit day I accepted Jesus into my life. This was made more solid when Helen Schapiro came to Bourne and told us of her testimony. She took us back to the Old Testament (OT) and how Jesus had become the sacrificial lamb and how His blood cleaned us from our sins. This was a light bulb moment for me, as my knowledge of the OT was very limited at the time!

I then got involved in children's work at Bourne Baptist. I also started to read the Bible more and go to home groups etc. I am now currently half way through a 2 year Theology diploma.

In 2013 myself and my husband Andy, started a leadership role at New Day Baptist Church, Morton. I started the children's work which had ceased prior to our arrival. Toddler group, 5 to 10 year old group, Messy Church and Sunday School. I also started a women's bible group as I felt they had been neglected! I also run an evening service once a month with new songs and a short message.

I believe that the local church is key, where we are able to get to know our community and reach people for Jesus. A safe environment for people to come and have fellowship and learn about the love of Christ.

I have been a co-opted director for EMBA for the past 3 years and feel that working together we can achieve more! EMBA are a fantastic resource especially for smaller churches, a hub of information, experience and advice. If we work together we can be better equipped to reach our communities that we serve and spread the love of Jesus. We need to be missionary in our thinking to be able to reach the wider community and together we can achieve this. We are able to share best practices and good ideas to make our churches better and more efficient at saving souls!
