

## VIVA NORTH AMERICA – PEOPLE

### Paul Kennel

#### Executive Director



Paul served as President of World Concern for over 10 years, leading 900 staff and representing issues of child poverty and exploitation to major donors, businesses and international agencies. He also worked with World Concern in Thailand and Malaysia, and actually opened World Concern's relief and development work in 13 countries of Asia. While in Asia he worked with World Relief in Vietnam and ran 2 import/export companies in Hong Kong. His most recent role was to help set up a foundation providing opportunities for links between donors and community development organizations. He has travelled widely and has served on many boards that promoted networking and cooperation. Paul currently lives in Seattle with his wife, and he has two adult children.

### North America Board

The Viva North America Board of Directors is made up of 11 gifted and passionate individuals, all of whom are committed to seeing children set free from poverty and released into happy and healthy futures, fulfilling God's purposes for their lives. They act as a governing body for Viva North America, helping us to appropriately and relevantly focus our work and supporting and guiding us as we seek to improve the quality of care for vulnerable children.



### Joel Nichols (Board Chairman and Board Secretary)

#### Associate Professor of Law

Joel is a law professor at the University of St. Thomas in Minnesota. He serves as Chair and Secretary of Board for Viva NA; he is also a member of Viva's International Board of Trustees (UK). He holds J.D. and M.Div. degrees from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, and a BA degree from Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas. Joel previously taught at Pepperdine Law School in Malibu, California; practiced at a law firm in Washington, D.C.; and clerked for a federal judge in Jacksonville, Florida. He has authored two books and fifteen articles and book chapters focusing upon the intersection of law and religion. Joel enjoys traveling, hiking, cross-country skiing, and working with kids. He and his wife have two children.



## Scott Hannah (Board Vice Chairman)

### Business Development Manager

Scott Hannah is a Business Development Manager for Microsoft based in Redmond, Washington. He focuses on sales and marketing strategy for hardware products (computer peripherals including keyboards, mice, and web cameras) in the Europe, Middle East and Africa Regions. He grew up in Bellevue, Washington and returned to live there after his studies. Scott is a graduate of Occidental College in Los Angeles, California and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics for Business and Management with a minor in Geology. Outside of work, Scott is an avid golfer, father of son Jake, and active member in his church community.



## Doug Free (Board Treasurer)

### Managing Member of Clearwell Group

Doug is the Managing Member of Clearwell Group, LLC a family office investment manager in Tampa, FL. He is also Partner and Investment Committee Member of LCM Global, a fund of private investment managers primarily including hedge funds. Doug's investment experience includes equity research, investment banking, hedge fund analysis and portfolio construction. Doug served as Director in Merrill Lynch's Hedge Fund Group focused on the investment analysis and portfolio management of hedge funds, including managing a ML team of hedge fund analysts. His global development experience includes a stint as Director of Sector Research at Geneva Global Inc., a Global philanthropic advisor in the Philadelphia area, and teaching English in China with ELIC. Doug is married with three young children.



## Daniel Ederer

### Principal, Ederer Investments

Daniel Ederer is the president of Ederer Investment Company, a privately-held entity with investments in operating companies, real estate and venture capital. He lives in Seattle, Washington, and is married with three children. Dan is a graduate of the University of Washington and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics, a Certificate in Commercial Real Estate, and a Master's degree in Business Administration.



## Tim Glenn

### USA Advocacy Director Compassion International

Tim Glenn is a former award-winning television news journalist who now dedicates his life to helping children at risk. Having lost both parents by the age of 7, Tim knows very well what it means to be a vulnerable child. Thankfully, a Christian children's home took him in at an early age and provided Tim with a safe place to grow and learn. It was there that he accepted Christ at the age of 16. Tim spent 14 years in television news as an anchor, reporter and producer before leaving the industry to work with one of the world's largest Christian child development organizations, Compassion International. Tim serves as the USA Advocacy Director for Compassion, creating resources to educate, empower and motivate the Church to get involved in the fight against global poverty. Tim is also an independent Christian music artist who has released two CDs. He and his wife Jennifer live in Colorado Springs, Colorado with their two sons, Morgan and Grayson.



## Simon Laver

### Partner, The Perrett Laver Partnership, UK

Simon is a co-founder of Perrett Laver. He previously worked as a senior partner at one of the largest global search groups as Secretariat with responsibility for supporting business development and international growth. He founded and led the global life sciences practice group. His areas of expertise in senior level executive search include CEO and Board-level appointments in higher education, international development, the voluntary sector, life sciences and financial services. In 2008 Simon was named by BusinessWeek on its list of the 'World's 100 Most Influential Headhunters.' Simon holds a first class degree from the University of Oxford and an MBA from the London Business School (including a semester at the Tuck School, Dartmouth College). Simon is Chair of Trustees of Viva, a Trustee and Chair of the International and Advocacy Committee of Tearfund and advisor to the University of Oxford's McDonald Centre for Theology, Ethics and Public Life.



## Patrick McDonald

### Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Viva, UK

Patrick founded Viva Network in 1996 after working with street children in Bolivia. He has spent fourteen years researching Christian work with children and building contacts internationally. Patrick oversees Viva and represents the issue of children at risk to the wider world. He is Senior Associate for Children at Risk for Billy Graham's Lausanne Movement and has completed his MBA at the Saïd Business School, Oxford University. Originally from Denmark, he is married with three sons. His interests include sailing, flying, and mountaineering.



## Willam Reichardt

### Retired Businessman

Bill retired from the dry cleaning industry several years ago. He and his wife Sabra have a small family foundation which provides them with lots of amazing challenges and opportunities to meet and work with very special folks like the Viva team. Bill and Sabra have four children and live in Syracuse, New York.



## Michael L. Sloane

### President and CEO of The Lark Group

Michael L. Sloane II serves as the President and CEO of The Lark Group, a real estate holding and restaurant management company. As president of The Lark Group, He structures investments in the franchised restaurant business by partnering with experienced operators and assisting them in the development, finance, and growth of the brand. Michael is the founder and President of APEX 3101, a non-profit corporation. APEX 3101's mission is to motivate and encourage fraternity men to develop their spiritual life based on Christianity. He received the "Social Entrepreneur of the Year Award" from the Lexington Leadership Foundation in October of 2005 for the work of APEX 3101. He graduated from Transylvania University in 1989 with a B.S. in Business Administration.



## Kari Sowers

### Attorney

Kari is an attorney who practices Intellectual Property and media law. She practiced law at an international law firm in Los Angeles, California predominantly representing research and development companies and media brokers. Kari recently moved to Portland, Oregon with her husband John. Kari is a graduate of Pepperdine University School of Law in Malibu, California. Kari was a Middle Eastern Fellow at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville where she was an honors graduate receiving a B.A. in International Relations and a minor in Middle Eastern Studies. During her undergraduate studies, Kari spent a semester studying Arabic as a part of an intensive language program directed by Middlebury College at Moulay Ismail University in Meknes, Morocco. She completed her undergraduate degree by spending a semester studying Middle Eastern political theory at the American University of Cairo in Cairo, Egypt. Kari and her husband are actively involved in community mentoring. Kari is an avid urban gardener. In addition to tending her own garden, she directs a non-profit organization in Portland that farms urban spaces to provide fresh, organic produce to low income families.



## Toni Nicole Walker

### Assistant Dean, Fuller Theological Seminary

Toni has over thirteen years of experience serving in the non-profit sector. Currently, she serves as Assistant Dean of the School of Intercultural Studies at Fuller Theological Seminary. Toni has served in several non-profit organizations including the National Center for Youth Development and Urban League. She has helped several executive directors, boards, and staff to strengthen their organizational practices and productivity through capacity building, intercultural leadership development, and organizational management. A graduate of St. Edwards University with a Bachelor of Business Administration, Toni is completing a Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies with a concentration in Children at Risk from Fuller Theological Seminary. She is a Certified Diversity Trainer, specializing in providing diversity management consulting for non-profit organizations and ministries. Toni lives in Pasadena, California with her husband Rodney, who is the lead Pastor at newly planted Hope Community Church. Together with their church community, they are involved in ministry among immigrant children and families through partnering with local inner city schools.

Viva is committed to ensuring that everything we do is correctly and legitimately structured, and that we are entirely transparent in all of our actions. Accountability to our supporters, stakeholders, and particularly to the projects and people with whom we work is a priority. For this reason we have made our fully audited accounts, trustee biographies, and legal registration information readily available for inspection.

**If anything is unclear or you require further information please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do our best to answer your questions.**

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