

## Amy Fulcher-Davis

I was born in the Appalachian Mountains which runs through my hometown, Paintsville, Kentucky. Paintsville is located in the foothills, with the town situated at the confluence of Paint Creek and the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. At the age of 4, we survived the flood of 1957. At the age of 5 we saw the *Aurea borealis*. At age 7, we moved to Richmond, Virginia in 1960.

My baptism was in the Methodist Church. When we moved, we found a Presbyterian church close to our home. After a few years, we tried the Methodist Church again remaining there through high school. During College, if I went to church, it was with my friends who were Catholic.

Fast forward the first half of my life... church attendance was sporadic, and several denominations were experienced. I completed an undergraduate social work and master's degree in public administration. My 30-year career ranged from direct service to families to project management for a county fire chief, with policy development and training and development peppered in there.

I found Unity in 2002. I was searching for a spiritual home and path that accepted me for who I am and would be a part of my life long spiritual growth. Unity of Richmond advertised a 4 T prosperity class. The class required attending church each Sunday, tithing and volunteering my time. The class was 12 weeks and before I knew it, I was "volunteered" into being the volunteer coordinator. And thus began my life's journey with the 5 Principles of Unity.

In mid-life I found the love of my life. In the last 20 years we have experienced everything that a married couple usually experiences over a lifetime together, beginning and maintaining two new businesses, raising two beautiful daughters, saying goodbye to our parents and two nephews and all the other emotional, physical, financial and spiritual experiences.

In 2010, we began attending Unity Church of Bon Air. We wanted to be closer to our home and for our children to have the opportunity to go to church in their community. I became active in the Youth and Family Ministry as a teacher. Our family grew through the years in Unity Principles and prayer, youth rallies, Sunday services and holidays. Here I found one of my greatest passions, sacred service. I grew in the practice and



belief that love is the most powerful energy in the Universe and where all questions and solutions lie.

I have been blessed to serve and thrive in many areas of Love in Action from putting up tables for Sunday fellowship to coordinating Boo & Stew to serving on your Board of Directors. And everything in between.

I am humbled to be a part of this congregation, to serve along side my fellow congregants, Reverend Patty and the community. My life has been enriched beyond measure.

On the Board I have served as your vice president and past secretary. My joy has been to work with the congregation and Reverend Patty as our spiritual community continues to grow in all ways. My most favorite time on Sunday is at the front door greeting each of you. What a way to prepare for Sunday service together. From my heart to yours, thank you for your continued support as I ask to serve another 3-year term on the Board.