Peter W. Anderson, Executive Director

Dr. Peter W. Anderson ministered in Hawaii for about 37 years. After graduating in 1970 from King University in Bristol, Tennessee, he served with the United States Army. Later he received a Master’s Degree in Counseling from the University of North Carolina and served as a missionary to Mexico. In 1977, upon graduation from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pastor Anderson and his wife, Martha, moved to Hawaii.

Pastor Anderson is the founding pastor of Trinity Church Windward in Kailua and with his wife helped to found Trinity Christian School. In 1990, he received his doctorate from the International Graduate School of Theology where he later taught Church Planting and Counseling. In 1991, Pastor Anderson started holding services in Central Oahu and in 1995 was installed as pastor of Trinity Church Central Oahu. Pastor Anderson’s passion is planting churches to reach the unchurched with the transforming message of the Gospel of Christ.

Pastor Pete also has a real love for the people of Central Africa, and in the last 20 years has traveled there annually to help in the planting and growth of new churches. This ministry continues to expand with the establishment of more than thirty churches, two orphanages, two elementary schools, a small hospital and a radio station. He has also helped with the development of Trinity Christian School and Central Christian School in Hawaii. In 2014, he helped start Trinity Biblical Institute, a four-year Bible College, which now has 1600 registered students and branches in five countries. Pastor Anderson and Martha have two grown daughters, Katie and Carrie, and five grandchildren.

Directors:

Dan Fabrizio

Dan has a Master of Science Degree in Media Communications from Florida State University. He is the owner of Dogwood Video Productions specializing in producing training and promotional videos for corporate clients as well as non-profits. He has produced promotional videos for Mission to the World, Campus Crusade for Christ, Action International, Africa Christian Training Institute, and the Nairobi Institute of Seminary Training. Dan has been an Instructor at the Art Institute of Seattle for the past 16 years. He first went to Uganda in 1990 on a short-term mission trip and has been to Uganda nine times. He is presently working with Dr. Kefa Sempangi on a screenplay adaptation of his book, “A Distant Grief.” He has been married for 27 years and has three daughters.

Charles King

COL (Ret.) Charles King is a retired Army officer, with over 32 years of active service. He has served on the board of Christian Service Charities, a national $12M/annual charity, as well as on the board of Trinity Christian School, and the leadership of Trinity Church Central Oahu. He holds two Masters Degrees, and is currently teaching college composition and rhetoric at Fayetteville Technical College. He lives with his wife Jane in Fayetteville NC, where he is active with his church, Providence Presbyterian Church, the Navigators, and the Centurion Program.
James S. Lawson
James S. Lawson is married to Stephanie and recently adopted their first child, Elizabeth Grace. They currently live in Williamsburg, VA.

James has over 8 years of military experience as a leader, staff officer, and pilot. He has coordinated multiple large-scale training events for various units to prepare them for combat deployment, and he has led soldiers in multiple combat zones. He received his undergraduate degree in Geospatial Information Science at the United States Military Academy in 2006, and is currently a full time MBA graduate student at the College of William and Mary with an expected graduation date of May 2016. James has lived in Hawaii off and on since 1989 and was an attendee at Trinity Church for over 8 years. He previously served at Trinity as a Sunday school teacher and a member of the church praise band.

Kurt Nelson
Kurt Nelson is a retired Navy Commander with 24 years of service as a Naval Officer. He received his B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering from Northwestern University in 1977 before receiving his commission. After completing nuclear power training, he served on two submarines in engineering and operational positions before transitioning to the Engineering Duty Officer community in 1990. He received his M.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School in 1992 and then served in various maintenance and operational positions in Hawaii and Virginia before retiring from active duty in 2001. He has served as a leader in three Presbyterian churches. He currently serves as the Business Development Director for Q.E.D. Systems, Inc. in Virginia Beach, VA, where he resides with his wife Joanne and children Brittany, Amy, and Michael.

Nancy Olson
Nancy Peery Olson is a native of Tazewell, Virginia. She was raised in the Presbyterian Church US and became a Christian as a teenager. She is a graduate of King College, Bristol, Tennessee majoring in History/Political Science (class of 1978) and a Masters in Education from Virginia Tech (1985). She taught history and government at Grundy Senior High, Grundy, VA (1978-80) and at Covenant Christian School which is sponsored by Covenant PCA in Cedar Bluff, Virginia (1986-1993). She served as an Admissions Counselor at King College from 1980-1984. She was Director of Educational Programs at Historic Crab Orchard Museum, in Tazewell, Virginia from 1993 to 2002.

She's married to Dr. David R. Olson. They are both members of Providence PCA in Fayetteville, NC where Dave serves as an elder. Nancy serves as a Ladies Bible study teacher at Providence and is active in volunteer work in Fayetteville. Nancy is a long time member of the PCA: Covenant PCA, Cedar Bluff, VA; Eastern Heights PCA, Bristol, TN; Grace Covenant PCA, Blacksburg, VA; Trinity PCA (now RPCUS), Tazewell, VA; Trinity Reformed PCA, Landstuhl, Germany; and Providence PCA, Fayetteville NC.

Don Parce
Don Parce has thirty-four years’ experience in the computer field after graduating from the University of California, Berkeley, with a degree in Computer Science. He has worked as an engineer, manager, large project manager and entrepreneur, serving on the Board of a computer start-up, which he co-founded. As a church elder and missions’ committee chairman, he worked closely with forty missionary families with whom he personally
corresponded and eventually met in person. Following retirement, Mr. Parce relocated to Waxhaw, NC where he served as a Project Manager for Wycliffe Bible Translators at the SIL JAARS support center. Part of his job at SIL includes directing installation of power and computer systems to translation centers throughout Africa. Don and his wife, Joan, have been married for fifty years and live in Tucson, Arizona.

Mary Tallent
Mary Tallent is currently a member and women’s lay leader at Chapelgate Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Marriottsville, Maryland. She also serves on the school board of Chapelgate Christian Academy, the middle and high school ministry extension of Chapelgate Church. Mary, while accompanying her husband Ron on a variety of Department of Defense assignments over the past 40+ years, has held various leadership, teaching and training positions in church and para-church ministries in the United States and abroad, including Women In Church (WIC), Precept Upon Precept, Bible Study Fellowship, Protestant Women of Chapel, and International Christian Women’s Club. The heartbeat of Mary’s life is to see women come to know their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to become firmly established in and living by the Word of God. Her travels have given her a unique perspective of, and keen appreciation for the mission needs of the church in cross cultural settings.

Mary and Ron have 3 adult children, Jenni, Kim and Luke, and one grandson.

Robin E. Thomas, CPA, MBA, NREMT-P
Robin is the Founder and Executive Director of Thomas Charities. She has a heart for servant hood and living out the blessings from the grace of Christ. She earned a B.S. in Systems Analysis from Miami University specializing in Operations Research Methods, an M.B.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and has been a Certified Public Accountant for over 20 years. As a missions mobilizer, Robin is well equipped to use her breadth of expertise in the business world to develop social entrepreneur projects in east Africa along with the development of Literacy Programs, Mobile Medical Clinics, and Women’s Conferences. She is a Nationally Registered Paramedic and volunteers as an Emergency Medical Technician in the local fire department. She is a member of Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA), Chesapeake, Virginia.

Jordan Warhurst
Jordan was raised in a Christian home and graduated from East Tennessee State University in 2015 with a bachelor’s degree in accounting. He currently works for LBMC in the Valuation, Litigation, and M & A group. He has been involved in local church activities including teaching children’s Sunday school. He lives in Nashville, TN and is a member of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church.
Andy Woznicki

Andy came to Christ in 1996 as a freshmen at Georgia Southern University through the ministry of Campus Outreach. During his time in college Andy began to have a vision for evangelism, discipleship, leadership development and missions by reaching students for Christ. After graduating with a degree in Secondary English Education from GSU in 2000, Andy and Melisa married and moved to Athens, GA to start ministering to students at the University of Georgia. After 10 years of ministry as a Campus Director and Area Director with Campus Outreach, Andy joined the staff team at Creekstone Church (PCA) in Dahlonega, GA in June 2011 as the Pastor of Community & Discipleship. His role includes building biblical community, training and equipping ministry team leaders, and developing the discipleship ministry. Andy and his wife, Melisa, have lived in Dahlonega since 2005 and have four children: Abby (12), Caleb (10), Stephen & Drew (6). Andy enjoys camping, hiking, good movies and books, and cheering on the Green Bay Packers.

Missionaries:

Sidney B. Anderson

Sidney received his B.S. in Physics from King University and his M. Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary. He has approximately 40 years of experience as a pastor and missionary in the Presbyterian Church in America. He has unique gifts in church planting, discipleship, teaching, and in electronics. He has served the church as a representative of Mission to the World and as a missionary in Nigeria and the Czech Republic. He has been to Uganda several times and leads our radio ministry.

Rich Young

Chaplain (COL) Rich Young, U.S. Army, Retired, originally from Ellwood City, PA entered the United States Marine Corps on 25 September 1970. It was during his time in the Marine Corps that he made a commitment to Christ and began his ministry. He was discharged from the Marine Corps in August of 1974 as a Sergeant. From 1974 to 1977 Chaplain Young attended South Eastern Bible College in Lakeland, Florida. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Missions in 1977. He then attended seminary at the Anderson School of Theology in Anderson, Indiana and graduated with a Master of Divinity Degree in 1981. He entered the Army as a chaplain in June 1981 and retired in 2006. Rich’s chaplain assignments were wide and varied. His time with combat arms units culminated in serving as the Division Chaplain of the 25th Infantry Division (Light) at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. His active duty ministry concluded in serving as the Installation Chaplain at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He and his wife met in first grade and have been married since 1972. They love spending time with their sons, daughters-in-law, and grandsons. Rich is ordained by the Presbyterian Church in America. He and his wife live in Helotes, Texas.
John Griessel

LTC, U.S. Army, Retired, is an ordained pastor in the Presbyterian Church in America. John grew up in Richland, Michigan until age 19 when he was called to faith in Christ and to Christian ministry. He met his wife Jan while attending Bible College in West Virginia and they were married in 1979. He attended Covenant College and Covenant Seminary graduating with a M.Div. in 1989 and an M.A. in Ethics in 2001. John served as a chaplain in the US Army for 21 years; his duties took him to numerous locations in the US and around the world. God has prepared John in many ways to serve in East Africa, especially through his education and through his military service to be an effective missionary. He has very strong teaching, networking, and administrative skills. John is a teacher in Trinity Biblical Institute, and most recently has helped supervise the construction of our headquarters in Uganda.