

THE FLAME



June 9, 2025



Monday, June 9

Project Transformation
Youth to Camp
Weight Loss Group 3:30
Scouts 6:30
FPC Bible Study 7

Tuesday, June 10

Project Transformation
Coryell Cupboard 8
Men's Coffee Group 8:30
Intercessory Prayer 9
Coryell Cupboard 4

Trustees 6

Wednesday, June 11

Project Transformation
Bible Study Via Christi 10
Communion Via Christi 10
Missions 3
Pastor Leon's Doctrinal Study 5
via you tube
Choir 7

Thursday, June 12

Project Transformation
FPC Building & Grounds 1:30

Sunday, June 8

Sunday School 9
Church Service 10

Please share your ancestry with us!



We're working on a project, and we'd love your help! Have you (or someone in your family) submitted your DNA to one of the ancestry sites? Do you have a map of your origins (like the one pictured here of our not-very-interesting Editor of Publications)? If so, please share it with us!

We promise we won't use it for nefarious purposes, and we only need this one tiny bit - the illustration of where your family of origin originated from (maybe many generations ago). A list works, too, as we'll be compiling the responses into one map.

Please share your ancestry origins with us at editor@okumc.org. We appreciate your help!

First Sunday after Pentecost



- *Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31*
- *Psalms 8*
- *Romans 5:1-5*
- *John 16:12-1*
- *John 14:8-17, (25-27)*

Meet Ed and Trish Goodman. Trish is the lovely lady in red and has been a member for 42 years. She is our Social Media guru. Anything you see online has been created by Trish and posted. She is a whiz and we appreciate her very much.



Her hobbies outside of church are her Granddaughters! She is interested in a little of everything. Until this year, lost her bees over the winter, she was a beekeeper. She is married to Ed, her high school sweetheart. They have two sons, Lucas and Sadie live in Ponca City and have two daughters. Ryan and Tanya live in Oklahoma City.

She worked as Office Manager of CENTURY 21 for 20 years. She was fortunate to stay home with her sons while they were growing up.

She has a degree in accounting and was recruited by Conoco, that is how they came to Ponca City! Trish enjoys working with and getting to know the members of our combined church family!

Ed Goodman is the handsome man in the suit. He too, has been a member for 42 years. Ed serves on the SPRC Committee. His two granddaughters keep him busy as well as DIY house/garden/yard/tree work, fishing; a little motorbiking are his hobbies and interests. Ed's beautiful wife of 49 years, two sons and their loved ones, one brother; three brothers-in-law and their families complete his family unit.

Ed retired at the end of 2012 as a career prosecutor with Kay County DA's office. The first seven years he was in child support enforcement followed by 23 years of prosecution. He was in private law practice for one and a half years.

Once upon a time, at FUMC in the Pavillion, the PT students just started their reading camp. A kind woman, whose name was a melody to everyone's ears, Linda Sparks, decided to throw them a welcome party.

She planned everything meticulously, from the games to the snacks. On the day of the party, she was seen carrying things in both hands and even her mouth, showing her dedication and enthusiasm.

We appreciate her work and attention to detail!





Yinka Ogundipe-Yorba



Peter Uhlig-German



Gineta Swanson-Sign Language



Jose Cervantes-Spanish



Joe & Lisa Lessert-Osage

Lord's Prayer presenters
Sunday

June Author Highlight – Bob Goff



Bob Goff spent decades as an attorney, trying to figure out how to live a whimsical, impactful life. These days, he calls himself a “recovering lawyer” because after practicing law for 25 years, then becoming the Honorary Consul to Uganda, he gave up his law firm to pursue writing and speaking full time. He’s a New York Times bestselling author several times over, runs a popular weekly podcast, and recently turned farmer at The Oaks just outside San Diego, California.

Whether in his books or live talks, Bob Goff seems to have ten lifetimes worth of stories. He has an uncanny knack for putting himself in unlikely places with unlikely people. He talks to dozens of strangers every week, because he listed his cell phone number in the back of his New York Times bestselling book, *Love Does*. He teaches classes at Pepperdine University and San Quentin State Prison. After the Taliban took control of major cities in Afghanistan in 2021, Bob called them to ask if they would allow women to return to a school he helped launch there. They said yes.

Goff lives in California with his wife who he calls “Sweet Maria”. He is the author of several bestselling books including *Love Does*, *Everybody Always*, and *Live in Grace, Walk in Love – Daily Devotional Readings*.

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