

## Hamilton Park United Methodist Church

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[www.theparkumc.org](http://www.theparkumc.org)

- 1) Locate the "Serve" Tab
- 2) Choose "Serve Through Giving"
- 3) Choose "Donate Today"
- 4) Enter your donation amount and banking information for a "One-Time Donation"

### Save the Date // Upcoming Church Council Meetings

|              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| August 24th  | September 28th |
| October 26th | November 23rd  |

### August 24th - Church Council Meeting Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85433781320?pwd=TXhwTy8wajFhRk1kaUxiZW13SHBLQ09>

## COVID-19 TESTING

Tuesday, August 25th is the final day of FREE COVID-19 testing at Hamilton Park UMC. It has been a blessing to serve with the other four churches in the "Together We Test" program. The testing program is moving into hiatus due to lowering infection rates. Thanks to all of our volunteers who braved steamy temperatures to assist our community!

### COVID-19 TESTING LOCATION:

#### Hamilton Park United Methodist Church

11881 Schroeder Rd.  
Dallas, TX 75243

#### EVERY TUESDAY

Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm

**Testing is FREE!** Individuals may be tested whether they present symptoms or are asymptomatic.

Participants are asked to wear masks and practice social distancing. Bring insurance card, or have/know your SSN. Testing age 13 and older

Northeast Division of the Dallas Police Department & Lake Highlands PID will be hosting a

## Free Shredding Event

August 22, 2020  
9 - 11 a.m.

Scotfield Church  
7730 Abrams Rd., Dallas

Services provided by



Limit: 2 Boxes per vehicle  
Box Dimensions: 10"H x 12"W x 15"D

**CAN SHRED:**  
Paper  
Paper clips  
Hanging files  
Manilla folders  
Notebooks

**CANNOT SHRED:**  
3 ring binders  
Plastic  
x-rays  
batteries/ key fobs/remote controls  
electronics  
trash

Drive-through only. Social distancing will be practiced.



For more information, contact Officer Bervin Smith via cell 214 202 6255 or [bervin.smith@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us](mailto:bervin.smith@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us)



### NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK MOBILE PANTRY IS COMING

New Mount Zion Baptist Church  
9550 Shepherd Road Dallas, Texas 75243  
Monday, August 24, 2020  
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Brothers of Hamilton Park, please make plans to unite every Wednesday for a Zoom Men's study session from 6:30-7:30pm called Walking with Nehemiah! Our Community Engagement Pastor - Rev. Montreal Martin is leading the class and is doing a great job!  
Zoom ID: 838 0539 1966 Password: 159086

### Our Preacher for Sunday, August 23rd is Rev. Rodney D. Patten, Ph.D.

Dr. Patten and his wife of 22 years, joined The Park one year ago. They are the proud parents of three sons: Rodney II, Quinton and Alexander. Qui is active with our Children's and Youth Committee. Dr. Patten is an ordained elder in Full Connection in the Christian Methodist Episcopal



Church with 18 years of experience. He served as an Associate Pastor at Christian Chapel Temple of Faith, CME Church in Dallas for 10 years and Sr. Pastor of St. John CME Church in Sherman, TX for 6 years. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications from Lamar University. He was an undergraduate member of the Epsilon Rho Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. He has a Juris Doctorate from Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law, and a Ph.D. in Public Affairs from the University of Texas at Dallas. Dr. Patten is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. He is the Chief Prosecutor and Executive Assistant City Attorney for the City of Dallas!

**Have a Blessed & Productive Week!**



Hamilton Park UMC Community Forum  
 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
 Zoom Meeting - Meeting ID: 964 5535 5971  
 Password: 537927  
<https://alz-org.zoom.us/j/96455355971?pwd=Y3lrYUZtcE5Gd0djaTI4OTQ0TzE1QT09>  
 By Phone Only: 833-548-0282 US Toll Free.  
 Meeting ID: 964 5535 5971

**Black/African American Community Forum**  
presented by the Alzheimer's Association, Dallas & Northeast Texas Chapter  
**CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARE**

A Virtual ZOOM Session for Hamilton Park United Methodist Church

Saturday, August 22, 2020  
 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

*Come meet members of the Alzheimer's Association Team!*

**Why?** We want to hear what you need so we can better help your community! The Black/African American community is twice as likely to develop Alzheimer's disease than their Caucasian counterparts.

**Event Details:** Learn about Alzheimer's disease, free resources, discover volunteer opportunities, ask questions about the disease, help us learn more about Hamilton Park UMC, tell us what you need, and share your personal experiences related to general health and dementia. No individual or family should navigate the challenges of Alzheimer's disease alone.

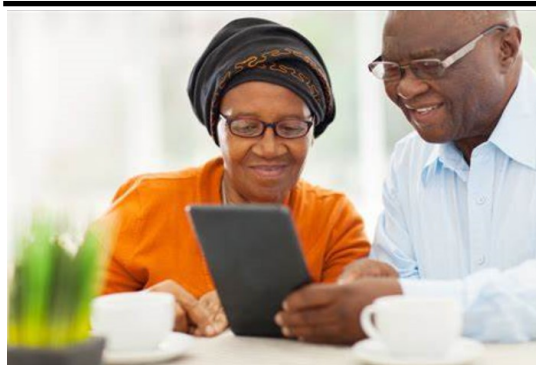
**Who Should Come?** Any adult from Hamilton Park United Methodist Church. From the pulpit to the pews, your voice matters. This event is for the whole adult family.

This virtual program is free, but space is limited.



TO REGISTER, PLEASE VISIT  
 TINYURL.COM/HPUMCALZ  
 OR CALL 800.272.3900

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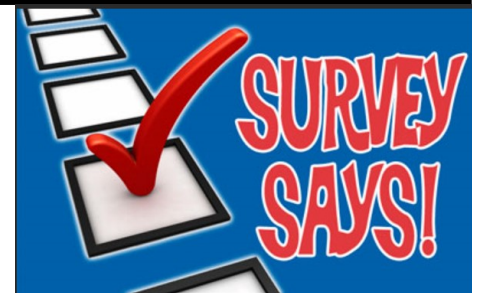
**No Senior Left Behind.**

“What are your needs with regards to using technology?”

Contact Art Mosley in the church office

**Survey Says!**

The Park is now using an online company called “Survey Monkey” to gather your thoughts and options during these COVID-19 times. We will share the results during the month of August.



| ANSWER CHOICES:                  | RESPONSES:      |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| No handouts                      | 0.00%<br>(0)    |
| No communion, or a new method    | 3.20%<br>(4)    |
| Do not touch door handles        | 0.00%<br>(0)    |
| Set up one-way traffic           | 1.60%<br>(2)    |
| Provide hand sanitizing stations | 1.60%<br>(2)    |
| No hand shaking                  | 3.20%<br>(4)    |
| All of the above                 | 86.40%<br>(108) |
| Other                            | 4.00%<br>(5)    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>125</b>      |

**Question #3: What precautions do you expect our church to take for worship gatherings?**



Returning to Church



**My Brothers Keeper: Count Black Men Day**

Black men are disproportionately undercounted in the census.

**Our black men and boys matter!**

Let's make our brothers count by completing the census now @ [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov)

#MakeBlackCount  
 #CountMeBlack

BLACKCENSUSWEEK



“The Pastor and her Sidekick” Bible Study will resume on

Friday, August 21st @ 6:00pm

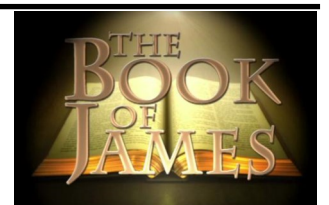
The Conference call number is:  
 701-802-5486 Access Code: 596 229



They will begin a study on the **Book of James!**

There is no book assigned to the class, except the Good Book.

**JOIN US!**





# Backpack Blessing Initiative 2020



## “A Time For Children”

Yesterday was our **third annual Backpack Blessings**. This year, instead of folks gathering side-by-side in the chapel, supplies were picked up and assembled in the homes of church volunteers. We distributed **270 backpacks**, filled with school supplies, tooth brushes and tooth paste. The most important thing in each backpack was a prayer letter, encouraging the students and educators. On August 18th for the Backpack Blessings, the event supported the children of our community and the Pacesetter School. **25 volunteers and donors** took part in this year’s event. Outside sponsors were Walmart, SGR and Texas A&M School of Dentistry.





The North TX United Methodist Women and our local UMW Unit to our congregation are working together to support a conference wide baby shower!



## NTC UMW 2020 ANNUAL MEETING MISSION PROJECT



### You're Invited to a Baby Shower on Saturday, 10.24.20



Celebrating the "End Maternal Mortality" UMW Social Action Campaign - NTC UMW 2020 Annual Mission Project: Baby Clothes/Supplies for the Golden Cross "Light Shines Bright" Centering Pregnancy Program



Baby Items for the Golden Cross "Light Shines Bright" Program. The Centering Pregnancy Program "Light Shines Bright" of the Golden Cross Academic Clinic in Dallas works for healthy pregnancies for babies and mothers in low-income families. Program participants earn "Mommy Bucks" which may be used to "purchase" baby items.



Local UMW units throughout the North Texas Conference are asked to collect the following baby items for the "Light Shines Bright" program and bring them to the NTC UMW 2020 Annual Meeting in October:



- ◇ Diapers (newborn-size 3) Baby Wipes
- ◇ Onesies (sizes: 0-3 mos., 3-6 mos., 6-9 mos.)
- ◇ Baby Clothes: Boys or Gender-Neutral Colors/Patterns (sizes: 0-3 mos., 3-6 mos., 6-9 mos.)



For more information, contact:

Dianne Pratt 214-280-6391 [pratt322rx1@verizon.net](mailto:pratt322rx1@verizon.net)



There are less than 90 days until Election Day.

There are less than 60 days to register to vote to participate in the next election.

Registering to vote is easy.

Go to [Register2Vote.org](https://www.register2vote.org) to sign up to vote in person or by mail. For more information, contact the Social Action Committee at

[SocialAction@TheParkUMC.org](mailto:SocialAction@TheParkUMC.org).



**United Methodist Men**

**Monthly Prayer Breakfast**

**Every 2nd Saturday,**

**9:00am to 10:30am**

Zoom Call Information Will Be Sent

If you have any questions, please contact

David Tyson: [dctyson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dctyson@sbcglobal.net)



**Deputy**

**Voter Registrar**

**Training**

Volunteer deputy registrars help register eligible citizens to vote by distributing, reviewing, and accepting completed voter registration applications. Becoming a volunteer deputy registrar is easy. The state requires you to attend an online one-hour training session.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer deputy registrar, email [SocialAction@TheParkUMC.org](mailto:SocialAction@TheParkUMC.org) for more information.



**MICHAEL TODD** CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS! Join us for our study series on the book **Relationship Goals by Pastor Michael Todd. INVITE SOMEONE AND JOIN US!**

**Tuesday Nights @ 8pm via Conference Call: 774-220-4000 Code: 118812**

You are invited to a Zoom meeting:  
**"The Black Church Initiative: Review and Next Steps"**

The Black Church Initiative (BCI) was launched by Rev. S. Dianna Masters through the Center for Church Development (CCD) over the past three years. The CCD invites all who have an interest in the state of the Black Church in the North Texas Conference to join Bishop Michael McKee, Rev. S. Dianna Masters, Rev. Dr. Owen K Ross, and others as we review the work of the Black Church Initiative and share next steps. This meeting is open for everyone who has an interest in the Black Church in the North Texas Conference. The CCD asks your assistance in sharing the invitation with your leaders, staff, congregations, and beyond.

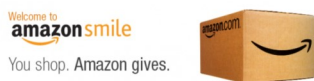
**When: Aug 31, 2020 6:00 PM Central Time**

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7828619834?pwd=ZUkde6srjouGNcdw7RtGnCNxnsHKdn16Gnn>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Hamilton Park Family,



Now that many of us are shopping from home for essentials, please don't forget that **HPMUC will receive donations from both Kroger and AmazonSmile when you make your purchases.**

For members who have **Kroger Plus cards** and Internet access, you can attach your card to the church's account at the following Kroger website: <http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com>

**Our community rewards organization ID number is QU468.**

When shopping on **Amazon**, you can have donations made to the church by going to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1160392>.

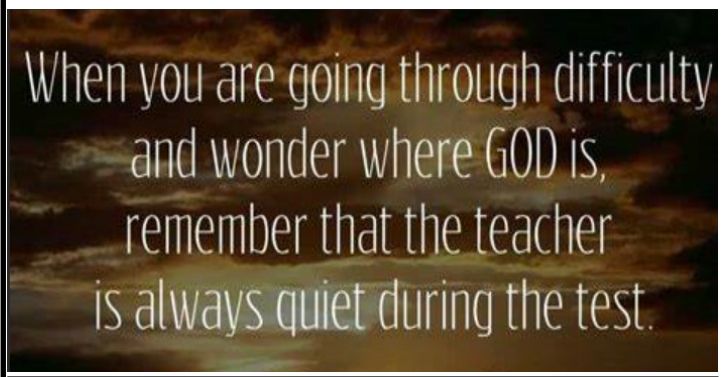
This link selects Hamilton Park United Methodist Church as your charity and takes you directly to smile.amazon to make your purchase.

Please join us with your support to HPUMC.

Finance Team



**INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT:**



**STAY CONNECTED:**

- **Thursday Prayer 4:00pm-5:00pm - Beverly Galimore (605-475-3200 / Code: 168199)**
- **Tuesday Night GAP Young Adult Bible Study - 8:00-9:00pm (774-220-4000 / Code: 118812)**
- **Worship Service - 10:00am (Facebook or Website)**

**THE UPPER ROOM**  
 DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE  
 Using your smart device  
**DOWNLOAD The Upper Room**

**Church Office Hours:**  
**Monday-Thursday**  
**12pm-4pm**

**Newsletter**  
  
 Have any news for "The Park" newsletter?  
 Email [@ngrigsby@theparkumc.org](mailto:Rev.NerissaGrigsby)

**Prayer Concerns**

Tom Smith - Minnie Hester Johnson - Lindorf Blakely - Mamie Johnson - Ruth Robinson - Kim Pullin - Virginia Nwoke - Nakia Demming - Janiaca Wheeler - Marla Hartman - Karen Hill - Shirley Pleasant - The Fuller Family - Mary Freeman - Nicole Harper & Family - The Hopkins Family - Mrs. Bertha L. West & Family - Monica Fagan - The Byse Family - Brother Eugene Vance - Sister Kelsey Smith & Family - Marla (Johnson) Hartman & Family - Sister Barbara Cole