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to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home



DAY ON CAMPUS

MARCH 16, 2024

One of the most anticipated days at Children's Home is our annual Day on Campus. Each year, it provides us with the opportunity to both thank our faithful churches and ministry partners and highlight all of the wonderful things God is doing through the ministry here. We are excited to announce that the next Day On Campus on Saturday, March 16th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

This year's Day on Campus is even more anticipated because we will be unveiling our new brand on that day. Everyone is invited to come and share with us! We again stress that ALL ARE INVITED! Our name is changing but not our Mission!

Come and learn the latest news about our ministry and the impact your partnership with us is having on young lives. You'll be able to tour the campus, attend special programming, enjoy a free picnic lunch and witness the unveiling of our new brand!

Also returning this year will be special break-out sessions that will allow you to learn more about the work we do here at the Children's Home. Seating for these sessions is limited, so be sure to RSVP soon! Sessions include:

- **Foster Care Service at the Children's Home**
- **What makes a trauma informed ministry?**
 - **Planned Giving 101**



Schedule of Events

- 9:00 Gates Open
- 9:30 Break-out sessions and campus tours begin
- 11:00 Program in the gym
- 12:00 Picnic under the Big Top and tours resume
- 12:00 Some cottages open for tours

Please RSVP by March 7th at www.fumch.org/rsvp

For more information contact us at dayoncampus@fumch.org

March Is a Fifth Sunday Month!

Our first Fifth Sunday of 2024 is in March this year. These offerings began in 1906 as a way to raise funds to build an orphanage and continues to show the deep connection between the Children’s Home and the local churches within the state. The Fifth Sunday Offering continues to be important to the Children’s Home. As we rely on the generosity of churches and individuals to continue to support the ministry of the Children’s Home as we seek to serve those who have experienced a variety of traumatic events.

This is the first time since 2013 that the Fifth Sunday lands on Easter. The next time will be in 2043! We realize how busy Easter worship is so we are suggesting that you consider promoting and taking up the Fifth Sunday offering on Palm Sunday, which is March 24th.

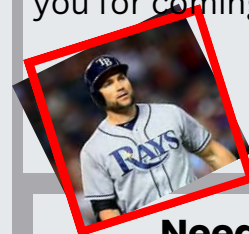
We ask that you promote the March Fifth Sunday Offering within the context of your church’s worship service whichever Sunday you choose. Whether you received printed supplies, electronic supplies, or a combination of the two, you can use these resources to help highlight the wonderful ministry of the Children’s Home that your church continues to support. The March Fifth Sunday poster and insert can be found on our website at www.fumch.org under the tab “Making a Difference” then “Church Relations.” We will also have a Fifth Sunday video available to you soon, as this will be another tool to help celebrate the Children’s Home. Thank you for your continued partnership, and we are excited to see how God uses your support to change more lives.

New Brand Video

As we launch our new brand on March 16th at our annual Day on Campus, we will be following it up with a video we are asking all our local churches to show on March 17th. Would you kindly make a time for this as you are planning your services for that day? The video will be approximately 30 seconds long and will highlight the transition from our current to the new name and logo. This is an exciting time and we want our ministry partners in our local churches to be fully apprised of this transition in a timely manner.

Special Visitor on Campus

We were honored to welcome Luke Scott as a special visitor to our Enterprise Campus. Luke played Major League Baseball from 2005 through 2013 for the Houston Astros, Baltimore Orioles and Tampa Bay Rays. Luke has a great heart for God and our children. Luke, thank you for coming to visit us.



Needed Item

We have an urgent request for twin-size mattress covers. They need to be water resistant and protect from bed bugs. Thank you so much!