



United Women in Faith

Informer



Officer Training

Come and join the fun as we fellowship together and share information on the coming year. You do not have to be a unit officer to attend.

*Mt Olive UMC
1222 Ogden Rd, Rock Hill, SC
Saturday, January 27, 2024*

*Registration & Refreshments 9 am
Information Session: 10 am*



Theme: Faith in Action

See, his faith was at work along with his actions. In fact, his faith was made complete by his faithful actions.

James 2:22 (CEB)

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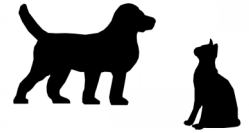
Informer is the quarterly newsletter of the Rock Hill District UWF/UMW. It is published in December, March, June, and September and sent via email to UMW Unit Presidents who then share it with their circles and members. If you wish to be added to our *Informer* email list, please send your request to rockhillumw@gmail.com.

News items, photos, and event announcements for the *Informer* can be sent to your Cluster Leader or sent to rockhillumw@gmail.com. Keep in mind we are published only 4 times a year.

Getting to Know Our President & Communicator



Lynne Chandler was born in Louisiana. Her father was an Air Force Chaplain which meant her family (including her 4 siblings) moved to England, California, Kentucky, SC, Alabama, Japan, and back to SC (where she stayed). She married and had 2 children in Abbeville, SC. Her first husband died of a brain tumor. God sent her another husband, Philip, who was entering the ministry. They served in Abbeville, Buffalo, Rock Hill (Catawba, El Bethel), Ninety Six, & Rock Hill, again (Antioch, Pleasant Grove, & Richburg). Both of her children live in Rock Hill, as does granddaughter, Ella. She is a retired teacher & lives with her retired husband, 2 dogs, & 3 cats.



Lynne enjoys sewing, crocheting, reading, movies, and Trivia. She has served in Children's Ministries (Sunday School, Children's Choirs, VBS, Bible Buddies), UMYF, Confirmation Classes, UMW (Reading Program, Unit President, Prayer Shawl Ministry), Bible Study, and helped out as needed. She is a member of Woodland UMC, where she is part of the Abigail Circle, Choir, and serves on the Christian Education committee.

She sought a position on the District UMW because she wanted to know others who attended conference events. She believes the best thing about being on the board is the fellowship with other Christian women. During her time as president she hopes to get to know more of the women in the district and would love to visit each unit either for a regular meeting or special event.

Her favorite scripture varies but is currently

The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Deuteronomy 31:8-9

Sisters, I am honored to serve as your president. Please don't hesitate to call on me if I can help your unit in any way. I would love to visit with you in your circle or unit. Please call, text, or email me to make arrangements.

I hope you will take advantage of all the district has to offer: Officer Training in January, Day Apart in the spring, Annual Meeting in September, Thursday Reading Groups on Zoom. The Informer comes out in December, March, June, & September. We also have a Facebook group Rock Hill District UWF. We have a great Leadership Team and each of us is willing to help you in anyway we can.



Have a Joyous Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Lynne Chandler

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Getting to Know Our Vice President



Nichole Nickens was born in Gastonia, NC and is a lifelong Methodist. She has 3 older brothers. She is married to Eric and has 3 boys, ages 19, 16, and 2. So she is still the only girl. She enjoys touring and researching historical sites, listening to music, cooking, and spending time with family.

She has served the church as Administrative Council Secretary, SPPRC, Communications Coordinator, Finance Secretary, Higher Education Chairperson, Committee on Nominations & Leadership, and Church Musician. She is a member at Green Pond UMC.

Nichole agreed to serve on the District UWF Leadership Team because she believes that representation of a variety of different demographics is vital to the continued growth and success of the UWF. She thinks the best thing about UWF is being able to connect with other Christian Women who enjoy pouring into and influencing a younger generation who seek to deepen their faith while helping to transform our communities. In the coming year, Nichole hopes to take part in creating a more vibrant and collective atmosphere which will hopefully entice more ladies to pledge their gifts and talents to the UWF.

Her favorite scripture is

Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

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Getting to Know Our Secretary



Barbara Gaither was born in Erie, Pennsylvania where she lived until relocating to SC in 2017 in order to be near her daughter and two wonderful grandsons. She has 3 younger sisters and a younger brother. In her spare time she enjoys reading, gardening in flowerpots, and water aerobics.

Barbara has been Methodist since the age of 5. She served her Pennsylvania church in many capacities including Council Chair, SPRC Chair, UMYF Leader, and Missions Chair. Since coming to SC she joined St. John's UMC in Fort Mill where she has served on the Lay Leadership Team and been involved as Annual

Conference Delegate, Adult Class Leader, Circle Leader, and Book Study Leader. She previously served as Cluster Leader for Fort Mill.

Barbara's reason for being on the District UWF Leadership Team is to spend time with wonderful Methodist sisters and to give back to the organization that has enriched her life for 40+ years. To her, the best thing about UWF is the sisterhood wanting to **learn** and **act**. Her goal for 2024 is to encourage local unit secretaries to recognize the importance of their role.

A favorite scripture for Barbara is

Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10

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Saying Good-bye to Elaine



Dear Unit Treasurers,

I have enjoyed being your District Treasurer for six years and getting to know you. I plan on gardening, reading, and traveling, but I will keep all of you in my heart. Please enjoy a Merry Christmas and stay safe.

I will continue my duties as Treasurer until Dec. 31, so please continue sending your Remittance Forms and donations to me in December. We are still a little short of our 2023 pledge goal so if your unit can send some pledge money in during December, it would be greatly appreciated. Starting in January, please send all funds to our new treasurer, Frances Bratton. Her contact info is at the bottom of this page.

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Getting to Know our Treasurer



Frances Bratton was born and raised in York County and has been Methodist all her life. She is the eldest of five, with 2 brothers and 2 sisters. She is married to a wonderful husband (40 years). He is from York and she is from Clover so they agreed to live between the two towns. She has two grown sons and a wonderful grandson. In her spare time she catches up on TV shows & movies, cyber window shops, does word puzzles & jigsaw puzzles, reads, bakes, & enjoys other activities.

She is presently the Chair of SPRC, Church Treasurer, & UWF Secretary at Green Pond UMC. Her previous positions include UMW President, Secretary of Trustees, SPRC Secretary, Financial Secretary, Alternate & Lay Member to Annual Conference, Chair of Nurture, Chair of Education, Superintendent of Church School, Nominations & Leadership Secretary, Communications, & Praise Choir.

She is part of the District UWF Leadership Team because they are “women of faith who know God and share the same common goal: mission.” The best thing about UWF is connecting with other women of faith and fellowship. Her goal for the year is to develop a good working relationship with the unit treasurers in the district.

Frances has several favorite scriptures. The one she refers to most often is Luke 1:37.

For with God nothing shall be impossible.

Greetings! I look forward to serving as the Rock Hill District Treasurer and working with each local unit treasurer. As we start a new year, I would like to remind all treasurers of reporting due dates. 1st quarter ends Feb 28th, 2nd quarter ends May 31st, 3rd quarter ends Aug 31st, and 4th quarter ends Nov 30th. Please send reports as soon as you can after these dates and no later than the 3rd of the following month. Starting January 1, 2024, please send reports to me. I hope to see all Unit Treasurers at Officer Training in January.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Getting to Know Our Membership Chair



Nancy J. Rivers was born in Gassaway, WV and is a lifelong Methodist. She grew up in various towns in North Carolina, West Virginia, and Florida and now resides in Fort Mill, SC. Having been married 38 years, she has two daughters (both married), three grandsons, and three grand-puppies.

Active in St. John's UMC in Fort Mill, Nancy is Handbell Director, Choir Member, Trustee, Delegate to annual conference, substitute Sunday School Teacher, and UWFaith Circle Co-leader. Currently, she is taking classes in the Lay Servant Ministries Program whenever possible. In her previous church, Nancy served as the Unit President of United Methodist Women, taught at numerous Mother-Child Retreats, and led Spiritual Growth studies. In her spare time, Nancy enjoys reading, working in the yard, playing with her grandchildren, crocheting, and music.

In addition to the fellowship of women, the best thing about United Women in Faith is the amazing volume of high-quality mission work in which the organization is engaged. During her time as Membership, Nurture and Outreach Chair, she hopes to work with units and churches to grow membership in UWFaith. In addition, she hopes to coordinate a district-wide outreach project. She welcomes any suggestion for such a project.

One of her favorite Bible verses is

Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14 (KJV)

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Getting to Know Our Nominations Chair



Crystal Barrs was born in Sunbury, Pennsylvania but raised in Northumberland, PA. She lived in California for a time before relocating to Lancaster, SC. She is Methodist from birth and enjoys playing handbells at First Presbyterian and St Luke UMC. Although she has no children, she has helped raise many. She lives with her parents and helps care for them. She has nieces, nephews and great nieces & great nephews who are her heart. Crystal retired last year and enjoys counted cross-stitch, reading, Sudoku, handbells, singing, and attending UWFaith events.

She has held many positions in her church (Church of the Good Shepherd): President of UWFaith, Vice Chair of Church Council, Trustees, Secretary of Church Council, Financial Secretary, and UWF Treasurer. She joined the District UWFaith in 2012 on Nominations, became Nominations Chair from 2014-2015, moved up to Vice President for 4 years, then served as President for 4 years. To Crystal, the best things about United Women of Faith are the opportunities for learning and growing in faith. Her goal this year is to grow our Talent Bank for those interested in joining our SISTERHOOD in UWFaith.

Her favorite verse is Psalm 118:1 (NLT).

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever!"

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving. Wishing everyone a Safe & Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. If you are interested in joining the District Leadership Team in the next few years, please let me know. Let's talk about it.

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Getting to Know Our Sec. of Program Resources



Bette Jean Janicke was born in York, SC and moved to Rock Hill when she was 7 years old. She is a lifelong Methodist. She has no siblings. Her spouse is deceased but she has one daughter and one son. Her son is married and has 2 sons. Her grandsons (ages 13 and 11) are very important to her. She also has 3 grand-puppies. In her free time, Bette Jean quilts, reads, and spends time with her grandsons.

BJ has served and continues to serve Woodland UMC in many ways: Church Council Secretary, Sunday School Leader, Alternate Delegate to Annual Conference, Music Committee, SPRC, Endowment Committee, Choir, Handbell Choir, Quilt Ministry, UMW Secretary, Circle President, and Circle VP.

She feels honored to be part of the District Leadership Team, working with other women to share information on how we can help women, children, and youth. The best thing about UWF in Bette Jean's opinion is the fellowship. Her goal this year is to get more people to take part in the Reading Program; to encourage them to read.

Her favorite scripture is Psalm 139:1-2,4 *You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.*

Bette Jean Janicke

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Getting to Know Our Spiritual Growth Chair



Linda Hughes was born and raised in Clover. Both she and her husband Ed came from large families that even farmed together! She thanks God for her four children and six grandchildren. They bring much joy to her life! Linda has goldfish and pigs for now, but hopes to get a dog soon. Linda enjoys watching true inspiring movies and reading the Bible and Christian literature. She tries to walk 2 miles a day Monday thru Saturday and loves listening to 106.9 radio.

A member at St. James UMC, she has served as Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Teacher, President of her UMW Unit, Membership Chair, and Mission Chairperson. She is currently a part-time Sunday School teacher and is in the rotation as Worship Leader.

She previously served as Social Action Chair and felt led by the Holy Spirit to serve as Spiritual Growth Chair. "Because the Holy Spirit is doing a new thing within me, I want to share God's Love, Grace, and Mercy." She feels that UWF encourages you to take a faith leap and they are helpful in helping you understand your position/positions. She hopes that others will see a little more of Jesus in her in the coming year.

She has many favorite scriptures. One of them is *Trust in the Lord with all your heart* ❤️ *and lean not on your own understanding.* Proverbs 3:5

Greetings, dear sisters in Christ. May your hearts and spirits rejoice as we celebrate the birth of Jesus! May your joy overflow into the new year! I'm excited!

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Getting to Know Our Social Action Chair



Tonya Janicke is a lifelong resident of Rock Hill and member of Woodland UMC. She is the proud aunt of two nephews who are her pride and joy. She is also the mother of two boys Atticus Finch and Jon Snow (beautiful wee white West Highland Terriers). Tonya is a 28-year teaching veteran of the Rock Hill, Chester, Clover, and Fort Mill school districts. She has been named Teacher of the Year and District Honor Roll Teacher of the Year twice. In her free time she enjoys reading, blogging book reviews, historical travels, being at the beach, and traveling. She serves as a ChristmasVille Co-chair.

Tonya has served on her church's Nominations and Missions Committees, Handbell Choir, Choir and taught Sunday School. She has served as UMYF leader, Cookie Walk Chair, Reading Circle Leader, UMW Social Action Chair, and UWF Vice President. She served for 15 plus years as a youth worker for Salkehatchie and later as site leader. She has also served on a variety of UMVIM teams.

Romans 5:1-5 is her favorite scripture. *...we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character, and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. (verses 3-5)*

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Getting to Know Our E&I Chair (Missions)



Margaret Parker was born and raised in Lenoir, NC. She is a lifelong Methodist and currently attends St Luke UMC in Lancaster. Margaret has two grown children: a son and a daughter. She is blessed with 2 granddaughters and a great grandson. She has 3 sisters and 1 brother who are all still living. In her spare time she likes to read or just be lazy.

She has served in many capacities at her church including President of UMW, Children's Sunday School Teacher, Church Treasurer, Administrative Council Chair, Administrative Council Secretary, and other positions that don't come to mind right now.

After moving to Lancaster she was invited to a UMW activity and discovered a group of women that she wanted to be part of. One thing led to another and when she was asked to accept a position, she did. To Margaret, the best thing about UWF is the many varied activities offered to participate in and to meet other UWF Women at the district and state level and learn from their experiences. She also likes making new friends. She hopes to share information regarding missions with the local units and encourage them to meet the requirements for the Mission Today award.

Her favorite scripture is *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

Philippians 4:13

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Getting to Know Our Historian



Jane Carter was born and raised in Winston-Salem, NC by loving, Christian parents. She is a lifelong Methodist, but attended the Moravian Church with her husband until moving to SC. The devout history and beliefs of the Moravian faith fascinate her. She is married (49 years) with 2 beautiful daughters and 2 grandsons. Her hobbies include church, church events, traveling with the Red Hatters (She is Vice-queen for her chapter.), and researching family history. She enjoys teaching others the basics of Genealogy 101.

Jane has served her UWF unit at Bethel UMC (Chester) as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Resources, and Nominations. On the church level she served as Sunday School Secretary, Church Secretary, Financial Secretary, and Administrative Assistant. She has also served on the Worship Committee and Administrative Council.

Jane has always loved history and the UMW/UWF has an extraordinary history. She loves the sisterhood that we share in Christ's name. She enjoys seeing what other units are doing and sharing our faith with one another. As Historian, Jane hopes to keep records of all important events for our future. She feels it is important to record our history. "If we don't know where we have been, we won't know where we are going."

Her favorite scripture is 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 *Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.*

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Getting to Know Our Lancaster/Chester Cluster Leader



Clara Steele was born in Lancaster and graduated from Lancaster High School. She lived in New Jersey over a decade before returning to Lancaster. She attended Baptist churches until 4 years ago when she joined Camp Creek UMC. She has 2 sisters, one in Charlotte and one in Lancaster, and a brother in Lancaster. She lives with her 3-year-old Yorkie named Prancer. She has 3 adult children, 4 grandchildren, and 1 great grandson.

Clara serves as President of her UWFaith unit and assists with the Clothes Closet. She works with the Senior Group where they have a meal and games such as bingo, painting, word search games, or sometimes just sit and talk to one another. In her spare time, Clara loves to crochet, travel, spend time with friends and family, shop at second hand shops, watch movies, and go out to eat. She enjoys her life. This year she hopes to help others and expand her knowledge of United Women in Faith.

Her favorite book of the Bible is Ruth but Psalm 23 (all verses) is her favorite scripture.

I fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Psalm 23:4b

I want women to know that they are ALL welcome to join us in this sisterhood! Wishing y'all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Officer Training in January.

Clara Steele

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Getting to Know Our Rock Hill/Fort Mill Cluster Leader



Linda James was born and raised in Philadelphia, PA. She is a lifelong Methodist with a family history of Methodism for generations. She is married and has a sister and mother still living in Pennsylvania. She has 3 children and (finally) a precious granddaughter. In her spare time she enjoys reading and watching wild animals in her backyard (deer, fox, turkey, and many species of birds).

At Woodland UMC she is lay delegate to Annual Conference, President of UWF, Sunday School Teacher, and serves on the Christian Education Committee. UM-W/UWF has been a big part of her life since childhood (tagging along with her grandmother & mother).

Being on the District Leadership Team is her way of carrying on and giving back. The best thing about UWF for Linda personally is the sisterhood of her circle. On a broader basis, she appreciates the opportunity to help meet the needs of women, children, and youth. In the coming year, Linda hopes to reach others and bring them into the sisterhood of UWF.

Her favorite scripture is Jeremiah 29:11. *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Linda James

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Getting to Know Our York/Clover Cluster Leader



Jean Thomas was born and raised in York, SC and is a lifelong Methodist. Her family has been members of Kings Mountain Chapel for generations (mother, grandparents, & great grandparents). She has two daughters (Jennifer in Charlotte and Karen in Grayson, GA) and is the proud grandmother of 3 boys (Sam, Parker, & Ty).

She is currently Administrative Council Chair. Alternate Lay Delegate to Annual Conference, Epworth Representative and President of UWF. She worked as Church Secretary for 25 years and at various times served as PPRC Chair, Finance Chair, Lay Delegate, Youth Coordinator, and Sunday School Teacher. She has held every position in her circle and UMW. She enjoys reading and going out to eat.

Jean enjoys being part of the District Leadership Team because of the fellowship and inspiration from working together and learning from each other. She previously served as Membership Chair, Nominations, and Cluster Leader. She feels the best thing about UWF is being in mission to help women, children, and youth. This year she hopes to keep the York/Clover units up to date with what's happening in our district.

Jeremiah 29:11 is her favorite scripture. *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

I will be contacting the Local Unit Presidents to update information, e-mail addresses and telephone numbers soon. I will try to keep you informed on what is going on in our District. I look forward to working with you in 2024, as we work together to fulfil our PURPOSE.

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Items of Interest

If you are interested in attending, please let Lynne Chandler know so she can keep you updated.

Register at sejuwf.org

Registration cost is \$210 until 12/31 then the cost goes up to \$240.

"Get Together"
Southeastern Jurisdiction
2024

April 19 -21, 2024
Chattanooga Convention Center
Chattanooga, Tennessee

See the Dec
Mission Echo
for more
information.

response: Magazine for Women in Mission

response is the official magazine of United Women in Faith. Its goals are to educate for mission, interpret our Purpose, and strengthen the organization. It is published 6 times a year in both print and digital formats.

Reading a year of response (6 issues) counts as 1 book in the category of *Nurturing for Community* in the Reading Program.

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Meals for Winthrop Wesley



Winthrop Wesley serves students from Winthrop University and Clinton Jr. College. They currently about 10– 15 students show up for supper on Monday nights. If your unit is interested in feeding these hungry Christians sign up to deliver a meal at winwes.org/dinner-servers Currently, there are open dates in February, March, and April. Please share this information with other groups in your church that may desire to prepare a meal.

If you have trouble with the website just email Winthrop Wesley's pastor/director, Rev. Charlie Farnum Charlie@winwes.org

Items of Interest continued

Legislative Advocacy Days on ZOOM

Legislative Advocacy Days 2024 (also known as Social Action Workshops) will be held on Zoom on various days in February. Each meeting will have a 60-minute presentation followed by a Q&A session.



Workshop Schedule on Zoom:

Wed, Feb 8	6:30 pm
Tue, Feb 15	6:30 pm
Thu, Feb 24	10 am

You can attend one or as many as you like. The sessions will probably be available for viewing at a later date. Participating/viewing counts toward the Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit Award (#7 on the form). It also counts toward the *Mission Today Award* (half of #15).

Registration information is not yet available. We will send it out as soon as possible.

Do You Know a Girl or Woman in Need of Money for College?

SCCUWF offers Presidential Scholarships every year. More information and application forms should be available soon. Contact Lynne Chandler (mrs.lynnchandler@gmail.com) if you need them & she will make sure you get them ASAP.



**Don't forget to register for our Annual Officers Training!
Each church unit should have an officer or two at the
training. Details on page 1 and page 17.**

Merry Christmas



Around the District

Philadelphia UWF

Bette Jean Janicke (District Secretary of Program Resources) installs officers at Philadelphia, Fort Mill during their annual Harvest Dinner. Karla Preston (wearing black & white top) is their



Woodland UWF

Baked goods and casseroles await buyers at Woodland UMC. Woodland UWF holds Take & Bake sales twice a year to raise money for missions. Members prepare all types of foods which are sold for donations after Sunday worship. Items for sale may include soups, casseroles, salads, side dishes, breads, cookies, cakes, and pies. It is up to each member what to make and up to each buyer what to pay. The unit brings in \$800 to \$1,000 each time they hold this fundraiser thanks to the generosity of their unit members and their church



Please send in pictures and write-ups about your unit events so we can share ideas and celebrate with you. Send to rockhillumw@gmail.com

Around the District

2023 District Annual Meeting



Based on Jesus calling Peter to step out of the boat, our theme, *Step Out of the Boat*, encouraged us to be bold enough to take on challenges. Woodland UWF in Rock Hill hosted our event with a delicious breakfast and wonderful hospitality. The men's choir sang a rousing rendition of "Glory Bound" and Lynne Tyner, District Director of Lay Servant Ministries, inspired us all with her speaking and sign language. We celebrated the generosity of our units who go above and beyond in providing for missions locally

and globally in addition to giving through UMW/UWF. During the Memorial Service, a bell was rung in memory of the ladies we lost in the past year. Awards were given to units and individuals. Marlene Spencer, Past Conference President, presided over our officer elections and Linda Honeycutt, Past District President, installed our officers for 2024. In all, 63 people attended representing 19 churches. Many thanks to Woodland UWF! We are grateful for everyone who took part in the program and all attendees. Thank you!

Ladies from El Bethel and Aldersgate enjoy the fellowship during breakfast. **L to R:** Judy Holt, Eva Williamson, Sissy Holder, & Janice Miller.



Above: Crystal Barrs (Good Shepherd UMC) delivers a Spider Plant to her friend, Karen Hughes (New Hope UMC). District meetings make great opportunities to reconnect with friends from across the district.



Above: Bette Jean Janicke (District Secretary of Program Resources) discusses the Reading Program with Beverly Burgess and Karla Preston of Philadelphia UMC, Fort Mill.



Above: Arleen Fincher and Phyllis Wright of Woodland UMC prepare platters of goodies for breakfast.

Above: Two generations of UWF: Nichole Nickens and her mother, Sadie Moss, both from Green Pond UMC enjoy the breakfast before the meeting.

More Pictures from District Annual Meeting



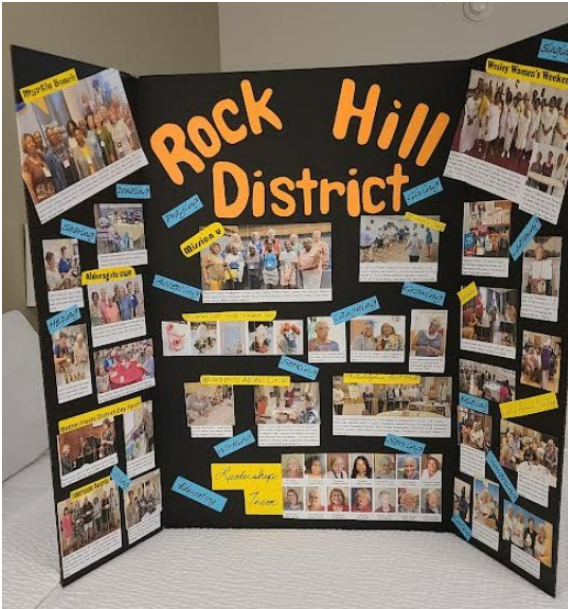
Even More Pictures from Annual Meeting



Conference Annual Meeting

SCCUWF Meeting

The South Carolina Conference Annual Meeting was held October 20-21, 2023. 14 ladies from the Rock Hill District traveled to St John UMC in Aiken for the event. The presentations were inspiring and the preaching was motivating. The fellowship was divine!! There are a great many wonderful, Christian women who belong to the United Women of Faith in our Conference.



Left: Rock Hill's Board was displayed at SCCUWF Annual Meeting.

Below: Fourteen women from the Rock Hill District attended the 2-day event. **Front:** Marlene Spencer, Wendy Wright, Barbara Gaither, Linda James, Clara Horton, and Sandra Jeter. **2nd row:** Director of *Wal-lace Family Life Center*, Juanita Meeks, Bette Jean Janicke, Ann Alexander, and Mary Alice Ratterree. **Back:** Linda Hughes, Lynne Chandler, Karen Hughes, and Erica Odom.



Rock Hill District will host the 2024 Conference Annual Meeting at Woodland UMC. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend this event on Oct. 25-26.

Your District Leadership Team needs your help in showing fabulous hospitality to our guests from around the state. For now, please add this meeting to your prayer list. Thank you.

Officer Training

Pre-registration Form

Hosted by Mt Olive UWF
1222 Ogden Rd, Rock Hill, SC

Date January 27, 2024

9-9:45 Registration/Refreshments

10-11 Information Session

An offering will be collected for our SC Mission Projects



Theme: Faith in Action

*See, his faith was at work along with his actions.
In fact, his faith was made complete by his faithful actions.
James 2:22 (CEB)*

Church/City _____

Name	Unit Office	Email	Check if 1st Timer?	Check if Under 40?	Check if Zoom

Please send registrations to Lynne Chandler via mail, email, call or text. Use the form or include the requested information. Mailed registrations should be sent early to ensure delivery. You can register as a unit or individually. Please register by Saturday, January 20, 2024.

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These are ideas of small things you can do to brighten the spirits of others. Mix them up. Use these ideas as inspiration for your own ideas. How many ways can you spread Christmas Cheer to those around you?

WHEREVER THERE IS A HUMAN BEING, THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR KINDNESS.
- SENECA



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>FOR <i>Children's</i> Advent <i>Worship</i> 9:00 MIGHTY GOD PRINCE OF PEACE 9:6</p>	<p>27 Spread cheer! Send cards to soldiers, nursing home & assisted living</p>	<p>28 Fulfill an Angel Tree request.</p>	<p>29 See a Red Kettle! Make a donation!</p>	<p>30 Do a chore for someone today.</p>	<p>1 Give your postal carrier a Christmas card and treat!</p>	<p>2 Make cookies for your neighbor or someone special.</p>
<p>3 1st Sunday of Advent Share HOPE with someone today.</p>	<p>4 Offer to return someone's cart.</p>	<p>5 Invite someone to dinner.</p>	<p>6 Donate food for dogs and cats to a pet shelter.</p>	<p>7 Take treats to your local fire department.</p>	<p>8 Let someone else go ahead of you today.</p>	<p>9 Check on your neighbors. Do they need help with anything?</p>
<p>10 2nd Sunday of Advent Share PEACE with someone</p>	<p>11 Hide a dollar in a store's toy section.</p>	<p>12 SMILE at everyone you see today.</p>	<p>13 Offer to Babysit for free.</p>	<p>14 Take treats to your local police department.</p>	<p>15 Christmas shopping today? Hold a door for someone today.</p>	<p>16 Give someone in the grocery store a food gift card.</p>
<p>17 3rd Sunday of Advent Share JOY with someone today.</p>	<p>18 Hide inspirational messages in random public places.</p>	<p>19 Say MERRY CHRISTMAS to everyone you see today.</p>	<p>20 Invite someone to worship with you.</p>	<p>21 Decorate your car or truck and go around singing carols, tonight!</p>	<p>22 Donate to your favorite charity.</p>	<p>23 Invite friends, neighbors & family over for Egg Nog!</p>
<p>24 4th Sunday of Advent Share LOVE with someone</p>	<p>25 A King is born! Share the news!</p>	<p>26 It's still the season say, MERRY CHRISTMAS to everyone you see</p>	<p>27 Throw kindness around like confetti!</p>	<p>28 Write thank you notes to family & friends. <i>Thank You!</i></p>	<p>29 BE KIND TO YOURSELF</p>	<p>30/31 You choose! What RAK will you do today? ?</p>