



## Stewards Foundation Board of Trustees

### Part One

Early in my tenure at Stewards Foundation (SF), I found there to be a lack of awareness about SF among assembly leadership across the United States. Now, almost 13 years later, there seems to be a better understanding of SF, but not about the Board of Trustees. The reason frequently expressed for not participating in the process of voting for Trustees at the Annual Members Meeting is, “we do not know the Trustees.”

Ultimately, an organization is only as good as its leadership, thus the importance of knowing about those that lead SF. The Board of Trustees serve voluntarily, devoting their time and energy toward maintaining the founder’s vision as stated in our Articles of Incorporation.

This edition of our Newsletter is the first of two devoted to informing you about SF’s Board of Trustees.

### Chairman of the Board

Scott Leach



Scott has been a Trustee of Stewards Foundation since September 2013. He currently serves on the Nominating, Public Relations and Health Care Committees.

Scott was born on October 5, 1960, in North

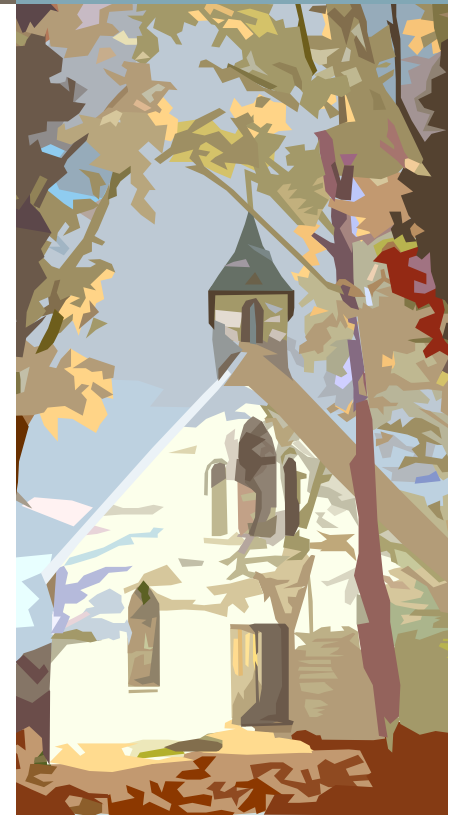
Miami Beach, Florida, to believing parents who were actively involved in assembly fellowship at the Central Gospel Chapel. At the age of six, he understood the need

to personally trust Christ as Savior, and gladly claimed the promise that “whosoever believes in Him...has everlasting life.” Growing up, Scott’s family moved around the southeast and was in fellowship at different local assemblies where he was privileged to sit under the preaching of many godly men.

In the late 1970s, Scott began his career in sales in the construction industry, at first with his family-owned business, then later with larger corporations. He is presently employed as Regional Sales Manager for Southern Paver Systems, an Alabama-based hardscape company, which he enjoys.

In 1980, Scott married the love of his life, Kathy Darby. When work moved them to Georgia in 1982, they came into fellowship at Marietta Bible Chapel. These were encouraging and formative years for Scott and Kathy as they were discipled by Bob and Frances Haddon and others in leadership at the Chapel in Marietta. In 1985, they moved to Prattville, Alabama where they have lived ever since. Scott and Kathy immediately identified with Central Bible Chapel in nearby Millbrook. For more than 30 years, they have faithfully served the Lord and His people through this assembly where Scott was recognized as an elder in 1996. Seeing this meeting edified and supporting assemblies in the Deep South has been their passion. Typical of this is the chapel’s annual Ladies Conference, which has been an encouragement to many in the region. Scott and Kathy enjoy practicing hospitality and ministering to the Lord’s people.

Scott and Kathy have not only been blessed to see their four children and spouses establish Christian homes, but also have been blessed with twelve grandchildren.



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## **President**

*Gregory Drake*



Greg has been a Trustee of Stewards Foundation since September 2006. He currently serves on all of the Board's Committees by virtue of his office as President.

Greg has been privileged to serve with local and international ministries. He currently serves as chairman of the Board of Directors of Assembly Care Ministries. He also served on the Board of ROCK International as chairman for its first 6 years of existence. Greg considers the fellowship he has enjoyed with

others in these ministries to be a special blessing from the Lord.

Greg was born into a Christian home on November 15, 1960, in Donalsonville, Georgia and trusted Christ as his Savior at the age of 12 during a weeklong revival campaign at Friendship Methodist Church, the last church his maternal grandfather pastored. He has enjoyed wonderful fellowship with the saints at his home assembly for over 30 years, Albany Gospel Chapel, Albany, Georgia. Greg has served the assembly in various roles, including preaching, music, youth and outreach ministries; he currently serves as an elder. Greg has also enjoyed preaching and fellowship in other assemblies in the Southeast. It was Greg's privilege to enjoy the godly influence of church planter Lester Wilson for a brief time in his later years.

Greg graduated from the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy in 1986. He also pursued graduate studies at Columbia Biblical Seminary and Graduate School of Missions at Columbia International University, Columbia, South Carolina. He has practiced community pharmacy in Southwest Georgia for over 30 years and currently is owner of AllCare Pharmacy, Donalsonville, GA.

Greg is married to Gail Dentel Drake, a missionary kid from Senegal, West Africa. Gail practices law part time, enabling her to devote time to her primary job of mother to their two children, Holly and Stephen.

## **Vice President**

*Walter H. (Skip) Elliott III*



Skip has been a Trustee of Stewards Foundation since September 2002. He currently serves as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and on the Finance / Investments / Compensation and Loan Policy Committees. Skip previously served on the Board from 1994 to 1995, acting as President of Stewards Foundation in 1994 and 1995. Skip also serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Assembly Care Ministries, Believers Stewardship Services and

Stewardship Advisory Services. He is also Chairman of the Dorchester County Economic Development Board.

Skip was born into a Christian home on June 29, 1955, and has lived in the same hometown of Summerville, South Carolina all his life. He trusted Christ as his personal Savior at the age of 9 after his parents came into fellowship at Whipper Barony Gospel Chapel in Charleston, South Carolina in 1963. After graduation from high school, Skip attended Clemson University and graduated with honors in 1977, with a Bachelor of Science in Microbiology.

In 1982, Skip married Cathy Ann Drost of Yonkers, New York, the daughter of Mr. Edward Drost (now in Glory) an elder at Bethany Gospel Chapel. The couple was blessed with 4 children (3 sons and a daughter) who have all professed Christ as Savior and are in happy fellowship in the assemblies. Skip and Cathy are blessed with soon to be 13 grandchildren come January 2023.

Skip's business career has spanned several different industries where he has functioned primarily in Sales and Marketing management roles. Before his current role as President of Elliott Marketing, LLC, he served as CEO of a small publicly traded company called Envirometrics, Inc. In 2001, Elliott Marketing was formed to act as a manufacturer's agent in the construction products industry. He continues in this capacity with his son Matthew covering the territory of Georgia, South and North Carolina.

In 1991, Skip and Cathy started the Seabrook Conference, a singles retreat, in Charleston, South Carolina. The final Seabrook Conference was held in May 2017. The Seabrook Conference has now been replaced with a Family Camping Conference called Hickory Knob Bible Conference hosted in conjunction with their home assembly, Summerville Bible Fellowship where Skip serves as an elder.

# IN STEWARDS THAT A MAN BE FOUND FAITHFUL”

## Secretary

Robert Sullivan



Rob has been a Trustee of Stewards Foundation since September 2013. He currently serves as Chairman of the Loan Policy Committee, and on the Nominating and Public Relations Committees. Since 2015, Rob has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Believers Stewardship Services (BSS) which helps Christians with estate planning, planned giving, and governance matters for assemblies and assembly related ministries.

Rob was born in 1967 in Yonkers, New York. At the age of 11, he came to know Christ as his Savior while attending Daily Vacation Bible School at Bethany Chapel in Yonkers. Shortly thereafter, he joined the meeting and has been in fellowship ever since.

Rob is a graduate of Emmaus Bible College (Biblical Studies) and the University of Notre Dame (Finance and Business Economics and Aerospace Engineering). From 1996 thru 2014, he worked at Morgan Stanley, achieving the title of Executive Director. His accomplishments include the launch of the Information Security Office and the Information Risk Oversight functions. He oversaw all security integration matters related to the Global Wealth Management Group's merger with Smith Barney. He also served as liaison for the firm with the United States Marine Corps and its economic development programs in Iraq. Rob left Morgan Stanley at the end of 2014, to join the staff of BSS.

Rob is the founder of Christian Evidences Ministries; Board Chairman of Associates for Biblical Research; Board Chairman of School Ministries, Inc.; Board Chairman of Legacy Ministries Canada; and a Trustee and Treasurer of the Perrin Foundation.

In 2019, Rob married Susie Henderson, the daughter of Donald and Connie Henderson of Dover, Pennsylvania. Prior to their marriage Susie was a professor of elementary education at Emmaus Bible College. Rob and Susie currently reside in Yonkers, New York. They are in fellowship at Bethany Chapel where Rob serves as an elder.

## Treasurer

Aji Baby



Aji has been a Trustee of Stewards Foundation since September 2014. He currently serves as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, and on the Nominating and Finance / Investments / Compensation Committees.

Aji was born in Bhilai, India on March 19, 1963, where he was raised in a God fearing, Christian home. He trusted the Lord Jesus Christ as his own personal Savior at the age of 13 and later obeyed the Lord in the waters of baptism.

Aji came into fellowship with the saints at the Brethren Assembly in Bhilai, India. He graduated from Pandit Ravishanker University in Raipur, India in 1986, with a Bachelor of Science degree.

In 1988, Aji and Susan Abraham of Dallas, Texas were married. In 1990, Aji immigrated from Bhilai, India to the United States to join his wife in Dallas. Aji and Susan are in fellowship with the saints at Wheatland Bible Chapel in Duncanville, Texas.

Aji is currently employed by Thryv, where he has held several positions in Sales, Sales Management and Training. Aji currently works as a Senior Manager of Digital Operations Training and Support. Susan is employed as a Microbiologist for Ventura Foods in Saginaw, Texas.

Aji and Susan have been blessed with three boys Ben, Nathan and Matthew. By God's grace, all three of their sons have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Ben and his wife Heather, live in Florence Kentucky, and Nathan is in the US Army based in Ft. Carson, Colorado. Matthew is in college.

Psalms 126:3, “The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad”

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