



Who Are the Board of Directors?



Men of Valor is supported by a Board of Directors, made up of successful community leaders who give generously of their time and talents.

They are:

Overton Thompson III, Chairman

Has worked in commercial litigation since 1984, currently as partner with Bass, Berry & Sims. He graduated from Vanderbilt in 1981 and from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1984. He has been, and continues to be, actively involved in many, varied community and volunteer organizations. Mentor for Men of Valor at the prison. He is married to Robin, and they have three children, Jillian, Emily, and Overton. They are members at First Presbyterian Church, where he is a Sunday school teacher and elder.

Jack Wallace, Associate Chairman

Insurance Broker with Willis Group for over 25 years. Raised in Nashville, Tennessee and graduated from the University of Alabama in 1981. Serves as an Elder of Covenant Presbyterian Church, Board Member of Centerstone Mental Health Centers, Board Member for the Boys and Girls Club of Middle Tennessee and Trustee for Harpeth Hall School. Married to Elizabeth in 1984, and they have four children ages 16 – 22.

John Oman, Secretary

Has been married for 25 years to his wife, Martha, and they have two daughters, Catherine (24), and Elizabeth (20). He received a BS degree in Building Science from Auburn University and an MBA from

Vanderbilt University. He is president of Oman Systems, Inc., a software development company based in Nashville. He has served as a Deacon and an Elder at First Presbyterian Church and currently attends The Village Chapel. He is a mentor for MOV at the prison.

Lawrence H. Kloess, III (Larry), Treasurer

Larry recently retired from HCA after 28 years of senior leadership responsibility, most recently serving as the CEO of Centennial Medical Center from 1998-2005, and then the President of HCA's TriStar Division from 2005-2011. Beginning in January 2012, Larry became the Senior Advisor for Clayton Associates, a local venture capital firm with special emphasis in healthcare. He is a native of Montgomery, Alabama, and is the eldest of 4 brothers. Larry obtained his Bachelor's degree from the University of Alabama and his Masters degree in Hospital Administration from Xavier University in Cincinnati, OH. Larry and his wife, Karen, have been married for 32 years, and have two adult children, both of whom live in middle Tennessee. Larry and Karen are active members of Brentwood Baptist Church where Larry has served as Deacon and the Chairman of the Stewardship Committee for the church. They have also been active in numerous community and professional organizations, including Alive Hospice, Big Oak Ranch, and the Tennessee Hospital Association, where Larry served as the Board Chairman in 2011. Larry and Karen live in Franklin, TN, and have supported MOV ministry for the past 6 years.

Granville "Sonny" Lyons, Chaplain

Sonny moved to Nashville from Albuquerque, New Mexico at an early age. Has a Bachelor of Science degree in Speech Communications and Theatre from TSU where he was an All-American football player. He is a former public High School teacher and coach, as well as a former jail administrator with the Metro Sheriff's Department. He is currently the Recruitment Center Manager for the Human Resources Department of Metro Nashville. He is Assistant Minister at Lake Providence Baptist Church. He is married to Laurie, and they have five wonderful and talented children, and two precious grandchildren.

Josh Carlson

Having graduated from Trevecca Nazarene University with a BS in Management Information Systems and an MBA in Information Technology, Josh works as a network engineer for Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He currently serves on Nashville State's IT Curriculum Steering Committee, volunteers with his church, and offers his IT services to Men of Valor. As the founder's son, Josh has seen Men of Valor grow from its infancy. He is an ardent supporter of Men of Valor's mission of winning men in prison to Christ. He and his wife, Janna, reside in Mount Juliet and are members of First Church of the Nazarene in Nashville.

Richard W. Carlton

Rick Carlton has had a distinguished career in real estate development and management. He founded Carlton-Naumann Construction, Inc. in 1985, and developed several commercial (and residential?) projects throughout Southwest Florida. In 2001 he moved to Santa Fe, NM, where he developed and built projects to enhance the local community. Among these is the prestigious Glacier Club, a premier and private golf and residential community in Durango, CO. Golf Week magazine has named it one of America's Best Residential Courses. Rick's concern for the environment led him to recently become affiliated with i-SOLV™, a bio chemical company in Vancouver, Canada, that is dedicated to the invention, manufacture and sale of environmentally-friendly industrial chemical solutions and replacements of more harmful products and processes currently prevalent in the marketplace. A commitment to his family is Rick's highest priority. He and his wife, Andrea, have two sons, Sam and Wesley. His daughter, Nicole, and son-in-law, Jason, have blessed him with two grandchildren. His parents live in the nearby Smoky Mountains. Rick offers this philosophy that has guided his life, "All the rest is what happens when your family is your priority." Rick and his family relocated to Nashville, TN, in 2009, where he serves on the Board of Trustees for the Tennessee Golf Foundation, and on the Board for the Golf Club of Tennessee. He is involved in many community projects and is an assistant leader for the Boy Scouts, Troop 50. The Carltons are active members of the First Presbyterian Church in Nashville.

Jeffrey T. Dobyns

President and founding partner of Southwestern Investment Services, Inc. Jeff has been Dave Ramsey's Endorsed Local Provider for Investments since 2002. His leadership has helped grow Southwestern Investment Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Southwestern Company, into one of the top-producing branches of Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. Received his Certified Financial Planner TM, Chartered Life Underwriter and Chartered Financial Consultant designations. Graduated Ohio University in Athens, Ohio where he earned a degree in business administration with an emphasis in finance. He is married to Amy, and they have two children, Gracyn and Hunter. Jeff and his family attend Brentwood Baptist Church. He has been a Men of Valor mentor since 2007.

Meredith E. Flautt, Jr.

Meredith grew up in Nashville, graduated from MBA and then Hanover College, where he and his future wife began their walk with Christ. He returned to Nashville to begin a career in the financial services industry where he remains. His firm, Flautt Financial, Inc., specializes in estate and retirement planning for individual and corporate clients. He and Christy have seven "fabulous" children and three wonderful grandchildren. His community involvement has grown out of his commitment to family, friends, and the "burdens" that the Lord has put on his heart. In addition to being a MOV mentor, he has served as Board member of Middle Tennessee Home Education Association, Christian Leadership Concepts, Inc., and Christian Fellowship of Nashville, a partner organization to Hands in Service in Soroti, Uganda. Meredith usually spends part of February in Uganda with one or more of his children and most of September on the Michigan shoreline with his family. He and his wife are members of the People's Church in Murfreesboro, a Baptist affiliated church.

Damon T. Hininger

Damon Hininger has been married to Carrie Hininger for nearly 20 years and they have two children, Robert and Mildred, who are both six and in kindergarten. The Hininger family are members of First Presbyterian Church of Nashville. Damon was named President and Chief Executive Officer of CCA in August 2009, having previously been appointed as President and Chief Operating Officer in July 2008. Hininger joined the company in 1992 as a correctional officer at Leavenworth Detention Center in Leavenworth, Kansas. He is active in the community, currently serving as a member of the United Way of Metropolitan Nashville Board of Trustees, the Nashville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, a member of the Board of Trustees for Belmont University, and a member of the Board of Directors for Middle Tennessee Boy Scouts. Hininger also serves on the Kansas State Foundation Board of Trustees and the Board of Advisors for the Massey School of Business at Belmont University. Hininger earned a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University and a master's of business administration from the Jack Massey Graduate School of Business at Belmont University.

L. Wearen Hughes

Has been a lawyer with Bass, Berry & Sims since 1977, after graduating from Vanderbilt Law School in 1977 and Vanderbilt in 1974. Practice includes commercial litigation, with a focus on construction and environmental litigation, construction transactions, and arbitrations and mediations. Long-time member, and has served as Elder and Deacon, at First Presbyterian Church. Has been on the boards of Christian Leadership Concepts, Inc. and Oak Hill School, and is currently on the board of Justice Industries, Inc. Has been a MOV mentor for several years. He and his wife Bitsy have three grown children, and one grandson.

R. Edward Hutton, Jr.

Eddie studied and graduated at the University of Mississippi. He has worked in the Air Conditioning industry since 1977 as a partner in both Interstate AC Service and Kimbro Mechanical. He also served as past President of the Air Conditioning Contractors of America Service. A life long Nashvillian Eddie is married to Linda, and they have two lovely children. In addition to being a MOV mentor and volunteer he is also an active member of Covenant Presbyterian Church where he served on their Building Committee

Bill Lee

Raised on a farm in Franklin, Tennessee, Bill Lee earned his BS in Mechanical Engineering from Auburn University, where he was a member of Pi Tau Sigma Mechanical Engineering Honorary Society, Kappa Alpha Social Fraternity, and a "Plainsman". In 1981 he joined the business his grandfather founded in 1944 and became a licensed Professional Engineer in 1985. In 1992 Bill became the President of Lee Company, which had revenues of \$20 million. Today he serves as the CEO of the company, a \$140 million comprehensive facilities solutions and home services company with over 800 employees, named one of Tennessee's top 5 "Best Companies to Work for" in 2006, 2007 and 2014 and named Nashville Business Journal's "Best in Business" for 2011. He has served on the board of The Tennessee Higher Education Commission, The Tennessee Institute for Public Policy, President of Tennesseans for Economic Growth, past President of the Associated Builders and Contractors, Board of Trustees of Belmont University, Board of Directors Nashville Business Coalition, Chairman of YMCA of Middle Tennessee, Downtown Rotary Club of Nashville, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Men of Valor Prison Ministry, Operation Andrew, Hope Clinic for Women, Bridges Academy and many other community organizations. He is founder and chairman of the Firm Foundation of Middle Tennessee, a local community foundation. He was named Father of the Year in 2007 by The American Diabetes Association. He also has served as the Chairman of the Board of Grace Center Church in Franklin. He now attends Grace Chapel Church. He is an avid outdoorsman, enjoys hunting and fishing on his cattle farm in Franklin where he lives with his wife Maria. Bill has 4 children and two grandchildren.

Thomas Ozburn

Chief Executive Officer at HCA's Southern Hills Medical Center in Nashville, where he is responsible for overall operations of the 120-bed medical/surgical hospital. He is a native of Chattanooga, earned a bachelor of science in Health Care Management from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa and a masters of Health Administration and a masters of Business Administration from the University of Memphis. He is board certified in healthcare management by the American College of Healthcare Executives and the American College of Medical Practice Executives. Ozburn is the Board Chairman for the Harding YMCA. He also serves as the Board Chairman for the Tennessee Christian Chamber of Commerce and the Nashville Zoo. Additionally, he serves as a prison mentor with the Men of Valor program. Thomas and his wife, Lori Mitchell (an Anchor/Reporter for News Channel 2 in Nashville) have two children.

Dr. David Watts

Dr. Watts is a Radiologist with Advanced Diagnostic Imaging. His practice is primarily at Hendersonville Medical Center. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree at the University of Tennessee (Knoxville) in 1970, as well as a Doctor of Medicine at the University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences in 1978. Dr. Watts was a Captain, Medical Corps, for the United States Navy (Retired). He is an ordained deacon at Woodmont Baptist Church. He is married to Vicki and they both attend Eastland Baptist Church in Nashville. David has been a volunteer and mentor at MOV for a number of years.

James A. Webb, III

Co-founder and Executive Vice-President of Freeman-Webb, Inc., Jimmy is a native Nashvillian and a 1970 graduate of Vanderbilt University. He entered the United States Navy as a commissioned officer, and before his honorable discharge in 1975 he served in Vietnam where he was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal and the Navy Unit Citation. He is past chairman of the YMCA of Middle Tennessee and past president of Sister Cities of Nashville. He is a founding and current member of the Board of the Nashville Zoo. He also serves on the MBA board of directors. He and his wife, Becky Smotherman Webb, and their three sons are members of First Presbyterian Church, where he is an elder.

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