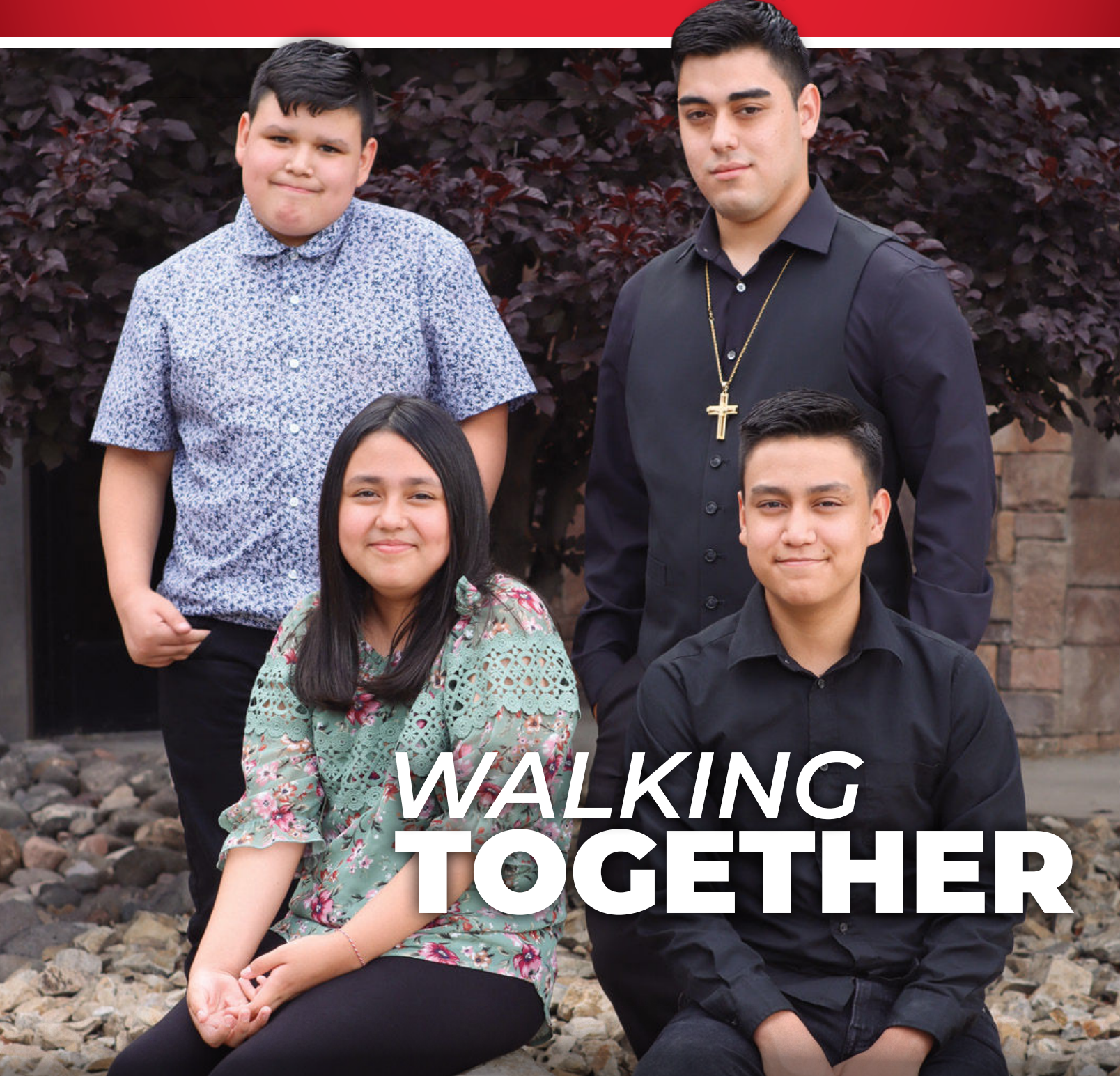


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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



*Trey Oakley
President and CEO*

At this time of year, it is common for some children to feel a growing sense of dread as summer comes to a close and the impending first bell of a new school year is on the horizon. This certainly impacts teachers, parents and caregivers in some form, as well.

Transitioning to different seasons can give a sense of comfort and familiarity, but might also carry the potential for uncertainty and insecurity. However, it is gratifying when we trust in the preparation, planning and experience, and embrace the “newness,” come what may. This is a message I have been preaching to myself this season as Karen and I experience the emotions of sending our first child off to college. Our daughter is more than ready to step into this next challenge and chapter of her life; I am sure she is more worried about how we will survive without her.

Ultimately, we rest in the assurance that when we seek God’s guidance to carry us through the process. The writer of Proverbs instructs us to commit our work to the Lord, and our plans will succeed (Prov. 16:3). As many organizations, ministries, businesses, and communities continue to experience challenges and change, Methodist Children’s Home (MCH) remains committed to our vision to empower all we serve to experience life to the fullest. In the face of adversity, this ministry continues to step up for those needing our transformational services.

In this issue of Sunshine magazine, you will read how one of our MCH Family Outreach offices is going above and beyond to provide care, counsel and direction for a sibling group in a challenging situation. As our caring team ministers to and helps this family navigate a new season of life, the impact has been reciprocal. One staff member, speaking about how she has been equipped and empowered to serve, said, “I have never worked for a ministry or organization so amazing.”

This is one example of the level of compassion and excellence we strive for at MCH. I am confident we will have ample opportunity to fulfill our mission and do even more for children, youth and families across Texas and New Mexico in the seasons ahead. Supported by generous and caring friends, we are able to continue committing our plans to a gracious God.

Thank you for your continued support of Methodist Children’s Home. I thank God for the great things He allows us to accomplish for His purposes and glory.

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WALKING TOGETHER

BY RUSSELL RANKIN



Jonathan said goodbye to his mother. She lay in a hospital bed, weak and succumbing to cancer. She was unable to speak, but Jonathan knew she could hear him.

He desperately needed her to hear him.

“We’ll be OK; you don’t have to worry,” Jonathan told her.

“I will take care of my brothers and sister.”

In a lucid moment, Laura, his mother, opened her eyes and gave a thumbs-up to her son. She heard.

The next day she was gone.



Left to right: Edwin, Kimberly, Jonathan, and Kevin have the support of MCH Family Outreach as they navigate life in the midst of tragedy.

Jonathan has a boyish complexion and dark eyes that flash between confidence and uncertainty. Just 23 years old, he is now the primary caregiver for his three younger siblings. Kevin, 15, is nearly as tall as his big brother and has an easy, bright smile and playful demeanor. Edwin, 13, has autism and takes cues from his siblings when he has difficulty processing emotions. He hasn't connected with the reality of his mother's death and often asks when she is coming home. Kimberly, 11, admires all her brothers and is quick to joke and tease.

Having responsibility for his siblings weighs heavily on Jonathan, but he is not alone in his journey. He has the support of caring individuals at MCH Family Outreach who are committed to

walking with Jonathan and his siblings through this challenging time.

A year before her death, Laura was referred to the Family Solutions program at MCH Family Outreach in Las Cruces, N.M. With her illness and frequent hospitalizations, she needed help with the basics – food, clothing, housing assistance, and transportation.

Osiris Beanes, a case manager with the Las Cruces outreach team, connected Laura with community resources and partners such as local food banks. As Laura needed frequent medical attention for her cancer, Beanes transported her to dialysis treatments at the hospital three times each week. Beanes and other outreach staff checked on the children during their mother's frequent hospitalizations, arranged

for transportation to and from school and made sure they had what they needed at home.

"Laura was already sick when we started working with her," Beanes said. "The whole time, she was always concerned about the kids, specifically about their future and their education. She knew what was coming. All along, she was preparing me, as well, sharing about her Social Security benefits and what accounts she had."

"new normal." Beanes worked with Jonathan to create a very detailed plan of service with goals that will benefit him and his siblings.

"He has said on numerous occasions, 'I can't do this on my own,'" Beanes said. "But we tell him that is the reason we are here – to help him learn."

The outreach team transitioned the siblings to the Gap program following their mother's death. The program focuses on supporting children whose

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”
– Jonathan



Osiris Beanes says Jonathan is making positive steps leading his family.

During a hospital visit in March 2021, the medical staff shared with Beanes that Laura's prognosis was terminal. Arrangements were made for the children to visit their mother to say goodbye.

"The hospital staff was so supportive," said Tiffany Gonzales, director of MCH Family Outreach in Las Cruces. "They set up a room for the family to visit and took pictures of the children holding their mother's hand."

After Laura's death, the outreach team and others in the community rallied around the siblings. Hospital staff donated clothing and household items, and a local funeral home provided a meaningful ceremony free of charge. Jonathan carries a program from the service folded in his wallet. He said it gives him strength and helps him feel like his mother is with him.

"They have shown great strength and resiliency through their time of grief and trauma," Gonzales said. "Jonathan is determined to move forward for his siblings and has displayed dedication in becoming the best caregiver he possibly can."

Jonathan said it is important that MCH continues to walk alongside him as he learns to navigate his

primary caregiver is a relative other than a parent. While commonly seen as a program for grandparents and second-generation caregivers, Jonathan – as a 23-year-old – matches the criteria as well.

"As a ministry that strives to empower and instill hope in children, youth and families, we know Jonathan and his siblings need help connecting to resources and tools to continue strengthening the family dynamics," Gonzales said. "Our ministry is committed to assisting families like this to reach their full potential. Our Gap program is designed to build on the family's strengths to find solutions in raising children, and that is what MCH in Las Cruces is doing here."

"This type of work is carried out through all our locations in Texas and New Mexico," she added. "Our core values are what drive our work. MCH knows there is a long road ahead for these siblings, but we will walk alongside them through their journey."

Gonzales said her team constantly brainstorms for ideas to help the children not just survive, but grow and flourish. One area concerns the children's academics.

"Jonathan was timid about being proactive for his siblings at first; he would keep his head down and stay quiet," Gonzales said. "Our team has been able

to step in and act as advocates with the kids' schools – meeting regularly with school counselors to find ways for each of them to have their needs met."

Outreach team members meet with Jonathan and his siblings to help them discover ways to work together as a family, share responsibilities around the house and support one another. Once the younger children are dropped off at school, Beanes and other case managers meet with Jonathan in his home or at the outreach office to help him prioritize and develop action plans for the coming days. Plans are peppered with family-strengthening lessons from Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI), a therapeutic, trauma-informed intervention model designed to meet the needs of vulnerable children.

Jonathan shoulders his caregiver responsibilities bravely, admitting he never could have imagined himself in this situation.

"At this point in my life I thought I would be doing other things like maybe going to school, being independent and going to parties," he said with a sly smile. As it is, Jonathan cooks and takes pride in keeping their home impeccably clean. His siblings don't offer a complete endorsement of his cooking skills, but do admit he makes decent *frijoles* (rice and beans), Kevin said with a laugh.

Jonathan expressed gratefulness for the support he and his siblings receive from the MCH team.

"They have done so much to help," he said. "There is a lot I still don't understand and they have been here to help me all along the way. It has been

hard these last few months, losing our mother. Nothing else compares to that, and now I have to be responsible for myself and three others."

Beanes said Jonathan's determination is paying off.

"He will say 'I can't do it,' but continues to learn and stay on the right track," she said. "He's taking small steps forward; a day at a time. He is making a difference.

"We are here to empower Jonathan and show him all he has accomplished," she added. "He has grown as a man before our eyes."

Jonathan brushed away tears remembering his last moment with his mother.

"I told Mom not to worry," he said softly. "I told her we would see her soon." Until then, Jonathan, Kevin, Edwin, and Kimberly have a support system in the MCH Family Outreach office in Las Cruces cheering them on.

"We are going to keep doing the best we can to help this family," Gonzales said. "As social workers, we all have had to do hard things, but this certainly tops it. We've wrapped our arms around this family and will continue walking with them through this time.

"It means so much to us to go above and beyond for this family," Gonzales added. "I have never worked for a ministry or organization so amazing. MCH has allowed us to provide Jonathan with resources no other agency has offered. It is a blessing to carry out the mission and vision of MCH in this way."

"I don't know where we would be without MCH," Jonathan said. "They are our family." •



The entire staff of the Las Cruces outreach office is investing in Jonathan and his siblings. Back row (left to right): Edwin, Maria Realzola, Jonathan, Osiris Beanes, Jessica Booker, and Tiffany Gonzales. Front row: Kimberly, Kevin and Sabrina Casares.

“ He has said on numerous occasions, ‘I can’t do this on my own,’ but we tell him that is the reason why we are here – to help him learn.

– Osiris Beanes
MCH Case Manager



MCH SUMMER *Activities*





Summer is a time for MCH youth to grow, serve and enjoy special occasions and activities.

Thanks to faithful and generous giving, young people in MCH residential and day student programs enjoyed a summer full of camps, field trips, community service, and personal enrichment.



MCH FAMILY OUTREACH NEWS: OFFICE RELOCATIONS

Three existing MCH Family Outreach offices relocated to more spacious facilities in the last year to accommodate the growth of community-based programs. The new offices in Corpus Christi, Dallas (Irving) and Tyler utilize collaborative workspace found in other outreach offices and include “huddle rooms” for private calls or meetings, open-floor concepts and playrooms.

MCH Family Outreach offers family preservation services through its community services program and foster care in some locations. Offices are located in 13 cities across Texas and New Mexico. To find a location near you, visit MCH.org.

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ZANIYA

A HEART OF THANKFULNESS

BY LINDY DEHM



Zaniya and her classmates arrive at senior prom held in the spring.

Before coming to Methodist Children's Home in 2019, Zaniya said her life was troubled and she experienced many turbulent situations. She often felt no one would listen to her when she needed help.

When she first arrived at MCH, Zaniya was quiet and often short tempered.

"I just wanted to fit in and I did not know how to be myself," she said. Over time as she developed trusting relationships with MCH staff, Zaniya learned to regulate her feelings and emotions.

Today Zaniya describes herself as caring, fun-loving and funny. Her bright smile and laughter are infectious at school and in her home on the Waco campus.

"I started to open up, talk about my feelings and just be myself," Zaniya said. "My favorite staff shoot it straight with me and I really appreciate that. They are always willing to listen to me and give me advice."

Zaniya said one of the most valuable lessons she has learned at MCH is how to lean into safe relationships and not bottle up her emotions.

MCH Case Manager Monica Rose said Zaniya's growth since coming to MCH is clear.

"When we first met she would not even talk with me," Rose said. "Now we both laugh about how she has matured and that was 'a different Zaniya.' Seeing her navigate challenges in a positive way is such a joy."

Rose said many staff at MCH have grown to love Zaniya and "it will be an emotional moment watching

her walk across the stage at graduation. Zaniya has a bright future ahead of her."

Zaniya plans to attend McLennan Community College and get a job after graduating from high school in December. Her ultimate goal is to be a family counselor.

"In my mind I have a picture of what a family should be like – it is something I did not have," she said. "There are a lot of things about families that can be fixed if you are willing to just talk and listen to one another. I want to help families stick together."

Since being at MCH, Zaniya has been able to work on her relationship with her father.

"We talk more and he visits me," she said. "Our relationship is a work in progress and I am thankful for that opportunity."

Zaniya's advice to other MCH residents is take advantage of all MCH offers, work hard in school and graduate. She said the lessons she has learned enable her to look forward to the future and dream about having her own family one day.

"I thank God for this place and feel He has me here for a reason," she said. "God has brought me through a lot. I see how He has carried me through my life. It is a blessing to be at MCH." •

CELEBRATING OUR *Graduates*

Transition Services



MINDY

University of Texas at Arlington

Mindy graduated in May from the University of Texas at Arlington with a bachelor's degree in science and public health and a minor in business. She works full-time and is deciding if she will pursue a master's degree.



SAMANTHA

Tarleton State University

Samantha graduated in May from Tarleton State University with a master's degree in clinical mental health counseling. Her future plan is to start her own private practice. Samantha works at Cedar Crest in Belton, Texas, as a therapist in the adolescent residential treatment center.



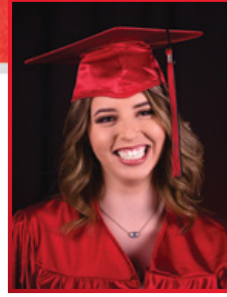
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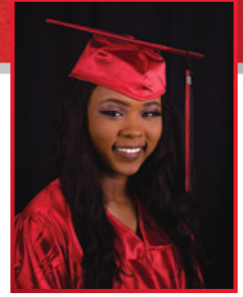
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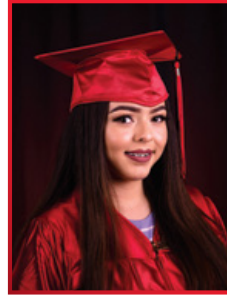
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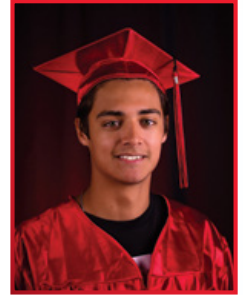
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Charter School

*Congratulations to our students earning
high school diplomas this academic year!*

Twenty-two students graduated from the MCH charter school on the Waco campus in December of 2020 and May of 2021. The school is operated in partnership with The University of Texas—University Charter School system.



Elijah



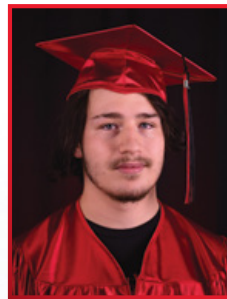
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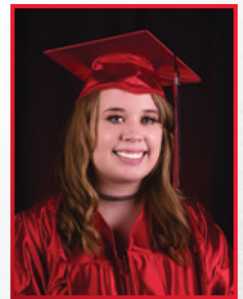
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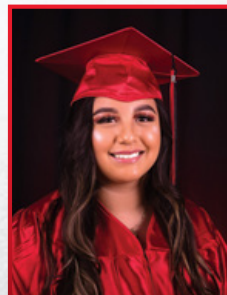
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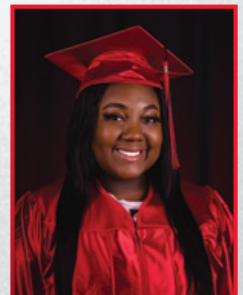
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VANESSA

KEEPING HER EYES ON THE PRIZE

BY SARAH BEY

Vanessa is a bright young woman with a magnetic smile and infectious laugh. She admits she didn't always share her big personality confidently. Her journey has been far from easy, but the 24-year-old is beginning to flourish as a young adult.

Her adoptive mother died when Vanessa was a teenager and she and her sister lived with their older sister's family for a time. However, both fell behind in school and started hanging around the wrong crowd. In 2012, Vanessa's older sister and uncle, who used to work for Methodist Children's Home, encouraged the girls to move to the Waco campus.

"It was hard and I was so scared at first," Vanessa admitted. "But I knew it was the right decision because I didn't want my older sister to have the burden of also raising two teenage girls."

It didn't take long at MCH for Vanessa's personality to shine as she developed close relationships with staff and other youth.

"MCH is family to me," she said. "I learned the meaning of love, family and caring. MCH taught me that you don't have to be related to someone in order for them to care deeply about your well-being and future."

When she wasn't singing in the choir or belting out the national anthem at MCH football and basketball games, Vanessa enjoyed working in the concession stand.

Denise Ondrey, executive assistant to the MCH president, previously served as student events coordinator and worked closely with Vanessa.

"Vanessa is one of those people I can trust without question," Ondrey said. "She has experienced so much in life and is a beautiful person. She is putting in the work necessary to accomplish her goals. I know she's keeping her eyes on the prize."

That "prize" is a bachelor's degree in special education, a passion developed through Vanessa's relationship with her older brother, who has Down syndrome.

"My brother showed me so much love when we were growing up; everyone knows I'm his favorite," Vanessa said proudly. "He's smart, and everyone like him should have the right to learn. I believe I'll make the perfect special education teacher."

In high school, Vanessa learned how the Transition Services (TS) program equips MCH alumni with the skills and resources to reach educational and professional goals.

"That's when I told myself I could do this," Vanessa said. "The people in Transition Services have encouraged me the whole way."

After graduating from the charter school on the Waco campus in 2016, Vanessa moved into an Independent Living home and eventually to Clay Commons, an apartment complex in Waco that is part of the MCH program. There Vanessa learned more about time management and other important life skills like budgeting and filing taxes. She later found her own apartment and earned an associate's degree in fine arts from McLennan Community College (MCC) in May 2020.

"Those first couple of semesters were rough," Vanessa admitted. "I know I would not have made it as far as I have without the support of Transition Services."

Vanessa currently attends Tarleton State University through MCC's University Center in Waco. She maintains a 4.0 GPA and is on the President's List, the highest honor a student can earn. Vanessa plans to graduate in May 2022 with her bachelor's degree in special education.

"She has worked so hard," said Angie Vaughn, Vanessa's TS case manager. "I have no doubt Vanessa will do just as well if she wants to pursue a master's degree. That opportunity is there for her through MCH."

Vanessa said MCH helped her in so many ways, and knows she is a stronger person.

"Through my experiences at MCH, I learned to respect myself and that I deserve to be respected," Vanessa said. "I'm smart and I don't need to second guess that."

Vanessa keeps her eyes on the prize by focusing on her academics while also working at a restaurant in Waco where she has been employed since 2015. The memory of her mother and the love for her brother add to her motivation.

"When my mom adopted us, she welcomed us into her home," Vanessa said. "She gave us her last name. She took care of us. I know she would be proud of me."

"My brother motivates me because he's the reason for what I want to do," she added. "Without him, I would not be working to make a difference in people's lives. Graduating with my bachelor's degree will be the first step. MCH changed so much for me and I want to be able to give back." •



■ UNITED METHODIST ASSOCIATION APPOINTS TREY OAKLEY TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BY JEAN WRIGHT

Methodist Children's Home President and CEO Trey Oakley was appointed in April to the Board of Directors for the United Methodist Association (UMA). UMA is governed by 15 Board members from Methodist-related health and welfare ministries across the nation. Oakley will serve a three-year term and provide leadership and governance for the Association whose mission is to promote, inspire, recognize, and empower excellence in human service ministries.

"It was an honor to receive the invitation to serve on the Board of Directors for such a well-respected association," Oakley said. "UMA has a long history connecting like-minded organizations who share a common goal of saving and changing lives. I am excited to continue the legacy of our ministry's relationship with the Association through my expanded role on the Board."

Oakley was recognized by UMA early in his career when he served as religious education director at MCH and developed childcare programming for worship services, discipleship and mission trips. He also coordinated a volunteer program for Baylor University students that was recognized by UMA as the "Volunteer Group of the Year" in 2001.

"I am grateful that UMA saw the value of our work with young people years ago," Oakley noted. "The entire UMA network benefits from having the Association identify, share and demonstrate superior standards of excellence in the childcare field and beyond."

MCH's long-standing membership with UMA allows the ministry to have access to a shared learning community comprised of industry leaders, emerging trends and educational opportunities.

"It is a great encouragement to be part of a peer network such as UMA with the many challenges health and welfare ministries face today," Oakley said. "There is no doubt that our membership strengthens our ability to make an even greater impact on children, youth and families across Texas and New Mexico while expanding the service footprint of the United Methodist Church."

MCH received the 2019 "Innovation Award" from UMA for building state-of-the-art residential homes designed to better meet the needs of children and youth today and in the future. These homes were made possible through the Building Hope capital campaign which Oakley helped lead during his tenure as vice president for development. •



Nikkie (second from right) celebrates receiving her scholarship. She is joined by (from left) MCH President and CEO Trey Oakley; Dorothy Phillips, residential services program administrator; and Lindsey Breunig, LEAD mentor.

■ MCH YOUTH RECEIVES WACO CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP

Nikkie, a May 2021 graduate of the University of Texas—University Charter School on the campus of MCH, received a \$3,500 “No Boundaries” scholarship from the Greater Waco Chamber. Nikkie, valedictorian of her class, is the first MCH resident to receive the scholarship.

The scholarship is sponsored by the Leadership, Education and Development (LEAD) program at the Waco Chamber. The program pairs high school students with individuals in the community to foster mentoring relationships that educate and expose students to various business fields in the Waco area. MCH has partnered with LEAD for three years.

Rachel Martinez, director of leadership and development for the Waco Chamber, presented Nikkie with her award check along with balloons and cookies. Trey Oakley, MCH president and CEO, Dorothy Phillips, residential services program administrator, and Lindsey Breunig, Nikkie’s LEAD mentor, were on hand to offer congratulations.

“Nikkie has been at MCH since 8th grade and is a wonderful example of our vision to empower all we serve to experience life to the fullest,” Oakley said. “She works hard, served as an example to her peers and participated in many extracurricular activities at MCH such as choir, cheer and theater. We are proud of her growth and accomplishments.”

Breunig, who works as an extension agent for Better Living for Texans with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, served as Nikkie’s mentor for three years.

“I remember noticing her sophomore year that Nikkie had a drive to accomplish all she could,” Breunig said. “I have seen this go-getter turn her experiences into passions and her passions into plans for her future. I know her experiences in LEAD and at MCH are setting her up for continued success.”

Nikkie will attend McLennan Community College in the fall and aspires to be a social worker. •

■ *MCH YOUTH AND STAFF ATTEND FIRST WORSHIP SERVICE IN RENOVATED HARRELL MEMORIAL CHAPEL*

MCH youth and staff worshipped on Sunday, June 13, 2021, in the newly renovated Harrell Memorial Chapel on the Waco campus. Updates to the chapel include fresh paint inside and outside, sound and lighting, new carpet, and refurbished pews. The classic stained-glass windows received protective covering to ensure they are appreciated for years to come.

The renovations also encompass an outdoor worship space and prayer labyrinth (see description below). The service was the first conducted in the chapel since in-person gatherings were suspended more than 14 months ago due to the COVID-19 pandemic. •



TOP LEFT: *MCH President and CEO Trey Oakley greets youth outside the chapel following the worship service.*

TOP RIGHT: *Landen, a resident of the Boys Ranch, leads worship during the service.*

BOTTOM: *MCH staff and youth worship together in the newly renovated chapel.*



■ *WHAT IS A LABYRINTH?*

Labyrinths are rooted in ancient worship traditions. The winding path is intended to mirror the Christian walk – full of twists and turns but with the ultimate destination of finding God. Walking the path of the labyrinth provides a time for contemplation and prayer until reaching the cross at the center. Reversing course, the pilgrim symbolically returns to the world transformed and inspired by the journey and ready for service.

The prayer labyrinth is located next to the Harrell Memorial Chapel on the MCH Waco campus. ►



DEVELOPMENT NEWS



Tim and Susan Brown cut the ribbon at the home named in their honor, flanked by (from left) Hank Coleman, past MCH Board Chairperson; Texas Rep. Charles "Doc" Anderson; MCH President and CEO Trey Oakley; and Barbara Bauernfeind, current MCH Board Chairperson.

■ DEDICATING THE TIM AND SUSAN BROWN HOME

The Tim and Susan Brown Home, the sixth state-of-the-art home built on the MCH Waco campus through the Building Hope capital campaign, was dedicated June 24, 2021.

The dedication ceremony was held in conjunction with the summer meeting of the MCH Board

of Directors. The Browns, members of their family and friends joined Board members and MCH staff to commemorate the dedication. In 2020, the Board elected to honor the former president of MCH through the naming of a new home.

Speakers included Hank

Coleman and Barbara Bauernfeind, the former and current Board chairpersons of MCH; MCH President and CEO Trey Oakley; and Texas Rep. Charles "Doc" Anderson, who commended the Browns for their years of service to MCH. Following a ribbon-cutting, guests toured the new home, met residents and staff of the Brown Home and walked through the newly renovated Harrell Memorial Chapel and adjacent prayer labyrinth. •



◀ *Tim and Susan Brown share words of appreciation during the dedication ceremony for the home named in their honor.*



Zaniya (left) and Melissa are two of the first residents to live in the new Tim and Susan Brown Home.



From left: Traci Wagner, VP for programs, visits with staff from MCH Family Outreach in Killeen Nancy Lechuga, Allyson Phinney, Marielle Moore, and Arlyne Johnson, along with Brooke Davilla, assistant VP for programs, before the ribbon-cutting ceremony.



From left: MCH Board members Priscilla Patterson and Amy Barley share a conversation with Kelly Lawson, director of annual giving.



Susan Brown greets former MCH employees Mary Bilheimer (center) and Ginger Green at the dedication ceremony.

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| 4. First UMC – Center | 14. First UMC – Mansfield |
| 5. First UMC – Gonzales | 15. First UMC – Gainesville |
| 6. University Park UMC – Dallas | 16. First UMC – Waskom |
| 7. Mt. Zion UMC – Panola | 17. First UMC – Rockwall |
| 8. The Woodlands UMC | 18. Oak Grove UMC – Little Elm |
| 9. Matador UMC | 19. First UMC – Fort Worth |
| 10. Lakeside UMC | 20. First UMC – Big Spring |

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