



**RESUMES/BIO SKETCHES
for
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
&
FINANCE AND OPERATIONS MINISTRY
2020 NOMINATIONS**

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BOARD of TRUSTEES

At Large Members – Two (2) positions available

St. John Baptist Church 2020 Nominations

Name: William (Bill) Ross, Jr.

Nominated for: Board of Trustees – At Large Member



Bio:

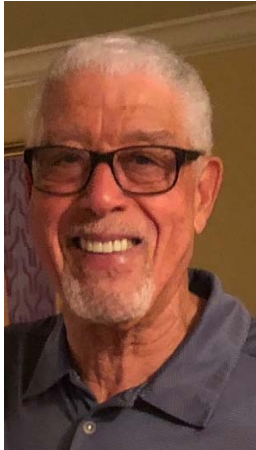
I am a original founding family member of St. John Baptist. I have been a member of St. John since its inception when the church was founded in 1971. I was 18 years old at that time. I have served in a different ministries over the years and still am 1st Sunday Usher captain. and this will be my second Term on the Trustee board.

I have been an independent practicing gemologist and mining engineer for over 25 years. Most of my work is done in West Africa and Europe thus my travel schedule can be hectic at times but serving at St. John has been one of my greatest joys in life.

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Name: Martin Johnson

Nominated for: Board of Trustees – At Large Member



Bio:

I am seeking a second two-year term on the Board of Trustees. I am a member of St John and have served in many different capacities during my years of membership, most notable as Chair (elected), Vice-Chair (elected) and secretary (appointed) of the former Trustee Ministry. In years past I have served as chair of Men's Day, co-chair of the Scholarship Committee, and a member of the Health and Wholeness Committee and as a member of many other formal and ad hoc committees. I currently serve as Treasurer of the Leroy Giles Gospel Choir and as a member of Adult Sunday School class number one. I am tither and have always believed in the presence of God and the power of prayer on my life.

I bring to the Board my knowledge of St John and its programs and my willingness to work every day to support and further the vision and mission of the church. My years of experience in my professional position help me analyze problems and seek workable solutions, a skill needed to help this church continue to move forward and to actualize the goals of our strategic plan.

My educational background includes a BS in Chemistry from Morris College, a Master of Mathematics Education and a Doctorate in Mathematics Education from the University of Georgia. I am currently a Professor Emeritus at the University of Maryland. My final position was Associate Dean for Research, Promotion and Tenure, Urban and Minority Education in the College of Education, UMCP. This position required developing and forging relationships and programs across departments and campuses. This skill serves me well as a member of the Board of Trustees. I would appreciate your support.

FINANCE and OPERATIONS MINISTRY:
Chairperson (Member of Board of Trustees)

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Name: Willaton Burns

Nominated for: Chair, Finance and Operations Ministry



Bio:

1. I am a baptized, saved servant of my Lord Jesus the Christ
2. I am a husband of one wife and a father of three young men.
3. I have served in church leadership for over 20 years in positions as Deacon, Trustee, Ministry Leader.

Experience

1. I have over 20 years' experience in the Federal Government and I currently manage budgets worth over 200 million dollars.
2. I have an MBA and am a certified Project Manager, PMP, a Federal Acquisition Certified- Program and Project Manager and a Level Three DAU Certified Contracting Officer Representative.

Beyond my professional and ministerial experience, I have been your Chair of FINOPS for the last two years. I have dedicated myself to advance the Pastor's vision and oversee the church's financial health. I have sacrificed the time and worked with the Team of volunteers with respect and a listening ear. I have demonstrated the patience, consistency, humility, intellect, integrity, and love for God, placing ego to the side, to serve. Over the past 8 years, I have served on the Trustee Ministry, FINOPS Ministry, Joint Board and Trustee Board, Voices of Inspiration, the Praise Team, and the Parking Lot Ministry.

Vice Chairperson

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Name: Rev. Regina Mitchell

Nominated for: Vice-Chair, Finance and Operations Ministry



Bio

QUALIFICATIONS PROFILE IIII

Willing to use my God given talents to serve God's community. I am goal-driven, accomplished professional, with comprehensive experience in property management, strategy implementation, and business development. Serving on varies SJBC ministers has taught me that St. John is a church that wants to show the love of God through serving the members and community, while experiencing God through worship.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST: JOINED 2005 III

Treasurer: 2017 – Present

Ministry License: 2008

Sunday School Teacher – Adult Class III: 2010-Present

Kitchen Ministry: volunteer

Missions Ministry: 2005-present

Food Pantry: volunteer

Mentoring Program: various positions

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE II

YORK HOUSING AUTHORITY AND CONSULTANT

Executive Director and Property Management Consultant Feb 2015–Present

- ✦ Provide expert oversight of the occupancy and vacancy levels, rent collections, work orders, REAC preparedness, recertification, curb appeal, and unit turnover
- ✦ Maintain coordination with Housing Authority Executive Management and Board of Directors for the implementation of policies and procedures, secure accurate documentation of all operating procedures for the agency activities
- ✦ Handle the monthly reconciliation of bank statement for all programs; initiate the preparation of journal entries; maintain the general ledger; and create detailed transaction register
- ✦ Exemplify keen attention to detail in ensuring documentation of all operations and activities, while maintaining compliance with policies and procedures

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION (HOC) OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY - *Kensington, MD*

Director of Property Management Oct 2013–Feb 2015

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS II

Bachelors Public Administration – Southern New Hampshire University 2019

Tax Credit Specialist ~ Senior Professional Housing Manager ~ Executive Directors Certification Public

Housing Manager Certification ~ Neighborhood Leadership Certification

AFFILIATIONS III

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS (NAHRO)

Vice-President\Chairperson Housing Committee | 2014–2017

- Served as advocate for Federal legislation and policies which impacted housing agencies

- Arranged and facilitated meetings with Housing committee members

Board of Governors | 2011–2019

ACTIVITIES III

Commissioner/ Chair (2014–Present) - HOWARD COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION - *Howard County, MD*

Assistant Treasurer
(Member of Board of Trustees)

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Name: Harland Abraham

Nominated for: Assistant Treasurer



Bio:

Harland Abraham has been a member of SJBC since 2006. He has over 20 years experience in financial services, including 13 years in banking that have been proven valuable to SJBC. He has been a Trustee from February 2014. April 2020. In that time he served as the Treasurer for two terms and was elected Assistant Treasurer twice. Harland is the primary contact between SJBC and our banking and investment relationships. He makes all of our financial deposits. Harland has been involved in every audit since 2014.

Financial Secretary
(Member of Board of Trustees)

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Name: Michelle RhodesBrown

Nominated for: Financial Secretary



Bio:

Michelle E. RhodesBrown, CFA
November, 2020

Qualifications for the position of: Trustee Board Ministry, Financial Secretary

St. John Baptist Church Experience

- Trustee Board:
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Member
- Joint Board: Member
- Revival Program Chair:
- Sacred Arts Ministry: Member of Leroy Giles Gospel Choir and Praise Team
- Adult Sunday School Teacher
- Women's Ministry
 - Planning Committee
 - Women's Committee Chair

Professional Experience

- Director of Finance, The Walters Art Museum: .

Community Experience:

- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority:
 - Chair, National Finance Committee
 - Member, National Finance Committee
 - Member, National Executive Board
 - Certified DID Trainer
 - Current member of Eastern Regional Leadership Team and past member Midwest Regional Leadership Team.
 - Served in multiple leadership capacities on a local and regional level including Treasurer, Fundraising Chair, Social Action Coordinator and Audit Committee Chair.
- Delta Research and Educational Foundation: Served as Chair of Investment Committee, Chair of Nominating Committee, Chair of Finance Committee, and Treasurer.

Education:

Master of Management (MBA)
(Finance & Accounting)

KELLOGG GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Bachelor of Science (BSE)
(Mechanical Engineering & Applied Mechanics)

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA)

*Assistant Financial Secretary
(Member of Board of Trustees)*

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Name: Todd Baker

Nominated for: Assistant Treasurer – Finance and Operations Ministry



Bio:

Todd Baker is an IP litigation partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP. Todd is experienced handling post-grant matters at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A recognized leader in the IP community, he has served on the Board of Directors of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), and he currently serves as co-chair of the IP Practice in Japan Committee for AIPLA.

Todd is married to Cindy Baker (Blasingame). Todd and Cindy have three daughters: Chelsea (18), Jocelyn (15), and Keren (12). He is a longtime resident of Howard County, having moved here in 1970, and he has been a member of St John Baptist Church since 1993.

*At Large Member of the
Finance and Operations Ministry
Four (4) positions available*

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Name: Rev. Rogers Barnes

Nominated for: Finance and Operations Ministry – At Large Member



Bio:

Degrees from Norfolk State - BS in Accounting, MBA- in Business Management from Loyola University. CPA with lengthy career in finance, accounting, commercial and residential development, project management. Serves on FINOPS Ministry already (completing second year). Serves on Male Chorus, Africam American Community Roundtable.

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Name: JoAnn Burnett

Nominated for: Finance and Operations Ministry – At Large Member



Bio:

JoAnn White Burnett is a Certified Public Accountant with over 35 years of experience in auditing and accounting. She retired from the City of Baltimore, Department of Audits as an Audit Supervisor managing a division that was responsible for reviewing contracts, procurement, and pre-audits. She was known for her relentless attention to detail in working with the Departments of Transportation, Public Works, and General Services reviewing contracts with engineering firms and contractors in the areas of compliance monitoring, Federal Acquisition Regulations Overhead Audits, contracts and change order reviews. JoAnn also has experience in internal auditing and internal control reviews.

JoAnn holds a BS degree in accounting from the University of Maryland, College Park. She is an active member of the Association of Governments Accountants, where she has been the long serving Education Director. She also serves on the Trustee Board of the St. John Baptist Church in Columbia, MD.

In her spare time, JoAnn enjoys the theatre, jazz concerts and traveling with her family.

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Name: Lance Hatcher

Nominated for: Finance and Operations Ministry – At Large Member



Bio:

I have been a member of St John Baptist Church since 2000. I have participated in the parking lot ministry since we were at the location on route 108 and continue to do so. The parking lot ministry also doubles as security for the church. In my professional life, I am career law enforcement. I served honorably with the Montgomery County Police Department for twenty-two years prior to my retirement in 2006. I am currently employed by Morgan State University Police Department and serve in the capacity of Chief of Police. In my career, I have managed budgets up to 10,000,000 dollars and have had other responsibilities that have dealt with financial matters. I am interested in serving the church in any capacity that may allow it to achieve its mission

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Name: Famebridge Witherspoon

Nominated for : Finance and Operations Ministry – At Large Member



Bio:

A long-time resident of Howard County and a graduate of its public schools, Famebridge joins Long & Foster after working in a variety of business and communications industries. After living in New England for 11 years, she returned to Maryland in 2014. After earning her license, Famebridge now spends much of time working with renters and first-time homebuyers.

Famebridge and her husband, Gary, are proud parents to four children: Jordahn, Ahmadee, Clark and Jackson.

A member of St. John Baptist Church in Columbia, Famebridge serves on its media ministry.