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**Virtual Homecoming Celebrates United Methodist Higher Education & Scholars**

Nashville, TN | October 5, 2020 – On Tuesday, October 27 the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation will host a virtual “homecoming” to celebrate Methodism and higher education, UMHEF scholars, and more.The public is invited to follow UMHEF on Facebook, Instagram, and at <https://umhef.org> beginning at 10:00 AM CST on Tuesday, October 27. Festivities will include messages from United Methodist students, spotlights of UM-related institutions of higher education, interactive activities, messages from prominent leaders, and more.

Tune in at 12:00 PM CST for a special keynote from Dr. Jeffrey Kuan, President and Professor of Hebrew Bible at Claremont School of Theology. Higher education is a sector under stress, compounded even more by the COVID-19 pandemic. Methodist-related institutions are not exempt from such stresses. In such a challenging climate, Kuan will speak to the legacy of Methodist higher education, looking backward and forward, and what the role the church needs to play to continue to support higher education and nurture future leaders for the church and the world. This is a FREE event. Visit <https://umhef.org/homecoming> to register for event updates, view the event schedule, and to learn how you can join the large UMHEF community that supports UM students.

**About UMEHF**
Every year, UMHEF awards more than $2 million in scholarships to UM students attending 112 United Methodist-related colleges, universities, and seminaries.

The grand vision of UMHEF is to make it economically feasible for qualified United Methodist students to attend UM-related institutions of higher education. UMHEF is a private non-profit 501-3(c) organization funded by the generosity of donors and receives no apportionment funds from The United Methodist Church. Learn more at <https://www.umhef.org/>.