

2026 Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee prayerfully considered qualified candidates for Secretary, the Judiciary Committee, and Vice President. Although the Vice President typically serves a three-year term, this election will fill the vacancy left by Erik Reynolds for the remaining one year. I am grateful for the wisdom and commitment of Russell Carle and Nathaniel Bickford, who willingly served on the committee.

Biographies for each candidate appear below.

In His name,
Bill Krulish, Chairman
Russell Carle and Nathaniel Bickford

Summary of Nominations

Judiciary Committee (five-year term): Greg Walton

Secretary (three-year term): Jonathan Price

Vice President of the Eastern Region (one-year term): Samuel Cobb

Candidate Biographies

Rev. Samuel D. Cobb earned a Certificate in Bible and General Arts from the Berkshire Institute for Christian Studies and a B.Min. from the Antioch School. He joined Hope Church in 2011 as a part-time youth pastor and became the full-time Minister of Christian Education in 2017. Ordained in September 2025, Sam now oversees the church's educational ministries, teaches regularly, and participates in preaching, music, and Koinonia leadership. He is passionate about developing leaders and establishing the church for the next generation. Sam and his wife, Hannah, have been married since 2010 and live in the Berkshires.

Jonathan Price has served for seven years as pastor of Faith Evangelical Church in Melrose, Massachusetts, and for three years as Secretary of the Regional Board. He earned a B.A. from Eastern University, including a year of study in Jerusalem, and an M.Div. from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Before moving to Melrose, he served as co-pastor in Windsor, Connecticut, and as a pastoral intern in Haverhill, Massachusetts. He also taught in public and charter schools. Jonathan and his wife, Magen, have two young children.

Rev. Gregory Walton graduated from the Berkshire Institute of Christian Studies and earned a B.A. in Biology from Eastern University and an M.Div. from Gordon-Conwell. He has served as Director of Youth Ministries at Stroudwater Church in Portland, Maine; as youth pastor, worship leader, and associate pastor at Coastal Community Church, a Wesleyan church; and currently as Assistant Pastor at Goodwin Mills Advent Christian Church. Greg also serves as Vice President of Youth Programming for Lakeside Advent Christian Campground. He was ordained in our denomination in spring 2025. Greg and his wife of 18 years, Erika, live in Dayton, Maine, with their daughters, Violet (10) and Evie (8).