

# MBF NEWS



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings!

It has been an exciting few weeks here around the offices of the Missouri Baptist Foundation. We just recently moved into our newly renovated space and are settling in. It had been 20 years since we had updated and it was definitely time; not to mention our lease with our landlord had run out. After some negotiation we were able to renew our lease for an additional seven years by simply updating our space. A true win, win for everybody.

And speaking of winning, last year we announced seven new \$2,000 college scholarships for Missouri Baptist students who were attending a Christian Institution of Higher Education. We were excited when we had over 50 applicants apply, but disappointed we only had seven scholarships to give.

So, do you know what our Board decided to do? They decided that we would make everyone a winner! We could not come up with enough funds to award everyone a \$2,000 scholarship, but we were able to at least offer a \$250 one to every applicant. That was in addition to the seven who received the \$2,000 ones.

I was so pleased with the generosity of our board in making this decision. It truly shows their heart in serving Missouri Baptists which is what we have

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Resources and investment opportunities for you, your church, or your ministry

been doing for almost 75 years as the Foundation.

We have much more work to do, of course, but together we can make a difference. We need each other more than ever and are looking for ways to serve even more people than before.

But we would be remiss if we did not express our appreciation to you. We are thankful to the Lord you have entrusted us to manage your funds for ministry. We continue to strive to bring excellence to our money management services while encouraging a revolution of resources to Advance the Gospel.

Thanks for being a partner.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Neil Franks".

Dr. Neil Franks

# Announcing the 2019 MBF Scholarship Recipients

THE MISSOURI BAPTIST FOUNDATION IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE WINNERS OF THE SEVEN NEW \$2,000 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MISSOURI BAPTIST STUDENTS!

Southwest Baptist University Scholarship - **Jacob Banks**  
Hannibal-LaGrange University Scholarship - **Madyson Brown**  
Missouri Baptist University Scholarship - **Blair Dicus**  
Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Scholarship - **Paul List**  
The Baptist Home Employee Scholarship - **Kellie Hamilton**  
John & Sharon Yeats MBC Dependent Scholarship - **Emma Hurtgen**  
Russell Martin Missouri Baptist Children's Home Scholarship - **Kara Peters**



Congratulations to these exceptional students!

## ATTENTION! Only a few more days remain to nominate someone 2019 FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

Do you know someone that is a good example of Christian stewardship?  
Consider nominating them for one of the following awards:

**Marshall Fellow:** Honors a faithful, mature minister or ministry couple that exhibit whole-life stewardship through professional Christian service. The award includes a \$2000 grant for a ministry to be chosen by the fellow. This award is named in honor of Dr. John Marshall, former pastor of Second Baptist Church in Springfield.

**Nelson Fellow:** Honors a faithful, mature lay individual or couple that exhibit whole-life stewardship through Christian service. The award includes a \$2000 grant for a ministry to be chosen by the fellow. This award is named after Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson for their service to the local church, Missouri Baptist Convention and SBC.

**Next Generation Fellow:** Honors a next generation young adult child, youth or young adult in the age range of 10-25. Nominees identify missional needs and actively respond to meet those needs through the gifts of their talents, time and/or treasures. The award includes a \$1000 grant for a ministry to be chosen by the fellow.



### NOMINATION DEADLINE - AUGUST 1st

For more information and nomination forms, visit [www.mbf.org](http://www.mbf.org)

## MBF BOARD MEMBER FEATURE

### Joby Steele, Trustee

As we delight in introducing you to one of our Trustees, this quarter we want to introduce you to Joby Steele. Mr. Steele has served on the board since 2017. He is a member of the Endowment Management and Audit Committee.

Joby is from Mountain Home Arkansas and attended Arkansas State University. He continued his graduate and postgraduate work in Missouri at William Woods and Lindenwood University.

Joby recently celebrated 28 years of marriage to his wife, Brenda. Brenda teaches elementary school. They have five children and reside in Alton, Missouri. Joby serves as a high school principal for the Alton School District. Joby is also an ordained minister and pastors Macedonia Baptist Church in Alton, Missouri.

As you can imagine with a full time vocation, shepherding a flock, and raising a family the Steele's are a busy family. When not at school or church, Joby is spending time with family. He enjoys biking and Jeep rides!

The Foundation is grateful to and for Joby. He bring a pastor's heart to the ministry of the Foundation while conveying his business and administrative expertise in decisions.



## MBF STAFF MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

### Paula Misloski, Client Services Administrator



Paula joined the MBF staff in March of 2017. She and her husband, Jim, moved to Jefferson City in 2016 for Jim to become the Developing Leaders Director for the Missouri Baptist Convention. Paula's work at MBF involves a variety of aspects of trust client support, data management, and administrative assistance.

Paula and Jim have been married for 31 years, and have three children, Perry (28), Ellen (25), and Davis (21). They are members of Southridge Baptist Church in Jefferson City where Jim is currently serving as Transitional Interim Pastor.

Paula grew up in Eldon, Missouri and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from Missouri State University. After getting married, she and Jim lived in St. Louis for a few years before moving their family to Colorado in 1998. Her vocational background has been primarily in education and non-profit fields. She enjoys travel, cooking, and hosting gatherings in their home.

Please feel free to reach out to Paula if she can be of assistance. She can be reached at extension 533.



**The Missouri Baptist Foundation** was founded in 1946 to "strengthen the mission and ministry efforts of Missouri Baptists." Today, MBF has never been more committed to that purpose. Governed by a Board of Trustees elected by the Missouri Baptist Convention, the MBF team is available to meet with any Missouri Baptist church, individual, or ministry across the state who is interested in making a Kingdom impact. As a ministry of the Cooperative Program, there is no charge for utilizing our planning services. You can learn more by visiting [www.mbf.org](http://www.mbf.org), emailing [mbfoundation@mbfn.org](mailto:mbfoundation@mbfn.org) or calling 573.761.0717 or 1.800.776.0747.

# HOW WE CAN HELP

FINANCIAL STRATEGY DESIGN

ESTATE & GIFT PLANNING

ASSET GROWTH

TRUSTEE SERVICES

CHURCH LOANS

GENEROSITY EDUCATION



## MBF INVESTMENT SERVICES

### SUMMARY NET PERFORMANCE as of 03.31.19 *numbers in percent*

Fund	QTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	Inception Date
MBF Balanced Fund	9.0	1.9	8.2	4.6	6.5	10/31/2012
MBF Diversified Fund	8.3	3.9	8.8	4.9	6.8	10/31/2012
MBF Stock Fund	12.0	1.4	11.3	6.1	-	03/31/2013
MBF Bond Fund	3.0	4.5	2.2	2.9	-	03/31/2013

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