

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church

August 11, 2023



News at the Park the park

Sunday Worship Celebration @ 10:00 am

Dr. Sheron C. Patterson - Sr. Pastor



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Annual Laity Event Aug. 12, 2023

What: *Hope in Resurrection* is the theme of this year's annual laity event hosted by the Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries along with the Board of Laity of the North Texas Conference.

When: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 12

Program: Will be led by Rev. Danielle Buwon Kim, the NTC's Associate Director for Research and Development. It will include a panel discussion by laity engaged in exciting new ministries, followed by a Q&A.

In person: at Aldersgate UMC (3926 Old Denton Road, Carrollton, TX 75007)

Online: A link will be email to you Aug. 10.

Registration: The deadline was Aug. 9

RECLAIM
MAN, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, CHURCH
MEN'S CONFERENCE 2023

Workshop Leaders
KEVIN ROBBINS TONY GASTON MICHAEL POPE BRENT SHROPSHIRE

VENUE: 11881 SCHROEDER RD., DALLAS, TX 75243

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11TH, 2023

Time	Title	Location
6:00 PM	Registration	Foyer
6:30 PM	Sanctuary	Front Doors Open
6:45 PM – 8:30PM	Conference General Session Praise and Worship – Rev. Terrance Jennings, Hamilton Park UMC Video Welcome – Rev. Dr. Sheron C. Patterson – Pastor, Hamilton Park UMC Opening and Prayer – Rev. Aaron McCardell – Pastor – The Life Church – DFW Stigma in the Black Church – Min. Dwight Harry – Hamilton Park UMC Friday Evening Message – Rev. Aaron McCardell – Pastor – The Life Church – DFW	Main Sanctuary
	Friday Workshops	
8:45PM - 9:30PM	How to be a countercultural young man – Tony Gaston, MBA	2 nd floor
8:45PM - 9:30PM	Pitch me with Your best shot – Terry Allen & Associates	CLC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 2023

Time	Title	Location
7:30 AM	Brothers Bible Brief	2 nd Floor
8:30 AM	Registration and Light Breakfast Saturday Workshops	Foyer and CLC
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Building Generational Wealth – Brentt Shropshire – Wealth Management	2 nd Floor
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Security in Your Church – Michael Pope – Deputy Sheriff	CLC
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	Praise and Worship – Rev. Terrence Jennings, Hamilton Park UMC Video Welcome – Rev. Dr. Sheron C. Patterson – Pastor, Hamilton Park UMC Opening and Worship – Rev. Aaron McCardell – Pastor, The Life Church DFW Christian Men and War Panel – Chaplain Herbert Griffin(Retired), Col. Willus Hall, Gunnery Sgt. Roger Bouyer (Retired) Morning Speaker – Dr. Michael Sorrell – President, Paul Quinn College	Main Sanctuary
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM	Lunch and The Team Building Golf – Kevin Robbins	CLC
1:00 PM	Closing Prayer	

HAPPY
birthday

Happy Birthday to our First Gentleman



Mr. Robert Patterson



**ST. PAUL UMC DOWNTOWN
150TH CHURCH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION EVENTS**
WWW.STPAULUMCDALLAS.ORG

ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

The luncheon will be a time to reflect and celebrate the making of St. Paul for 150 years. The event will be filled with lots of rich memories.

Saturday, August 19, 2023 | 11:30am
Arts District Mansion
2101 Ross Avenue | Dallas, Texas

Tickets: \$75 per person / \$800 per table of 10
Last day to purchase tickets is July 29, 2023
Scan the code to purchase tickets



SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

The members of St. Paul are excited to celebrate a significant milestone - our 150th anniversary. We will reunite and celebrate with family, friends, ministries, special groups, present and past members during this celebratory event.

Sunday, August 20, 2023 | 3pm
St. Paul UMC Downtown
1816 Routh Street | Dallas, Texas



GOLF TOURNAMENT

We are excited to announce that the Annual Samuel L. Brown Golf Tournament will take place this year during the St. Paul 150th Anniversary Celebration.

Friday, September 8, 2023
Registration @ 7am | Shotgun Start @ 8am
Golf Club of Dallas | 2200 W. Red Bird Lane
Individual Player \$150 | Team of Four \$600
Scan the code to register & pay to play



To support our programs, we extend an invitation to support this historic event as a sponsor. Visit our Anniversary Event page at www.stpaulumcdallas.org or scan the code. Proceeds will benefit educational initiatives, assistance for our unsheltered neighbors, support for children of incarcerated parents, and necessary facility upgrades. Please contact us for complete sponsorship information at 214-922-0000 or dathompson1978@gmail.com.



The Valder Beebe Show



The Valder Beebe Show broadcasting;
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Peace Prayer

“Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.”

—Francis of Assisi



This is a prayer request and sick & shut in list (Hospital)

- Andrekia Chandler
- Jody Livingston
- Pam Williams (H)
- Roger & Shirley Bouyer
- Shirley Pleasant
- Don & Diane Anderson
- Herman & Linda Manning
- Robert & Eric Phifer

- The Stanley family
- The Slatter family
- The Polk family
- James Bebe
- Cathy Parker
- James White
- Joan Humphreys
- Kathy Turner

- Caroline Ramos (child)
- The Robertson family
- Geraldine Vine
- Ellen Long
- Shirley Dillard
- Dwight Harry - family death



Gaston to retire after more than three decades of service in the North Texas Conference

After more than 35 years of dedicated service, Rev. Cammy Gaston has declared her intention to retire from active ministry in The United Methodist Church, effective January 1, 2024.

Meet Cori Hill, Tiana Johnson-Blanton & Wanda Hudson of Kinnect Wellness Network



Today we'd like to introduce you to Cori Hill, Tiana Johnson-Blanton, and Wanda Hudson.

Cori, Tiana, and Wanda, we appreciate you taking the time to share your story with us today. Where does your story begin?

In 2020, we began discussing our shared vision for wellness in the Black community. At the same time, we were each establishing individual private practices alongside several other Black therapists in Dallas doing the same and began to form a community of support. We all came together to better ensure the success of all, including prospective clients who could receive immediate referrals without combing through pages of therapist directories or cold-calling therapists. Unofficially, this group, which has now grown to dozens of clinicians, was our first program. Still an unnamed dream and unfounded organization at the time, we simply referred to the initiative as "The Collective." Soon after, we were connected with Jade Burrows, a media personality and community leader known as "Lady Jade." Jade, founder of the youth-serving non-profit Project 16, partnered with us to address a growing need for mental health services for young Black and Brown teens in the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) area. This ultimately led to the birth and launch of Time to Talk, a program that provides free therapy services to DFW teens and fairly compensates the therapists providing services. (We are excited to announce that our partnership continues, and the program will open for the fourth year in January 2024.)

With the introduction of Time to Talk to the Community also came the official establishment of Kinnect Wellness Network, Incorporated, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. "Kinnect," which admittedly took us forever to name (shoutout to Tiana), is a combination of the words "kinship" and "connection," speaking to our mission for increasing wellness for marginalized racial and ethnic groups as well as our values of community and collaboration.

Would you say it's been a smooth road, and if not, what are some of the biggest chal-

lenges you've faced along the way?

Rewarding? Yes. Smooth? No. As a non-profit organization, securing funding is one of our primary challenges. Our goal is to expand our network and establish connections with individuals and community organizations who share our passion, mission, and values. We also are actively seeking opportunities to secure grant funding and enhance our financial sustainability.

Balancing time has presented a substantial challenge for us as well. As stated earlier, we are individually accountable for the management and growth of three distinct and expanding group practices, in addition to other businesses we run. During the initial phases of Kinnect's development, we also held full-time or part-time positions outside our entrepreneurial pursuits. Combined with our commitment to our families and our own self-care, this reality-imposed constraints on the amount of time we could allocate to building and growing Kinnect Wellness Network.

We are now embarking on a new phase in our organization's journey. We have successfully established a dedicated board of directors who are ready to help us continue to develop and to address challenges of funding and time. Furthermore, we are grateful for our team of volunteers who are eager to contribute in any capacity required to support our shared mission. The growth of our internal community helps move us closer to achieving our goals and expanding a strong and committed network.

Appreciate you sharing that. What should we know about Kinnect Wellness Network?

We are proud to say that through our Time to Talk partnership, we have helped provide a total of 313 free therapy sessions to over 40 teens in the community. In alignment with our values of equity for clinicians, the contracted therapists in our network were paid a reasonable fee per session for their services. The cost to run the first three phases of our program has totaled \$36,140 financially and countless hours of dedicated time. In the near future, we will collaborate with other institutions and organizations to expand the free therapy services to other populations while still fairly compensating our contracted licensed therapists. Although our current focus is mental health, our goal is to make an impact on the overall wellness of black and brown communities. We have some other initiatives underway as well and cannot wait to announce them to the community.

Currently, we are most known for our dedication to increasing access to mental health ser-

vices and our commitment to the success of clinicians through community support. We're "kinnecting" us to us. Care for the community. Care for clinicians. Collective growth and healing.

Where we are in life is often partly because of others. Who/what else deserves credit for how your story turned out?

Community is what we are all about, so there are so many supporters we have had along the way, including our parents, spouses, friends, and colleagues. They've donated funds, time, food, and endless encouragement along the way. We have to give a special shout-out to Doug, Benny, Carolyn, and Sharisse!

One person we consider an important part of our history is Kelleigh Nicholas. Kelleigh, now a fully licensed professional counselor, was completing her school internship when she first connected with Cori over social media. It became clear that they shared values of community, collaboration, and a real sense of "I want to see you win, sis!" Weeks later, this was exemplified when Kelleigh introduced Cori and Jade (which ultimately led to the Time to Talk program, as stated before).

We are also grateful for Jade and our collaboration over the last three years. She embodies our mission and values in the community and behind closed doors. As our first partner, her passion and support encouraged us to continue to grow during a time we were dedicated but also exhausted. Similarly, we have to recognize Jentrelle "Trelle" Moore, another licensed therapist who has been a part of the Time to Talk program for two years. Beyond this role, she voluntarily raised a significant amount of funding for Kinnect in 2022. We honored her as our Donor of the Year, but she is so much more than that, often sending us opportunities and always willing to help.

We also want to thank the therapists who have participated in Time to Talk the last two phases, allowing us to expand, as well as the generous donors who help to support our operations, initiatives, and development.



EVENTS

Job Opportunity Open to Members of The Park

If you have a desire to serve your church family and earn some cash while you're doing it, Hamilton Park UMC might have the ideal opportunity for you.

The Park is looking for a dedicated Christian to serve as Church Secretary/Administrative Assistant who would be responsible for running the outer church offices under the supervision of the Senior Pastor and Executive Church Secretary.

In this part-time, in-office role, the Church Secretary would handle a wide variety of administrative tasks and functions in support of the Pastor and Staff. The Secretary would also maintain a hospitable, Christian atmosphere while interacting with visitors to the office. Hours would be 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Candidates must have, among other skills and experience:

- A high school diploma or equivalency; some college is preferred
 - 2-4 years of experience as a secretary
 - Experience handling administrative and clerical duties
- Proficiency with standard office equipment, including computers, copiers, phones and current software programs

The Park is opening this opportunity to church members first, before advertising the role to the public. If you're interested, please follow the link for a full job description and details about the application process. <https://forms.gle/GD2ftYoa3zXJ9UDC9>



SAVE THE DATE



SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Firewheel Golf Park, Old Course
600 W. Campbell Road Garland, Texas 75044

Registration & Check-in: 7:00 A.M. Tee-Off 8:00 A.M.

Cost per player \$125/Individual
This includes 18-holes of golf, riding cart, lunch

CONTESTS: PUTTING / LONGEST DRIVE/CLOSEST TO THE PIN

If you have any questions please call
Herman Manning, Chair 972-741-1866 or Bill Johnson, Co-Chair 214-293-5661



GOLF TOURNAMENT

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 25



On line Registration Available July 1st

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church Dr. Sheron C. Patterson—Senior Pastor

'Never Again': Community Reflects on Lynching 115 Years Later

Faith, justice, civil rights leaders gather in Greenville to honor the memory of Ted Smith



"Those that don't remember are doomed to repeat."

That phrase was stated

several times during the memorial ceremony for Ted Smith, who was lynched July 28, 1908 — 115 years to the day — in Greenville, Texas.

Smith, an 18-year-old Black man, was accused of raping a white woman, arrested and placed in the Greenville Jail. The next morning a mob of white men pulled Smith from his cell, dragged him into the town square, doused him in kerosene and burned him alive in front of as many as 2,500 onlookers.

No one was punished for the lynching.

"I had heard of Ted Smith's death, but the first time I read it, it was the most horrific thing I ever read. I had to stop halfway through because I felt an overpowering surge of anger," said

Rev. Dr. Ronald D. Henderson, director of diversity, equity and inclusion for the North Texas Conference, during the service.

"Was he scared? Angry? What was he feeling when they poured kerosene on him? I hope God gave him a sense of peace."

Henderson challenged the crowd to not stay silent if they see inequality and injustice.

"I am not convinced there are not evil forces in the world who would do to us what they did to Ted Smith," he said.

Amen was often shouted by the crowd of 80 people in response to Henderson's words.

The ceremony was held in the 196th Judicial Court Room in the Hunt County Court House and was hosted by the Corporation for Cultural Diversity, in partnership with the Equal Justice Initiative (EJI), NAACP Greenville Chapter and the Greenville Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance.

Two proclamations were read, and Smith's family members were presented with a plaque from the EJI Project that reads: "Mr. Ted Smith, an Afro-American, was denied legal rights and 'due process' by the local justice system. He experienced an untimely and unjustified death in 1908 by a local riotous mob. We stand for Justice, NEVER AGAIN!"

The EJI runs the Soil Collection Project, which gathers soil from

lynching sites and places it in jars bearing the victims' names. Smith's jar will join the 800 other jars on display at EJI's headquarters in Montgomery, Ala. One of Smith's jars will remain in Greenville, along with the jars of Thomas Peddy and George Lindley, who were previously honored.

"Today we gather here to erect a monument with etched words on a durable iron plate that give witness to the atrocity that happened here in 1908 to Ted Smith," said Bishop Ruben Saenz Jr. of the North Texas Conference. "This monument also represents more than 4,400 African American men, women and children who suffered brutal fates from white mobs between 1877 and 1956 — they were hung, burned alive, shot, drowned or beaten to death.

"On the one hand, this monument reshapes Ted Smith's horrifying experience into a lasting message about our dangerous capacity to commit horrifying acts of inhumanity. On the other hand, it also serves as a reminder to strive for understanding and peace and to resist the injustice and oppression of racism and bigotry in whatever form they present themselves."

Eight members of Smith's family attended the ceremony, including Audry Ashford Rester, whose mother is Smith's first cousin.

"A lot of family didn't want to come because they didn't want to rehash this horrific thing that happened to him," she said. "When I did research, I cried. When I talked to my mother, she cried. She cried today."

STAY CONNECTED:

- **Senior Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:00 am in the church library.**
- **Wednesday Night - Faith & Family**
- **Thursday Prayer 4:00pm-5:00pm - Beverly Galimore (605-475-3200 / Code: 168 199)**
- **Worship Service - 10:00 am (in person, Facebook or Website)**

Men of The Park!

Join us each Sunday Morning at 9 am for Sunday School in Rm 111. We study the Word of God each week from our Echoes Sunday School Book. All are welcome!