

FROM THE EDITOR

Greetings United Methodist Women,

The Orangeburg District United Methodist Women Executive Committee appreciate the servant leadership and servant spirit of the United Methodist Women. United Methodist Women have been faithful and dedicated servants for 151 years. We place faith, hope, and love into action, for women, children and youth.

As we continue on this journey called life, there will be times of happiness and glad tidings. There may be times of trials, tribulations, sickness, sorrow, and storms. However, we serve a mighty God, who is still in control. God sent his only begotten son, Jesus Christ, to die on a cross for all. Therefore, there are sometimes blessings, in the midst of a storm. We must continue to have trust and faith in Him, during this National Pandemic of the coronavirus. Please continue to wear masks, wash your hands often, practice social distancing, and pray without ceasing. Some days may seem dark and dismal. However, if God allowed you to see another day, a day you have never seen before, celebrate Life and the goodness of God. God did not bring us this far, to leave us now. When you see the beautiful blue skies, amazing white clouds, feel the rays of the beaming warm sun or the clear rain that comes from the sky, see the green grass, beautiful flowers, the multitude of trees, an array of birds in your backyard or flying in the air, and let us not forget about the wind, which may blow as a whisper or can roar as a lion and uproot trees. Then, there is the bright moon and stars, that change very often in the dark and gazing sky at night. All these majestic and mighty works are from God. He is an amazing God, full of love, forgiveness, grace, and mercy. Praise Him in the good times and in the challenging times. Everything has its season. "Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations." Psalm 90:1 NIV. Praise Him!



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

Greetings United Methodist Women,

I hope each of you are well. If the state of the world is affecting your state of mind, remember that happiness begins within. We have the power to rise above outer influences, sickness, COVID-19, hunger, and poverty. We must maintain an attitude of gratitude and joy. O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you. Psalm 84:12 NRSV.

Oh my, how time seems to speed by. It is time for the Orangeburg District United Methodist Women to celebrate our accomplishments and to make plans for the future. This year has seen many changes. We may not have achieved everything that we wanted to achieve. However, we continue to make a difference in the lives of women, children and youth. The United Methodist Women organization is 151 years strong. I am grateful that each of you ensure this continues every day, through your prayers, gifts, talents, skills, and generous giving of your time and money. You love your neighbors as yourself. Mark 12:31 NRSV.

September 12, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. - Orangeburg District UMW Annual Meeting

The Orangeburg District UMW Annual Meeting will be held virtually this year, with the Executive Committee Coordinators. The coordinators will be representing the United Methodist Women local units, based on the information the churches report for each category. Therefore, it is important that each local unit complete all the required forms. The deadline for submitting all completed forms will be Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

Dates to remember: We are still working to reach our goal, which we pledged for the year of 2020. Please continue to send in your donations. It is sincerely appreciated.

October 24, 2020 - 48th SCCUMW Virtual Annual Meeting - The annual meeting is virtual this year. The registration form is in this edition of The Lantern.

November 7, 2020 - SCCUMW District Officer's Training - To be held virtually. The information for this meeting will be forth coming. I will provide updates when they become available.

In closing, I want to thank you all for everything that you do. Your support and cooperation help to make the Orangeburg District United Methodist Women a great organization. Keep up the good work! Wear your masks, wash your hands, and practice social distancing. God be with you, until we meet in person again.

Your Sister in Christ, Sonya Benjamin President

FROM THE SECRETARY OF PROGRAM RESOURCES

Dear United Methodist Women Reading Participants,

I hope you had an enjoyable year reading. Please continue to read and be safe. Books may be ordered from https://www.amazon.com, https://www.barnesandnoble.com, and https://www.cokesbury.com. Check with your local libraries and college libraries as well.

With kind regards, Linda Huggins Secretary of Program Resources

"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.



COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

Greetings 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

TREASURER'S REPORT

"Nothing is more practical than finding God,

That is to say:

Than falling in love

In a quite absolute, final way.

What you are in love with, What seizes your imagination, Will affect everything.

It will decide

What will get you out of bed in the morning,
What you will do with your evenings,
How you spend your weekends,
What you read,
Who you know,
What breaks your heart,
And what amazes you with joy and gratitude.

Fall in Love,
Stay in Love
And it will decide everything."
By Pedro Arrupe, quoted in the book Make Your Home in My Love

Your generosity of giving has been so bountiful this year. Thank you for contributing to our UMW mission projects and ministries. Thank you for doing a great job reporting your unit's information.

You must have all five (5) channels of Mission Giving and the four S. C. Mission Project Giving to me no later than September 1, 2020, to count toward the 5-Star Unit Award and the four S.C. Missions - Bethlehem Centers in Columbia and Spartanburg, Wallace Family Life Center in Bennettsville, and Killingsworth in Columbia (Mission Recognition Seal). Any giving directly to mission projects does not count, so PLEASE send all financial contributions for the mission projects through the district treasurer. For the 2020 awards, the fourth quarter of 2019 and the first, second, and third quarters of 2020 will be used.

Important information to all unit treasurers about the final date of remittance for 2020: December 5 is the final day that pledges and contributions can be counted for 2020. PLEASE SEND ME YOUR REMITTANCE SHEETS AND DONATIONS BY THAT DATE.

Thank you so much for your support of the missions of UMW.

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Barnwell														0.00	0.00	0.00
Bethel (Bamberg)														0.00	0.00	0.00
Bethel (Jackson) Bethel @ Peachtree Rock		40.00	30.00											0.00 70.00	400.00 70.00	400.00
Bethel Park		40.00	10.00	10.00										60.00	1,260.00	1,200.00
Bethlehem		40.00	25.00	10.00		72.00		25.00	78.00					240.00	540.00	300.00
Beulah														0.00	500.00	500.00
Bethel (Bowman)														0.00	0.00	0.00
Branchville														0.00	0.00	0.00
Calvary (Swansea)	100.00		40.00	40.00				60.00		60.00				300.00	548.00	248.00
Canaan	115.00					115.00		270.00						500.00	1,000.00	500.00
Cedar Grove Ebenezer (Bowman)	50.00 50.00	40.00	10.00			30.00		100.00	70.00					150.00 200.00	300.00 400.00	150.00 200.00
Ebenezer (North)	30.00	40.00	10.00					100.00						0.00	0.00	0.00
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Eutawville														0.00	150.00	150.00
Forest Chapel														0.00	0.00	0.00
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Mays Chapel														0.00	0.00	0.00
Mt. Carmel														0.00	0.00	0.00
Mt. Nebo	75.00		5.00					25.00						105.00	299.00	194.00
Mt. Zion	200.00	40.00	10.00					100.00						350.00	613.00	263.00
New Beginning														0.00	0.00	0.00
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Orange Grove	102.50	40.00	25.00											0.00	0.00	0.00
Pelion														0.00	0.00	0.00
Pine Hill	125.00	40.00	5.00					5.00						175.00	851.00	676.00
Pineville	240.00	40.00	10.00	10.00	50.00	20.00		30.00	40.00	30.00	30.00			500.00	500.00	0.00
Pleasant Hill														0.00	0.00	0.00
Prospect														0.00	0.00	0.00
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St. Andrews	300.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	10.00			100.00		100.00	100.00			650.00	999.25	349.25
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St. John (Orangeburg														0.00	0.00	0.00
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Trinity (Aiken)	125.00							100.00						225.00	1,092.00	867.00
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Trinity (O'burg)	300.00							75.00			40.00			375.00	825.00	450.00
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Wesley Chapel	15.50							0.23	5.25	0.25	0.25			0.00	0.00	0.00
Wesley Grove														0.00	40.00	40.00
White House														0.00	0.00	0.00
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EDUCATION & INTERPRETATION



Greetings,

It is my prayer, that each of you are staying safe during this COVID-19.

I need all Education and Interpretation Coordinators of the local units to please continue collecting old postage stamps for the Marion Mission Storehouse and pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Also, I am asking all units to keep your stamps and pull tabs, until we meet again.

The Yard Sale which was scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2020 at Grace United Methodist Church has been cancelled at this time.

Please continue to be a light for your community and your church.

Peace and Blessings,

Patricia Walker Education & Interpretation 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

FROM THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH COORDINATOR

Greetings My Sisters in Christ,

Thank you Lord, for allowing me to see and witness another day's journey. Lord, who is the Head of my life, I give you all the Honor, the Glory and all the Praise. You are the Strength and Source of my life. You are my Redeemer and Salvation.

Thank you Jesus, for the United Methodist Women. United Methodist Women are strong women of God, who continue to do mission work, during this pandemic experience. We are God's servants, sharing our gifts and talents, by coming together as a community of women. We strive to encourage and nurture each other locally and globally, in our spiritual growth, our personal leadership and our transformation.

Our UMW Program Book for 2019-2020 theme is "Let Your Light Shine- Ignited For Justice. During the month of August, from our Program Book, the author focuses on "Light Breaks Forth/Living As Children Of Light." In Ephesians 5:8-11, it expresses that living as children of light is all about transformation. This scripture teaches us as Christians, we are different from the world around us. We are different from this world that we live in. Therefore, we ought to live our lives in a different manner from those who are non-Christians, as we walk in the light of Christ. God does not want us to remain stagnant. We must be mindful, that we must choose to grow over stagnation. God wants us to continue to grow in our spiritual life daily. He wants us to develop a personal relationship with Him. He wants us to stay connected to Him, in order to be a beacon of light that will reflect His Love in our communities, our hearts, our minds, our bodies and our souls. As women of God, we will be able to sing together, "This Little Light of Mine, I'm Gonna Let It Shine." To God Be The Glory!!!

Word of Thanks: Hats off to the local unit UMW Presidents. Thank you for sending your member's reports in a prompt manner.

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

CHAIRPERSON ON NOMINATIONS

District Officer Positions Available

The Nominations Committee is receiving names of interested individuals to fill positions for the following: Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Candidates fulfilling the criteria will be sent to the Executive Committee for review.

Questions may be directed to Sylvia Robinson, Chairperson (803-347-626), Shirlain Darby (803-347-6375), Linda Gulick (803-960-4147), Carolyn Parler (803-496-5577), Eva Manigault (803-245-4319) or President Sonya Benjamin (843-832-7098). You may also send emails to: sylviarobinson@live.com or send mail to: Sylvia Robinson, 594 Woodberry Dr., Orangeburg, SC 29115.

Thank you everyone, for your willingness and faithful service to the United Methodist Women Organization! Our Vision: Turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth, locally and around the world. Everybody has an opportunity to serve!

Submitted by,

Sylvia Robinson Chairperson

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)

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Nominations	Public relations	Youth
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Please mail this form to Nominations Committee

"48th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Virtual Annual Meeting" Saturday, October 24, 2020 (Session One & Session Two) Host: Main Street UMC & Greenwood District

Theme: "Let Your Light Shine In A New Decade"

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For registration informatio	n contact Marcia Miller	· (803) 924-3134 or nanaml	nm1@gmail.com

Mail registration form to: Marcia Miller 2211 Harmons Quarters Road Prosperity SC 29127

Mail donation checks payable to SCCUMW to Ruby Hannah 3015 Audubon Dr Hanahan SC 29410

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Trinity (Aiken)

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Barnwell

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Bethel Park (Denmark)

Blackville

Franklin (Denmark)

Mt. Carmel (Bamberg)

Mt. Zion (Bamberg)

Pleasant Hill (Ehrhardt)

St. John (Edisto Charge)

Orange Grove (Bamberg)

Trinity (Bamberg)

Union (Cope)

Wesley Grove (Edisto Charge) (Cordova)

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Bethel (Rowesville)

Ebenezer (Bowman)

Elloree

Eutawville

Gerizim (Vance)

Holly Hill

Mays Chapel (Orangeburg)

New Covenant (Bowman)

Pineville (Bowman)

Prospect (Orangeburg)

Providence

St. Stephen (Bowman)

Silas (Eutawville)

Target (Holly Hill)

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Beulah (Gaston)

Canaan (Cope)

Cedar Grove (Orangeburg)

Edisto Fork (Orangeburg)

Forest Chapel (Orangeburg)

Mt. Nebo (Orangeburg)

New Light (Orangeburg)

North Orangeburg (Orangeburg)

St. Andrew's (Orangeburg)

St. John (Orangeburg)

St. Paul's (Orangeburg)

St. Stephen (Orangeburg)

Shady Grove (Cameron)

Trinity (Orangeburg)

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Bethel at Peachtree Rock

Calvary (Swansea)

Lebanon (Neeses)

Livingston

New Beginning (Springfield)

North

Pine Hill (Orangeburg)

St. Mark (North)

Wagener

Williston

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.) Legislative Advocacy Day: Epworth Children's Home, Columbia

March 3

(in case of inclement weather on February 11)

February 15 Deadline for Articles for March *Lantern*

February 29 (9:30 a.m.) Limitless Program: Lebanon UMC, Columbia

March 1 Lantern 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 *Lantern*

May 16 (9:00 a.m.) Come Together/Be Together: Walterboro District

June 1 Lantern published

July 16 - 18 Mission u: Spartanburg Methodist College

August 15 Deadline for Articles for September *Lantern*

August 15 (9:00 a.m.) District Executive Committee Meeting: St. Mark UMC, North

September Special Emphasis Month -- Killingsworth

September 1 Lantern 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 *Lantern*

December 1 Lantern published

NEWS FROM CALVARY UMW

Mission Work Continues through COVID-19 Pandemic

During this time of COVID-19, members of the Calvary UMW have not been able to meet together. However, this has not stopped the ladies from supporting missions for women, children and youth. Plans were made for the ladies to pack Birthing Kits to send to the United Methodist Committee on Relief. We are happy to report the pandemic did not stop this mission work. Twelve birthing kits, one for each Calvary UMW member, were shipped to the Sager-Brown UMCOR Warehouse. Each kit consists of: two receiving blankets, one small bar of soap, one pair of latex surgical type gloves, one square yard of 4 mil plastic sheeting, three - 12 inch long pieces of cotton string, one single edge razor, and a gallon plastic sealable bag (to hold supplies). Other mission projects members have been involved in during the pandemic were sewing of face masks, that were shared with medical staff, church members and friends; supporting Epworth Children's Home during a recent fire; recycling of scrap metal for Living Water Fund; and gathering items for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The members may not be able to meet together, but they continue to support missions that send the love of Christ around the world.

Acts 13:47 For this is what the Lord has commanded us: "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."





Birthing Kits for UMCOR

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