The Rev. Dr. Molly T. Marshall, B.A., M.Div., Ph.D.
Central Seminary

President and Professor of Theology and Spiritual Formation, Molly T. Marshall’s great passion in life is preparing women and men for ministry excellence. “I believe in what we do at Central as we prepare women and men for seeking God, shaping church, and serving humanity.” During her tenure as president, Central has moved the campus to a new location, opened multiple extension sites, constructed a partnership with Myanmar Institute of Theology, and found new ways to focus the seminary’s mission in congregational health and global Christianity.

For over thirty years Molly T. Marshall has been in theological education, her life’s work. She served as Visiting Professor of Theology, Spiritual Formation, and Worship for two years and was elected as the Professor of Theology and Spiritual Formation with tenure at Central Baptist Theological Seminary in 1997. Beginning in 2004 she served as Central’s Acting Academic Dean until her appointment to President. Previously, Dr. Marshall was Associate Professor of Theology at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. Her experience in ministry is varied. A lifelong Baptist, she has served as youth minister, campus minister, and pastor in churches across Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Kentucky.

A graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, she received her M.Div. and Ph.D. from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Further graduate work has been completed at Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, Israel; Cambridge University, Cambridge, England; and Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey, where she was a Visiting Scholar (1990-91), and resident scholar at the Institute for Ecumenical and Cultural Re-search (2000). In 2012-2013 she was a Christian Leadership Initiative Fellow, sponsored by American Jewish Committee and Shalom Hartman Institute, Jerusalem, Israel. Her writings include three monographs, No Salvation Outside the Church?, What it Means to Be Human, and Joining the Dance: a Theology of the Spirit, as well as numerous chapters in books, dictionary and journal articles, and Bible study curricula. She has also published five volumes of Trinitarian Soundings, a collection of reflections on the lectionary.

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Jim Cook is the Director of Strategic Business Development at MMBB Financial services. For the past 15 years Jim has worked on MMBB’s behalf with pastors and churches to provide employee benefits and financial planning services. He is a Certified Financial Planner™ professional who enjoys working with individuals to help them define their goals and map a plan to their desired future. Jim recently completed the EMBA program at the University of Missouri, Kansas City. He studied for his Master of Divinity at the American Baptist Seminary of the West and Fuller Theological Seminary, where his degree was granted. He has a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon. An ordained American Baptist minister, Jim served as a pastor in Richmond, California, and Pasadena, California, before joining the staff of MMBB.
Joy Skjegstad, author of *Winning Grants to Strengthen Your Ministry* (Alban Institute 2007), *Starting a Nonprofit at Your Church* (Alban Institute 2002), and *Seven Creative Models for Community Ministry* (Judson Press, 2013), is a national speaker and consultant on nonprofit management and ministry development. She has more than 25 years of experience starting and growing nonprofit organizations, including serving as the Executive Director of the Park Avenue Foundation at Park Avenue United Methodist Church and as the founder of the Institute for Ministry Leaders, a university-based training program that builds the management capacity of churches and other ministry organizations. She also served as the President of Sanctuary Community Development Corporation and has held a variety of other leadership positions with nonprofits in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.

J. Emerson Hartzler, B.S., M.B.A
Volunteer Financial Coach

Emerson has worked in business and finance for 40+ years. Since 2007, he has served as the Director of Pro Bono Services at Triune Financial Partners, LLC. Emerson is passionate about personal financial literacy and healthy family finance, so much so that he devotes several hours a week to working with individuals, couples, and families at no charge. Presently, he serves as a volunteer financial coach as part of Central Seminary’s Economics of Ministry: From Classroom to Congregation project.

Dr. Emmarita Toston, B.A., M.B.A., D.C.B.A.
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Dr. Emmarita Toston was born and raised in the Kansas City area. She obtained her B.A. from Park University in Business Management & Finance. In 2004 she graduated from Ottawa University with her MBA. In her desire to pursue further education and enhance her knowledge of the word of God, she attended Faith Bible College where she received her Doctorate in Christian Business Administration in 2008. Her passion for helping individuals with their finances encouraged Dr. Emmarita Toston to start the company Financial Education Empowerment Training (F.E.E.T.), Inc. Its vision and purpose are to provide financial education to individuals in order to equip them with the tools necessary to have financial freedom. Let F.E.E.T. help you walk into financial freedom!

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