



Dr. Mouzon Biggs, Jr. served 33 years as Senior Pastor of Boston Avenue Church. He came to Oklahoma from Beaumont, Texas, in 1980.

With 14 years of religious broadcast experience in Texas, Dr. Biggs helped Boston Avenue establish a television ministry soon after his arrival. The 11:00 a.m. worship service has been broadcast live on KTUL-TV, Channel 8, to eastern Oklahoma and parts of Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri ever since. It became Tulsa's most highly-watched program in its time slot.

A native of the Carthage, Texas, oilfields, Dr. Biggs earned his Bachelor of Arts degree at Centenary College of Louisiana and a Master of Divinity at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He also holds a Doctor of Divinity degree from Texas Wesleyan University and a Doctor of Humane Letters from Oklahoma City University.

He was extremely successful in evangelism, and received the Harry Denman Award for his work. Before being appointed to Boston Avenue, he was pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Beaumont for seven years. He received an average of over six new members every week at Trinity, then surpassed that pace in Tulsa.

Under his leadership, endowments at Boston Avenue have grown from \$200,000 to almost \$30 million. In 2004 the church completed a 38,000-square-foot addition to relieve overcrowded classrooms and provide new recreational and meeting facilities.

In addition to his duties at Boston Avenue, Dr. Biggs has chaired the Council on Finance and Administration for the Oklahoma Conference and served as president of the National Conference for Community and Justice in Tulsa. He also served on the board of Downtown Tulsa Unlimited, is a member and national speaker for the Rotary Club, and is active in interfaith dialogue.

Dr. Biggs is a well-known speaker and clinician, having addressed churches, colleges, conventions, Chambers of Commerce and similar groups across a 28-state area. He and his wife Gayle have traveled extensively. He is the author of *Moments to Hold Close*, and co-authored the best-selling book, *When You Graduate*, with Dr. Charles Allen of Houston. He and Gayle have two sons, Trey and Jason, and six grandchildren.

His lesson title for us this month is, "***How the Bible Came to Be***".