

## Nancy Abish

I come before you again this year to ask for your vote of confidence to return me for a full term on the UCPC Board of Trustees. I came on the Board last year as an alternate and moved up to full membership upon the resignation of Jim Elliot eight months ago. Serving on the Board has been exciting and rewarding, and I would love to be given the privilege of continuing the work I feel I have only begun. Upon joining the Board, I set goals for myself, which encompassed

1. **Communication:** As Board liaison for events I am the contact person to secure Board approval for member-sponsored happenings. I also work closely with Jodi every week in preparing the church bulletin and email announcements and other forms of communication to ensure that the information getting out to you is accurate, up-to-date, and easily accessible.
2. **Membership:** Although we have an Active Membership list, I found that the Inactive Membership list has not been kept up for the past five years. I am almost finished reconstructing a new Inactive Membership list so that we can keep track of *all* of our valued members, whether they return a card yearly or not. Also, part of my work on the Bylaws Team has involved redefining the meaning of membership in UCPC.
3. **Policy and Procedure:** (This would be a 2007 goal.) I plan on working to incorporate the Youth Ministry policies and procedures into the overall policy book for UCPC. Also, I have a goal of updating policies and cleaning up inconsistencies in them.
4. **Minister:** Of course, hiring a perfect[for us] someone!

Other '06 volunteer opportunities in addition to Board duties :

- Minister Search Team
- Bylaws Team
- Hospitality Team
- Sunday School teacher for our beautiful 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders (my second year)
- Rummage sale (set-up, pricing, cashiering, clean-up)

Some previous volunteer opportunities:

- Hospitality Team leader (3 years)
- Usher
- Festival booth worker
- Rummage sale cashier

I have lived in Michigan over half my life, and I hold a B.A. degree in Anthropology from Michigan State University. My other interests (when I have time!) besides church are reading, writing, music, astrology, archaeology, and environmental and Native American issues. I have been a member of UCPC for close to a decade. My husband, Morty, is also a member, and we have two grown sons, Mathew and Jason.