

SPEAKER BIOS

Stuart Gulley, Ph.D., became the seventh president of Woodward Academy on July 1, 2009. President Gulley came to Woodward Academy from LaGrange College, where he served as president for 13 years. An ordained minister of The United Methodist Church, he also served in several administrative capacities at Emory University from 1986 until 1996, including the position of Associate Vice President for University Development and Church Relations.

A native of Nashville, Tennessee, President Gulley graduated from Vanderbilt University with a B.A. in Modern European History, *cum laude*, in 1983. After Vanderbilt, he attended Emory University's Candler School of Theology, from which he earned the Master of Divinity degree, *magna cum laude*, in 1986. He completed the Doctor of Philosophy in Higher Education degree at Georgia State University in 1999, which he began while working full-time at Emory University.

Dr. Gulley and his wife, Kathleen, are parents of adult children Andrew and Matthew.

Dan Parr is a practicing attorney with The Weaver Firm and a leading layperson advocating for reform and renewal in the United Methodist Church. He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Georgia, earning his baccalaureate degree, *magna cum laude*, in 1987 followed by his Juris Doctor degree in 1991 from the UGA School of Law. He is the volunteer president of the North Georgia Chapter of the Wesleyan Covenant Association, bringing together lay persons and clergy persons committed to returning the church to an orthodox, evangelical, Wesleyan witness to the Christian faith. Dan and his wife, The Rev. Robin Parr, worship at Dahlonega First United Methodist Church.

Greg Porterfield is a native of Southern California and was an active member of the Glendale First United Methodist Church. He is a graduate of Occidental College and Emory University's Candler School of Theology. While earning his Master of Divinity degree, he served as youth minister at Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church. He served the Holly Spring-Dry Pond Charge before being appointed as founding pastor of Hillside United Methodist Church. He then served as Senior Minister of LaGrange First before moving to Wesley United Methodist Church in Evans, Georgia in 2004. In addition to his role at Wesley, he serves as District Superintendent/Presiding Elder of the South East District of the North Georgia Conference.