

## 2018 NOMINATION BIOGRAPHY

**Name:** Carol Umberger

**Nominated Position:** Council

**Membership in Years:** 14

**Ministry Involvement (Past and Present)** Choir member, choir director, Heritage Coordinator, Restoring the Foundations minister, president of church council

**Describe the Gifts and Talents that you Bring to this Position.**

I am a collaborative leader who sees problems and seeks solutions through research and discussion with others. I have served (in a number of capacities) on several non-profit boards: as president of a USAF Officer's Spouse Club and of a Romance Writer's of America Chapter in Colorado Springs.

**What do you Discern to be The Lord's Hopes and Dream for our Church?** I believe the Lord wants us to have a sense of urgency in getting the Good News to a hurting and lost world. That means we must seek new methods of taking the Gospel outside the church walls. We do not exist simply to care for those who already believe, although that is important work. The Great Commission is about getting the word to those who haven't already experienced the transforming love of Jesus.

**What do you Believe are the Greatest Challenges Facing our Church?**

Training ministry teams to carry out God's vision.

Understanding the post-Christian culture we now live in and learning how to reach people who have little or no experience with organized religion.

Providing a safe and secure environment for the staff, volunteers and Sunday worship.

Setting specific goals and allotting finances toward achieving them.

**Additional Comments:** It has been a privilege to serve as congregation president for the past two years. The TLC constitution prohibits officers from serving more than two consecutive terms. That is a good thing, because it allows for fresh ideas and leadership. I hope to continue to serve on the council to provide continuity for the initiatives we have already begun.