

Women's History Month Spotlight



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Area of Practice

I serve with other board members on the board of TriHealth. Some of my other duties and responsibilities include:

- Secretary
- Chair of Corporate Compliance & Audit Committee
- Serving on Finance, Executive and Executive Compensation Committee.

Education and Experience

My education includes: BA (political science), M.Ed. (guidance & counseling), M.PA (health care and human resources), M.Div. (spirituality). My work experience includes teaching and counseling and coaching high school students, student affairs staff including VP/Dean of

Students, campus ministry and coaching at a college and university, various health care and hospital administrative positions including president & CEO, and president/CEO of a foundation/grant-making organization. I have and continue to serve on numerous boards, advisory boards, committees and initiatives locally, regionally and nationally.

How have you promoted hope throughout the past few years as we have navigated through the pandemic?

"Hope is for what is not possessed." (Rom. 8:24). The pandemic dismantled the security of our ego and the status quo (inequity and injustice). Evil as we see today in Ukraine and became more evident during the pandemic has no meaning because it is literally without meaning. Hope fixes us on what is hoped for and a free, trustful commitment to eliminate structures and systems (which we are complicit) and to bring about the Reign of God and to take the crucified down from their crosses. Our shared vocation is to bear witness with our words and with our lives to the mystery of God as the dark mystery of love that even death and evil cannot quench. Hope calls us to be active participants in the expectation of future blessings, expressed though love and justice. Hope obliges us to be responsible for the world and to hear the cries of our brothers and sisters and the cry of our earth, and to work for more justice and peace here and now. Hope and pray that I promoted hope through prayer especially for TriHealth team members, reminding others and myself that God is with us when we cannot make meaning about what is happening in our lives and in our world. Hope is seeing and experiencing the indwelling of the infinite God in those who suffer and to work to alleviate suffering and the conditions that cause suffering and to focus on ensuring health. I deeply thank our TriHealth team members for their sacrifices and the sacrifices of their family and significant others. Thank you for your compassion, love, honesty, understanding, your healing, accompaniment, and for continuing the healing ministry of Jesus in extreme circumstances.

Health is twenty percent clinical or medical care. So caring, praying for, supporting and affirming TriHealth team members and medical staff is a way of promoting health (i.e., access to quality and affordable health care, care coordination, phoning local organizations to get additional N95 masks, facilitating outreach to neighborhoods and underserved populations for vaccines, etc.). Working to improve the other eighty percent of health is also imperative such as advocating and working to improve the ten percent of health that is physical environment (i.e. housing conditions, air quality, access to green space and parks, etc.), the forty percent of health that is social and economic environment (i.e. improving education, income and benefits, reducing violence, acknowledging white privilege and advocating for equity and the common good, etc.), encouraging and supporting the thirty percent of health that is healthy behaviors and opportunities (i.e. physical activity, nutrition and facilitating access to healthy food for underserved populations, self-regulation, tobacco use, etc.). During the pandemic I have tried to promote hope by being intentional indeed and using words when necessary to promote improvement in all the factors influencing health.