

Good morning, I am Ouida Lee, Vice President of the North TX caucus of Black Methodist for Church Renewal, standing with Phiebie Hutchins, President of the local caucus of the official Advocacy group of the United Methodist Church, representing our membership. We stand in solidarity with the Botham Jean Family and all people who stand for justice. We are calling on District Attorney Faith Johnson, and those who present to the Grand Jury that the people of color are watching the actions, and the ultimate findings of the murder of this educated, innocent, intelligent, young African American male.

As a grandmother of 5 grandsons along with countless other Mothers of color, our lives are in a constant state of fear when they are driving, socializing and ultimately minding their own business, even in their own homes. We stand here today to call for justice on behalf of Botham Jean. It is my role as Prophet to remind you in the Message transliteration, “But he’s already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It’s quite simple; Do what is fair and just to your neighbor.” That is to remind us that when information is skewed to support the guilty, you will ultimately pay, Amber Guyger, lawyers, jurors.