

## Ordination Task Force Members



**Deborah Boucher-Payne**, B.S., M.Div., M.S. D. Min. has been an ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for 33 years. Originally from Rochester New York, she lived in Austin, Texas as a teen and young adult, attending the University of Texas and Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. She also has advanced degrees from Creighton University and Union Theological Seminary. Deborah has pastored churches in New York, Nebraska and Iowa, as well as serving as the Director of Pastoral Care at a regional trauma and transplant center in Omaha and served for eight years as the Executive Presbyter of Missouri Union Presbytery. Since January 2024 Deborah is the Synod Executive for the Synod of Mid America.



**Renda Brinson** is a Certified Christian Education who has served in the Presbytery of Charlotte for over 30 years. She currently serves in a joint position as the Director of Christian Education Resource Center for the Presbytery of Charlotte and Union Presbyterian Seminary. Renda has served in Christian Education in four Churches in our Presbytery. She is a member of POINT - Presbyterians Organized in Nurture and Teaching and the Advisor for the Education Certification Council for PC (USA). She has served as the President of the Association of Partners in Christian Education. (APCE, 2022) and on numerous committees in the Presbytery and as commissioner to 224<sup>th</sup> and 225<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies.



**Cheryl Carson** is the Associate Executive Presbyter for Central Florida Presbytery. Cheryl has a Doctor of Educational Ministries degree from Columbia Theological Seminary. She also has her Masters of Christian Education from Union-PSCE (now Union Presbyterian Seminary) in Richmond and a Master of Mass Communication from the University of Florida. She is also certified as a Christian Educator in the PC(USA) and as a coach by the International Coaching Federation. Cheryl is a member of Rockledge Presbyterian Church where she currently serves on Session and as Worship Committee Chair. She also teaches the Bible Boosters adult Sunday school class.



**Sean Chow** is the Executive Director of the Presbytery of San Diego where he is focused on church planting, church revitalization, and being missionally focused. He has previously served as the Associate for 1001 New Worshiping Communities with the Presbyterian Mission Agency. He has resourced and consulted with mid-councils, churches, and New Worshiping Communities as they launch creative expressions of church. Sean is a graduate of Azusa Pacific University, San Francisco Theological Seminary and New York Theological Seminary. Over the years, he has been a part of developing new ministries through and with existing congregations. Part of his aim is to prepare, equip, and sustain leaders to do the work God calls them to do.



**Hope Lee** is the Lead Pastor of Vienna Presbyterian Church, one of the largest congregations in the PC(USA). In her 20+ years of ministry, Hope has also served churches in Florida and Pennsylvania. Her area of focus is church growth and redevelopment through adaptive change and preaching. She has been a preacher/speaker for conferences and presbyteries all over the country for the PC(USA), and for the New Wilmington Mission Conference, and the Fellowship of Presbyterians. She is married to SungHo, who is also a PC(USA) pastor.



**Mary Lloyd** has served in leadership roles at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Detroit Presbytery, and various organizations. An experienced consultant to executives and leadership teams, she is known for her expertise in Strategic Fundraising, Marketing Management, Organizational Transformation, and Management. She earned a Doctoral degree in executive leadership, a master's in international business, a bachelor's in business administration and has conducted postgraduate studies focusing on theology, social impact, and nonprofit excellence. Mary has traveled broadly across Africa, Canada, Cuba, Bahamas, Germany, France, Jamaica, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States.



**Bobby Musengwa** is a Teaching Elder who serves as a pastor of Maximo Presbyterian Church, in St. Petersburg, Florida. He has been serving there for more than 18 years. He has served congregations in Vernon, Wisconsin, Niagara Falls, New York, and his current congregation in Florida. Bobby is a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, the Presbyterian School of Christian Education (now part of Presbyterian Union Seminary), St. Andrews Presbyterian College (now St. Andrews University) and the Transvaal College of Education in South Africa. Prior to being ordained 25 years ago by the Presbytery of Milwaukee, he served as Director of Christian Education for four years.



**Paul Timothy Roberts Sr.** is President of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary in Atlanta, GA, a position he has held since the fall of 2009. Under Paul's leadership, JCSTS has reinvented itself as a 100% online, competency-based educational institution whose course offerings are centered at the intersection of faith and justice. Paul grew up in Bradenton, FL. He is a graduate of Princeton University (Bachelor of Arts in Architecture and African American Studies) and the Interdenominational Theological Center of Atlanta (Master of Divinity). He is an Academic Fellow of the Ecumenical Institute at Bossey in Celigny, Switzerland. Prior to serving JCSTS, Paul was the pastor of Church of the Master (PCUSA), which was founded in 1965 in Atlanta as an intentionally interracial congregation. Paul has served on numerous fiduciary and advisory boards. He serves the Co-Moderator of the Task Force.



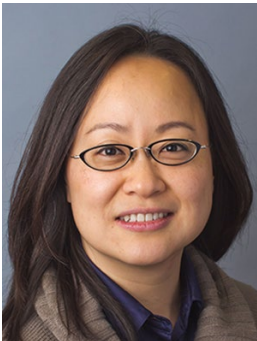
**Juan J. Sarmiento** has served as Executive Presbyter of the San Fernando Presbytery in the Los Angeles area since August 2020. Born in Venezuela and ordained in Brazil, he has been in pastoral ministry and nonprofit leadership for more than three decades. Juan has helped strengthen church and leadership development movements in close to 80 countries and in five continents with the Presbyterian Mission Agency and other organizations. He was a commissioner to the 216<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the PC(USA) in Richmond, VA. Juan's graduate education includes graduate studies at Fuller, San Francisco, Columbia and Louisville Theological Seminaries. He has been a member of the American Society of Missiology and the Scientific Study of Religion. He serves the Co-Moderator of the Task Force.



**Alejandra Spir-Haddad**, D.D.S., M.S. is a professional in the dental field and Ruling Elder commissioned. From 2010 to 2018, she served on the Committee on the Office of the General Assembly (COGA) and currently serves her church (United Presbyterian Church of Bloomington, IN) in the ministries of preaching and visitation. She is a Benedictine Oblate, a trained Spiritual Director and recently obtained a Master of Arts in Theology from St. Meinrad's School of Theology.



**Lance Wiesmann** is a "cradle Presbyterian" from Maumee Valley Presbytery (Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan). He is a CRE as well as being involved in the life of the Church and Presbytery in various other ways and serving as the Clerk on the Task Force.



**Jihyun Oh** is Associate Stated Clerk and Director of Mid Council Ministries with the Office of the General Assembly. She serves as Staff Resource Person in the Task Force.