



OFUMC Welcomes New Pastor



On Monday June 29, 2026, members of Oxford First United Methodist Church (OFUMC) met with Rev. Carol Lynn Mote, Northern Hills District Superintendent in a Covenant Meeting to welcome our new pastor, Rev. Charles Seaton, Jr.

But who is Rev. Charles Seaton, Jr.? He is a licensed and ordained minister who has faithfully served in Christian ministry for more than eighteen years. He is a devoted servant of Christ whose ministry is marked by

humility, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Throughout his years of ministry, Rev. Seaton has served in numerous leadership capacities, including Executive Ministry Member, Staff Minister, Men's Ministry Leader, Church Administrator, and Children's Ministry Leader. His pastoral experience includes preaching and teaching the Word of God, providing pastoral care and counseling, mentoring leaders, developing discipleship ministries, and leading outreach efforts that strengthen both the church and the surrounding community.

Rev. Seaton continues to faithfully minister through preaching, leadership development, church administration, and congregational care. He also assists in church governance, budgeting, ministry operations, and the coordination of worship and media ministries. His ministry has been further enriched through years of service, as well as preaching and ministering in churches throughout the Mid-South.

Rev. Seaton is presently continuing his theological education at the Tennessee School

of Religion, building upon decades of ministry experience and his lifelong commitment to Biblical teaching and spiritual growth.

Known for his compassionate spirit, sound Biblical teaching, and servant-hearted leadership, Rev. Seaton is passionate about equipping believers, encouraging families,

and helping individuals deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. He desires to see lives transformed by God's Word and churches strengthened for faithful service in the Kingdom of God.

Rev. Seaton's first day of service at OFUMC is Sunday, July 5th.



CELEBRATING *Father's Day*

On July 21, 2026, OFUMC celebrated Father's Day with various activities. The

following pages include a pictorial review of the events.



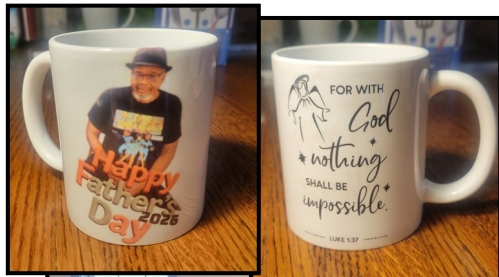
Father of The Year Presentation: Brother Kenneth presented a plaque to Pastor Quennel Anderson as the Male Chorus "Father of the Year."



Words of Encouragement: Sister Barbara Wortham made an excellent presentation to the fathers of the church based on the scripture Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."



Praise Dance: First Lady Tarnika and daughter, Skylar performed a special praise dance.



Grab Bags: (left) The women of the church presented the Fathers with grab bags that included personalized cups and other goodies.

Fellowship Meal: (below) The women also prepared a Brunch for the Fathers. In all, it was a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and fun.



Pastor Anderson's Fond Farewell

Thanks to everyone who made Pastor Quennel Anderson and his Family's last day at OFUMC special. We gave them a great send-off and blessing as they worshipped their last Sunday at OFUMC on June 26. As United Methodists, we are accustomed to Pastors coming and going. But this was an abrupt, unexpected move that left some of us emotionally reeling. Be that as it may, as Pastor Anderson told us, GOD WILL PROVIDE!! So, let us look ahead, evaluate, and discern how the future unfolds for us. WITH GOD, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.

--Rev. Mattie Gipson

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