

Welcome Kim Youngblood... a lady of many talents



Kim Youngblood is a recent new member of Matecumbe United Methodist Church. How excited we all are to have her officially join our congregation.

Kim's father was in the boating business. The family started vacationing in Islamorada when Kim was in 8th grade over 40 years ago. They would come by boat, their home away from home, staying on the boat at the marina at Plantation Yacht Harbor. Eventually her parents bought a home in Islamorada. Kim and her family had a long history of loving the Florida Keys and the marine opportunities here.

Kim and her husband of 31 years, Darryl, moved to the Keys in 2010. Moving to Tavernier with Darryl, who is also in the boat business, was like a dream come true for the Youngbloods.

When Kim and Darryl first moved to Tavernier, an elderly neighbor, Rosemary Olds, brought them a pie to welcome them to the neighborhood. She asked Kim what church she attended and when Kim said she was a Methodist, Rosemary informed her... "I'll pick you up at 9 o'clock Sunday for church." And for years after that Kim was a fixture at Burton Memorial United Methodist Church.

As a Methodist, Kim has been active in the national United Methodist Women organization. Through this group, Kim met and became close friends with Jane Cole and Marcia Pavey. They often invited Kim to special events at MUMC. Kim loved Pastor Bob's spiritual messages and the folks she met at our church. She decided to become an official member of our church family.

What a talented woman Kim is. She has had numerous careers in a variety of fields... medical, education, real estate, human resources. "I'm a Jack of all trades!" While she says she is not a master of any, that certainly does not appear to be the case at all.

Now she volunteers to help do so many things in the community from working on the 2020 census to being a poll worker for local elections. And in the future Kim would like to get a chapter of the United Methodist Women started here. Kim is also a local member of Zonta ... an international service organization with the mission of advancing the status of women.

We welcome you to our church family Kim!