

THE MESSENGER



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State of the Church: Review

Becky DeKay, BUMC Governance Board

March 28, 2021, Palm Sunday, The Governance Board and Pastors held the 2021 State of the Church meeting following the 11:00 service in the Sanctuary. The following is a review of that meeting and the Board's activities.

The meeting was led by Steve Lindsey, Chair of the Governance Board, with some agenda items covered by Michelle Watson, Vice Chair, and Amy Sudduth Past Chair and Secretary/Treasurer of the Board. This column will touch on each presentation for those unable to attend.

BUMC's COVID-19 response – past, present, and future – and the implementation by the Pastors and Staff has been outstanding. Quickly adapting to online worship opportunities has allowed the church to continue the mission and the congregation to continue to have the connection with BUMC we all need, especially in these trying times. While adhering to CDC guidelines, we were still able to hold Trunk or Treat Fall Festival October 26, Missions Marketplace, United Methodist Children's Home Angel Tree, Roy's Kids and Common Ground Marketplace, Advent Season using Advent boxes, Virtual Cookie Stroll, and Christmas Eve services online and outdoor service. Pretty amazing!

The debt tied to the Bold Campaign is at \$105,000, less than HALF of what it was 8 months ago! Glorious! The PPP, Paycheck Protection Program, loan we secured to continue to employ and pay staff members has been forgiven. For 2020, we ended with nearly \$300,000 in the bank and were able to pay all our apportionments. While that is certainly Blessed news, please keep in mind that those funds are dedicated to and for existing operating expenses. To continue to develop and enhance our mission – "To Inspire People to Know, Grow and Go in God's Love!" – we all must keep in mind Luke 6:38, "Give and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together and running over will be poured down into your lap. For the same measure you mete, it will be measured back to you." Your giving can be in many forms, recurring auto draft, online through our website, text-to-give, personal check, and gifts in the basket at the back of the church. If God calls for you to give, do so that you will receive!

As we move forward, please know BUMC will continue to follow the practices recommended by the CDC to provide protections for the staff and YOU. As CDC updates their recommendations, BUMC will update ours. Online worship will continue, digital worship opportunities will emerge under the guidance of Rev. Kelly Berne, and in-person worship is continuing to develop. Easter services were fabulous with words of praise and SINGING! The music brought tears to my eyes. "Thank you, Choir!" exclaimed Dr. Greg Davis – truer words were never spoken!

Your Governance Board continues to lift you and the staff up in prayer – we are here for you! Let us know how we can serve you, and thanks for your continued faithfulness.



Church Conference

**AFTER LATE SERVICE MAY 16TH
IN SANCTUARY (11:50 AM)**

Purpose: vote to continue/
discontinue Governance Board in
2022

Charge Conference

4 PM, MAY 16TH, PEARCE HALL

Purpose: vote to approve Rev
Kelly Berne switching to 3/4 time



RED BAG SUNDAY

Take a RED bag, fill it with items listed below
& bring it to church on the FIRST SUNDAY OF
THE MONTH.
We will deliver it to the Noel Food Pantry!

MAY 2, 2021

Items needed...

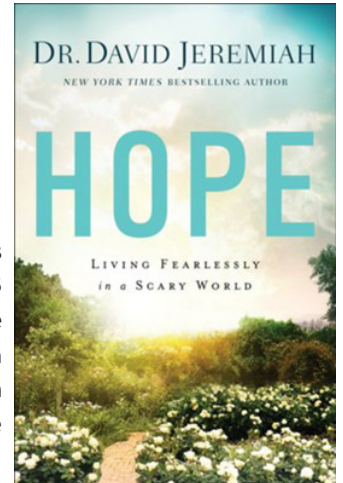
- Cans of Mixed Vegetables
- Boxes of Cereal
- Jiffy Cornbread Mix



Book Study

Hope by Dr. David Jeremiah | May 11th - June 8th Led by Kristin Nelson | Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7 PM, Bride's Room

Do the fears of what is happening in the world, the fears of what you are facing each day, or the fears of what might be, consume you? Life can be chaotic and messy, feeding our anxiety. Deuteronomy 31:8 reminds us "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." When we accept that God is in control, our fears begin to fade and we can find hope in all circumstances. Join us Tuesdays from 5:30 - 7 PM in the Bride's Room as we explore Dr. David Jeremiah's book *Hope, Living Fearlessly in a Scary World*. Cost is \$15. For more information or to join this book study contact Kristin at kristin@broadmoorumc.org



YOUTH MINISTRIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KYLE BOSTON AT [KYLE@BROADMOORUMC.ORG](mailto:kyle@broadmoorumc.org)



This Sunday

Confirmation Sunday is April 25th!

Please join us as we celebrate this year's Confirmation Class as they are Confirmed during the 11 AM Traditional and River Services!



Senior Sunday Slideshow

Senior Sunday will be held this year on Sunday, May 2nd!

We are looking to have a slideshow of all our graduating Seniors to play during the services. Any Senior wanting to be included in this year's slideshow should submit 5-7 photos to rick@broadmoorumc.org or kyle@broadmoorumc.org by April 18th.



This Summer's Mission Trip

For this Summer's Senior High mission trip, we are providing a mission trip here within our Shreveport City limits!

It is an exciting opportunity to partner with several local non-profits to help us understand the amazing work being done within our own community! If you are interested in more information, please email kyle@broadmoorumc.org and receive an application!



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UMW News

Broadmoor UMW will be hosting an Issues Mission Study using the book, *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools*

- ◆ SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021
- ◆ PEARCE HALL
- ◆ 9 AM - 2:15 PM
- ◆ \$15.00

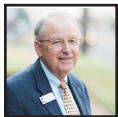
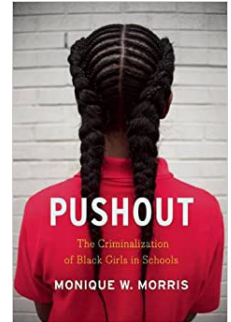
Food: Light breakfast and box lunch will be provided.

For registration and lunch information, contact:

Sue Ottesen at sue2ottesen@aol.com or Allison Wray at alangwray@gmail.com

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 12, 2021

The study book may be purchased at [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) or any other bookseller. All women are invited.



A Lesson in Being Enthusiastic

Rev. Terry Love, Administrative Pastor

Study on this one verse, Romans 12:11 in the New Revised Standard Version: ***Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.*** In the Common English Bible: ***Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic—be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord!***

The Masters Golf tournament was held two weeks ago. If you are interested in golf then you are familiar with the event. If not, then it may not have caught your attention. Either way there was a moment in the event that can give us all something to think about.

One of the professional golfers, Tony Finau had a short putt of maybe 25 inches to finish the hole. It was a down hill putt so the ball would run fast after being hit. Most pros would make that putt 9 times out of 10.

The camera was focused on the head of his putter and the ball, and the commentators were watching closely as Finau took a very short, timid, almost undetectable back swing to hit the ball.

The nervous stoke made the ball wiggle toward the hole coming up a couple of inches short. The commentators exclaimed, "What was that? Almost no back swing and a poorly stroked ball."

The commentators went on to explain that Finau seemed to be wishing the ball into the hole rather than confidently stroking the ball into the hole. The putting stroke for a short putt does not have to be hard but it needs to be deliberate, confident.

Well, it got me to thinking. How often do we wish things would happen in our lives, when instead we need to be taking confident steps toward the goal at hand; to be enthusiastic.

Hence, our verse for study - ***"Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic—be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord!***

Whether it is taking part in a class, coming back to worship, participating in a project, offering assistance to a struggling neighbor, being a witness to someone about Jesus, or whatever

might be tugging at your heart; are you stepping up confidently, assertively to the task or simply wishing all the planets align and the pursuit will simply happen?

Since April 2015, I have talked many times about the BOLD Faithful Campaign to eliminate the indebtedness of the church. When the campaign was being organized it was said that we need to name it the BOLD Faithful Campaign because it was going to take a BOLD effort on the part of congregation to payoff the \$3.3 M of debt in 4 to 7 years and save a huge amount of interest.

It should be received as a lesson for us - that many people have enthusiastically stepped up in the congregation and with much faith and confidence, the balance owed now is \$105,000. WOW! What an example of how much a confident action in prayerful faith can result in a successful outcome.

Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic—be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord!

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Next Messenger May 6, 2021



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UPCOMING EVENTS *Mark Your Calendars*

The **Chancel Choir** will begin resuming short rehearsals from 6:30 - 7 PM on Wednesdays, for once a month participation in worship for the next few months.

If you'd like to participate, please let Adam (adam@broamdoorumc.org) know. All participants must remain masked and social distancing will be observed. This is open to all people regardless of music ability!



COME TO GENTLE HOLY YOGA

Gentle Yoga with Bible Scripture

Tuesdays | Thursdays | Saturdays

- 9:30 AM | Room 200 (T & Th)
- Arthur Circle Breezeway (Sat)
(dependent on the weather)

Sue Ottesen, Instructor

(RTY 200)

MEMORIALS

BUILDING FUND

IN MEMORY OF

- ♦ **Ken Franks** from Mary Pabst Knoop
- ♦ **Allen Doughty** from Linda & Billy Rogers

DIGITAL CHURCH FUND

IN MEMORY OF

- ♦ **Linda Powell** from Steve & Patsy Lavery

PASSINGS



CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- ♦ **Rowena & Gordon Jones** for their mother, Rowena Jones
- ♦ **David & JoNell Blakey** for their daughter, Mylinda Sorensen
- ♦ **The Wren Family** for Amy Wren

Cairobics
Tues & Thurs
10 AM Pearce Hall

TITHES & OFFERINGS

- ♦ **TEXT-TO-GIVE** | Text 'GIVEBUMC' followed by the amount you wish to give to 877-570-3715
- ♦ **BUMC WEBSITE** | broadmoorumc.org/give
- ♦ **DIRECT DEPOSIT** | Call office at 318-861-0586 & talk to Rev. Terry Love or click on Direct Deposit Form, fill out the PDF form & mail to BUMC
- ♦ **SNAIL MAIL** | Mail to: BUMC, 3715 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105