



# *Fair Haven: Redefining Home*

## Reframing, Renewing & Renovating Together

February 19, 2016

Dear Friends,

I hope you were able to be with us for our ceremonial Groundbreaking Celebration held last week, but in case you were unable to make it, I wanted to let you see a couple of pictures from the wonderful day of celebration. Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett of the North Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church was on hand and gave the prayer of dedication to more than 250 people who crowded the west lawn of the property on the unseasonably bright and sunny day. Also speaking at the short ceremony were retired minister Rev. Wayne Vickery, resident of Fair Haven; Christopher Tomlin; Robert L. McKee, III, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Kim Rafferty of the Birmingham City Council; John Matson of the Alabama Nursing Home Association; Tom Kent, Executive Director of Fair Haven; Rev. Sam Williamson of Canterbury UMC; and Rev. Jordan Gervin, Chaplain of Fair Haven. Each speaker donned a hardhat and participated in the ceremonial act of groundbreaking. Honorary groundbreakingers also included Brent Balogh, Senior Vice President of Commercial Banking, Cadence Bank; William Tynes, Vice President of Golden Construction; Earnestine Thompson, Residential Administrator at Fair Haven; and Casey Culbertson, Project Manager, Action Pact Design.

I am enclosing a copy of the press release that was sent to the media ahead of the groundbreaking event. The release generated several press stories regarding the project. Next month I look forward to describing to you in more detail the physical changes that are coming to each level of care.



Very truly yours,

Christopher W. Tomlin  
President & CEO  
Methodist Homes of Alabama & Northwest Florida