



United Women in Faith

Informer



Officer Training

You are invited to the Rock Hill District 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.

*St. James UMC
1930 Quarry Rd, York, SC*

Saturday, January 21, 2023

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



Theme: Sisters in Unity

*Behold, how good & how pleasant it is
for sisters to work together in unity.*

Psalm 133:1 (paraphrased)

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Getting to Know Our President



Crystal Barrs was born in Subury, Pennsylvania and was raised just across the river in Northumberland, PA. She lived in California for a time before relocating to Lancaster, SC. She is Methodist from birth but has enjoyed attending Lutheran and other denominations as a visitor. Younger brother passed away in 2010. She is divorced. Although she has no children of her own she has helped raise many. She lives with her parents and helps care for them. She has nieces, nephews and great nieces & nephews who are her heart.

Crystal recently retired and enjoys counted cross-stitch, reading, and competing Sudokus. She has held many positions in her church: President of UMW, Vice Chair of Church Council, Trustees, Secretary of Church Council, Financial Secretary, and Treasurer of UWF.

She joined the District UMW 10 years ago when she was asked to step in as Nominations Chair when someone moved away. She feels very honored to be serving. To Crystal, the best things about United Women of Faith are the opportunities for learning and growing in faith and our SISTERHOOD! In the coming year, she hopes to grow our membership and pledges within the district.

Her favorite verse: Numbers 6:24-26 *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.*



*Ladies of the Rock Hill District,
I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and shared your radiant light with your family and friends.*

I am looking forward to our Officers Training at St James UMC, in York on January 21. Hope to see new faces and more ladies to share their talents with us all. Thank you for your willingness to serve. For the ones who are on the fence in joining please go to the National website at uwfaith.org to see what you have missed. May we all remember the reason for this season and have a blessed and safe Christmas and New Year.

*May God continue to bless us with his amazing grace and mercies.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

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Getting to Know Our VP & Communicator



Lynne Chandler was born on Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana. Her father was an Air Force Chaplain which meant her family (including her 4 siblings) moved to England, California, 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. Then God intervened and sent her another husband. Fortunately he was Methodist. Unfortunately, he was a preacher so she had to move again. LOL She considers it a blessing to have served churches in Abbeville, Buffalo, Rock Hill, and Ninety Six. Her children settled in Rock Hill so when granddaughter, Ella, was born, plans were made to move back to Rock Hill. She currently resides with her retired husband, 2 dogs, and 3 cats.

Lynne enjoys sewing, crocheting, reading, watching TV, and playing Trivia games. She has served the church in Children's Ministries (Sunday School, Children's Choirs, VBS, Bible Buddies), UMYF Leader, Confirmation, UMW (Reading Program, President, Prayer Shawl Ministry), Bible Study, and helped in other ways as needed. 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 2023 she hopes to publish the Informer and email it out in the first week of the month (Mar, June, Sept, Dec). She also hopes more churches will share their news and photos.

Her favorite scripture varies but is currently the theme for our January Training:

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for sisters to work together in unity.

Psalm 133:1 paraphrased

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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 has served on the Lay Leadership Team, been involved as Annual Conference Delegate, Adult Class Leader, Circle Leader, and Book Study Leader.

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 2023 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

Barbara Gaither

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Getting to Know Our Treasurer



Elaine Cryderman was born and raised in the Queen of Cow towns, Dodge City, Kansas. She was raised as a Presbyterian but became a Methodist when she married. She enjoyed seeing her children over Thanksgiving. Her son and his wife drove from San Antonio to the NC mountains where she, her daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter met them at Sapphire Valley Condos. They had a full week of fun and Thanksgiving eating.

Elaine loves gardening, working puzzles, reading, and working on genealogy. She has been a Circle Leader, Bible Study Teacher. She served on various committees including Finance, Audit, Altar, and History. She recently chaired St John's 150th Anniversary Committee. She says the District UWF Leadership Team is "a wonderful group of women who have become my friends." The best thing about UWF in Elaine's opinion is learning, enjoying new friends, doing work in missions and doing it together. Since this is her 6th year as District Treasurer her goal is to retire in September.

Her favorite scripture is John 8:12 - *I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.*

Dear Unit Treasurers,

Our Pledge goal for 2022 was \$25,000. As of today we are a little short of reaching our goal. If your unit can spare any funds to help meet our pledge, it would be greatly appreciated.

Your money goes to our designated Missions which are so important to our purpose. Our Pledges fund the worldwide outreach for UWF to help children, youth, and women in the US, Caribbean, Mexico, Asia, South America, Africa and more. There are 3 Children's Ministries in Haiti; 10 in Asia and Pacific Islands; and 29 + Ministries in Africa for Women. And these are only a fraction of all the ministries that UWF supports.

Just a reminder: donations to **Epworth** and to the **Legacy Fund** are sent directly to their addresses, not to me.

The District has fully changed our name to Rock Hill District United Women of Faith, so you can write your checks to the new name. I have sent out the newest packet of forms, but if you did not receive it, please let me know so I can send it to you. If you have a new treasurer, please email me so I can get you on my list. Also please plan to attend the Officer Training Session on Jan. 21 at St. James in York.

Thank you for all you do.

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Getting to Know Our Apprentice 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 S/PRC, Church Treasurer, & UWF Secretary. Her previous positions include UMW President, Secretary of Trustees, S/PRC Secretary, Financial Secretary, Alternate & Lay Member to Annual Conference, Chair of Nurture, Chair of Education, Superintendent of Church School, Nominations & Leadership Secretary, Communications, and Praise Choir.

She is part of the District UWF Leadership Team because “the women 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 educate herself and gain knowledge of the her leadership role. She also hopes to get to know each team member on a personal level.

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

For with God nothing shall be impossible.

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Getting to Know Our Nominations Chair



Marie Thompson was born and raised in Mobile, Alabama. She has been Methodist all her life. She is widowed and has a daughter in Alabama and a grandson in Spartanburg. She loves animals and has 3 cats and a horse. In her free time, Marie loves to travel, visit new places, and meet new people.

Marie has served the church as Circle Leader and Choir Member. She is currently President of her local unit. She also prepares meals when they are needed, like for funerals. Marie joined the District UWF Leadership Team because “Someone needed to step up and do the job.” The best thing about being part of UWF to Marie is working with other women on projects and on mission work. This year she hopes to get more people interested in using their skills for the UWF.

Her favorite scripture is Ephesians 4:30-32. *Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.*

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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 grandpuppies. In her free time, Bette Jean quilts, reads, and spends time with her grandsons.

BJ has served and continues to serve the church 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.*

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Getting to Know Our Spiritual Growth Chair



Linda Hughes was born in York, SC and grew up in Clover. She was raised in the Church of God but joined the Methodist Church when she married. She has 3 children. She is married to Ed who she claims is Crystal Barrs' "adopted" husband. Linda enjoys watching Christian movies and Hallmark movies. She reads Christian literature. She has served as Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Teacher, President of her UMW Unit, Membership Chair, and Mission Chairperson.

She previously served on the District Leadership Team as Social Action Chair and has returned "because the Holy Spirit is doing a new thing within me. I want to share God's Love, Grace, and Mercy." In Linda's opinion the best things about UWF are spiritual encouragement, great fellowship, and food! In 2023, she hopes to encourage others and be encourage in the Lord.

Her favorite scripture is *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.* Proverbs 3:5

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Getting to Know Our Membership Chair



Jackie B. Hicks was born and raised in Clover, SC and is a lifelong Methodist. She has been married for 53 years and has 3 sons, 10 grandchildren, and 2 great grands. In her spare time, Jackie likes reading, doing yard work and watching old movies.

Jackie's involvement in church includes serving as Administrative Council Chair, PPRC Chair, Sunday School Teacher, UMYF Leader, and Choir Member. She has served her UMW Unit as President, Vice President, Secretary, and Circle Chair.

Jackie has served on the Conference UMW Executive board and was asked to join our District Team. She feels that the best thing about UWF is the relationship with women who enjoy sharing their faith. She also likes learning about and advocating for missions. During her time as Membership Chair she hopes to become more knowledgeable of her position and will encourage growth in our local units.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a is her favorite scripture: *Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.* (ESV)

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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. She is married (54 years) and 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 sponsored 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 requirements.

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, however when she married she attended the Moravian Church with her husband until moving to SC. She is fascinated by the devout religious history and beliefs of the Moravian faith. She is married (48 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 UMW unit 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 been 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 meetings and events to see what other units are doing and hopes we can share our faith with one another. As Historian, Jane hopes to keep records of all important events. 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/Fort Mill Cluster Leader



Clara Horton was born and raised in Lancaster, SC where she grew up in the Presbyterian church. When she married, she and her husband joined Good Shepherd UMC in Lancaster. Frances Collins was her mentor and got her involved with the UMW. She is the mother of 2 daughters and grandmother of 2 granddaughters.

She enjoys reading, ministering to inmates through cards, doing word search puzzles, and sharing time with family and friends. She has served as the President of the Rock Hill District UMW and on the Conference UMW. She is a lay servant and member of the choir.

She would like to see more ladies involved in United Women in Faith and hopes to learn more about sharing God's love with others. To Clara, the best parts of UWF are the opportunities to grow in faith, share God's love, and serve others.

Her favorite scripture is *God desires to take our faces, this exposed and memorable part of our bodies, and use them to reflect His goodness.*

2 Corinthians 3:18 *paraphrased*

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Getting to Know Our Rock Hill/Chester Cluster Leader



Linda James was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 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 birds).

In her church she is lay delegate to Annual Conference, President of UWF, Sunday School Teacher, and serves on the Worship Committee. 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 Assistant Cluster Leader



Debbie Blackmon is from Indiana. She was born in La Porte and lived in Muenster and Indianapolis before moving to North Augusta, SC when she was in the 6th grade. She later moved to Greenville, then attended Winthrop College. After graduating she stayed in Rock Hill. She has a younger sister and a precious pup. In her free time, Debbie is passionate about Special Olympics and volunteers her time with them year round. She also enjoys reading murder mysteries.

She loves her Abigail Circle and serves as chair of the Nurture Committee, Epworth Representative, and Serving Others Committee. She joined the District Leadership Team when friends encouraged her to participate. She enjoys learning new people and attending District Events. During 2023 she hopes to help make all District events successful. If you attend one of our District Events you are sure to see Debbie's friendly smiling face at the registration table.

Her favorite scripture is Deuteronomy 15:11 *For the poor will never cease out of the land; therefore I command you, you shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in the land. (RSV)*

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Items of Interest

Make plans to attend!



*A new command I give you;
Love one another. As I have
loved you, so you must love one
another."*

John 13:34

"Get Together"
Southeastern Jurisdiction
2024

April 26 - 28, 2024
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Chattanooga Convention Center

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Meals for Winthrop Wesley



Winthrop Wesley is back with a small group of students. They currently about 10 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 <http://winwes.org/dinner-servers> 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

Clean Water for School Children in Mississippi

Jackson, Mississippi's municipal water system was damaged with flooding several months ago. They continue to be under a boil water advisory. Even though residents in the black community have been told the water is safe to drink, it comes out of the tap looking brown and muddy. Water fountains at the schools have been covered up to keep the children from trying to drink the polluted water. The South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith wants to help provide bottled water for the schools. They are requesting monetary donations to be sent through your units to the district treasurer (specified for "Jackson Kids' Water") who will send it to the conference treasurer. The deadline for this project is February 14, 2023. Monies will need to be sent to conference by Valentine's Day. Please be generous! Keep Jackson, MS in your prayers. Thank you.



Anchoring Our Action on Our Hope, We Walk by Faith Not by Sight

Legislative Advocacy Days 2023 (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. Topics include Healthcare, Predatory Lending, Mass Incarceration, and Just Energy.



Workshop Schedule on Zoom:

Wed, Feb 1	10 am-11:30 am
Tue, Feb 7	7 pm-8:30 pm
Thu, Feb 16	2 pm-3:30 pm
Sat, Feb 25	10 am-11:30 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).

To register copy and paste this web address into your browser window.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0uf-GqrTwoH93pzlwYvOsyeu7Aw0l63ifu>

Or contact Rebecca Eleazer, Registrar 5116 Burke Ave, Columbia, SC 29203

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She will need your Name, Email or Phone, District, & Church

Do You Know Someone in Need of Money for College?

SCCUWF offers a Presidential Scholarship every year. For more information and application forms see our Conference Webpage at

<https://www.umcsc.org/women/>

Scroll down until you see "Presidential Scholarship Application"

The deadline to apply is March 1.



Around the District

Living in the Light

50th District Annual Meeting

Philadelphia UWF in Fort Mill, hosted our 50th Annual Meeting, complete with wonderful refreshments, great fellowship, music, and our own Marlene Spencer, Past Conference President, as our guest speaker. We learned a little about our past history and were encouraged to continue



“Living in the Light.” We celebrated

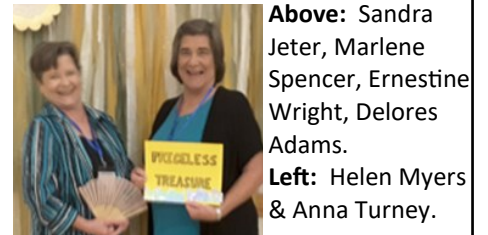
the generosity of our units who go above and beyond in providing for missions locally and globally in addition to giving through UMW/UWF. During the Memorial Service, a bell was rung 46 times in memory of the ladies we lost in the past year. Awards were given to 25 units and 28 individuals. Officers were elected. Sandra Jeter, Past District President, installed our officers for 2023. In all, 79 people attended representing 18 churches. Philadelphia’s ladies were excellent hosts who went above and beyond what was expected. They even gave everyone a delightful goodie bag for attending.



Left: Karen Hughes and Juanita Meeks.



Below: Donna Barrett, Jean Thomas, Von Hurst, Jackie B. Hicks



Above: Sandra Jeter, Marlene Spencer, Ernestine Wright, Delores Adams.

Left: Helen Myers & Anna Turney.



Above: Eva Williamson, Carolyn Plyler, Darlene Hallman, Terry Robinson, Dianne Sweatt. Front: Clara Horton

Above: Front: Eugenia Taylor, Leslie Kelly, Linda Caulder. Back: Linda LaRocque, Elaine McDonald, Anna Colleen, Marie Thompson, Karla Preston

Left: Front: Phyllis Ward, Toni Love, Bonita Berry, Pam Gilmore. Back: Debra Martin, Joyce Moore, Glynis Lowry.



Around the District continued

Embracing Change, Sharing Grace

Eighteen Women from the Rock Hill District traveled to Myrtle Beach for the 50th Annual Meeting of the Conference UMW/UWF. First UMC was the host church and their ladies did an outstanding job preparing for and hosting the event. Our keynote speaker was Sally Vonner, United Women in Faith Transformation Officer. What a powerful woman sharing her "Faith, Hope, and Love in Action" empowering us with knowledge of our Sisterhood and love that we share for this United Women in Faith. It is AWESOME to be a small part of this growing in faith community. The 2-day event included Bible Study, Preaching, Memorial Service, Officer Elections, Low Country Boil (YUM), Workshops, Communion...so much in a short period of time. Even so, we had time to connect with others from across the state who share our vision of missions in the name of Christ. Next year's Conference Annual Meeting will be held in Orangeburg. Let's all plan to go!



Rock Hill Delegation to Conference Annual Meeting **Front:** Linda Hughes, Erica Odom, Jane Mobley. **Row 2:** Frances Bratton, Marlene Spencer, Karen Hughes, Sandra Jeter, Linda James, Crystal Barrs. **Row 3:** Marie Thompson, Elaine Cryderman, Brenda Stowe. **Row 4:** Ann Alexander, Clara Horton, Rosa Foster. **Back:** Lynne Chandler, Juanita Meeks, Barbara Gaither

Around the District continued

Active and Generous: Tabernacle UMW/UWF



Jodie Plyler, Tabernacle UMW President presented Special Mission Recognition Pins to 4 Church members assisted by Unit Treasurer, Mary Riner. Left to right: Jody Plyler, Leslie Plyler, Dwayne Plyler, Jean Usher, Brenda Owens, and Mary Riner.

Tabernacle UMW/UWF (Lancaster) had a wonderful year in 2022. In February we sponsored a churchwide donation to Valentine's Day bags for our college students. The church responded so generously and we had three huge gift bags filled with snacks, pens, small notebooks, Chapstick, and other gifts. We sponsored this to help our college students stay connected to the church. They certainly felt the Love! During the summer we honored four church members with UMW Service Pins, for the incredible gifts and service they share with our congregation. Then in October, we sponsored our 2nd Annual Socktober! Beginning with a church-wide fellowship meal on October 2nd, we collected socks for the

entire month of October. Socks are the #1 item requested by the homeless shelter. Our congregation donated 240 pairs of new socks to the local homeless shelter! This is such a great way to give tangibly to a local population in need. Finally, we felt connected to the Conference by participating in the 50-Year Celebration and completing our individual forms. We are blessed to have such an active and generous group of women in our church!

Catawba UMW Cooks Up Brunswick Stew

Catawba UMW held their annual Brunswick Stew Sale the first Saturday in November. The ladies get up early and start the cooking. Stew is sold by the bowl or you can take quarts to go.

Cooking Brunswick Stew is hard work. Left to right: Kristyn Couick, Keli Myers, Kimberly Markease, Amy Flowers



Around the District continued

Philadelphia UWF Holds Harvest Dinner

Philadelphia UWF, Fort Mill held their Annual Harvest Dinner on 11/17. Katie from the Children's Attention Home spoke to them about the home. UWF members brought snacks and other items to donate to the Children's Attention Home. A wonderful meal and fellowship were enjoyed by all. Judy Smith, Treasurer, spoke about the World Thank Offering and presented a list of the organizations that would receive donations. Bette Jean Janicke, District Secretary of Program Resources, installed new officers and read the names of the women who participated in the 2021-2022 Reading Program.

New Officers installed for 2023: Elizabeth Graver-Treasurer, Membership-Elaine McDonald, Spiritual Growth-Linda Honeycutt, Reading Program-Anna Collen, Nominations Committee: Holly Johnson-Chair, Karla Preston, and Beverly Burgess.

Returning officers: Marie Thompson-President, Elaine McDonald-VP-JR Jones Circle, Friends in Christ-TBD, Melissa Lackey-Secretary, Dawn Edwards-Communications, Luann Hundley-Social Action.

Participants in the Reading Program: Leslie Kelly- Plan 4 (52 books read); Betty Arbuckle, Melissa Lackey, Elaine McDonald, Eugenia Taylor, Marie Thompson-Plan 1 (5 books read)

Right: Leslie Kelly, Philadelphia, Fort Mill read 52 books from the 2021-2022 UMW/UWF Reading Program. Her favorite book was: Spoken into Being by Michael E. Williams.



Bette Jean Janicke installs the new UWF officers at Philadelphia, Fort Mill. Left to right: Bette Jean Janicke, Marie Thompson (President), Beverly Burgess (Nominating Committee), Anna Collen (Reading Program), Karla Preston (Nominating Committee), Linda Honeycutt (Spiritual Growth), Holly Johnson (Nominations Chair). Not pictured: Elizabeth Graver (Treasurer).

Officer Training

Pre-registration Form

Hosted by St James UWF
1930 Quarry Rd, York, SC

Date January 21, 2023

9-9:45 Registration/Refreshments

10-11 Information Session

An offering will be collected for our SC Mission Projects



Theme: Sisters in Unity

Behold, how good & how pleasant it is for sisters to work together in unity. Psalm 133:1 (paraphrased)

You can choose to attend in person or virtually on 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 14, 2023.

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