

# The Mission Echo

Welcome to the latest Edition of the Mission Echo!

Have you read all about it, have you heard the big news? We are officially in our new wineskins. United Women in Faith is our new name! Please see the details in the articles included in this issue as well as visit [www.uwfaith.org](http://www.uwfaith.org). Feel free to email me if you have any questions at [Lovequick27@gmail.com](mailto:Lovequick27@gmail.com). Grab a cup of coffee and enjoy the March edition of The Mission Echo!

Kimberly Love Quick,  
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## *United Women in Faith Press Release*



March 7, 2022

NEW YORK, N.Y., Mar. 2, 2022: United Methodist Women is now United Women in Faith! The move is part of a refreshing of the organization that includes a new logo and an array of new and improved programs to nurture current members and welcome new women to join to put their love in action on behalf of women, children, and youth.

The organization announced the new operating name in the March-April edition of response, its bimonthly magazine for members, and is launching the rebrand with a new website and Face Book event March 3 at 1 pm ET.

The new programs are fruits of research conducted over the past five years with more than 24,000 United Methodists and women of other Christian traditions participating in the surveys, focus groups and interviews. This input informed the prayerful discernment of staff and elected leaders.

The changes are designed to address the different needs and life stages of current members and new women and expand options for membership and engagement. The new name also aims to welcome current members whose local churches may choose to disaffiliate from The United Methodist Church as well as women of other faith traditions who want to join.

New and innovative programs will be rolled out throughout 2022, including:

- A new, easier to navigate website with a homepage designed to pique new women's interest in United Women in Faith and a special portal set to come online later this year where members can log in to access additional resources.
- A new "All-Access" National Membership Option enabling women to join United Women in Faith via the new website and participate online or in person at local units or larger events Soul Care Retreats, a pilot recruitment program for members and their nonmember friends and new women focused on nurturing women's bodies, minds, and spirits.
- Innovations to Mission u, the organization's longtime spiritual growth and transformative education program. Beginning in spring 2022, Mission u will introduce new curricula each year—one for children, one for youth and one for adults—all focused on a shared biblical theme. The new Mission u curricula will be more adaptable for use in small groups, local churches, vacation Bible schools, retreats, and other settings. Through these vibrant, relevant, justice-oriented, and biblically centered curricula, Mission u will continue its commitment to learning together for the transformation of the world and expand its impact.

## *United Women in Faith Press Release continued*

"This is an exciting time for our organization!" said Harriett Jane Olson, CEO of United Women in Faith. "Looking back, we see the through lines for our organization—faith in God, love for each other and commitment to putting our faith into action supporting women, children, and youth. These commitments have been expressed in different ways at different times using different names, always calling women to world changing action. This combination of a new look, more accessible resources for members and new ways to participate, positions us for impact in our own journeys and in how we engage the world that God so loves."

'Ainise 'Isama'u, United Women in Faith board president, said the changes express the organization's core values in ways that will excite current members and invite new women to join us.

"I'm confident our members will be excited about these changes," she said. "Together we are creating more opportunities for engagement with more women through new programs and updates of long-standing programs that embody our core values. Things change. People change. But God remains, and that continues to be the purpose behind everything that we do in this organization."

The organization remains incorporated in New York as United Methodist Women and is doing business as United Women in Faith.

United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.



United  
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## *From the Desk of the President*

To all United Women in Faith members, officers, family, friends and volunteers I bring greetings, a large smile and many virtual hugs. We continue exercising caution and safety protocols as deemed best for good health of our most vulnerable. Using zoom has provided both a time and cost saving way to experience programs, prayer, planning meetings and fellowship. We have worked with the resources known and kept God at the front of all we do.

In 2022 we shall strive “to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church”, the fourth part of our pledge. Let us work together to grow our mission work, expand our reach and extend help wherever needed. We remain God’s children, in love with our Father God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Thanks be to God.

We will be returning to some in person events in 2022. Our Assembly May 20-22 in Orlando Florida, our Mission u July 21-23 at Spartanburg Methodist College, our 50th Annual Meeting at Myrtle Beach October 21-22 and the District Officer Training Event on November 12 in Columbia will all be on site. Details will be shared as dates approach. We will look for you to be there!

Our virtual Legislative Advocacy Days have provided a month of learning and growth for all concerned social advocates. Our February Social Action workshops and knowledgeable speakers have enriched our understanding on critical topics facing South Carolinians and our world today. With over 200 registered for the series, each session has reached many ears and touched many hearts. We greatly appreciate our Bishop Holston opening workshop two with his words of encouragement and support for us and this program. Thank you Bishop. Program Coordinator and Diabetes Prevention Coach Ava Dean, spoke on “Holding out the Lifeline: a Mission to Families” giving great details on diabetes and its serious repercussions. Director of the Appleseed Legal Justice Center Sue Berkowitz, spoke on “Predatory Lending in SC”, inspiring our prayers and action to end this harsh practice and provide needed legislative protections. Teen Pregnancy Prevention Specialist and Trainer Carol Singletary, spoke openly on “Parents as Primary Sexuality Educators”, giving tips and encouragement for active dialog and involvement with our youth. Kinship Care Program Manager for DSS Tamra Scott-Wilson, closed the series with exploration of family or fictive kinship care to keep children comfortable and in a loving world. All four sessions included a question and answer period. Prayer Warriors closed our time of learning with heartfelt prayer. Thank you to our entire Social Action Team, chaired by Linda Eichenbaum, registrar Rebecca Eleazer and Kim Love Quick Technology for their excellent work in providing this shared time of learning and call to action.

Remember to get registered for Assembly held May 20-22 in Orlando, Florida. The theme is “Turn It Up”. Registration will close April 11th. We have 59 members of SCCUWF registered. A few will participate virtually, at a reduced fee, in the comfort of their homes. Over fifty members will be travelling to Florida to experience an Assembly like no other.

Our Education & Interpretation Committee members have news to share. The Mission Today Action Form is updated. You will find the new version in this edition along with details in the E&I report. Also noteworthy is the return of the Craft Room at Mission u. We will be in person at Spartanburg Methodist College on July 21-23 for Mission u study and fellowship. The Craft Room will be open. We are seeking both donations of handmade goodies and eager shoppers. All proceeds go to our four SC Mission Projects. Please encourage your fellow crafters to be busy preparing handmade creations and donations we can offer for purchase.

## *From the Desk of the President Continued*

Together we will recognize and celebrate our Fifty Year Anniversary this year. Our first South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women President Mrs. Connie Byrneside served from 1972 -1976. The newly formed UNITED Methodist Women, keyword UNITED, began in 1972. Her words in the 1984 Voices From the Recent Past pamphlet explain the history at that time. "The White Methodists in South Carolina were organized in 1785 and the Black Methodists in South Carolina were organized in 1866. South Carolina has the largest percentage of Black Methodists of any conference. When early meetings were held, the designation of Conference '85 and Conference '66 came into being. While there had been cooperation and shared activities for some time, it was necessary to insure the continued success of Kingdom building, providing opportunities to share leadership and for the South Carolina Conference to function as a loving and reconciled people of God. "The Plan of Merger" called for all elected leadership to be based on the ratio of our people-75% white and 25% black. This we did and in 1972 we celebrated the merging of all our Methodist work." In closing she wrote "My prayer for the years ahead is that we unite our minds in understanding, and our hearts in ever deeper devotion and commitment, that our joy in service might become a convincing expression of our goal to achieve greater oneness with the Church universal." Let us today, fifty years later, renew our commitment and those ideas of unity and love for all in South Carolina. A simple plan for Remembering Our Fifty Years United in Faith is placed in this edition. Everyone can participate through reflection, prayer, giving and remembrance from March 15 to August 15, five months for fifty years. Both Individual and Unit forms are in this edition. Let us NOT forget the unity sought in 1972. We honor and share the love of our foremothers in remembering the merger and celebrating fifty years as one.

We await the roll out of the 2021 Membership Census. Our United Women In Faith National provides that survey. We do not have it, not yet. We look for it soon, very soon. Please continue to hold onto your membership numbers for 2021, UWF unit membership count on January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021. We hope to remain the largest conference in membership count and number of units through robust participation in the census. Let us remain ready.

Be sure to read the article on the Legacy Fund and a new South Carolina Every Member Giving Campaign. Your support is needed to reach a goal of \$10,000 in donations. Remember March 23rd Day of Giving which marks our start as a group of women organized for mission back in 1869.

Mark your calendar to attend our free virtual Spiritual Growth Event, Spartanburg District hosts, Saturday April 23rd at 10:00 am. The theme is "Surrounded in Prayer". Our keynote speaker is lay servant Annie Crocker of Beaumont United Methodist Church.

Save the date for our free virtual Come Together Be Together, Charleston District hosts, Saturday May 25th at 10:00am. The theme is "Surrounded in Love". Several fun workshops will complete the day which opens with song and keynote speaker.

Many great articles are in the Mission Echo. Please read them all. Engage in the work we do. Invite others along!

May you and your families continue to grow in faith as together we are "Exercising Faith Over Fear" in 2022. Blessings to all.

Joshua 1:9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Peace, Cathy Ford SCCUWF President 2019-2022

## *Vice President Report*

Greetings.....South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women!

Fulfilling the **PURPOSE** of United Methodist Women is a task that brings many blessings to the givers and receivers. I challenge each of you to commit to attending all 2022 SCCUMW sponsored events and programs. You will find in this Mission Echo issue a calendar of event dates that you can place on your personal calendar.

The conference officers of the SCCUMW organization chair many different committees and have the responsibility of planning the events. There are many hours that go into planning and implementing programs, but without your attendance, no success will be obtained. Just know that as we plan, the members of the SCCUMW are always at the forefront of our decisions. You will always receive an evaluation at the conclusion of the event and are encouraged to complete it. Evaluations matter, and your suggestions are always considered.

The Program Committee will meet Saturday, March 19th at First UMC in Myrtle Beach. We will begin planning for our 50th South Carolina Conference Annual Meeting. This year's event will be hosted by the ladies of the Marion District. The meeting is planned as an in person event. It will be held Friday, October 21st and Saturday, October 22nd at First UMC in Myrtle Beach. The details will be shared using our conference newsletter as they become available to include registration information. Please mark your calendars with plans to attend and invite others to join in this year's celebration. Last year's evaluations were very positive and we are hopeful this year's event will be enjoyed even more.

Our District Officers' Training will be held Saturday, November 12th as an in person event. Registration information will be made available using our conference newsletter once finalized. The 2021 training via ZOOM was well attended, and we are hopeful this year will be even better. District Presidents are asked to encourage your district officers to mark their calendars for this event.

Thanks to each of you for being women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; developing a creative, supportive fellowship; and expanding concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church. You have given women, children and youth around the world hope for a brighter future.

Shalom!

Janice Cockfield Eaddy  
SCCUMW Vice President

***Live, love and laugh daily!***

## *Treasurer's Report*

Hello everyone!! Spring is almost here and soon the weather will be warmer. I am so looking forward to that time of the year. 2022 is a new beginning with a fresh start. We should turn our attention to the next quarter-end and begin to send in our remittances. March 15th will be here before we know it. We have to believe 2022 will be a good year for us all. With much regret, I must report that we made only 80% of our Pledge to Mission for 2021. Every member in South Carolina please prayerfully consider increasing your pledge this year.

Thank you, Ruby Hannah



*In Loving Memory*

**SCCUMW PAST PRESIDENT  
RUBIELEE ADDISON**



# E&I Coordinator

## Education & Interpretation Updates

Our year of caring and sharing, giving and praying for others has begun. Many grand gestures and random acts of kindness are occurring openly and secretly. Thank you for your participation in good deeds in every district.

For the year 2022 we are focusing on the final portion of our pledge. "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." Let us work together to grow the mission work we do. Let us invite and encourage others to participate with us, beside us. Our Daily Prayer Guide 2022, issues of response: the magazine of women in mission, our [umcsc.org](http://umcsc.org) website and Program Resource 2021-2022 Healing and Joy on Our Journey to God all contain stories and details of many missions in the world today. You are encouraged to learn about them, pray for them and provide support by educating and sharing resources. This is the perfect year to try something new!

The **Mission Today Action Form** is updated. Some wording and phrases which were deemed out of date, or unclear were reworked and expanded. Our Prayer Calendar has been replaced with a Daily Prayer Guide and is noted on the form. This issue of the Mission Echo and soon our website includes the new form. Requirements for earning the certificate have not changed. Please use this newest version, revision 2/2022.

A **Craft Room** is planned for Mission u July 21-23 at Spartanburg Methodist College. We request your crafts to stock the Craft Room. We invite all crafters of all skills and talents to contribute handmade items to the Craft Room. We hope to receive jars of jams, jellies, pickles, chow chows, fudge, breads, jewelry, note cards, knitted and crocheted items, sewn goodies, painted gifts, holiday ornaments and woodwork treasures, woven baskets and clay items. Novelties of all kinds are requested. All money raised by sale of donated crafts is shared equally with Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth and Wallace Family Life Center. We need your donations for a successful sale of goodies. Thank you so much! Please connect with Jane Scott, Craft Room Administrator and Killingsworth representative by email at [jrscott780@att.net](mailto:jrscott780@att.net) or calling 803-425-9121 for more details.

The position of **Education & Interpretation Mission Coordinator of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women** sadly remains unfilled. This is truly one of the best volunteer jobs we offer. The main focus for fulfilling the duties is to promote the Mission Today Action Form with all our units and to encourage our mission work. Fellowship and engagement with other SCCUMW officers is a bonus received when serving on the conference level. I encourage each of you to consider this fun, fruitful, loving position as the place where you will strive to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We seek this officer. Please connect with Kathy Roys, Chair Nominations at [kathy5339@att.net](mailto:kathy5339@att.net) and share a name or two. We ask for your help in identifying our next E&I officer.

Reminder: Collection is July 21-23 at Mission u for used postage stamps (trimmed ¼", not required) and can pull tabs. It supports Marion Mission Storehouse foreign church ministries and our Ronald McDonald Houses.

Cathy Ford – SCCUMW President and Acting Chair Education & Interpretation Committee



## Wallace Family Life Center Updates

The Wallace Family Life Center held a Summer Camp. Children received nutritional information and can now name all food groups. The Fire Department made a visit to teach them fire safety. The Marlboro County Sheriff also came out to talk to the students. Mrs. Rose Bright taught about gardening skills from the Sunflower Garden Club.

The Wallace Family Life Center held an After School program where we have an average of 12 students per day. Children are picked up by WFLC bus and transported to the Center where they receive a hot snack and are assisted in doing their homework. Students are then transported home by the Center.

Adult Education classes are held on Wednesday. The teacher provides educational activities to adults in class. After receiving instruction students are served lunch and then transported home.

The Wallace Family Life Center continues to strive to meet the needs of the Wallace Community by providing food to those in need. The Wallace Family Life Center held a food giveaway on November 20, 2021. The Center served 35 families with 3 bags of food per family.

The Wallace Family Life Center has begun to open its door to Tri-County Mental Health. Tri-County meets here every Monday 9:00am to 4:00pm. They are reaching out to residents in the Wallace area that have mental health.

We are so thankful to the United Women in Faith and those formerly known as United Methodist Women, churches and individuals for their support of the Wallace Family Life Center and enabling such useful activities to be held in our community.

Clarice Blakeney

## Bethlehem Center – Spartanburg

I was fortunate to become the representative at an exciting time for the Bethlehem Center. Our local unit had just donated to the Lending Library over the summer, and by early fall I got to see the books in use, meet the new hires, and tour the new Highland Early Learning Center!

The first board meeting I attended in the fall gave me a good overview of the current staff realignments, training, positions open, and hear from the new Operations Director. Patrena Mims, Director (10 years), discussed 2022 goals. All of the staff at the Bethlehem Center are fully vaccinated and boosted, which in turn keeps absences and illnesses down. They are involved with new partners in the community, and remain grounded in the importance of serving the community through support and service, increasing or adding more programs are not the answer, but to educate families to not just survive but thrive.

The Senior Wellness Program continues to target about fifty seniors with Active Living Arts and Crafts, Sewing to Sew, Soul Food Bible Study, and Day Out events. The After School program is focusing on new goals and Summer Camp plans are already underway. The Center has relaunched its partnership with Bridge Builders, a mentoring program for young men. In my next report I will have more information on some of the programs after my visits.

I look forward to serving as the mission representative for the Bethlehem Center with many of my UMW sisters. Missions never stop. Our mission work can continue without ever having a meeting, communication is key. Whether it is monetary or non-monetary, our children, youth, and seniors need our help at all 4 of our centers. We are called because we know what it means to do God's work in the world, and now is the time to act and reach out with our circles to demonstrate our faith, hope, and love in action.

Jan Fleming



# Greetings from Killingsworth!

We are planning a full year of celebration at Killingsworth! It was 75 years ago (1947) that Mrs. Corrie Killingsworth saw a need for a home for women in transition and boldly took the necessary steps to make this happen. She started with a house on Senate Street and quickly outgrew that location, so our current building was purchased around 1954, underwent some renovations, and was dedicated in 1955. I just saw a document that indicates that the purchase price of the house was \$40,000.

We are looking for historical documentations and memorabilia to share in this year of celebration. If you have items that you can loan to us, please let me know.

We will be celebrating this birthday all year long. Our celebration goal is to raise funds needed to keep this project alive and healthy for years to come.

Events planned for the year include

- A Spring Tea (something new this year) in April or May. Stay tuned for details as they develop
- Midlands Gives in May
- Our Annual Golf Tournament in August
- The Holiday Gala in November
- Giving Tuesday in December.

In addition to these events, we will be soliciting donations from corporations and other sources.

Last year I requested that you stop sending gloves and masks to Killingsworth because you had already sent enough to last for a very long time – but – Covid has lasted an even longer time and now these are needed once again! Another need today is umbrellas. If you want an updated list at any time, please call the home at 803.771.6359 and someone will be there to update you.

Thank you for all that you do for Killingsworth Home

Jane Scott

SCC UWF Representative

# MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Please Send Completed Form To: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Send by this date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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.

## Check if your unit:

- \_\_\_\_ 1. \*Made and met its Pledge to Mission.
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Used the **Daily Prayer Guide at most meetings** 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: the magazine of women in mission**.
- \_\_\_\_ 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 **Daily Prayer Guide** – at least once during the year.
- \_\_\_\_ 9. Participated in **education programs for children through prayers and donations of funds, supplies or volunteer hours at schools, homes and churches. This includes Vacation Bible School participation.**
- \_\_\_\_ 10.\* Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving which are Pledge to Mission, Gift in Memory, Gift to Mission, Special Mission Recognition and World Thank Offering.
- \_\_\_\_ 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.

## Check if your unit, circle, or subgroup:

- \_\_\_\_ 13. Included a **response** moment where an article from **response: the magazine of women in mission** 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.

\*Those items noted with an asterisk will be verified by the district treasurer. Rev.2/2022



The United Women in Faith continue to celebrate The Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign today, lifting-up the continued commitment of time and investment made by thousands of United Methodist Women since the campaign's beginning in 2014. As of January 28, 2022, the Endowment Fund has received \$39,180,955 which is 65% of the total goal of \$60,000,000.

As a body, the South Carolina Conference UWF has contributed \$89,898.47 since the campaign's inception. We are grateful to all members, units, family and friends who have contributed. Now we are asking you to take this one step further. This year we have set a goal to reach conference cumulative giving to \$100,000. This can be done. One way is to ask each member of your unit or circle to donate a minimum of \$1.00 designated for the Legacy Fund to your treasurer. Once all donations are received make the unit check or money order payable to the United Women In Faith and mail to:

United Women In Faith National office  
475 Riverside Drive  
15th Floor, Attn: LEGACY  
New York, NY 10115  
Do not mail to the conference Treasurer.

Another way is to make a donation on March 23rd Day of Giving 2022. On that day donors may contribute by text or online. Invite friends or family members to share in the live Facebook event. Additionally, donations may be made at any time by texting "41444" on your cell phone and enter "Legacy 150" on your cell phone in the message area; online direct gifts or pledge payments may be made through the United Methodist Women website. Visit [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund) to make a secure credit card payment. To ensure we meet our goal, we ask that all giving for this special effort be completed by August 1, 2022. At our annual meeting in October, we want to acknowledge your faith, hope and love ensuring our mission dollars can be used to sustain programming that helps chart a course for a bright and hopeful future for women, children, and youth around the world.

Maureen Thomas  
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## *Social Action Committee Update*

Hello Caring and Concerned United Methodist Women:

Our National UWF has chosen Mass Incarceration and Environmental Justice as the continued social action Quadrennial focus. Our SC Social Action District Coordinators will also continue to pay attention to Quality Education and Expanded Physical and Mental Health Services Access as legislative issues for 2022.

Our selected SC Statewide ACTION focus for 2022 is PREDATORY LENDING in all its many forms. We will encourage Districts and Local Units to become informed, to advocate for, and to distribute information concerning this practice that unfairly targets the most financial vulnerable citizens.

We are mid-way through an excellent Legislative Advocacy Day program and our second vital session featured SC Appleseed Justice Center Director, Sue Berkowitz, who gave us a tutorial about the scope and effect of Predatory Lending in South Carolina. In advance of a concerted and official UMW action, the SA Committee would encourage all UM women to learn more about this topic by accessing the following resources:

SC Appleseed Justice Center at [www.scjustice.org](http://www.scjustice.org) Access via To What We Do, to Our Work, to Consumer Protection, to Brochures, to **EASY IN - IMPOSSIBLE OUT** - How High Cost Lending Devastates SC

SC Fair Lending Alliance at [www.caprates.com](http://www.caprates.com) of which the SC Conference United Methodist Church is a Member.

We hope that you will have seen the original four February LAD programs, but if not, you will be invited to view them on our SCCUMW Youtube page. To access, Search for SCCUMW 2022 Legislative Advocacy Days on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Blessings,

Linda Eichenbaum, SCCUMW Social Action Coordinator

## Spiritual Growth News

Save the Date: Please mark on your Calendars Saturday April 23, 2022 for our Virtual Spiritual Growth Event. We will begin our meeting at 10:00 AM. Our theme for this Event is Surrounded by Prayer. The keynote speaker will be Annie Crocker from Spartanburg. She is the lay pastor of Beaumont UMC and has brought new life into this church. We are excited to hear what God has laid upon her heart to say to us that day.

The Spartanburg District will be the host District and looks forward to you attending. The link to register is as follows:

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://bit.ly/37tibdN>

If you have any questions, please contact Carman Wannamaker Amos at 864-270-1065 or email at [wannemakeramos@msn.com](mailto:wannemakeramos@msn.com)

**We are still in need of Prayer Pals.** At our officers training in November, it was decided by our group to add at least 50 more prayer pals to our group to honor our 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Please consider becoming a part of this connecting outreach for our Conference sisters. Your Spiritual Growth Coordinator has the forms or you may also contact me. WE NEED YOU!!!!!!!

Vickie Harvey

Conference Spiritual Growth Mission Coordinator

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Ephesians 5:2 Live a Life of Love

South Carolina Conference United Women In Faith  
Come Together Be Together Event via Zoom

All persons are invited to attend this Fun Morning Event June 25, 2022  
Registration is free. Theme: Surrounded by Love  
Saturday June 25, 2022, at 10:00 AM

The South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women's Membership Nurture and Outreach Committee is very excited to hold the Come Together Be Together event via Zoom on June 25, 2022. The Charleston District will host this fun gathering for all. The link will open up at 9:40 a.m.

With everything we all have experienced lately we decided that we all need to be "Surrounded by Love". Our fun event for all ages will include a passionate keynote speaker Rev Debra Dowdle from the Goose Creek UMC. Rev Debra Dowdle is a native and granddaughter of a United Methodist minister, grew up hearing stories about her late grandfather's ministry. This sparked a dream that she'd enter the ministry herself one day. She has been in the Goose Creek community for over 23 years, surrounding the many with GODS LOVE. Rev Dowdle has many different types of missions that all the member's serve with. They feed their community, have a popsicle ministry, a water ministry, breakfast ministry, mental health ministry with the homeless, prayer ministry, and the list continues to climb. We are delighted to have her on our event in June. The Welcome and Greetings will kick off at 10:00 am, Music at 10:10, Rev Dowdle at 10:15, and then we break into workshops.

Four workshops will follow. Attendees will select one workshop when they register.

Workshops include:

- o Rock Painting
- o Charleston Palmetto Rose Craft
- o Belly Dancing
- o Bible Study on "Surrounded by Love"

Link to Registration: <https://bit.ly/3u10o3G>

For questions, please contact our chairperson / registrar: Angela Allen  
Phone: 864-680-9029 Email: [Angela.Allen@charter.net](mailto:Angela.Allen@charter.net)





mission u 2022

# Who Can We Be Together?

## Building Communities of Hope and Joy

Great news— COMMUNITY is God's desire for us! Please join us at Mission u 2022 as we reflect on the community that Jesus is calling us to be!

This year, as we study Luke 13, we find ourselves in a period of disruption and uncertainty. In the midst, of a devastating pandemic, divisive political climate, unaddressed systemic racism, ecological crises and economic turmoil, we turn to the stories of Jesus that have anchored Christian communities for two millennia.

Our hope is that we will leave Mission u with a bigger and broader vision of the community Christ is calling us to be in times of loss, grief, and massive disruption. What would be possible if we tend to the needs of our communities in small yet radical ways, as Jesus did in Luke 13?

Our newly designed Mission u 2022 is more flexible and intergenerational than ever— with curricula for youth, children and adults focused on the 13th chapter of the Gospel of Luke.

**Here is the curricula we will be using that will be available on our [e-store](#) by January 2022.**

*Who Can We Be Together? (Adult)*

*Community in the Midst of Challenging Times (Youth)*

*Our Growing Tree*

*From Self-Love to the Beloved Community and All of God's Creation (Children)*

**Will you Join us ?**

**Save the Date**

**July 21-23, 2022**

**Spartanburg Methodist College**

# Calling all Crafters!

Our **Craft Room** will be open July 21-23, 2022

during Mission u at Spartanburg Methodist College.

**We seek donations of handmade items to sell.**

Popular items have been jars of homemade jams, jellies, pickles, chow chows, tins of fudge, mini breads, jewelry, note cards, knitted and crocheted items, sewn goodies, painted gifts, holiday ornaments and woodwork treasures, woven baskets, clay items and ceramics. Handmade novelties of all kinds are requested.

For the past two years we have missed hosting a Craft Room as part of our Mission u event due to virtual classes. We trust our crafters have stayed busy preparing special treats and gifts in anticipation of our reopening the Craft Room. Thank you.

All money raised by sale of donated crafts is shared equally with Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth and Wallace Family Life Center our four South Carolina Mission Projects.

Please connect with Jane Scott, Craft Room Administrator at #803-425-9121 or by email at [jrscott780@att.net](mailto:jrscott780@att.net) for more information.

## Remembering Our Fifty Years United in Faith

The year 1972 marks the start of our name United Methodist Women.

The year 2022 is the fifty year anniversary.

Let us remember our past as we journey into the future together.

You are invited to participate in a self guided program of remembrance and faith for our fifty years united. The program begins March 15<sup>th</sup>, runs for five months and closes at August 15<sup>th</sup>. Every district will collect the simple forms provided between August 15<sup>th</sup> and August 30<sup>th</sup>. The forms are in this edition of the Mission Echo.

The program is designed for individual participation and circle/unit participation. An Individual Form and a Unit Form is provided. Participation can be done daily, weekly and monthly.

Opportunities to be in ministry through prayers, supplies, increased knowledge through reading and strengthening connections with all God's children compose the program. We recommit to our principles of faith, hope and love in action through participation in this program.

A few signatures, unit president and participant member along with dates will complete the form. A district designee will collect them and share the district's participation numbers with our conference officers. Prior to your District Annual Meeting, your district will advise who will receive the completed form and where to send it. Participants will be acknowledged at our conference 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at First United Methodist Church, Myrtle Beach, Marion District October 21-22, 2022.

**We are a community of women.**

**Our next fifty years begins now!**

**May God continue His blessings upon us.**

# Remembering Our Fifty Years United Women in Faith -UWF Unit Form

Program runs from March 15, 2022 to August 15, 2022. UMF Units will collect all individual forms and send to district with this unit form.

Unit Name/address\_\_\_\_\_

Unit President's Name \_\_\_\_\_ District\_\_\_\_\_

Unit President's phone + email\_\_\_\_\_

Unit size in 2022: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number Individual Forms completed:\_\_\_\_\_ Unit Form completed? Yes/No

The UWF Unit must complete at least 5 items. More is encouraged. Total completed and reported\_\_\_\_\_

Check if you did the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Increase your membership with one new person in 2022.  
Name them.\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Identify your oldest aged member by name and birthdate.\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Identify your longest serving unit member by name and birth date.\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Identify your youngest aged member by name and birth date.\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Provide \$5 to each of our four SC Missions, Bethlehem Center Spartanburg, Columbia  
Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth and Wallace Family Life Center.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Provide \$5 to each of our five Channels of Giving: Pledge to Mission, Gift in Memory, Gift to  
Mission, Special Mission Recognition and World Thank.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Promote our four SC Missions in a UWF meeting (circle or unit) as the program. Share 5  
minutes on each.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Use the Program Resource 2021-2022: Healing and Joy on Our Journey to God for two  
monthly programs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Use the Charter for Racial Justice as the program for a UWF monthly meeting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Include the Daily Prayer Guide 2022 at two monthly meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Attend our virtual free SCCUWF Spiritual Growth Event April 23.  
Name\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Attend Assembly 2022. May attend in person or virtually.  
Name\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Attend our virtual free SCCUWF Come Together Be Together June 25.  
Name\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Attend Mission u July 21-23 at Spartanburg Methodist College.  
Name\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Provide \$1 per member to the Legacy Fund for our Every Member Giving Campaign. Total  
amount\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Provide \$5 to the Presidential Scholarship Fund. Total amount\_\_\_\_\_

## Remembering Our Fifty Years United Women in Faith - Individual Form

Program runs from March 15, 2022 to August 15, 2022. UWF Units will collect forms and send to district.

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature + date \_\_\_\_\_

Participants must complete at least 5 items. More is encouraged. Total completed and reported: \_\_\_\_\_

### Check if you did the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Lift prayers to God for (1) United Women in Faith organization, (2) South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Past Presidents, and (3) current leaders of South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Lift prayers to God for (1) the United Methodist Church, (2) Bishop Holston, (3) South Carolina United Methodist Church Staff and (4) Methodist Church pastors and leaders.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Lift prayers to God for (1) America, (2) all countries, (3) all world leaders, (4) peace and (5) love.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Lift prayers to God for (1) children, (2) elderly, (3) lonely, (4) have sickness, (5) strong faith and (6) hope.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Lift prayers to God with our four SC Missions, Bethlehem Center Spartanburg, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth and Wallace Family Life Center.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Make donations of needed items to a food pantry.

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Make donations of needed items to a homeless shelter, drug recovery home, or a victim protection shelter.

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Connect with a shut-in through a visit, telephone conversation or a mailed greeting card.

\_\_\_\_\_ 9. Provide sympathy to someone experiencing loss by providing a meal, telephone call or a mailed sympathy card.

\_\_\_\_\_ 10. Mail a card to someone you do not know, found in the *Daily Prayer Guide 2022*, pages 184-233.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. Mail a card to a National Mission Institution, found in the *Daily Prayer Guide 2022*, pages 234-239.

\_\_\_\_\_ 12. In your **Bible** read two chapters from either the books of Esther or Ruth. Read in both books to count it twice.

\_\_\_\_\_ 13. In your **Bible** read five chapters from Proverbs or Psalms. Read in both books to count it twice.

\_\_\_\_\_ 14. Read two articles in *response: the magazine of women in mission*. Read four articles to count it twice.

\_\_\_\_\_ 15. Read the Charter for Racial Justice. Pray for it to be upheld.

\_\_\_\_\_ 16. Read a Mission u study book, any category.

\_\_\_\_\_ 17. Read a current Reading Program book, any category.

### Unit President completes the following:

Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit size in 2022: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number Individual Forms completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Form completed? Yes/No

## *Nominations Committee Update*

“God places opportunities to serve in our paths every day. We can ignore them, dwelling on the before, or embrace them, engaging in the now with faith, commitment and love.”

Cornelia Wieck, Global Missionary from the United States who served in China

Adapted from the Daily Prayer Guide 2022.

I met Missionary Connie Wieck at a local unit meeting while I was serving as the Charleston District President. She had served for many years at a college in China teaching the students majoring in education how to teach English in the local schools. When Covid-19 hit, she found herself in the United States unable to return to her life's work in China. But that didn't stop her from serving as a Missionary. She started with a new project here.

National United Women in Faith has initiated a campaign to embrace this “now” that we all face in new and exciting ways to make our organization more welcoming to more women.

SCCUWF Nominations has decided to pick up this banner to engage women in leadership positions in new ways. We want to respect what each unique woman has to offer while being involved in Conference UWF activities, not just dwelling on what has happened before. We want to engage new ideas and new ways to accomplish goals. That might be seen as offering new types of projects, new ways to present events, new relationships to accomplish tasks.

For example, we are hoping women might want to partner up with someone else to share responsibilities in our leadership positions and/or have a larger variety of ladies on teams to help with activities, events, communications, social actions, managerial tasks, and whatever else is needed to promote our Purpose as United Women in Faith.

Conference Nominations will be searching for members with many different types of skill sets and a caring passion for the plight of women, children and youth who are struggling in their lives. To make this happen, we aren't going to give you a long list of specific details you have to accomplish according to previous criteria, but instead ask you what opportunities do you have a passion to embrace, along with the help of others, to engage “in the now with faith, commitment and love.”

Please look over the SCCUWF Opportunity Worksheet in this newsletter and decide where your interests and talents may lead you to participate. This worksheet can also be used by Districts and local units to identify your group members' abilities and skills. If you feel the call to serve in any capacity, please send your completed worksheet to Kathy Roys, kathy5339@att.net or 107 Hickory Trace Dr., Goose Creek, SC 29445, or you can give it to your District President.

Kathy Roys, SCCUWF CON Chair

## SCCUWF Opportunity Worksheet

Form can be filled out online at <https://bit.ly/3qBCyMG>

Areas of interests: (Check as many as you like.)

- Promoting missions
- Promoting social action
- Communications support
- Reading program support
- Spiritual growth development
- Administration
- Secretarial support
- Money management
- Membership concerns
- Leadership promotion
- Event planning
- Fundraising
- Other (specify)

Type of Involvement:

- Coordinator
- Co-coordinator
- Team member
- Special Task support
- As needed

Time Commitment:

- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Certain time of year (Please specify when.)
- As needed
- Limited to a specific task

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

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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