

## **Pastoral Search Committee**

### **David Meriwether**

#### **Chairman of the Personnel Committee**

David has been attending and serving with Burnt Hickory for 28 years. His family has been involved in and blessed by many of the ministries at BHBC. David has served as a Deacon, in LifeGroups, Missions, the Choir, and on the Personnel Committee. He is recently retired from the US Forest Service but has remained active by volunteering with BHBC Missions to build houses for the Tiny House Project which provides housing for victims of human trafficking.

### **Jim Dodgen**

#### **Chairman of the Deacons**

Jim and his family have been at Burnt Hickory for 18 years after finding BHBC a place to worship, serve, and grow their relationship with Christ. He is an active church member, serving as a Deacon, LifeGroup teacher, and Men's and Prayer Ministry volunteer among other things. Jim is also an account manager for a medical sales company.

### **Sue Clark**

#### **Church Member (selected by Deacon body)**

Sue has been a BHBC member since 2005 and has faithfully served as a mentor among women for several years, teaching bible studies both at Burnt Hickory and in her community. Sue, along with her husband, John, are also involved in missions, and have worked in Ethiopia, Hungary, and Thailand, and plan to minister to the people of Hawaii this summer. She came to BHBC because of the strong commitment to the Bible, a strong sense of Christian community and strong sense of leadership. Before retiring in 2004, Sue provided administrative support and creative development to a Christian consulting company and Christian law firm.

### **Tommy Poole**

#### **Deacon (selected by Deacon body)**

Tommy has been a member of Burnt Hickory for 22 years, and chose BHBC because of its faithfulness to God's Word, opportunities to serve, and its focus on families. He has 20 years of church leadership experience as a Deacon and LifeGroup teacher. Tommy is also a business owner specializing in leadership assessment, training, and coaching.

**Mary Margaret Smith****Church Member (selected by Deacon body)**

Mary came to Burnt Hickory in 1998 as a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader. She has grown up with BHBC's children's and student ministry. She also attended mission trips that helped to shape her into the woman she is today. Now married, Mary's husband and she have chosen to stay at Burnt Hickory because of God's presence and the preaching of the Word. When she got engaged in 2013, Mary and her fiancé began to teach a Radiate Student LifeGroup and have been serving there ever since through various student outreach events and activities. Mary also has a heart for missions and serves her community by feeding the homeless, cleaning people's yards, and leading Bible studies. She just recently joined a medical mission trip to Nicaragua. Mary is a Full Time Pediatric Nurse at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Through working as a nurse, she has assisted summer camps for children with medical needs.

**Steve Thomas****Personnel Committee Member (appointed by Personnel Committee)**

Steve has been at BHBC since 2005, after coming primarily for the youth program and because the church had a choir! A year later, Steve began serving in Radiate Student Ministry as a teacher of both middle and high school students. He has also attended several Radiate Mission Trips. Along with his dedication to students, Steve has served on the Finance Committee for 4 years and most recently joined the Personnel Committee a little over a year ago. Steve works in IT as an Application Analyst for ABM Industries.

**Wesley White****Deacon (selected by Deacon body)**

Wesley came to Burnt Hickory 11 years ago after seeing the desire and the vision the church had for children, but also because it was a big church that felt small. Wesley has served on Men's Ministry for 5 years and as a Deacon for the last 9 years. When he isn't serving BHBC or being the Sales Director of Smyrna Truck and Cargo, he enjoys coaching his son's local recreational baseball team.