

**45-02** *(to the Floor)*  
***From the Nominating Committee***

**Nominee for Moderator-elect of the 45<sup>th</sup> General Assembly**  
**RE Jack Cathey**



Jack Cathey is a Ruling Elder at Lake Forest Church in Huntersville, NC, where he and his wife Anne have been involved as founding members. Jack and Anne have two adult married children who reside in the greater Charlotte area. Jack is a graduate of Wake Forest University, where he completed his undergraduate degree in accounting. He also graduated from Virginia Tech, where he earned both a Master's and a Doctoral degree in accounting. After graduate school, Jack joined the faculty of the Turner School of Accountancy at the University of North Carolina, where he has been a member of the faculty for the past 36 years.

Jack grew up in a Christian home and committed his life to Christ at Windy Gap (a Young Life Camp) in 1975. Jack was first called and elected to serve as a Ruling Elder at Forest Hill Church in Charlotte, NC. During a time of significant growth, the Forest Hill Session voted to begin church planting. Jack voted in favor of this motion, and, much to his surprise, he found himself in a skating rink in Huntersville, NC, stacking chairs two years later. Being a part of starting and establishing Lake Forest has been a very fulfilling experience. He has served on the active session many times and has been a part of many search committees that hired staff as the church grew.

When the Lake Forest Session felt the time was right to begin their own church planting work, Jack was appointed as a co-leader of the Church Multiplication Commission along with Teaching Elder Mike Moses. To date, Lake Forest has planted five new churches, including Storyhill Church, Lake Forest Westlake, Lake Forest El Buen Samaritano (a Spanish-speaking plant), Lake Forest UCity (a multi-ethnic plant), and Lake Forest Cabarrus.

For the past 11 years Jack has served as a member of the EPC's National Church Planting Team. He has focused on helping the team organize its work and develop a national approach for church planting including the work of the National Director and the Regional Directors. He has also been a part of planning and attending the annual EPC Church Planter's Retreat.

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