

Gerald (Jerry) R. Sprong

Biography

Gerald (Jerry) R. Sprong is one of the four founding members of the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri and serves as Chairman. He also is currently President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of The Morris Plan Company of St. Joseph. He formerly served as President and Chief Executive Officer of a \$1.1 billion bank holding company and President of several community banks. He is a CPA and a former partner of a top four international accounting firm. He has served or is serving as a director of numerous banks, industrial companies, and trust companies.

Mr. Sprong plays or has played a leadership role and is active in several Christian organizations including Wyatt Park Baptist Church, the Missouri Baptist Convention and William Jewell College. Has also played a leadership role in numerous civic and community organizations including United Way, Chamber of Commerce, Girl Scouts of America, Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education Board, economic development groups and numerous foundations and charitable trusts.

Mr. Sprong has a Bachelors Degree in Education from Northwest Missouri State University. Upon completing, his college education served as a lieutenant in the United States Marines. Mr. Sprong has completed numerous programs and courses in management, accounting, Federal income taxation and disclosures by publicly held companies.