



Board of Administration Nominee

Ed Song

Region: West (Bishop Matt)

Conference: Southern California

Elder or Lay person: Lay person

Job Title and Employer:

Associate Professor, Westmont College

Church: Santa Barbara Free Methodist

Local Church Ministry:

Edward "Ed" Song has been an active member of the Free Methodist Church of Santa Barbara since 2013. In his time there, he has taught numerous adult Sunday school classes, served as a delegate to Annual Conference multiple times, been a member of the Local Board of Administration since 2018, and contributed as a worship leader. Ed's involvement in the church extends to his commitment to making a positive impact in his local community.

Conference and/or General Church Ministry:

Ed's service to the Free Methodist Church in Southern California (FMCSC) includes a three-year tenure on the Board of Administration. In 2019, he participated as a delegate in the General Conference, where he contributed to writing a resolution to add language addressing racism to the Book of Discipline. Since then, Ed has also been a member of the Study Commission on Doctrine.

Community Ministry:

As an Associate Professor at Westmont College, Ed brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to his various roles within the church. Additionally, he is on the board of SBACT, a local non-profit organization dedicated to addressing homelessness and promoting community development in Santa Barbara.

Ed's passion for the Free Methodist Church stems from his belief that its values best represent the Gospel in contemporary America. His experiences at the local, conference, and national levels have provided him with invaluable insight into the denomination's workings. With a heart for addressing pressing social and cultural issues, Ed is dedicated to helping Christians understand the importance of taking their faith beyond the confines of the church and into the world's pain and brokenness. His commitment to these ideals makes him an invaluable member of the Free Methodist community.