

DR. JAMES W. MOORE
Minister in Residence

As Minister in Residence at Highland Park United Methodist Church (HPUMC), James W. “Jim” Moore spends his time teaching, preaching and writing. Newly-retired from a successful 22-year tenure as senior minister of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Houston, Dr. Moore uses his talents at HPUMC teaching seasonal bible studies, preaching on occasion and continuing his thriving writing career.

A native of Memphis, Dr. Moore attended Memphis Tech (high school); Lambuth College (Bachelor of Arts); The Methodist Theological School in Ohio (Masters of Divinity); and Centenary College (Doctor of Divinity). Dr. Moore has served pastorates in Milan, Milledgeville, Morris Chapel and Jackson, Tennessee, and Lithopolis and Hopewell, Ohio. He was associate pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Jackson, Tennessee, from 1965-70 and was Associate Director of the Memphis Conference Council on Ministries from 1970-72. He was a lecturer in the Lambuth University Department of Religion from 1968-71. Dr. Moore served Shreveport's First United Methodist Church from 1972-84 where he was co-pastor, sharing the pulpit with Dr. D. L. Dykes. From 1984-2006, Dr. Moore served as senior minister of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Houston, with a membership of more than 8,000 and an operating budget in excess of \$7.4 million. His sermons were telecast each week and are available in print, audiocassette, videotape and on the Internet.

An award-winning author, his books include: *Seizing the Moments* (Abingdon Press bestseller 1988; *December Book of the Month, Guideposts*); *You Can Get Bitter Or Better*, (Silver Angel Award 1989); *Yes Lord I Have Sinned But I Have Several Excellent Excuses*; *Can You Remember To Forget*; *Is There Life After Stress?*; *When All Else Fails, Read The Instructions*; *Healing Where It Hurts*; *Some Things Are Too Good Not To Be True*; *When Grief Breaks Your Heart*; *Christmas Gifts That Always Fit*; *The Top Ten List for Graduates*; *What Can We Learn From the Christ Child?*; *When You're a Christian, the Whole World is from Missouri*; *Attitude is Your Paintbrush, It Colors Every Situation*; *The Top Ten List for Christians*; *Some Folks Feel the Rain Others Just Get Wet*; *The Cross Walk*; *O Say Can You See*; *Advent, A Calendar of Devotions*; *God Was Here and I was Out to Lunch*; *Let's Go Over to Bethlehem*; *At the End of the Day, 9/11: What a Difference a Day Makes*; *Won't You Let Him In*; *If God Has a Refrigerator, Your Picture Is on It*; *Noah Built His Ark in the Sunshine*; *The Common People Heard Him Gladly*; *Jesus' Parables of Grace*; *If You're Going the Wrong Way... Turn Around*; *The Sanctuary for Lent 2005*; *Jesus' Parables of Life*; and *There's a Hole in Your Soul that Only God Can Fill*; *Jesus' Parables of the Lost and Found*; *Rich in the Things That Count The Most*; *The Sanctuary for Lent 2006*; *The Miracle of Christmas*; *Jesus' Parables about Making Choices*; *On the Road Again* and published in 2007: *Faith is the*

Answer, But What are the Questions? In 2008, Dr. Moore's most recent books were published: "The Moments That Take Our Breath Away," "Jesus' Parables About Priorities" "Celebrating the Gift of Marriage (with Introduction by June Moore) and "What Do You Want For Christmas?" and in 2009, Jesus' Parables About Discipleship, Have You ever Seen a Hearse Pulling a Trailer? And If God is your Co-Pilot, Swap Seats. Coming out in 2010 will be "Lord, Give me Patience and Give it to me Right Now,"(written with his brother, Bob)," How God Can Take Our Little and Make It Much," and "The Christmas Gifts That Won't Break."

The recipient of numerous honors, the list includes the J. Henry Bowden, Sr. Preaching Award (recognition of outstanding preaching on moral issues); the John and Ruth Mount Alumni Award for Parish Ministry by The Methodist Theological School in Ohio; the Caring Spirit Award by The Houston Medical Center's Institute of Religion; the R.E. Womack Achievement Award (Outstanding Alumnus) from Lambuth University; and a Sustaining Presence Award by Interfaith CarePartners. Dr. Moore was selected to be the Protestant Hour Preacher for December 1990 through March 1991 and for fall 2001.

Dr. Moore has written, directed and hosted a weekly television and radio shows, written articles for newspapers. He has also taught in the Centenary College Continuing Education Center, conducted closed-circuit television courses, and written numerous booklets and pamphlets.

Dr. Moore has served as a member of the Board of Directors of The Methodist Hospital in the Houston Medical Center, a member of the Board of Trustees of Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, a member of the Executive Board at Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, and a past member of the Houston Committee for Private Sector Initiatives. He also served on the national United Methodist General Council on Ministries and on the national United Methodist Commission on Communications. In 1996, Dr. Moore was the leader of the Texas Conference Delegation to General Conference. He was a Delegate to General Conference four times (1992, 1996, 2000, and 2004).

Dr. Moore is married to the former June Daniels and they make their home at Heritage Ranch in Fairview, Texas. Their daughter Jodi and her husband Danny are parents of the Moore's eldest grandchildren, Sarah and Paul, and their son Jeff and his wife Claire are the parents of the three youngest grandchildren, Dawson, Daniel and Mason. All the children and grandchildren live in the Dallas area.