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# Elder Candidate Bio

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## Matt and Jenna Farmer

Matt Farmer currently serves as President of the National Christian Foundation's (NCF) Heartland regional office based in Kansas City. His previous position was the Director of Operations for The Hope Center KC, a comprehensive community development ministry and a Christ Community ministry partner for over 15 years. Matt served in the United States Air Force for 12 years as a Logistics Officer (active duty and reserves), and had a brief stint playing professional football. A life-long learner, Matt holds a Master of Divinity degree from Denver Seminary and an Executive Master of Business Administration from Washington University in St. Louis.

Matt was born in Kansas City, grew up in Pella, IA and put his faith in and surrendered his life to Jesus shortly after college in Colorado. He met his wife Jenna at Kanakuk Summer Kamp in Branson, MO and they have been married for 17 years. Jenna grew up on a farm in a small southern Kansas town and put her faith in Jesus as a young girl. Matt and Jenna have three young sons; Brennan, Jensen, Blaine, and their sheepadoodle. They live in Kansas City, MO and have attended the Downtown Campus since 2021.

Matt had a close relationship with Christ Community long before attending and becoming a member. During his time with The Hope Center, Matt worked with Christ Community staff and volunteered on multiple projects, including a whole house renovation in 2012 and the Marketplace Fellows program.

At the Downtown Campus, Matt and Jenna have been leaders for Church for Monday classes. Matt co-led a men's group on intentional fathering and Jenna has volunteered in Children's Ministries and as a mentor for the Women's Mentorship Program.

Matt and Jenna serve as chapel leaders for the Kansas City Royals and Matt has served on several local non-profit boards.