

## **Biography for Ernest Edward Perry**



*Ernest Edward Perry is a Business Consultant with over forty-five years of combined professional experience in the field of employment services, sales, project management, marketing, communications, public and civic relations, business development and training. Since 2012 he has worked the medical field as a Healthcare Electronic Medical Records Implementation Consultant. Ernest holds an Associate Degree from Marshall University, Bachelor of Arts Degree from Michigan State University and a Certificate of Project Management from The Mack Robinson school of Business at Georgia State University. Ernest has been a faithful member of the United Methodist Church for thirty years. Having Membership at Hoosier Memorial UMC and Bethel UMC. He has served on the Administrative Council, Board Trustee Chairman, College Park District Trustee, and the Immediate Past President of the United Methodist Men at Bethel United Methodist Church. Ernest has been an active scouting adult volunteer for twenty-three years and was a Boy Scout as when he was a teenager growing up in West Virginia. He has served as a Scouting Religious Commissioner for the Atlanta College Park District of the United Methodist Committee on Scouting for over a decade. He also serves the Committee Executive for Pack & Troop 532 and the Nominations Chairman for the SW Atlanta District. Ernest has held practically every volunteer leadership position in Scouting, including Scout leader, Cubmaster, Committee Executive, Board of Review Member. At the District level his roles have included: Chairman of "Friends of Scouting," "Pinewood Derby" Chairman, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner, and Cub Scout Day Camp Program Coordinator, Unit Commissioner, and Nominating Committee Chairman. Ernest participates in training and recruiting Boy Scouts and leaders, coordinating and planning district-wide activities, community service programs, fundraising, public speaking, and civic and religious events. "If we are to be effective in our roles as leaders we must be informed, trained, and be on the same page in terms of how we communicate and implement the Boy Scout Mission." Ernest has also collaborated with Georgia State Representative Roger Bruce for the last 15 years as the Scouting Coordinator for the Annual Family Fun Day & Catfish Rodeo at Sweetwater Creek State Park. In 2007 he received one the Boy Scout of America's highest volunteer awards, District Award of Merit, in 2011 was awarded the Whitney E. Young National Distinguished Service Award, in 2013 Ernest was recognized by the Atlanta City Council District 4 with the Community Service Award in Celebration of President Barak Obama's National Day of Service on Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday and in 2019 he was presented the "Flame & Cross Award" for his work within the United Methodist Committee on Scouting. Ernest has been married to his wife, Catherine for thirty-five years. They have two children, a daughter, Veronica, and a son Aaron. His hobbies are sports, travel, listening to good music, cooking, writing, and volunteering. Ernest is a forty-seven-year member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and currently serves on the voter education, social action committees, and is the State of Georgia Chairman of the High School Talent Hunt Program.*

*Favorite Quote: "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong, because during some point in your life you will have been all of these." George Washington Carver*