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Mathis Announces Retirement

Stephen E. Mathis, CFP®, Executive Vice President of Missouri Baptist Foundation will retire on September 30, 2017. Plans were announced to the MBF trustees and staff following the August 18 meeting of the board of trustees. He is currently also serving as Interim President.

Mathis joined the Missouri Baptist Foundation in November of 1986 as Associate Executive Director which was later expanded to the corporate officer position of Executive Vice President. In this role as chief development officer for over thirty years, he has had the privilege of assisting hundreds of Missouri Baptists with estate and gift plans that included benefits for their church and other missions and ministries. Mathis also served on the MBF's Investment Review Committee and Property Management Committee.

Since June 2015 and on two earlier occasions during his tenure with Missouri Baptist Foundation, Mathis has served as interim president. Each time he has worked with the board of trustees to provide for smooth transitions to new leadership. At the request of the trustees, Stephen will be available to the board and staff in a consulting relationship to assist with MBF operations and client relationships as leadership of a new president is established. Chairman of the Board, Larry Shoaf, said "Stephen Mathis has served Missouri Baptists well for over thirty years. Stephen has educated churches and individuals in the area of Christian Stewardship and Estate Planning. He has paved the road for a solid future for Missouri Baptist Foundation. The Board of Trustees and Staff are grateful he is available to assure a successful transition to a new President."

When asked about retirement plans, Stephen indicated, "Nancy and I have time with family and some deferred travel plans that we hope to incorporate into our schedule. I intend to continue encouraging estate stewardship among friends and acquaintances that are interested in providing legacies to support Christian ministries and other charitable purposes."

The MBF Board of Trustees is currently in the final stages of selecting a new President. News will be forthcoming as soon as it is available.