

### **J. Thomas McAfee, III**

J. Thomas McAfee, III, has been instrumental in the management and financial operations of Hallmark Systems, Inc. He currently serves as the Chairman and President of Hallmark which operates adolescent Residential Treatment Centers.

With a well-nurtured entrepreneurial spirit, he established and successfully operated a network of radio stations when he was in his 20s. He later joined the McAfee Foundation where he is Executive Director and Trustee. A wide range of organizations, institutions and special initiatives have benefited from his philanthropic leadership.

He is responsible for the initiation and development of the *Celebrating Grace Hymnal* which was released in March 2010. He serves as Chairman and President of Celebrating Grace, Inc. which in addition to creating, marketing and distributing the hymnal, has created and published over 1,800 hymn accompaniments and choral anthems; and created *Growing in Grace*, a comprehensive children's music curriculum, which is in its ninth year.

A 1986 graduate of Stratford Academy in Macon, Georgia, he is a business school graduate of Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, and he earned the Master of Business Administration degree in 2000 from Mercer University's Stetson School of Business and Economics in Atlanta. He also earned a Financial Planning Certificate in 2001 from Oglethorpe University in Atlanta.

A dedicated patron of the arts, especially music, he served on the Board of Trustees for the Charleston Symphony Orchestra in South Carolina. He has provided community leadership, having served on the boards of *Baptists Today*, Morning Star Treatment Centers in Brunswick, Georgia, the Hay House in Macon, Georgia, The Museum of Arts and Science in Macon, the Center for Health and Learning in Atlanta, and The Alliance for Christian Media. He currently serves as a Trustee for The McAfee Foundation, Mercer University, Stratford Academy and the Executive Advisory Board for the McAfee School of Business at Union University. He is charter member of the Board of Advisors for Students in Free Enterprise (now known as Enactus) at Union University, of which he was a coach.

An ardent supporter of higher education, he served as President of the Stetson School of Business and Economics Alumni Association. He established the Raymond C. Townsend Endowed Scholarship, in memory of his maternal grandfather, in 2002 for students enrolled in the joint Master of Divinity/Master of Business Administration program at the McAfee School of Theology and the Stetson School of Business and Economics at Mercer.

Along with his mother, Carolyn Townsend McAfee, and his wife, he provided the financial support to establish the James T. McAfee, Jr. Endowed Vision and Leadership Scholarship in 2005 and the Townsend School of Music of Mercer University in 2006.

He is married to Julie Crangle McAfee and has two daughters, Zoe and Malin. He and his family reside in Bolingbroke, Georgia.