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OMS President, David Long, Named to EFMA Board of Directors

David C. Long, president of OMS International, recently accepted the honor of being named to the board of directors of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association (EFMA). EFMA president Steve Moore announced the appointment in March 2007.

EFMA facilitates relational and developmental initiatives that increase the effectiveness of mission organizations by adding value to their leaders and stimulating partnership in the missions community. EFMA's goal is to help member organizations accomplish their God-ordained purpose more effectively.

EFMA, founded in 1946 as an outgrowth of the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE), has 100 member organizations which represent approximately 20,000 missionaries around the world. Members include churches as well as sending and support agencies that are engaged in cross-cultural missions.

A 16-member board of directors, elected by the membership at its annual meeting, governs EFMA. David Long represents 1 of 14 CEOs of member organizations on the board.

David Long became the ninth president of OMS International in July 2004. He was practicing law in Lexington, Kentucky, when the Lord began to place the growing church of China on his heart. He married Lori King in 1983, and in the following years, both accepted leadership positions in their church.

In 1993, David resigned from his law partnership and enrolled in Asbury Theological Seminary where he received his master of divinity degree. David, Lori and their three children, Ben, Anna and Abby served the Chinese people for nine years as OMS missionaries in Hong Kong before accepting the position of OMS president three years ago.

OMS International is an evangelical, interdenominational faith mission with its world headquarters located in Greenwood, Indiana. OMS has more than 400 missionaries serving around the world, emphasizing intentional evangelism, training national leaders for ministry and planting churches in Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe and Africa. OMS then joins in partnership with those churches to minister to the rest of the world.