

Dr. Jean McGarrity received a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership from Emory University in 1990. She taught at Emory from 1988-1995 and was responsible for coordinating field experiences of undergraduate and graduate pre-service teachers. Dr. McGarrity was a faculty member at Mercer University 1980-1987 where she taught teacher preparation courses and was Director of the Continuing Education Program. From 1983-1986, she served as a Consultant to Gwinnett County Schools.

Currently, Jean and her husband, Doug , attend Northside United Methodist Church where she is a Stephen Minister and Chair of the Greeters' Ministry. She is a volunteer at Hospice Atlanta serving in the areas of Spiritual Care and the Speakers' Bureau. Previously, Dr. McGarrity served as President of the Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Board. She and her husband Doug are grandparents to four girls-two of whom attend Pisgah: Kasey and Kara.