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Celebrate Fifth Sunday Offering THIS Sunday!



As a young man forced to grow up at an early age, Jerome shares some of his story. He talks about the ways in which the Florida United Methodist Children's Home has enriched his life, as well as his plans for life after he leaves our care.

The Fifth Sunday Offerings are vital to sustaining the ministries of the Children's Home. Given the fact that in-person worship is suspended until at least next month, we are concerned about the negative impact this could have on this pivotal source of support. **So we are asking churches to take up a Fifth Sunday Offering on March 29th, and to be purposeful in advocating for the children so that we can maintain normal operations here.** If your church is providing online or streaming worship opportunities, please share this video during the service, as a way that they can remain connected with us. We also have a link below to access digital versions of our Fifth Sunday supplies.

Additionally, **we have provided the following blurb** to include in your online worship bulletin. Please include this in your bulletin, as it gives some perspective on the Fifth Sunday Offerings and their importance in connecting the Children's Home and the local churches. The blurb is as follows:

"The Fifth Sunday Offering was instituted in 1906 as a way to build the campus of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home. The Offering is vital to offering children the love, support, and care that the Children's Home has been providing them for over 110 years. Children and youth, just like Jerome, continue to experience God's transforming love through the ministries we provide. To make a gift to the Children's Home, please visit www.fumch.org and click the 'DONATE' button. You can also text "spark" to 50155 to make a gift via text."

Finally, as we prepare our supplies for the May Fifth Sunday Offering, we want to send out the necessary materials to help people stay connected. We recognize that, with churches not meeting in person for this March Fifth Sunday Offering, many churches may choose to keep the March supplies and use them for the May Offering. To our Local Church Representatives (LCRs): we need your help, especially at this time, so that we can be wise stewards and send out the appropriate materials. Will you please reach out to the appropriate church staff and determine the need for

supplies, and then respond to us? **If your church would like May supplies, please let us know how many of the items (bulletin inserts, posters, and pew envelopes) your church will need. We need this information by Wednesday, March 25. Please email Trista Calvin at trista.calvin@fumch.org. This is a critical need.*

**Access Electronic Fifth Sunday
Supplies**

**RSVP for May Fifth Sunday
Supplies**

Day on Campus CANCELLED



If you have followed news from the Children's Home in recent months, you know that preparations were well underway for Day on Campus - our favorite event of the year. We were excited for the opportunity to welcome family, friends, and community members to celebrate all of the many ways God is using this incredible ministry to change lives. However, recent events have necessitated a change in our plans, and we decided to **cancel** our Day on Campus event.

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New Horizon Golf Tournament - **Currently** Still Scheduled



On Saturday, April 25th, New Horizon UMC will be hosting their 34th annual golf tournament and silent auction luncheon at Jacaranda Golf Club in Plantation, FL. The event begins with registration at 7am, and a shotgun start at 8am. The Luncheon will follow at 12:30pm, with the conclusion of the silent auction at 1:45pm. Proceeds

will benefit the Foster Care Services of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home. Foster Care South Florida serves both Broward and Palm Beach Counties. The Broward County Foster Care Office opened in 2017 and the Palm Beach County Foster Care opened in 2019.

As of the writing of this article, the tournament was still slated to proceed as scheduled. Please contact New Horizon at 954.434.7400 for up-to-date information on the status of the event, as well as for ways you can support the tournament. You can also visit the event page at bidpal.net/nhgolf or on facebook at www.facebook.com/benefit4children

Visit Tournament Event Page

Support the Children's Home



A vital component to the care we provide to the children is the support we receive through donations. Each year, countless necessary items are donated to ensure that the children and families we serve have the resources they need to succeed. Learn what items are needed.

Current Needs

Leave a Legacy of Giving



Did you know that there are opportunities to leave a planned gift to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home? Through our planned giving program, many have chosen to support the ministry of the Children's Home for generations to come.

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