

From: Bill and Carol Johnson

To: Our Dear Friends of First United Methodist Church of Bastrop

We want to thank you for the acceptance, support, and assistance which you extended to us during the four and a half years we spent in shared ministry with all of you. We are especially grateful for and amazed by your extravagant generosity in the “parting gifts” which you gave us. We have placed the high-definition television which you gave us in our bedroom. The set provides an astonishingly good picture which we enjoy every day. We used the monetary gift you gave us to buy a new sofa and love seat for our living room/den, the first new furniture of that type which Carol has been able to purchase in thirty years. To say the least, Carol was thrilled to be able to do that.

We are thankful that Bishop Dorff appointed Andy Smith to be your new pastor. We know that you are in the best of hands, not only having Andy as Senior Pastor, but with the fine staff which surrounds him. I know that each of them is committed to using their God-given gifts and to following God’s will for their lives and the congregation for the purpose of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We encourage each of you to support Andy and the rest of the staff, so that FUMC may fulfill God’s vision for it. Thanks again for all that you did for us.

Grace and peace,

*Bill*