Hamilton Park United Methodist Church



December 1, 2023

News at the Park



Dr. Sheron C. Patterson - Sr. Pastor



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The flowers on the altar for Sunday, December 3rd are given by Archie Browne in honor of his wife, Eleanor Browne's birthday on Nov. 27th and in memory of his mother, Edith Browne's (deceased) birthday on

Nov 26th.

SERVICES

Monday December 4, 2023 Viewing

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM **Chamberland Funerals & Cremations** 333 West Avenue D

Celebration of Life

1:00 PM Highland Park United Methodist Church 3300 Mockingbird Lane Dallas, TX 75205

BOOKER RODNEY JEREMIAH



Dr. Rodney Jeremiah Booker was born on April 30, 1951, to Samuel and Cleopatra Booker in Corpus Chris-

ti. Texas. On November 22, 2023, in Dallas, Texas, he transitioned to eternity with his Lord and Savior.

Affectionately known as "Jerry", "Doc", and "Jeremiah", Dr. Booker graduated from Mary Carroll High School in Corpus Christi, Texas. He went on to further his undergraduate studies at the University of Houston, earning a Bachelor of Science in Journalism. He also attended Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, where he earned a Master of Divinity (MDiv). A man who believed in lifelong learning. he enrolled in the doctoral program at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. There, he earned a Doctor of Ministry (DMin).

Dr. Booker faithfully served God's people for 37 years. His assignments included the Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church: Senior Pastor, Love United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas; Senior Pastor, Mount Vernon United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas; Director of Shalom Zone Ministries; Senior Pastor, Mission Bend United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas; Spiritual Formation Professor, Perkins School of Theology in Houston-Galveston: North Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist

Church; Senior Pastor, Hamilton Park United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas; Associate Pastor, Highland Park United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas; and Spiritual Formation Professor, Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, Texas. A man devoted to the United Methodist faith for most of his life, Dr. Booker retired in July 2023.

Dr. Booker married Effie Elizabeth Dennison, and a beautiful daughter was born. On August 16, 20023, he united with Petrella Wright in holy matrimony. The two worked together in ministry and remained united until his transition.

Among many hobbies, Dr. Booker delighted in studying the Word of God and spending time with family and friends. He loved cheering on his grandsons and was lovingly known as "The Soccer Grandpa" at their sporting events. He also enjoyed traveling and gardening. His greatest joy, nonetheless, was seeing his daughter, Rori, evolve into a beautiful wife and mother.

Dr. Booker was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Cleopatra Booker. Those left to cherish lasting memories include his wife, Petrella Booker; his daughter, Rori Elizabeth Corvatt (Sean); his sister, Nina Blair (Bobby); his grandsons - Immanual Coryatt, Isaac Coryatt, and Benjamin Corvatt: and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Calling all high school and college seniors and their parents! College and

high school seniors or their parents, please register with the Higher Ed Committee. Please see Denise Jackson, Dianne Pratt or any Higher Ed Committee Ministry member. Also, if you are a parent of any current college student, please make sure we have their current school address. Again, you can see Denise Jackson, Dianne Pratt or any Higher Ed Committee Ministry member.

Join us in December for Advent



Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/86891831326? pwd=MFRnU0Q1aUdnMmc3RD JIQW9uSERUQT09

Meeting ID: 868 9183 1326 Passcode: 070614

Advent Bible Study Every Wednesday

December 6th December 13th December 20th @7:00 PM



Join us for Holiday at the Park

Thursday
December 21st

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Please RSVP in the CLC after worship service on December 3rd December 10th



WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday December 24th 10:00 AM

Special Music From our Music Ministry



NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP CELEBRATION

> Sunday December 31st 10:00 AM

New Year Toast In the CLC After Worship THE PARK UMC PAGE 3

"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

Thank you for participating in **Kroger Community Rewards**. As a result of our participation in this program, Kroger has donated approximately \$500 to *Hamilton Park United Methodist Church*. If you shop at Kroger and have not linked your *Kroger Plus Card* to HPUMC, please follow the steps below.

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Anyone interested in placing flowers on the Alter one Sunday to honor or memorialize someone, celebrate a birthday or anniversary the Alter and Flower Guild has placed order forms at the entry of the sanctuary, please complete the form and return the for to Billie McCalla - 214-868-2386 or Cherlyn Lacy - 407-491-8620

College & Career Devotion



Praise and Prayers to the events on Wednesday evenings? These are mostly those who are age 25 and younger who have graduated from our Ignite Youth Ministry. We meet each Wednesday even-

ing from 8:30-9:00pm via zoom. Please contact Kathy via email or text for zoom address.



Andrekia Chandler
Jody Livingston
Pam Williams
Roger & Shirley Bouyer
Shirley Pleasant
Herman & Linda Manning
The Stanley family

The Slatter family
Mable Hilburn
Cathy Parker
James White
Joan Humphreys
Kathy Turner
Caroline Ramos (child)
The Robertson family
Geraldine Vine
Ellen Long
Shirley Dillard

Shaun Martin (H)
Breseha Jones & family
Doris Vance - (Family Death)
Pam Polk
Eartha Walls
Kathy Turner
The Wright family
Joyce Daniels (Family Death)
Celia Reece (Family Death)
Jason Harkey

EVENTS

WANT TO WALK OR RUN A 5K?

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Join The Park Walk/Run group! Participants will meet on Saturdays at 9am to train for a 5K in December. If you would like to participate, contact Jessica Propps at Jessica@paragonrunningdtx.com

An Opportunity to Serve!!!

Path 2 Nourishment
Saturday, December 2nd
@ 10:00 am (CLC)



Saturday, January 20, 2024 @ 10:00 AM Hamilton Park Leadership Gathering

Church Family, we experienced a very meaningful Charge Conference on Sunday night. Our District Superintendent- Rev. Edlen Cowley explained that our annual conference- the North Texas Annual Conference has five Strategic Priorities, and he asked that we make those five Strategic Priorities ours. Additionally, Rev. Cowley asks that we prioritize them for our church. They are listed below. Please take the time to study them and envision them here at The Park.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES











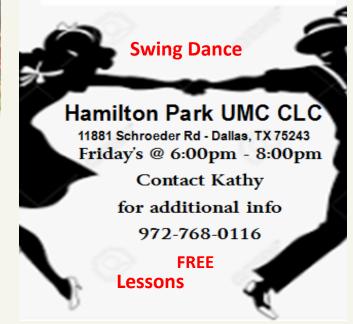
JESUS FOLLOWERS

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

MAXIMIZE CARE AND HEALING

AND EMBRACE DIVERSITY

STORY



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!