

# Airwaves

Greenville District United Methodist Women

President: Sylvia Marie Clinkscales

Editor: Barbara Castro

December 2020

## Calendar of Events

### 2021

#### **The Purpose of the United Methodist Women**

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

- January 16<sup>th</sup> – Greenville District Officers Training; Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- February – Mission Emphasis: Wallace Family Life Center
- February 3<sup>rd</sup> Social Action Workshop #1; 10:00am – Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- February 7<sup>th</sup> Greenville District Executive Board Meeting; 3:00pm – Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- February 9<sup>th</sup> Social Action Workshop #2; 7:00pm – Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- February 15<sup>th</sup> – Airwaves deadline for March Edition
- February 18<sup>th</sup> Social Action Workshop #3; 2:00pm – Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- February 27<sup>th</sup> Social Action Workshop #4; 10:00am – Virtual Meeting via Zoom
- March 1<sup>st</sup> – Airwaves Published
- March 5<sup>th</sup> – World Day of Prayer (TBA) Virtual Meeting via Zoom

## **President's Notes**

We, the United Methodist Women of the Greenville District will always continue to provide support for our women, children, and youth in our communities. We strive to expand concepts of mission through our participation in local, district, national and global ministries.

We started the year with our local officer's training held, Saturday January 11<sup>th</sup> at Simpsonville United Methodist Church. Many thanks to Vickie Failor for a job well done in planning this event.

The South Carolina United Methodist Women sponsored Legislative Advocacy Day at Epworth Children's Home in Columbia on February 11<sup>th</sup> the Greenville District had 19 members in attendance.

Greenville District-Wide World Day of Prayer was held on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to our four guest speakers: Marti Johnson, Rev. Brenda Washington, Rev. Sylvia Watson, and Valerie Brooks-Madden. Our Cluster Leaders Juanita Bowens, Jennifer Cheatham, and Bettie Mills provided the refreshments for this event. Also, thanks to Laurie Fite, of Lee Road United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women for opening their doors to host this event.

This was our last in-person event this year.

The impact of COVID- 19 affected several of our in-person events; however, because of technology we were able to improvise some events. The Spiritual Growth Retreat and Come Together Be Together had to be cancelled entirely this year.

Mission U was held virtually on July 8<sup>th</sup>, July 25<sup>th</sup> & August 8<sup>th</sup>. Individuals that participated were excited about the Mission Study.

The Greenville District Annual Meeting was held via Zoom on September 26th. The program went exceptionally smooth. A special shout out to Valerie Brooks-Madden for allowing us access to her Zoom account for our Annual and District Leadership Team Meetings.

On October 4<sup>th</sup>, the South Carolina Conference of United Methodist Women Annual Meeting was held virtually, and Joyce Crouch (Greenwood District President) and the Greenwood District United Methodist Women was the host for this meeting.

As I penned this message my tenure as President of the Greenville District United Methodist Women will soon end. Whether I was in a State Conference meeting or visiting a local church, as your district leader I have always strived to represent the Greenville District with the upmost respect. This journey has been one that has humbled me and caused me to realize how much I must be thankful for representing and leading such a great group of women, the United Methodist Women will always be an integral part of my life.

Thank you to all, stay blessed and stay safe,

Sylvia Marie Clinkscales

## Vice President's Notes

I hope this edition of the Airwaves finds you doing well. I hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving and were able to be with your family and friends safely. I am looking forward to the Christmas season. This will be my last Vice President article to you, as I step into the role of President in January. I have enjoyed serving you as Vice President for the last four years and look forward to working with you in the next Year as your President. The past 2 years have been difficult years for me with the death of both my father and father-in-law. I have missed us having in person events. Unfortunately, it does not look like we will be having in person events during 2021, as the conference has asked us to plan all virtual events for 2021. The District board worked on the 2021 calendar for the district and I have included a copy of the district calendar along with conference events.

The first event we will have in 2021 is the Officer's training on January 16<sup>th</sup>. This will be a virtual training program using zoom. For us, to prepare for the training, I need you to fill out the attached officer list for your unit and return it to me ASAP. We need this by January 1<sup>st</sup>, so we can set up the training event and send the invitation to join the meeting and place you in the appropriate breakout rooms for the individual training. I look forward to seeing everyone during our training.

I would like to say thank you to Sylvia Marie Clinkscales for serving on the Board and Vice President and President for the past 8 years. I hope I can serve the office of President as well as she did. I look forward to having her guidance as I step into my new role.

I would like to welcome our 2021 board members who changed positions. Our Vice President is, Markylena Tolbert-Wydman. She served as the MNO Coordinator for the past 2 years. Winifred Simpson has moved from our E & I Coordinator to our MNO Coordinator. Bettie Mills has moved from a cluster leader to our E & I coordinator. We currently have a opening for Spiritual Growth Coordinator, as Anne-Marie Wallace has rolled off the board after serving 7 years, 3 years as Communications chairperson and 4 years as Spiritual Growth Coordinator. We will miss her but wish her well in her new adventures. We have 2 cluster leader positions that are open. If you are interested in filling either the Spiritual Growth or Cluster leader positions, please contact Deborah McGowan, our Nominations Chairperson.

I look forward to serving you during 2021 and look forward to the day that we can meet again in person. Until then be safe and have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Vickie Failor  
Vice President  
Incoming President for 2021



## **Program Resource's Notes**

The new book list for the UMW Reading Program is available to download & print from [umwmissionresources.org](http://umwmissionresources.org), as is the catalog & Reading Program reporting form. Change for the next 2 years: the Reading Program will span 2 years (2021 & 2022) instead of 1. Again, sources for the new books are available through local bookstores, Cokesbury, and Amazon.com. If books are ordered from Amazon, you may want to consider using [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), their charitable giving page, & designate "United Methodist Women" as your charitable organization. For all eligible purchases using [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Amazon will donate 0.5% to United Methodist Women. Our public library system also has 9 of the new titles available to check out. Please feel free to contact me by email if you are interested in a list of the books in the public library. Books that are eligible for the plan will be from the years 2017 to the 2021-2022 reading lists if not included in previous reports. So we will have two years instead of one to complete the Reading Program, with reporting forms due in the summer of 2022.

Units may be interested in ordering from [umwmissionresources.org](http://umwmissionresources.org) 2021's Annual Sampler, which includes the prayer calendar & program book for 2021, the quadrennial pocket calendar, and one of the Spiritual Growth studies, Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom. The Annual Sampler when ordered saves \$4.00 & has free shipping. Also now available for downloading is the 2021-2024 Handbook, (not in print yet); this handbook is recommended for those in leadership roles in their units, & in the district.

Prayerfully consider participating in the Reading Program, quoting Andris Salter, Operations Officer of UMW, "even when we're apart, we're together—working to deepen our understanding of the intersections of race, class, sex, religion and gender through books and discussion."

Gayle B. Ashworth

Program Resources Chair

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## **Education & Interpretation's Notes**

Well, we are already back to that busy, bustling time of year! Although this Christmas Season will be like no other that we have experienced, let us not forget that many of us have suffered much and endured personal losses, let us count our blessings. And as we set out on a journey through this winter season find time for joy and hop in all that is ordinary and extra ordinary during this Advent season.

Remember ladies we are all about mission. If your unit has not donated to the four South Carolina missions, now would be a great time to do so. The Wallace Family life Center and the Bethlehem Center Spartanburg especially need your help.

This will be my last article for the Airwaves as Education & Interpretation Coordinator. However, I will continue to work with the ladies on the Greenville District Executive Committee. I look forward to the New Year and hope that each of you has a Blessed Holiday Season as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for all you do!

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## **Treasurer's Notes**

### **TREASURER'S NOTES:**

Hello Unit Treasurers, I want to thank each unit for what you have done this year. The pledge for 2020 is \$32,000.00, thus far we have collected \$15,371.26. This has been a challenging year due to the pandemic. Praise be to God we have collected something this year.

Please remember that the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter remittances are due December 10<sup>th</sup>. If your unit have not paid your pledge for 2019 you can do so now, and if your unit have any extra money, we would appreciate it going towards the District Pledge. We have some units who have given extra towards our District Pledge and we are GRATEFUL. Thank you so very much.

I hope you will be able to attend the ZOOM OFFICER TRAINING January 16, 2021. Since we will be zooming the meeting, I hope you all can attend, from the comfort of your home. I will be sending out packets before the meeting. I look forward to seeing everyone especially the new unit treasurers. I will need the address of the new Treasurers so I can mail your packet to you. You can e-mail or text me. My e-mail address is [talleydiane@bellsouth.net](mailto:talleydiane@bellsouth.net) and you can text me at 864 419-4463.

Once again, I thank you for your prayers and for all you have done this year. I pray you and your families will have a very Merry Christmas and a Bless and Prosperous New Year. I look forward to working with you in 2021.

Submitted by,

Diane B. Talley

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2021 Officer List for Local Units

Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church address \_\_\_\_\_

Church phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Church email \_\_\_\_\_

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UMW President: \_\_\_\_\_

President Address: \_\_\_\_\_

President e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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UMW Vice President: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Communications Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Communications Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Communications phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Communications e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

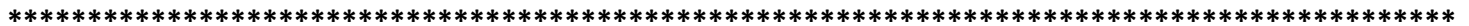


Program Resouce \_\_\_\_\_

Program Resource Address \_\_\_\_\_

Program Resource Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Program Resource e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

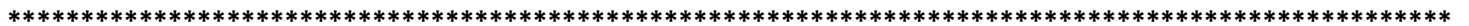


Spiritual Growth Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual Growth Address \_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual Growth Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual Growth e-mail \_\_\_\_\_



MNO Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

MNO Address \_\_\_\_\_

MNO Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

MNO email \_\_\_\_\_



Social Action Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Social Action Address \_\_\_\_\_

Social Action Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Social Action e-mail \_\_\_\_\_





E & I Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

E & I Address \_\_\_\_\_

E & I Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E & I e-mail \_\_\_\_\_



Nominations Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations email \_\_\_\_\_

Return to Vickie Failor, 1208 Cedar Lane Rd., Greenville, SC 29617 or e-mail: [vfailor@bellsouth.net](mailto:vfailor@bellsouth.net)



**GREENVILLE DISTRICT UMW  
2021 OFFICER TRAINING REGISTRATION  
JANUARY 16, 2021 @ 10:00 A.M.**

I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE ZOOM TRAINING EVENT FOR THE GREENVILLE DISTRICT UMW.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE I HOLD: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

BY REGISTERING FOR THE TRAINING, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN INVITE A WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION BY JANUARY 3, 2021.

EMAIL REGISTRATION TO: VICKIE FAILOR AT THE FOLLOWING E-MAIL: [vfailor@bellsouth.net](mailto:vfailor@bellsouth.net)

YOU CAN MAIL THE REGISTRATION TO VICKIE @ VICKIE FAILOR, 1208 CEDAR LANE RD., GREENVILLE, SC 29617.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT VICKIE FAILOR @ 864-354-8842. PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE, IF SHE DOES NOT ANSWER, AND SHE WILL RETURN YOUR CALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2021 GREENVILLE DISTRICT & CONFERENCE EVENTS

JANUARY 2021

16th	Greenville District Officer Training	Virtual meeting via zoom link
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FEBRUARY 2021

Special Emphasis for Month: Wallace Family Life Center

3rd @ 10:00 a.m.	Social Action Workshop #1	Virtual via zoom link
9th @ 7:00 p.m.	Social Action Workshop #2	Virtual via zoom link
7th @ 3:00 p.m.	Greenville District Executive Board Meeting	Virtual via zoom link
15th	Airwaves submission Deadline	
18th @ 2:00 p.m.	Social Action Workshop #3	Virtual via zoom link
27th @ 10:00 a.m.	Social Action Workshop # 4	Virtual via zoom link

MARCH 2021

1st	AIRWAVES PUBLISHED	
5th	Greenville Dist. World Day Of Prayer	Virtual TBA

APRIL 2021

Special Emphasis for Month: Bethlehem Community Center - Columbia

24th	Spiritual Growth Event	Virtual Event – hosted by Rock Hill District
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MAY 2021

2nd	Greenville District Executive Board Meeting	Virtual via Zoon
15th	Airwaves Submission Deadline	
15th @ 10:00 a.m.	Come Together, Be Together	Virtual Event-hosted by Anderson District

JUNE 2021

1st	AIRWAVES PUBLISHED	
12th	Greenville District – Day Apart	Virtual Event - TBA

JULY 2021

22nd-24th	Mission U	Spartanburg Methodist College – If in Person event
24th	Virtual Mission U	Virtual if we cannot have in person
25th @ 3:00 p.m.	Greenville District Executive Board Meeting	Virtual Via Zoom
31st	Virtual Mission U	Virtual If We Can Not Have In Person

AUGUST 2021

1st	Airwaves Submisison Deadline	
7th	Virtual Mission U	Virtual if we cannot have in person
18th	AIRWAVES PUBLISHED	



SEPTEMBER 2021

Special Emphasis for Month: Killingsworth

18th	Greenville Dist. Annual Meeting	Virtual - TBA
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OCTOBER 2021

Special Emphasis for Month: Bethlehem Center – Spartanburg

23 <sup>rd</sup> 10:00 a.m.	SCCUMW Annual Meeting	Virtual – Hartsville District host
23 <sup>rd</sup> @ 1:00 p.m.	SCCUMW Annual Meeting	Virtual – Hartsville District host
24 <sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 p.m.	Greenville District Executive Board Meeting	Virtual Via Zoom

NOVEMBER 2021

6 <sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.	District Officer Training	Virtual – Florence District host
November 14 <sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 pm	Greenville District Executive Board Meeting	Virtual Via Z
15 <sup>th</sup>	DEADLINE FOR AIRWAVES ARTICLE	

DECEMBER 2021

1 <sup>st</sup>	AIRWAVES PUBLISHED	
12 <sup>th</sup>	Greenville District Christmas gathering	TBA

## The Greenville District United Methodist Women

2020-2021  
Executive Slate of Officers

### First Year of the First Term

President	Vickie Failor
Vice President	Markylena Tolbert-Wydman
Chairperson-Membership/Nurture/Outreach	Winifred Simpson
Chairperson-Education and Interpretation	
Spiritual Growth Coordinator	

### Second Year of the First Term

Chairperson- Nomination Committee	Deborah McGowan
Secretary	Mary Bennett
Secretary of Program Resource	Gail Ashworth

### First Year of Second Term

Social Action	Laurie Fite
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### Second Year of Second Term

Communication	Barbara Castro
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### Nomination Committee:

Elinda Downs  
Deloris Johnson  
Susan Smith

### First Year of Third Term

Treasurer	Diane Talley
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### Cluster Leaders:

Cluster Leader 1	Jennifer Cheatham
Cluster Leader 2	Bettie Mills
Cluster Leader 3	Juanita Bowens
Cluster Leader 4	

### Historian

Carolyn Hamby

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**Greenville District United Methodist Women Executive Committee For 2020**

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**Cluster Leader 3:**

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**South Carolina  
Mission Projects  
Emphasis Months**

**February**

Wallace Family Life

**April**

Bethlehem Community  
Center- Columbia

**September**

Killingsworth

**October**

Bethlehem Center  
Spartanburg



**GREENVILLE DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**  
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