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Bishop Earl Bledsoe

BISHOP W. EARL BLEDSOE ASSIGNED TO NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Courtesy: NTC Communications

Dr. W. Earl Bledsoe, 57, has been assigned as the new Bishop of the North Texas Annual Conference. The announcement came Saturday, July 19, as the Episcopal Committee of the South Central Jurisdiction presented the assignments of the 11 sitting bishops for approval.

Bishop Bledsoe will begin his NTC assignment in September, succeeding Bishop Alfred L. Norris, who returned to active ministry to fill the term of the late Bishop Rhymes H. Moncure Jr.

At the time of his election, Bishop Bledsoe was serving as the superintendent of the Bryan West District of the Texas Conference. He has been a tremendously successful pastor and denominational leader with a strong record of church growth.

Bishop Bledsoe is the son of a United Methodist pastor, whom he says frequently asked him, "Are you a bishop yet?" He is married to Leslie Jean Bledsoe. The couple has five adult children and an 18-year old daughter, who will be leaving for college in the fall.

He holds the Bachelor of Arts degree from West Texas State University in Canyon; the Master of Divinity degree from Perkins School of Theology, SMU; and the Doctor of Ministry degree from Drew University.

Bishop James E. (Jim) Dorff was assigned to the Southwest Texas Conference (San Antonio Area). Dorff served on the staff of HPUMC from 1972-89, in the Pastoral Care Department, serving as the director of that department from 1979.

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Rejebian Summer Series

Dinner: 5:30 p.m.; Reviews: 7:00 p.m.



Rosemary Rumbley

Rosemary Rumbley concludes the 2008 Rejebian Summer Series on July 30 when she speaks about *Thomas Jefferson*. The review is free; however, dinner costs \$8.00 and reservations for dinner are required (214.523.2240) by noon on the Monday before each review. Please call for reservations by name. Contact Richard Stanford at 214.523.2249 or stanfordr@hpumc.org for more information or visit www.hpumc.org/older_adults.

Sunday, August 3

Five Ways to Worship...

Sanctuary



Rev. Steve Matthew
8:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Cox Chapel



Rev. Jeff Hall
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

kerygma
a teaching service



Don Spies
The Book of Hebrews, Part II
Great Hall, 11:00 a.m.

CORNERSTONE



Andy McMillan
Guest Preacher
Wesley Hall, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

CORNERSTONES
EARLY MORNING
GOSPEL HOUR



Andy McMillan
Guest Preacher
Wesley Hall, 8:30 a.m.

...within One Church

HPUMC SINGLES MINISTRY

Rangers vs. Indians

Sunday • August 24 • 6:00 p.m.

Cost \$12 • Pay by August 3

Host: Bob Sine, 972-533-5339

We are off to the ball park! Don't delay. Pay today! Added bonus -- it is Rangers Cap Day! We need to arrive early to get Rangers caps. Meet at the Wallace Building porte cochere on the north side of the church at 6:00 p.m. to caravan. Game time is 7:05. Pick up tickets at will call (SW corner - 1st base side), reserved for HPUMC.

Tango Dance Lessons

Tuesdays • July 15 - August 5
Room 391 • 8:00-9:30 p.m.

\$25 / 4 wks (\$8 / lesson)

Instructor: Elaine Hewlett

8:00-8:45 p.m. - Beginner Lessons

8:45-9:30 p.m. - Intermediate Lessons

No reservations needed. Pay at the door. No partner needed. Rotate partners. Great way to meet new friends! Great fun – come and see!

For more info: www.hpumc.org/pages/singles

The mission of the Violence Intervention & Prevention (VIP) Ministry is to proactively address family violence at Highland Park United Methodist Church and in our community. This ministry serves as a resource for directing those in need to receive help.

If someone you love is hurting you and you need help, please call the HPUMC VIP Ministry Information/Resource Line at 214.523.2123.

All calls are confidential.

DON'T FORGET!!!

VIP is continually collecting old cell phones to be donated to domestic violence agencies in the area. Bring them to the collection box at the information desk located inside the north entrance to the sanctuary.

Back to School Supply Drive

Collection bins and supply lists are located outside the Library / Fellowship Hall and outside Wesley Hall.

backpacks
markers
spiral notebooks
folders w/ pockets
pencils
3-ring binders

colored pencils
Crayons
scissors
12" rulers
glue sticks
notebook paper

Questions? 214.523.2269

for a complete list of supplies: www.hpumc.org/pages/missions

July 13-August 10

New Classes for Kids at Biggers Sports & Fitness!

Music Classes for infants, toddlers, and pre-schoolers. Children and their parent/caregiver will experience music in a class setting. Students develop gross motor skills, musical knowledge and appreciation by learning motions, moving to music and playing instruments. Classes are \$240 for 16-week sessions beginning August 25. To register visit www.montgomery-piano.com.

Stretch-n-Grow is for children 18 months to 3 years. Classes are 30 minutes with a variety of exercise and instructional activities to maintain their enthusiasm. Instructors keep them moving with thrilling tunes and simple word and memory games that teach children about the basic food groups. Classes are \$34 per month and held on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. starting September 3.

Boot Camp for Kids is for ages 6-11. A military-style fun fitness class using energizing music that kids know and love. BC for Kids provides 30 minutes of vigorous physical activity while teaching the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Classes are \$34 per month and held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. starting September 2.

To register for Stretch-n-Grow and Boot Camp for Kids e-mail Joy Payne at paynej@hpumc.org; include your child's name, age, class, and phone number; payment will be required when you arrive for class. Must enroll by August 25!



SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS

Closed weekdays
Monday, July 21 through Thursday, August 7

THE LIBRARY WILL BE OPEN SUNDAYS
8:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER OF READING!

Library items may be returned to the book slot in the library door any time that the church is open.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Fiction

- The Beach House*, by Jane Green
- The Broken Window*, by Jeffery Deaver
- Chasing Fireflies*, by Charles Martin
- Don't Tell a Soul*, by David Rosenfelt
- Fearless Fourteen*, by Janet Evanovich
- Fidelity*, by Thomas Perry
- The Front*, by Patricia Cornwell
- The Genius*, by Jesse Kellerman
- Happy Family*, by Wendy Lee
- Hit and Run*, by Lawrence Sanders
- An Incomplete Revenge*, by Jacqueline Winspear
- Made in the U.S.A.*, by Billie Letts
- Nothing to Lose*, by Lee Child
- One of Those Malibu Nights*, by Elizabeth Adler
- Plague Ship*, by Clive Cussler
- Resolution*, by Robert B. Parker
- Rogue*, by Danielle Steel (also in large print)
- Sail*, by James Patterson
- She Always Wore Red*, by Angela Hunt
- TailSpin*, by Catherine Coulter
- Twenty Wishes*, by Debbie Macomber (also in large print)

Non-Fiction

- Always by My Side*, by Jim Nantz
- Christianity's Family Tree*, by Adam Hamilton
- A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to The White House*, by Charles Osgood
- Healing Where it Hurts*, by James W. Moore
- Holding Her Head High*, by Janine Turner
- Home: A Memoir of My Early Years*, by Julie Andrews
- In Love Again and Making it Work*, by Dick Dunn
- Methodism in Recovery*, by William B. Lawrence
- Moyers on Democracy*, by Bill D. Moyers
- The Secret*, by Rhonda Byrne
- Seeing Gray in a World of Black & White*, by Adam Hamilton
- Sundays in America*, by Suzanne Strempek Shea
- Trillion-Dollar Meltdown*, by Charles R. Morris
- 23 Minutes in Hell*, by Bill Wiese

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CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

In Sympathy for the Families of:

Names of HPUMC members are listed in bold.

John F. "BJ" Tuma 7/5/2008. Survived by son and wife **John & Tamareh Tuma**; grandchildren **Portia, Bianca & Jet Tuma**.

E. Maddox Leath 7/6/2008. Survived by wife Mary Betty Leath.

Rodney Rawls 7/10/2008. Survived by mother Doris Rawls; sister **Roseann Rawls**.

Kay Webb Strickland 7/10/2008. Survived by husband **Darwin "Darby" Strickland**; son and wife **Mark & Cheryl Strickland**; daughter and husband **Sheridan & Mark Dunlap**; granddaughters **Mason & Darby Strickland**; aunt **Billie Webb**.

Betty Lumpkin Ward 7/10/2008. Survived by daughter and husband Sarah & George Dietrich, Jr.; former husband Fred D. Ward.

Margaret Foree Crumley Wiltshire 7/13/2008. Survived by nephew and wife **Dr. Kenneth & Lila Foree**.

Charles Porter Storey 7/14/2008. Survived by wife **Helen Storey**; sons Dr. Charles Storey, Jr., Harry Storey, Fred Storey and their families.

Joan Geraldine Kanaley Bayoud 7/18/2008. Survived by husband Dr. George S. Bayoud, Sr.; son and wife **George & Vickie Bayoud, Jr.**; grandchildren **Griffin & Meredith Bayoud**.

Celebrating the Birth of:

For births or baptism listings, contact Mary Bishop, bishopm@hpumc.org.

Pate Morrow Johnson was born on June 16, 2008. He is the son of Jill and Mark Johnson and joins Cooper, Jake and Bennett.

James McClain Hoak was born on July 14, 2008. He is the son of Dee Dee and Hale Hoak and joins Henry and Alfred. His grandparents are Nancy and Jim Hoak.

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism:

July 13, 2008:

Anderson James Hoctor, son of Christina and John Hoctor, brother of Ryan and Reagan.

Akina Marie Wylie, daughter of Kimberly and Michael Wylie, sister of Steel.

Bishop assignments. Continued from page 1.

Other assignments include: Nebraska, Bishop Ann B. Sherer; Texas, Bishop Janice Riggle Huie; Louisiana, Bishop William Hutchinson; New Mexico/Northwest Texas, Bishop E. Max Whitfield; Central Texas (Fort Worth Area), Bishop Mike Lowry; Oklahoma, Bishop Robert Hayes, Jr.; Missouri, Bishop Robert Schnase; Kansas, Bishop Scott J. Jones; and Arkansas, Bishop Charles Crutchfield.

Miss a sermon?

You can watch and listen online at www.hpumc.org.

SANCTUARY RESTORATION NOTICE

THE RESTROOMS IN THE NARTHEX (Mockingbird side) ARE CLOSED UNTIL NOVEMBER.

Please use the restroom in the northeast transept (Bishop side) or the restrooms located behind the library.

You may find additional information in the brochures around the church or online at www.hpumc.org.



OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES GOES TO THE TEXAS RANGERS VS. DETROIT TIGERS GAME!

Join us for the first game of the series with the Tigers on Monday, August 18. We leave the church at 5:30 p.m. It's a Super Saver game, so we can do the bus and ticket for \$25.00. We'll dine on hotdogs there. Call Richard at 214.523.2249 or email him at stanfordr@hpumc.org to make reservations. Only 20 tickets available. First 20 people to call get to go!

OLDER ADULTS TO VISIT FOSSIL RIM WILDLIFE CENTER WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13TH

Travel to the Glen Rose area and experience a seven-mile long valley of beautiful vistas and wildlife living in the open. Fossil Rim is a conservation and research facility dedicated to the preservation of many of the world's exotic wildlife species. We will be going in small buses due to the hills and size of the 9 1/2 miles of roads within the Center. There is a hill top café in the middle of the valley where we will have lunch. We leave at 9:30 a.m. from the church and will return at 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 plus lunch. Make reservations by Friday, August 8 with Richard at 214.523.2249 or stanfordr@hpumc.org.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

We need your help to drive a golf cart on Sunday mornings! Our 8-passenger trams circulate the church lots assisting those with special needs to and from their cars. Volunteer drivers are needed for two-hour shifts on Sunday mornings.



If you would like to serve in this way, please contact Connect & Serve at 214.523.2246 or luederl@hpumc.org.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ACADEMY

Oil Painting

Tuesdays, August 5-26, 6:00-9:00 p.m., room 225

Wednesdays, August 6-27, 1:00-4:00 p.m., room 225

Thursdays, August 7-28, 6:30-9:00 p.m., room 385

Please call 214.523.2231 for fee.

The Voyage – Devotional Reading of Eminent Christians Across the Ages; Mere Christianity book study

Tuesdays, August 5-26, 6:30-8:00 p.m., room 387, led by Doug Smith (Students must purchase their own book.)

The Qur'an: The Holy Book of Islam

Tuesdays, August 12-September 9, 7:00-8:30 p.m., room 386, \$20

SNEAK A PEEK AT SOME OF THE CLASSES COMING THIS FALL AT THE ACADEMY

Disciple Bible Studies: Disciple I; Invitation to Genesis; Invitation to Psalms; Invitation to the Old Testament; Invitation to the New Testament; Online Bible Study; Tuesday Knights - John; Trinity Bible Class for Women – The Authentic Christian; In the Beginning; Unroll the Scroll – Torah Study; Women's Bible Fellowship – So You Want To Be Like Christ?; Oil Painting; Beginning French / Intermediate French; Let's Play Bridge!; Daniel: Lives of Integrity - Words of Prophecy (women's group); Book of Ruth - Women for All Seasons; Orthodox Iconography: Theology in Images; The Book of Romans: "Becoming New in Christ"; Simple but NOT Easy: Finding Balance in Our Family Life; Marriage Check-up: for couples married 8-20 years

Grab a brochure in the racks around the church or register at 214.523.2231, 214.523.2296 or www.hpumc.org.