My name is Jonothan David Tabor, most folk call me David. I have served in the United Methodist Church as a pastor for 36 years. I was a youth director in the Methodist Church and the Baptist Church for another 4 years. I am an Elder in the UMC with a Doctor of Ministry degree from Interdenominational Theological Center and Gammon Theological Seminary. Before I was a pastor, I was a welder. I also worked at Cherokee Mental Health Center in the day treatment center.

My wife's name is Mary Lynn Tabor. She goes by Mary Lynn, mom, mother, or Nana. We have three daughters Lindsey who is 36, Cindy who is 34, and Gracie Ann who is 12. We have four grandkids, three who live in Florida and one who lives in Chattanooga. One of our grandkids is older than our youngest daughter.

I love sports. I enjoy playing golf, hunting, and riding spin bikes. We love watching football. Mary Lynn is a Tennessee Volunteer fan. I was raised in another state and follow a different team. I love watching Atalanta Braves baseball and Chattanooga Lookout baseball. Mary Lynn loves reading, watching movies especially with her mother, and Zumba.

I was raised in the country and on farms. I love being in the woods with God's creation. Mary Lynn is more of a city person. She does not do spiders, snakes, or any kind of bug. I on the other hand think tarantulas are cool. She won't let me have one. I don't understand why.

We are two very different people brought together by God. We see what we do as a calling. After I answered the call to be a pastor, she told me she had been called to be a pastor's wife when she was fifteen. She had just been waiting for me to answer my calling.

The three of us are looking forward to being with you. Praying that God will bless our time together.

Grace and Peace

Dr. J. David, Mary Lynn, and Gracie Ann Tabor