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# Dwayne Sanders – Christian, coach, mentor – honored with gym dedication

By Bill Howard

If you didn't know Dwayne Sanders, there are at least two things about him you can be sure of. The first is that he died way too young; he was 52 when he died of cancer in April of 2018. The second? He touched many lives, and a whole lot of people thought a whole lot of him.

On Tuesday, April 26, the memory of Sanders – longtime basketball coach and mentor to many city youth – was honored when the gymnasium at the Emerald Youth Foundation on Broadway Avenue was rededicated.



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In 2002 Sanders went to work for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Knoxville. In 2012, he approached his friend and former Maryville College roommate Steve Egge – founder of EYF – with the idea of the two organizations joining forces. Sanders thought the combined effort would result in a smaller outreach that could help more kids and do more for the com-

...the don't like it from an old starter board" ...that's the way with board operators. "The fellow right to you and 50 percent agree." But she went on to mention that many elderly people are affected by the virus pandemic.

"There isn't a lot of it" she said of the members and COVID-19 and added, "When this gets too I promise you I will not be change but I'm not prepared at this time to donate the Board of Health."

Two members from Community Hope Board will go on to the community's regular meeting tonight. One of the members would form a separate health and economic advisory body that could take over when and if the Board of Health is disbanded and the other would require the Board.

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