

The 30-member NTC delegation which traveled to Mutare, Zimbabwe, for the July 16 Dedication of the new Africa University Health Center arrived on July 15 for a day of orientation and introduction to the campus. Bishop W. Earl Bledsoe and his spouse, Leslie, and Bishop Alfred L. Norris and his spouse, Dr. Mackie Norris, along with Mrs. Jewell Moncure, widow of the late Bishop Rhymes H. Moncure, Jr., received special recognition for their long support of the university. The contributions of the late Bishop Ben Oliphint were also recognized. At the dedication ceremony, Rev. Clayton Oliphint, will participate on behalf of the family. Bishop Oliphint's daughter, Mary Brooke Casad, executive secretary for the NTC Connectional Table, and her spouse, Rev. Vic Casad, Christ UMC, Farmers Branch are also part of the delegation.

Lisa Tichenor, Highland Park UMC, and Rev. Tyrone Gordon, St. Luke "Community" UMC will be among the leaders of the dedication. With the help of a team assembled by Bishop Norris, they led the NTC to raise \$500,000 to build the newly completed health clinic and another \$500,000 for health science scholarships.

The ceremonies will get underway at 9:00 a.m. local time in Zimbabwe. They are being videotaped and will be posted on the video page of the www.ntcumc.org website as soon as possible. Watch for posting of still photos and storeis, too!