

Church in the Vineyard Board Member Profile



Name: **Kyle McDuffie**

Marriage/Family Details: **Married to Sandra L. Ahmed, 3 daughters Mya (21), Ryley (19) and Danica (17) from my first marriage. Danica attends CTV.**

Where do you work? **I am the President of CSols Inc in Newark, Delaware. We are a Laboratory Informatics Software consulting firm with major focuses on biotechnology, pharmaceutical and energy clients.**

What do you do for fun or relaxation? **My main hobby is soccer and I play on teams in New Castle County. I also enjoy spending time with my wife and daughters.**

Did your family go to church when you were growing up? If so, what kind of church? **No**

How did you come to know Jesus personally? **For much of my life I was an agnostic. I was very successful in the context of the world's standards without aligning my life with God or with the Bible. Jesus became real to me about five years ago when I began attending CTV. At the time, I was struggling with a number of personal issues around the breakup of my first marriage. I came to faith as a result of my brokenness and my need for God and guidance of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. CTV answered all of my faith questions over a period of about a year and I accepted Him formally in Dec 2006.**

What is one thing God has shown you or taught you in the last year? **I was blessed (along with my daughter Danica and Sandy) to be able to attend our last mission trip to Mexico in January to the Casa Alto Refugio orphanage. This experience showed me how following Him can produce great benefits in this life as well as the next. God has shown me that I must continue to use my talents and gifts for Him and His purposes and how this is truly the abundant life.**

As a Board member...

What experiences have you had inside/outside the Church that you believe will help you serve in this capacity?

As a leader of our company, and also as head of the Stewardship committee, I believe that I will continue to apply my talents and gifts in support of the work that God has in mind for CTV and hopefully can help to provide the infrastructure and organization that we need to implement His plan for us over the next 12 months.

What is your vision or dream for Church in the Vineyard?

My dream for CTV is to see people like I was 5 years ago be transformed into faithful followers of Christ and become the people that God wants us to be.

What do you see as unique about Church in the Vineyard as compared to other churches in our area?

I had been to many different churches in my life prior to attending CTV, but none provided the opportunity to explore faith in the same way, to challenge without fear and to learn God's way through scripture.

What criteria will you use in determining the approval and priority of new programming ideas?

CTV's DNA and Board operation documents are good signposts of what we should do and how we should do it. Beyond that, I will utilize my own experiences tempered with appropriate humility, a solid scriptural foundation and prayer.

Why and how will you build trust with the congregation as an individual board member and for the board as a whole?

I believe that trust is earned and maintained by making sure that our lives align with His purposes and that we show the light of Christ, by example, in how we deal with adversity.

Do you have a relationship that is confident enough with Pastor Chip to provide both encouragement and challenge?

I have tremendous respect for Pastor Chip. However, in this time of pastoral change I believe that the Board must provide strength of character and leadership that will last once he has moved on. As such, we all must step up and take greater responsibility for the future of our Church than we might have in a different season of CTV.