



Dear Parents,

The PMO Advisory Committee met yesterday, March 20, 2020. We have decided that Duke Memorial PMO will remain closed through May 1, 2020. We will continue to monitor the situation, and make changes as we deem necessary. We have made this decision by considering recommendations from the CDC, information coming from federal, state, and local government agencies, and also information shared by UMC Bishop, Hope Morgan Ward.

Please log into your Vanco account and suspend all recurring payments. Annie will be checking each account next week to make sure no one is charged tuition for April, but it would be a huge help if you could do this on your own. If you have reached out to Annie about a tuition credit from the last two weeks of March, that will be applied to future tuition payments (hopefully in May). We are optimistic that Summer Camps will happen, so there will be no credits or refunds given at this time for Summer Camp payments.

We are committed to caring for our staff during this closure. We are waiting for final approval from Duke Memorial UMC Church Council, but we anticipate that staff will be fully paid during this closure. If you would like to make a donation to PMO, you can do so by mailing a check made out to Duke Memorial UMC to the church office, and write PMO in the memo line. Any money received during this time will help pay staff salaries.

Teachers are missing your children! We are working on some communication from teachers to the kids. You can look forward to that sometime next week.

Thank you so much for your patience and support during this uncertainty. We appreciate each and every one of you. From Bishop Hope Ward Morgan: "In this time, we are reminded daily that we share life together. No one is a solitary Christian, and no one is a solitary citizen. We are bound together in this life as a gift of God, who created us for community. In this time of challenge, let us continue to be vigilant, creative and faithful as we lead our communities in wisdom and compassionate care for all, particularly the most vulnerable among us."

Take Care,  
Annie Barrow, Director  
Amanda Baker, Advisory Committee Chair  
Jennifer Ingold Asbill, DMUMC Minister

