

## Rev. Dr. Ramonalynn W. Bethley



### Personal:

Married 43 years to Rusty Bethley

Two daughters:

Heather (39); Pastor of Faith Crossing UMC in Walker, LA;  
Married to Jeff Sullivan who drives for Fed Ex.

They have two boys – Liam (11) and Declan (9)

Jamie (35); Social Worker for Eckerd Connects in Lafayette  
LA;

She has one daughter – Blake (7)

**Hobbies:** Reading, travel, and spending time with family.

**Personal Mission Statement:** *“My mission is to help churches fulfill our mission in real, relational and relevant ways.”*

### Education:

#### Doctor of Ministry in Evangelism

Perkins School of Theology	Dallas, TX	2000
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#### Masters of Divinity

New Orleans Theological Seminary	New Orleans, LA	1992
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#### Bachelor of Arts in Christian Education

Centenary College	Shreveport, LA	1985
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### Ministry:

2021 – present	Lead Pastor, 1 <sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church – Alexandria, Louisiana
2019 – 2021	Senior Pastor, St. Luke’s UMC – Shreveport, Louisiana
2016 – 2019	Senior Pastor, Covenant UMC – Lafayette, Louisiana
2012 – 2016	Senior Pastor, Asbury UMC – Bossier City, Louisiana
2008 – 2012	District Superintendent - New Orleans, Louisiana
2005 – 2008	District Superintendent – Alexandria, Louisiana
2000 – 2005	Pastor, Vivian UMC – Vivian, Louisiana
1992 – 2000	Associate Pastor, Munholland UMC – Metairie, Louisiana
1991 – 1992	Minister of Youth, Noel UMC – Shreveport, Louisiana
1984 – 1991	Associate Pastor, Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Shreveport, Louisiana

### Honors & Opportunities:

2020 One Matters Award – awarded to St. Luke’s by Discipleship Ministries of The United Methodist Church for increase in worship attendance, baptisms, professions of faith, worship attendance and membership.

2010 Congress on Evangelism – Workshop Presenter “The New Norm: Living Beyond the Storm” How disaster response can be an evangelistic arm of the church.

2004 Pastor of the Year given by the Vivian Ministerial Alliance – Vivian, Louisiana

2002 Bentley Sloane Alumni Award for Excellence in the Field of Ministry given by the Centenary School of Church Careers, Centenary College – Shreveport, Louisiana

2000 – 2005 Workshop Presenter on Lifestyle Evangelism “Each One Reach One” in various locations throughout the Louisiana Annual Conference

1993 Woman of the Year given by the Business & Professionals Women Association – New Orleans, Louisiana

### **Connectional/Community Leadership:**

2023 – present	Chair of the Conference Committee on Petitions
2021 – present	District Committee on Ministry, Registrar (Alexandria)
2021 – present	Advisory Board to Eckerd Connects, Alexandria, La
2021 – present	CenLa Interfaith
2014 – present	Board member of the Methodist Children’s Home & Family Services *Currently serving as Vice-President (2021)
2002 – 2024	Board of Ordained Ministry
2020 – 2021	District Committee on Nominations (Shreveport)
2019 – 2021	Board member of the Oakwood Home for Women (Shreveport)
2018 – 2019	District Superintendency Committee, Chair (Acadiana)
2016 – 2019	District Committee on Ordained Ministry (Acadiana)
2016 – 2019	District Leadership & Ministry Team (Acadiana)
2016 – 2018	District Building & Location, Chair (Acadiana)
2013 – 2016	District Committee on Ordained Ministry (Shreveport)
2012 – 2016	Annual Conference Design Team, Chairperson
2012	Jurisdictional Conference Delegate
2010	Congress on Evangelism Workshop Presenter
2008 – 2012	Board of Higher Education, Cabinet Liaison
2008	Jurisdictional Conference Delegate (Reserve)
2007 – 2008	Dean of the Louisiana Conference Cabinet
2005 – 2012	Board of Ordained Ministry, Cabinet Liaison
2004 – 2005	Division of Local Pastors, Vice Chair
2003 – 2005	Board Member of Habitat for Humanity (Shreveport)
2002 – 2005	Member of the Board of Ordained Ministry (BOM)
2001 – 2007	Junior High Camp Director – Caney Camp
2000 – 2004	Church Extension Team, Secretary
2000 – 2003	District Board of Church Location & Building (Shreveport)