



# The Lantern

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT UMW NEWSLETTER

Greetings United Methodist Women,

The Orangeburg District United Methodist Women Executive Committee hope you and your families are staying safe and healthy during this pandemic. We have seen many changes, challenges, developments, and cancellations. However, God is with us. He will never forsake us.

God is a source of hope and strength during the pandemic and in the midst of challenges, trials, and tribulations. Let us continue to seek His face, through reading His word in the Holy Bible and continue to “Pray without ceasing.” 1 Thessalonians 5:17.

The United Methodist Women are women of faith. Let us continue to place faith, hope and love into action at all times. May God bless you and your families.

## PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

O God, keep our whole country under your protection. Wipe out sin from this land; lift it up from the depth of sorrow, O Lord, our shining light. Save us from deep grief and misfortune, Lord of all nations. Bless us with your wisdom, so that the poor may not be oppressed and the rich may not be oppressors. Make this a nation having no ruler except God, a nation having no authority but that of Love.

Amen.

-The United Methodist Hymnal, 1989, p.429



**United Methodist Women**

FAITH - HOPE - LOVE IN ACTION

**The organized unit of 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.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Happy Belated Mother's Day! It was my prayer that everyone had a beautiful and relaxing day. I know that your spouses and families made you the "Star," of the day. Continue to put God first, in everything that you do!

If God is for us, who can be against us? "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."  
-Romans 8:35-39.

The effects of the Coronavirus may have affected you in a direct or indirect way. However, God is able to do all things. Place your faith and trust in Him. Pray without ceasing.

As a result of the many new rules and restrictions put in place to protect us from the Coronavirus, many of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women and the Orangeburg District United Methodist Women events, have been cancelled. This includes, Day Apart, Spiritual Growth Retreat, Come Together, Be Together, and Mission u. We must still fulfill our commitments to women, children, youth, and our mission projects. I am asking each United Methodist Women Unit, to please continue to give as you are able during this time. Every cent will count and many are in need. Please send funds to the Orangeburg UMW District Treasurer, Ms. Ginger Risher, 1091 Huntington Drive, Orangeburg, SC 29118.

If approved by SCUMC Bishop Holston and DHEC, our next events are as follows:

August 15, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. - District Executive Committee Meeting. St Mark UMC, North, SC

September 12, 2020 - 8:00 a.m. - Orangeburg District Meeting. St. Mark UMC, North, SC

October 23-24, 2020 - SCCUMW Annual Meeting. Main Street UMC, Greenwood, SC

November 7, 2020 - 8:30 a.m. - SCCUMW District Officer's Training. Chapin UMC, Chapin, SC

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." -Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

If you need me, please email or call me. I miss your lovely faces and cannot wait to worship and fellowship with you again. Continue to wash your hands often and practice social distancing. Be safe and cautious.

Your Sister in Christ,

Sonya S. Benjamin,

President

sonyasb1314@icloud.com or (843) 832-7098

# FROM THE SECRETARY OF PROGRAM RESOURCES

Hi Reading Participants,

I pray that you have practiced being safe and healthy during this pandemic. During the period of time when our state was "shut down," I hope you were able to focus on reading. "It cannot be that the people should grow in grace unless they give themselves to reading. A reading people will always be a knowing people." -John Wesley. Please complete the reading program form below and mail it to: Mrs. Linda Huggins, 2218 Binnicker Bridge Road, Cope, SC 29038.

Thank you very much.

With Kind Regards,  
Linda Huggins  
Secretary of Program Resources  
2218 Binnicker Bridge Road  
Cope, SC 29038



## READING PROGRAM FORM 2020

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Plan I \_\_\_\_\_ Plan II \_\_\_\_\_ Plan III \_\_\_\_\_ Plan IV \_\_\_\_\_

## EDUCATION & INTERPRETATION



Creetings Orangeburg District United Methodist Women,

We are almost at the end of our year for completing our Mission Today Action Forms. The deadline is August 15, 2020. I realize that our churches have not been open for us to work toward our goals. However, I pray you have done the best you can. You have received notifications of many UMW events being cancelled, due to the pandemic, but I hope to see each of you at our next meeting.

Be Blessed and Be Safe,  
Patricia G. Walker  
E & I Coordinator

**“Go, my people enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by” -Isaiah 26:20**

## COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

Creetings United Methodist Women,

The Lantern Newsletter is available by digital copy. You may submit a request to receive a digital copy by filling out the online form on the following website: <https://forms.gle/yJQQX8ubm3NosVTP6>.

Please fill out the form completely. You may also access a copy at the South Carolina United Methodist Conference website. Copy and paste the following link in your browser.

<https://www.umcsc.org/discipleship/united-methodist-women/>

or ask your local unit UMW President for a copy. Copies may be printed in color or black/white. You may also print copies front to back.

Peace,  
Chan Spigner  
Communications Coordinator

**“We are reminded that, in the fleeting time we have on this Earth, what matters is not wealth, or status, or power, or fame, but rather how well we have loved and what small part we have played in making the lives of other people better.”  
-Barack Obama**

## MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Unit President \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of members in unit \_\_\_\_\_

**Units, which include all circles, must complete at least 10 of the following items. All units must complete #1.**

### Your unit

\_\_\_ 1. Made and met its Pledge to Mission.

\_\_\_ 2. Used the Prayer Calendar at each General Membership Meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children, and youth.

\_\_\_ 3. Added at least one or more members to its roll.

\_\_\_ 4. Had at least one member who subscribes to Response Magazine.

\_\_\_ 5. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend Mission U and/or a district or local mission study.

\_\_\_ 6. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the District Annual Meeting.

\_\_\_ 7. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the Conference Annual Meeting.

\_\_\_ 8. Had at least two members who wrote to at least five people listed in the Prayer Calendar at least once during the year.

\_\_\_ 9. Participated in the Campaign for Children.

\_\_\_ 10. Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.

\_\_\_ 11. Had at least one person complete one of the plans in the Reading Program.

\_\_\_ 12. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one unit meeting during the year.

### Your unit, circle, or subgroup

\_\_\_ 13. Included a Response Moment where an article from Response Magazine was lifted up as a way to tell the mission story in at least three meetings

\_\_\_ 14. Had at least two programs from the Program Book.

\_\_\_ 15. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two ways.

**Patricia G. Walker --204 Wheat Street--Livingston, South Carolina 29107**

**803-247-2605**

**gordorose@yahoo.com**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

"As people of faith, ...we need to remind ourselves that the Holy Spirit is the great Transformer...we can not stay the same...an inward change.. a total renovation of our lives on the inside – the renovation of our hearts, our will, our thoughts, and our feelings – that involves a process of transformation that causes us to reflect the glory of Jesus wherever we are."

-Pauses for Pentecost by Trevor Hudson

Your kindnesses and generosity at all our unit, district, and conference events have been so amazing this year. Thank you for your generosity and support through your quarterly remittances to all our UMW missions, locally, nationally, and globally.

I would like to thank all of you who have sent in their **2020 pledges** to MISSION GIVING and your **2019 audits**. If your unit is one of the few who have not done so, please try to get them in to me as soon as possible. **Remember that you cannot be recognized as a MISSION TODAY UNIT at our annual UMW September meeting, if you do not pledge to MISSION GIVING and meet your pledge.**

Treasurers, please send your second quarter remittances to me by **June 5**. Please remember to send your third quarter remittances to me by **September 1**.

Remember: When you send in your \$40 for Special Mission Recognition and do not identify a name, a pin and certificate will still be sent to you. The name of the honoree will be left blank for you to fill out as you identify that person for the year.

Blessings,

Ginger Risher

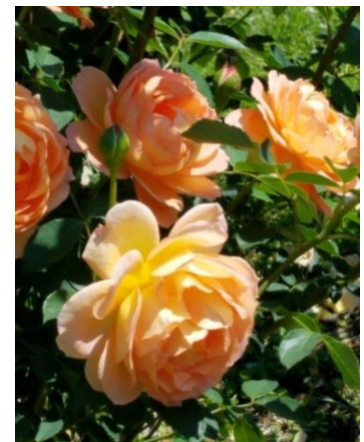
Phone: (803) 536-5186

E-mail address: grisher60@hotmail.com

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**"And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."**

**-2 Corinthians 3:18**



Local Unit 1st Quarter-2020	Pledge Mission	SMR	Gift to Mission	Gift in Memory	WTO	Rainbow Woman	Call to Prayer	Legacy Fund Brights	BC(C)	Wallace Fam Life	BC(Sp)	KW	World com Assembly	Crusade Scholar	Total
Barnwell															0.00
Bethel (Bamberg)															0.00
Bethel (Jackson)	75.00	40.00	5.00	5.00	25.00		50.00		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00			400.00
Bethel (Pelion)															0.00
Bethel Park	800.00								100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00			1,200.00
Bethlehem	300.00														300.00
Beulah	248.00		10.00	10.00			50.00		30.00	102.00	20.00	30.00			500.00
Bethel (Bowman)															0.00
Branchville															0.00
Calvary (Swansea)	100.00						70.00			78.00					248.00
Canaan	115.00						115.00			270.00					500.00
Cedar Grove	50.00						30.00			70.00					150.00
Ebenezer (Bowman)	50.00						50.00			100.00					200.00
Ebenezer (North)															0.00
Edisto Fork	200.00	40.00					112.00			198.00					550.00
Elloree															0.00
Eutawville				5.00	30.00		40.00			25.00	50.00				150.00
Forest Chapel															0.00
Franklin															0.00
Gerizim															0.00
Holly Hill	400.00			10.00			80.00			50.00					540.00
Jericho															0.00
Lebanon	40.00		10.00	20.00			51.00			60.00					181.00
Livingston															0.00
Mays Chapel															0.00
Mt. Carmel															0.00
Mt. Nebo	50.00	40.00					20.00			84.00					194.00
Mt. Zion	100.00						25.00			138.00					263.00
New Beginning															0.00
New Covenant															0.00
New Light	225.00	40.00	5.00				100.00		100.00	198.00					668.00
North Orange Circuit Charge	300.00			10.00						114.00					424.00
North Orangeburg	187.50			35.00	40.00		55.00		100.00	375.00	75.00	75.00			942.50
Orange Grove															0.00
Pelion															0.00
Pine Hill	255.00			5.00	190.00		155.00			66.00	5.00				676.00
Pineville															0.00
Pleasant Hill															0.00
Prospect															0.00
Providence	376.75			20.00			150.00			192.00					738.75
Shady Grove	300.00		60.00	50.00						200.00					610.00
Silas					25.00			50.00					25.00		100.00
St. Andrews	100.00						69.25			180.00					349.25
St. John's (Aiken)	4,000.00	480.00	20.00	20.00	200.00		200.00	100.00	400.00	1,000.00	400.00	400.00			7,220.00
St. John's (Norway)															0.00
St. John (Orangeburg)															0.00
St. John (Edisto Chg)	25.00						50.00			55.00					130.00
St. Mark	500.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00		50.00	50.00	100.00	200.00					1,100.00
St. Paul (New Ellenton)	147.40			60.00	50.00						47.03				304.43
St. Pauls(O'burg)															0.00
St. Stephen (Bowman)															0.00
St. Stephen (O'burg)															0.00
Swansea															0.00
Target															0.00
Trinity (Aiken)	125.00	40.00	5.00	20.00			323.00			354.00					867.00
Trinity (Bamberg)															0.00
Trinity (O'burg)	300.00						50.00			100.00					450.00
Union					200.00		100.00			40.00	40.00				380.00
Wagener	510.00				13.57				50.00	45.00	50.00	50.00			718.57
Wesley	15.00								6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25			40.00
Wesley Chapel															0.00
Wesley Grove	20.00						20.00								40.00
White House															0.00
Williston	75.00						50.00	25.00		50.00					200.00
District															0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,989.65</b>	<b>730.00</b>	<b>165.00</b>	<b>320.00</b>	<b>823.57</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,065.25</b>	<b>225.00</b>	<b>936.25</b>	<b>4,500.25</b>	<b>843.28</b>	<b>711.25</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>21,334.50</b>

## FROM THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH COORDINATOR

Greetings Sisters in Christ,

During these past months, our neighborhoods, communities and the whole world has experienced a pandemic we have never encountered before, the Coronavirus. I can imagine that some of us are wondering, "When will this pandemic end?" Will it happen again? CDC (Centers for Disease Control) states that there is a possibility of this pandemic reoccurring.

Our lives have been interrupted tremendously. Our schools, colleges and universities have been closed without reopening dates. We have been staying at home in isolation. Businesses were shut down and some employees were laid off their jobs. Churches were closed and the list goes on. This Coronavirus has challenged our health, family life, social life and even the way we worship. I am grateful that God knows our physical nature. He knows how to bring us closer together and He knows how to engage us with each other via social media. We have also learned how to worship through social media. God is an awesome God! He is still in CONTROL. Let us be mindful of **Psalm 91:1-4**. **"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Surely He will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart." AMEN!!!**

**REMINDER:** Don't forget to send in the names of deceased members, (August 15, 2019 – August 15, 2020).

BE SAFE !!!

Yours in Service,  
Susan K. Bowman

**"Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that  
by it you may grow up in your salvation"**

**-1 Peter 2:2 NIV**



REMINDER TO LOCAL UNIT PRESIDENTS  
(Deadline is August 15, 2020)

Please complete the form and send to Susan Bowman  
228 Northlake Road  
Columbia, SC 29223

Name of Local Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Deceased Members (since last District Annual Meeting or since August 15, 2019, or those whose names did not appear in the 2019 Annual Meeting booklet)

Please check this if applicable.

\_\_\_\_\_ No deceased members to report.

## CHAIRPERSON ON NOMINATIONS

### ***Now is the time to apply for a District Officer Position!***

The Nominations Committee is receiving names of interested individuals to fill positions for a new term. The committee will review applicant profile sheets on a continuous basis, until all positions are filled. Candidates fulfilling the criteria will be sent to the Executive Committee for further exploration. It is helpful for the nominations committee to have applicants to review as soon as possible.

The following district leadership positions are open:

**President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary of Program Resources, Education & Interpretation, Chair of Nominations, and Springfield nomination committee member.**

A PROFILE SHEET HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

Questions or concerns may be directed to:

Sylvia Robinson- Chair 803-347-6626

Shirlain Darby 803-347-6375

Linda Gulick 803-642-8747

Carolyn Parler 803-496-5577

Eva Manigault 803-245-4319

President Sonya Benjamin 843-832-7098

Please submit your nominations for a position by emailing the profile sheet to: [sylviarobinson@live.com](mailto:sylviarobinson@live.com) or mail to: Sylvia Robinson, 594 Woodberry Dr., Orangeburg, SC 29115.

Note: Information on position descriptions can be found in the Constitution and Bylaws section of the United Methodist Women Handbook.

S C C U M W  
 POTENTIAL LEADER'S INFORMATION FORM  
 TO BE COMPLETED BY POTENTIAL LEADER

Type or print (attach additional sheets as needed)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name:			
Address:			
Phone:	Home _____	Work _____	
E-Mail:			
District:			
Age:	20's__ 30's__ 40's__ 50's__ 60's__ 70's__ 80's__		
Race / Ethnicity:		Employed:	Yes:___ No:___
Languages Spoken:			

Professional Skills, Job Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Office(s) held in United Methodist Women:

Office:

Date:

Local:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

District:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Conference:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction:

\_\_\_\_\_

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Additional experience on the local, district, conference or general church level (other than United Methodist Women) or in the community:

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\_\_\_\_\_

AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST "I" AND/OR CONCERN "C"

Secretarial	Recruiting members	Publicity
Community	Social issues	Workshops
Computer	Creativity	Newsletters
Accounting/bookkeeping	Recording minutes	Retreats
Organization of details	Public policy	Music
Nominations	Public relations	Youth
Program planning	Community building	Children
Administration	Inclusiveness/pluralism	Other

Other talents or skills specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Which office on the Conference United Methodist Women's Team would you most like to hold if given the opportunity to serve?

President	Chair of Nominations	Social Action
Vice President	Education & Interpretation	Spiritual Growth
Secretary	MNO	Program Resources
Treasurer	Communications	Nominating Committee

Why are you interested in this position and what qualifications do you feel you have for your office(s) of choice? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you be able to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen United Methodist Women through the PURPOSE of the Organization? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it possible for you to be away from your home or employment for:

Full day \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend \_\_\_\_\_ Extended time \_\_\_\_\_  
Yes of No Yes of No Yes or No

\_\_\_\_\_ I am sorry but I am unable to accept an office this year.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please keep my name on file and contact me in \_\_\_\_\_  
year

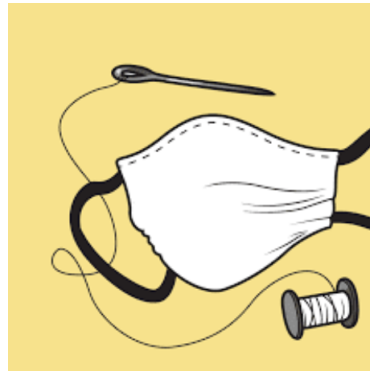
Please give any other information you feel is pertinent: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form to Nominations Committee

## FROM THE SOCIAL ACTION COORDINATOR

### *A Note of Thanks to the Mask Makers*



Greetings UMW Local Unit Social Action Coordinators and Volunteers,

Thank you for sharing your time and gifts by helping to make masks. With every stitch, volunteers who are making masks help keep our frontline providers, hospital staff, and patients safe, as we respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. A heartfelt thank you, to all who have utilized their sewing machines to make it happen for our nursing homes, assisted living facilities, first responders, law enforcement officers, and other individuals in the community. We heard the cries, we saw the needs, we put our love into action and with God's blessings, the labor of hands yielded an abundance of blessings.

Your Sister in Christ,

Barbara Simpson

Orangeburg District UMW Social Action Coordinator

## Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Units

The Diamond Unit certificate is awarded at each District Annual Meeting to each unit that completes three or more activities from the list below that demonstrates the unit's commitment to the ideals in the Charter for Racial Justice. At least one of the diamond-marked activities must be included. You are to send a copy of this completed form to your District Social Action Coordinator by **August 15, 2020** in order to be recognized at the **Orangeburg** District Annual Meeting and receive the Diamond Unit certificate.

**Please mail form to: Orangeburg District Social Action Chair Barbara Simpson,  
139 Simpson Rd, Cope, SC 29038, ba09simp@gmail.com and 803 707-1614**

Name of Church and address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person & Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>DATE COMPLETED</u>	<u>ACTION CHOICES</u>
1. _____	1.  Watch a video related to the Charter for Racial Justice
2. _____	2.  Give a book report on a Reading Program Book selected from the Social Action area
3. _____	3.  Share articles from <i>Response</i> and <i>New World Outlook</i> or <i>UMW Action Alerts</i> relating to racism
4. _____	4.  Supply each member with a copy of the <i>Charter for Racial Justice</i>
5. _____	5.  Present a program using the Charter for Racial Justice
6. _____	6. Use a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book
7. _____	7. Participate in a UMW Social Action/Human Rights Mission Study
8. _____	8. Give a report to the unit about an experience of attending a musical or theatrical performance by person(s) of a different race, culture, or ethnic background
9. _____	9. Send at least one member to Capital Day
10. _____	10. Participate in postcard-writing which encourages legislation favorable to the economically deprived or challenged
11. _____	11. Experience worship, Bible study, or UMW unit program/activity with an ethnic group different from your own
12. _____	12. Attend or host an international tasting party, culture fair, or other international event
13. _____	13. Participate in a Bible Study on Racism
14. _____	14. Celebrate Black History Month in February
15. _____	15. Suggest and plan with your pastor a pulpit exchange with a pastor of another race
16. _____	16. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (a celebration, worship, Vacation Bible School, etc.)
17. _____	17. Other _____

UMW LOCAL UNIT PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Report should cover September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020

Report is due August 15, 2020

Church \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Totals:

Number of Members \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Circles \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Deceased Members \_\_\_\_\_ Number making pledge \_\_\_\_\_

Pledges and Contributions: Total Pledge Made \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Amounts through Local Treasurer:

Pledge to Missions \_\_\_\_\_ World Thank Offering \_\_\_\_\_  
Gift in Memory \_\_\_\_\_ Gift to Mission \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Mission Recognition \_\_\_\_\_ Legacy Fund \_\_\_\_\_  
Call to Prayer and Self Denial \_\_\_\_\_ Killingsworth \_\_\_\_\_  
Wallace Family Life Center \_\_\_\_\_ Bethlehem, Spartanburg \_\_\_\_\_  
Bethlehem, Columbia \_\_\_\_\_ Rural Mission \_\_\_\_\_

Participation: ( # in attendance)

District Annual Meeting \_\_\_\_\_ District Officers' Training \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Apart \_\_\_\_\_ Legislative Day \_\_\_\_\_  
Come Together/Be Together \_\_\_\_\_ Mission u \_\_\_\_\_  
Spiritual Growth Retreat \_\_\_\_\_ Conference Annual Meeting \_\_\_\_\_  
Conf. Legacy Fun Day \_\_\_\_\_ District Legacy Day \_\_\_\_\_

Mission Education ( # participating)

Reading Program Participants for 2019- 2020 \_\_\_\_\_  
Subscribe to Response \_\_\_\_\_ Subscribe to World Outlook \_\_\_\_\_  
Use Prayer Calendar \_\_\_\_\_ # times program book used \_\_\_\_\_

Other information about your unit may be attached. Please include other mission projects supported.

Please send report to Sonya Benjamin, 118 Coventry Road, Summerville, SC 29486 or e-mail to sonyasb1314@icloud.com

REMINDER TO ALL LOCAL UNIT PRESIDENTS  
(CHECK-LIST FOR DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING)  
(DEADLINE FOR ALL REPORTS IS AUGUST 15, 2020)

The District Annual Meeting will be held on September 12, 2020, at St. Mark UMC, North, SC. Further information will be forthcoming in the September *Lantern*. All reports are due to the respective coordinators on or before August 15, 2020, in order that information can be included in the program booklet.

The LOCAL UNIT PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2020 should be sent to Sonya Benjamin, 118 Coventry Rd., Summerville, SC 29486. Deadline is August 15, 2020. The president's report form is included in this issue of the *Lantern*.

A form is included in this issue of the *Lantern* to be sent to Susan Bowman, 228 Northlake Road, Columbia, SC 29223 to report the names of any deceased members since the last Annual Meeting. Even if you have no deceased members, complete form and send it to Susan. Deadline is August 15, 2020.

Reading Program participants' names and books read should be sent to Linda Huggins, 2218 Binnicker Bridge Rd., Cope, SC 29038. Deadline is August 15, 2020.

Mission Today forms should be sent to Patricia Walker, 204 Wheat St., Livingston, SC 29107. Forms are found in the March issue of the *Lantern*. Remember that to be a Mission Today Unit, you must have made and met your pledge for 2020. Even if you have met the other requirements, you must meet Requirement # 1 to be a Mission Today Unit. Deadline is August 15, 2020.

Diamond Unit forms should be sent to Barbara Simpson, 139 Simpson Road, Cope, SC 29038. Forms are in this issue of the *Lantern*. Deadline is August 15, 2020.

Remind your treasurer to send in quarterly reports to the District treasurer so that you can be assured of being a 5-star unit and mission unit. Fourth quarter of 2019 and the first 3 quarters of 2020 count for these awards.

Hope to see you at the District Annual Meeting!! If you have any questions, call or e-mail your cluster leader or any other district officer who may be able to help.



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2020 Orangeburg District UMW Calendar

January 11 (8:30 a.m.)	Officers' Training: North Orangeburg UMC, Orangeburg District Executive Committee Meeting
February	Special Emphasis Month -- Wallace Family Life Center
February 11 (9:00 a.m.) March 3	Legislative Advocacy Day: Epworth Children's Home, Columbia (in case of inclement weather on February 11)
February 15	Deadline for Articles for March <i>Lantern</i>
February 29 (9:30 a.m.)	Limitless Program: Lebanon UMC, Columbia
March 1	<i>Lantern</i> published
April	Special Emphasis Month -- Columbia Bethlehem Center
April 4 (8:30 a.m.)	Day Apart and "Spring into Missions": Bethel Park UMC, Denmark District Executive Committee Meeting
May 1 - 3	Spiritual Growth Retreat: Lake Junaluska
May 15	Deadline for Articles for June <i>Lantern</i>
May 16 (9:00 a.m.)	Come Together/Be Together: Walterboro District
June 1	<i>Lantern</i> published
July 16 - 18	Mission u: Spartanburg Methodist College
August 15	Deadline for Articles for September <i>Lantern</i>
August 15 (9:00 a.m.)	District Executive Committee Meeting: St. Mark UMC, North
September	Special Emphasis Month -- Killingsworth
September 1	<i>Lantern</i> published
September 12 (8:00 a.m.)	District Annual Meeting: St. Mark UMC, North
October	Special Emphasis Month -- Spartanburg Bethlehem Center
October 23 - 24	SCCUMW Annual Meeting: Main Street UMC, Greenwood
November 7 (8:30 a.m.)	SCCUMW Officers' Training (District Officers): Chapin UMC, Chapin District Executive Committee Meeting
November 15	Deadline for Articles for December <i>Lantern</i>
December 1	<i>Lantern</i> published

## NEWS FROM CALVARY UMW

### ***A Celebration of Life and Resurrection for Ida W. Culler***

Ida West Culler, a long-time member and a past president of the Calvary United Methodist Women passed away at her home on February 16, 2020 at the age of 101. A Celebration of Life and Resurrection Service was held at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Swansea. A special time to remember Ida was held in the Calvary UMC Fellowship Building after the service. Friends and family greeted Ida's family and shared many wonderful stories. It was a celebration of Ida's love of her family, friends, and her faith in God. The Calvary UMW members served as hostesses for this gathering.

The Call to Prayer and Self-Denial program was presented at the Calvary UMW meeting in February. The worship table was decorated with items from around the world. After the special program, herbal teas and banana nut bread were served. Linda Williams serves as the Calvary UMW president.



A few of the Calvary UMW members at the February meeting were (l to r) Carol Lloyd, Betsy Hayden and Sharon Hensley. We welcome Betsy as the newest Calvary UMW member!

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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM  
*"Let Your Light Shine"*  
MARCH 8, 2020



Sonya S. Benjamin, Orangeburg District  
UMW President and Guest Speaker  
Dannie Mays, President of the Mt. Nebo  
local unit and Secretary of the  
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