

# Mission Echo



SCCUWF Newsletter | March 2024

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# LAST DATE TO REGISTER

MARCH 19, 2024



## EVENT:

Let's Get Together for the Southeastern Jurisdictional Quadrennial meeting! Have you registered yet? If not, you still have time. **Deadline is March 19th.**

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[WWW.SEJUWF.ORG](http://WWW.SEJUWF.ORG)

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# Greetings From the Desk of the President

Clarice Blakeney



Easter and springtime are a wonderful time to bring joy and happiness to others. I really enjoy the bright days and seeing smiling faces at gatherings of United Women in Faith around the conference. Your participation in your unit, district and conference activities and programs is what keeps us connected and viable to our mission.

Thank you for your pledges and donations to help carry out our goals for 2024.

We are committed to Social Action, Racial Justice, Educational and Spiritual opportunities and Leadership Training. Many communities are depending on our sisterhood to be there for them in their time

of need. I am confident we will step up for women, children and youth in our state, nation and the world.

Please keep up to date on all the events planned on the calendar throughout the year. The committee chairs are working diligently to provide growth, information and encouragement.

I am asking you to stay positive and pray as we work through discernment for all that is going on in our conference and nation with separation, district reorganization and regionalization. We always put all our trust in our faith, hope and love in action.

*Clarice Blakeney,*  
President SCCUMF



## EASTER JOYS



# South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith

2024 Mission Trip

Boarding for the "Get Together"



## Registration

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellphone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost of Transportation and 1 Meal: \$185.00

Make checks payable to the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith

Mail checks to:

Jacquelyn Session

1018 Bordeaux Avenue

Sumter, South Carolina 29153

Contact Information: [jacquelyn.session@outlook.com](mailto:jacquelyn.session@outlook.com)

803.883.6070

Bus Ride: \$185 is extended to February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Travelers Must Make Hotel Reservations by March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Please provide the front desk with arrival date and group name to reserve rooms: South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith.**

Pick up locations: Please circle your pickup choices:

**Charleston** – Grace UMC – 1601 Rittenburg Blvd., Charleston, S.C. - Depart 7:00am

**Columbia**-Columbia College-Campus Police Parking Lot - Depart 9:00am

**Spartanburg**-Silver Hill UMC-778 John B. White St. Blvd., Spartanburg, S.C. – Depart 11:00am

**\*\*You are responsible for registering for the SEJ Conference\*\***

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Thurs., April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Sun., April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

\$185.00 Per Person

Price includes Round Trip Bus Ride, Snacks, Water and  
Box Lunch Upon Departure on Sunday

Pick up in Charleston, Columbia, and Spartanburg, SC

Return April 21<sup>st</sup> to pick up points

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The Chattanooga Hotel

1201 Broad Street

Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

423.756.3400

Rooms Sleep up to 4 at \$169.00 plus tax a night with Restaurant on Site.

Bus Ride: \$185 is extended to February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Register to attend at [sejuwf.org](http://sejuwf.org)

SEJ Registration: \$240

Join the Fun, Fellowship, Worship, Workshops, Witness the Voting and  
Cheer for our Nominees!

**TOGETHER** we can do more. **TOGETHER** we can be more. **TOGETHER** the power of  
love in action can change the world.

# IT'S COMING! IT'S COMING! IT'S RIGHT AROUND THE BEND!

By: Sue Owens

Yes indeed! The Chattanooga Choo Choo is revving its engines in preparation for heading to Chattanooga! **Have you registered yet?** The deadline is coming! It will be too late after March 19th! We have exciting things prepared for you!

We will be greeted by Sally Vonner, our National CEO on Friday night. Janet Wolf will be our Keynote speaker. Informative workshops will broaden your minds. The election of the Board of Directors of the National Office will be held. Kimberly Graham is our nominee for Director. The new SEJ Leadership Team will be elected and installed. Two of our very own, Azilee Dickey and Betty Void, are on the slate of nominees for the Team. We will have a panel discussion concerning how racism has affected many people of color in our jurisdiction. We will have tabletalks to share our thoughts and feelings. We will have a Celebration Banquet on Saturday night where we will celebrate the Legacy Fund as well as be entertained by a comedienne. Sunday morning will bring Ainise I'samiu, our National President, to the stage to bring us greetings. All this and more for the bargain price of \$240!

Are you still collecting dollar bills? Remember that G is for God and J is for Jesus and the Jurisdiction. These dollars will be collected on Friday night. L for Lord and Legacy dollars will be collected Saturday night at the banquet. Non denominational dollars can be given at any of the gatherings. Do you have so many collected that it will be difficult to bring them all? We accept checks also made out to SEJ Leadership Team UMW. Or you can change your dollars to higher denominations and bring those. Our goal is \$15,000!

**Come one!**

**Come all**

**All aboard!**

[www.sejuwf.org](http://www.sejuwf.org)

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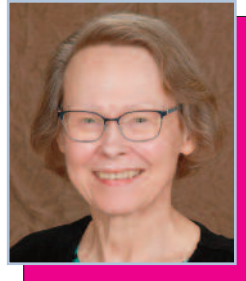
# HELLO UNITED "SISTERS" IN FAITH:

Vice President - Kathy Roys

In December, I had the pleasure of visiting Woodland United Methodist Church in Rock Hill. This will be our host church for the 2024 South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting with Rock Hill being our host district. The dates are **October 25-26**. Woodland UMC has nice facilities and their members are excited to share their hospitality with us. We discussed many great ideas we are sure you will enjoy. Please go ahead and put the dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

I hope your district Officers' Training went well. The Conference will be providing training to our district

counterparts on November 9. Due to a reduction in our Conference budget and in district budgets, we will be offering this training online.



Kathy Roys, VP

We hope many more officers will be able to participate with this format.

In planning programs and events, please be sure to take advantage of all the many resources available at **uwfaith.org**. For those who want to join an online community, there is **uwfaith.org/digital**. You can

connect with our sisters around the country, engage in various activities, and find valuable resources here such as digital versions of the Program Resource book, Daily Prayer Guide, and Mission u curricula. The January/February edition of our **Response** magazine has a good article on this.

I hope you are registered to attend Southeast Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting in Chattanooga, Tennessee on April 19-21. It will be a great time for all! See you then!

Smiles to All,

*Kathy*

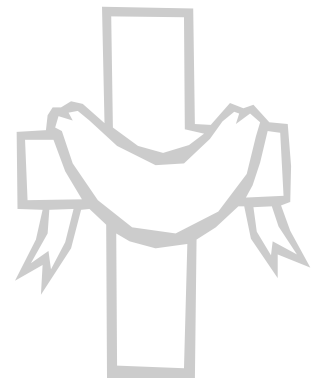
SCCUWF Vice President  
Vice President & Program Coordinator



## HE LIVES

By Joanna Fuchs

Happy Easter! Allelujah!  
Jesus Christ, He lives!  
Serve Him to receive salvation;  
Eternal life he gives!



# NOTES FROM THE INTERIM TREASURER

Greetings South Carolina  
United Women in Faith!

For 153 years, members of the United Women in Faith have taken the risk of being in the middle of mission action. They have joined the ministry of Jesus in God's mission, like the women in Luke 8:1-3 (NIV):

*After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, 2 and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; 3 Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.*

As we begin this new year, I would like to thank each of you for your support of women, children, and youth. Your generous donations in 2023 allowed our conference to send \$215,921.83 towards our Pledge to Mission goal of \$271,000.00. As we look towards our 2024 Pledge to Mission goal of \$232,800.00, I pray that each of

you will contribute as God has blessed you. We must remember our foremothers and their vision of providing for those who are unable to provide for themselves. We are very optimistic that our goal will be met at the end of 2024.

**2024  
Pledge  
\$232,800**

The work that can be accomplished through mission giving is beyond our imagination. Women, children, and youth around the globe depend on our help and support. As God's people, we are called to help the less fortunate, and I believe each of you is willing to give. Your donations to your local unit as well as through our online giving help the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith meet and exceed our goal. Your mission giving donations allows this conference to sponsor programs

and events that enrich our spiritual lives as members of United Women of Faith.

Fulfilling our **PURPOSE** of United Women in Faith is a task that brings many blessings to the givers and receivers. I challenge each of you to commit to attending all 2024 South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith events and programs. You will find in this issue a list of event dates that you can place on your calendar. Most events will be held via Zoom, which gives you extra time and comfort at home since no travel is needed. Those events held in person will allow you to fellowship with your sisters and take selfies!

Blessings for your life's journey.....

*Janice Cockfield Eaddy*

2024 SCCUWFaith Interim Treasurer

*"Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for the women you have used through the centuries to support and lead the ministry of the United Women in Faith and lend your strength, wisdom, and courage to those who do so today. In Jesus' name, Amen."*





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**South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith  
2024 District Pledges**

<b>District</b>	<b>Pledge</b>
Anderson	<b>\$19,800.00</b>
Charleston	<b>\$18,000.00</b>
Columbia	<b>\$50,000.00</b>
Florence	<b>\$16,000.00</b>
Greenville	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
Greenwood	<b>\$12,000.00</b>
Hartsville	<b>\$26,000.00</b>
Marion	<b>\$11,000.00</b>
Orangeburg	<b>\$17,000.00</b>
Rock Hill	<b>\$18,000.00</b>
Spartanburg	<b>\$16,500.00</b>
Walterboro	<b>\$13,500.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$232,800.00</b>

Thank You for your support

2024 South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith	
	2024 Budget
I Pledge to Mission	\$232,800.00
II A&MD Funds	
A. Conference Officers	
1. Travel & Per Diem	\$760.00
2. Officer Expense & Supplies	\$550.00
3. Mailing Service	\$65.00
4. Postage	\$490.00
5. Business Expenses	\$1,650.00
B. Jurisdiction A&MD Funds	\$2,328.00
C. District A&MD Funds	\$26,364.71
D. Mission U	
1. Regional	\$2,650.00
2. Conference	\$6,500.00
3. District	\$3,000.00
4. Youth	\$175.00
E. Conference Programs & Events	
1. Annual Meeting	\$8,100.00
2. Spiritual Growth Retreat	\$200.00
3. Officer Training	\$150.00
4. Legislative Day	\$100.00
5. MNO Event	\$250.00
6. Charter for Racial Justice	\$200.00
7. Ed. & Interpretation Event	\$150.00
8. Limitless Team	\$50.00
9. Legacy Fund	\$25.00
F. State, Reg., & National Events	
1. Appalachian Ministries	\$0.00
2. Annual Conference Booth	\$150.00

3. Leadership Development Day	\$30.00
G. Publications	
1. Directories and Standing Rule	\$250.00
2. Mission Echo	\$0.00
3. Program Resources	\$150.00
H. Audit	\$500.00
I. In Remembrance Gifts	\$100.00
J. Special Recognitions	\$850.00
K. Contingency Fund	\$146.29
L. Accumulative Funds	
1. National Assembly	\$3,500.00
2. SEJ Meeting	\$2,000.00
3. Leadership Training	\$0.00
4. Assembly Offering	\$250.00
5. Special Seminars & Workshops	\$0.00
6. Mission Trip	\$1,000.00
7. Scholarship Fund	\$2,000.00
M. Advertisement/Publicity	\$500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$65,184.00</b>

# SCC UW Faith 2024 Budget



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# Clemson United Methodist Church. of the Anderson District to Hold Virtual Event



## South Carolina United Women In Faith Spiritual Growth Event via Zoom

All persons are invited to attend this Uplifting Event

### *God Is the Sower in Faith and Hope*

Saturday April 6, 2024 at 10:00 - 11:30am

Our Scripture will be Matthew 13: 3-9

**Registration  
is Free**

The South Carolina Conference of United Women In Faith  
Spiritual Growth Committee is very excited to present our Virtual Zoom Event!  
We are looking forward to you being there.

Our session will be 90 Minutes and led by Dee Jones -Henderson of Seneca SC.  
She is a lay servant and works with United Way of Oconee.  
She attends New Harmony UMC in Seneca.



**Registration is FREE**

*Register in advance for this meeting  
by scanning the QR code or copying and pasting this link*

<https://shorturl.at/hmCH3>



Any questions??? Please contact our Registrar Donna Hopkin  
Email: Marcell405@bellsouth.net. or Phone; 864-915-5872

# Wallace Family Life Center Update

Submitted by Linda Sanders, Interim Director

The Wallace Family Life Center is a family oriented facility. Their mission is to provide educational, cultural, recreational, and religious programs to enrich the lives of the people that live in the Wallace/Bennettsville communities.

## Greetings All,

On May 6, 2023 Wallace Family Life Center received a freezer as a donation from Ebenezer UMC Outreach Ministry – Rev. Marvin Kern is the Pastor. Our Summer Camp began on May 12, 2023 with 15 children in attendance. Linda Honeycutt from Philadelphia UMC in Fort Mills, SC visited the center to deliver school supplies from her United Women in Faith unit.

On August 4, 2023 former Board of Directors Chairman Katie Harrington and Interim Director Linda Sanders prepared back to school supplies for students in the Wallace area. On August 7, 2023 50 bookbags were given out.

Wallace Family Life Center has partnered with other organizations such as Wallace Elementary School Parent Educator Takeshia Harrington for Title I Parent Workshop; Marlboro County Coalition for Family Enrichment; Marlboro County First Step; Palmetto Goodwill and Bennettsville/Cheraw Area Cooperative Ministry.

The center has added two new programs, Line dancing with 20 ladies and one gentleman

participating every Wednesday since October 2023, and an exercise class that meets on Thursdays with 10 ladies participating. We continue to have the Adult Education class on Wednesday from 9:00am-12:00 noon and serve a hot lunch to the participants. The after-school program meets Mondays-Thursdays. The mini bus is transporting these participants to the center and back home for these programs.

This year marks 45 years Wallace Family Life Center has served the Wallace community. Plans are underway for a celebration in September of 2024 with the Bishop joining us for this celebration. More details will follow in the coming months. We are excited to celebrate this 45th Anniversary with the community and dear friends that have supported our efforts at the center. We look forward to having continued support from United Women in

Faith units across the state. We are struggling at the present moment with not having enough funds to operate programs and pay staff. But God is in control, and He will have the last say. To God be The Glory that Wallace Family Life Center will be around for very long time.

## Contact Info:

### Physical Address:

574 Old Wire Road West  
Bennettsville, SC 29512

### Mailing Address:

PO Box 56  
Wallace, SC 29596

### Phone:

843-479-7991

*Serving Wallace  
Community for*

**45** *years*

**WFL**

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith

# COME TOGETHER *Be Together* virtual *Event*

**Saturday May 18, 2024 at 10:00 AM**

*Join us for a morning of fun*

**REGISTRATION IS FREE**

Theme: “God the sower of love and mercy

Rev Katherine Crimm



The South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Membership Nurture and Outreach Committee is very excited to hold the Come Together Be Together event via Zoom. This is a free event that will be held Saturday May 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Preparations and plans are well underway for a lively, inspiring time of fellowship and friendship for all. Our selected theme this year is “God the sower of love and mercy .” Matthew 13: 3-9 The Florence District will host this fun gathering for all. The link will open up at 9:40 a.m.

Our fun event for all ages will include a passionate keynote speaker Rev Katherine Crimm from Highland Park UMC. We are delighted to have her on our event and look so forward to her uplifting message.

*All attendees will hear the inspiring message as one group before attending one of the six workshops for additional learning, fellowship, and fun*

Registration is Open Use the QR Code or copy and past the link.  
<https://shorturl.at/bkYZ7>



## SELECT YOUR WORKSHOP DURING REGISTRATION

- **HEALTHY EATING** -- will teach the essential means for staying strong, boost immunity, overall better function of organs and muscles.
- **LAKE CITY GARDENS** -- tour around the beautiful grounds and understanding of how we got them.
- **BIBLE STUDY ON “SOWING LOVE AND MERCY”** -- will inspire and encourage sharing God’s love and mercy with all.
- **SAFETY AWARENESS AND PREVENTION** -- will explore and open our eyes to our surroundings and make us more alert.
- **DISASTER PREPAREDNESS** -- will dissect and explain what to look for and how to cope in the pressures of mother nature.
- **YOGA – BODY SOUL AND MIND** -- will center us fully on the benefits of reducing stress to improve sleep and brighter moods, ease arthritis and back pain by improving balance and flexibility.

Ensure you are “sowing GODs Love and Mercy”. Feel free to make your Zoom full of LOVE themes. Get creative in your zoom space and wear colors that mean Mercy and Love to you. We look forward to our morning together as we put faith, hope, and love into action. See you on May 18th!

For questions, please contact our chairperson / registrar: Angela Allen • Phone: 864-680-9029 Email: Angela.Allen@charter.net

# Charter for Racial Justice Event

Submitted by: Kathy Roys

Please plan to participate in our second online **Racial + Environmental Justice** event scheduled for June 22, 2024 at 10:00am. Our conference United Women in Faith Charter for Racial Justice Committee has received a \$500 grant from National UW Faith to provide a program and a follow-up project specific to a racial justice issue in our state. We are planning to highlight the plight of the Gullah/Geechee community on St. Helena Island who are dealing with developers trying to build golf courses and a gated community near their county-protected community.

We hope to have a guest speaker from the Penn Center, and the attorney from the South Carolina En-

vironmental Law Project who is representing the Gullah/Geechee Sea Island Coalition. Those who attended this event last year



got to hear from an attorney with the SCLEP who was helping traditionally Black communities with water issues in South Carolina. He gave an eye-opening report of those issues and how they had addressed them.

With the National United Women in Faith grant, we are also required to hold a

follow-up activity. The first part of 2025 we are planning a visit to the Penn Center at St. Helena Island. We will be inviting our Limitless members to join our regular members in touring the facility to learn more about it and perhaps bring supplies for the childcare center on campus. Some may want to take a side trip to Charleston to visit the International African American Museum.

We are hoping to bring more awareness to the vulnerability of historically Black communities being taken over by developers in our state. Join us to learn how you can get involved.

This will count as a Diamond Unit activity.

## Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline Campaign

The school-to-prison pipeline is a term describing how children and youth of color are rerouted and funneled away from educational success toward the criminal justice system when they are overpoliced and punished in schools.

To successfully interrupt the school-to-prison pipeline, we must resist efforts to criminalize children of color and move toward comprehensive, community-rooted solutions that offer genuine safety for all children. For more information go to: <https://uwfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate/mass-incarceration/>

# Archives & History

By: Judy Roumillat

Archives are the collections of items that confirm the history of our organization. Our conference archives are stored with those of the SC UMC in the library at Wofford College. At the last officers training event, I gave each district representative a list of the items from their district which are stored there. I have also shared with the executive board an inventory of all UMW items stored in the Wofford Library.

As we begin filing away UWF historical records there has been a change in how we are asked to submit them. Dr. Phillip Stone, the conference archivist, has requested whenever possible we send electronic copies of documents for storage at Wofford. That's as simple as emailing a copy of directories, newsletters, program books from events, etc. to him. This should help us in adding to the archives in a timely manner instead of having to take boxes of paperwork to Wofford. It also helps with the storage space issue.

Dr. Stone's staff will want to organize these documents so researchers can easily access them. Therefore, please identify your documents by name and level. Example: *Anderson District UWF Directory 2024*. Pictures are always welcome. However, it's important that the people are identified with the name of the event, conference or district and date.

Our goal is to save our history AND to make it easy to retrieve when needed.

Email any questions and documents to Dr. Phillip Stone at [stonep@wofford.edu](mailto:stonep@wofford.edu).

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## *Preserving History*

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# Education and Interpretation

Beth Addis

*Those districts and units looking for a fundraiser this year, please consider doing a Move 4 Mission event. This event was created by United Women in Faith National to be a way to raise money because every conference is experiencing budget shortfalls. Look at last year's response magazine for articles and the uwfaith website for more information. The following article contains some basic information.*

This Article is a reprint from the "response Magazine" written By Kenya Roberts

This year [2023] United Women in Faith from around the nation moved for mission. Together we put love into action by walking, running, doing yoga, Zumba, chair exercises, knitting, dancing, and finding many creative ways to move together and raise funds to support the many vital programs made possible by gifts to mission.

Heidi Careaga, United Women in Faith Finance Committee chair, said, "It doesn't matter how you move; you just move! It is healthy for your mind and body and can also be healthy for our organization. I am inspired by Philippians 3:12 (CEV): 'I have not yet reached my goal, and I am not perfect. But Christ has taken hold of me. So I keep on running and struggling to take hold of the prize.... I run toward the goal, so I can win the prize of being called to heaven. This is the prize God offers because of what Christ Jesus has done.' I am reminded to move toward the goal of what God has for us now and for the future."

Many conferences, including the Missouri Conference and Michigan Conference, continue to move mission forward by holding mission walks and other events in their conferences.

The Great Plains Conference leadership team held its Move 4 Mission event on June 23. This activity included an obstacle course that highlighted "where Mission money goes." The stations included "Shoot for the STARS" – the five areas of giving; "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" – regional missionaries; "Bowl Me Over" – National Mission Institutions; "Use Your Noodle" – climate justice and mass incarceration; and "13 Steps" to sustainability.

Each had a physical activity and bonus points for answering questions on each subject area. They challenged themselves and one another with the theme, "Moving Mountains for Mission."

Staff members at the United Women in Faith National Office participated in a month-long Move 4 Mission walk. Director of Development Cecilia Malm said, "I participated in Move 4 Mission with my colleagues because for me it is about taking steps – taking steps to educate and equip women leaders, both present and future; taking steps to support local communities and international partners; taking steps to join together with my sisters in faith; and taking steps to keep my body healthy! I hope you will join me in moving forward today toward a better future for women, children, and youth."

We celebrate and give thanks for a sisterhood of bold, courageous, mission-focused, and loving women. As we look to the new year, let us think of more ways we can continue to move the mission of United Women in Faith forward. [from uwfaith.org]

**Kenya Roberts** is the executive for Development Management for United Women in Faith.

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*You can join a Move 4 Mission Facebook group if you would like. The Move 4 Mission 2023 FAQ sheet is on the following page. Be aware that some of the information is out-of-date. The fundraising priority for 2024 is Mission Giving, not what is listed on the FAQ sheet.*

*#If and when a new FAQ sheet is published, I will send it out. **Beth***





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## **Move 4 Mission 2023**

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

#### **What is Move 4 Mission?**

Move 4 Mission is a fundraiser hosted by a United Women in Faith (UW Faith) group. This is an opportunity to move together and raise funds for the work supported by UW Faith. Groups can move by walking, running, dancing, chair exercising, doing Zumba, hiking, or any other activity that they decide to do together.

#### **Who is invited to attend?**

All are welcome! No one is excluded from joining an event and participating in the way that they are able to. All participants are asked to sign the waiver and photo release form to join in the activities.

#### **What will the funds support?**

We encourage funds to be raised for Education and Leadership Development (Project #2737803) this year. This supports programs such as Leadership Development Days, Mission u, Reading Program, and more!

#### **How can participants learn more about United Women in Faith?**

Well, I am glad you asked. In addition to talking with local members at the event, we encourage women to visit our [website](#) to learn more and also join as an [All Access member](#) if they want to be a part of the mission.

#### **How can participants give to United Women in Faith?**

Participants can give through the local unit, district, or conference hosting the event. They can also give through the national website using the link below. On the give form, donors are invited to credit their conference, district, and local unit.

Give Link: <https://www.uwfaith.org?form=m4m>

#### **What is the online event for?**

The online Facebook event has been created to connect participants everywhere to this event. We hope that units, district, and conferences across the U.S. will post pictures of their event, fundraising results, and generate excitement for Move 4 Mission! Participants everywhere can respond to the Facebook event invitation and indicate their attendance.

#### **Where can I learn more about Move 4 Mission?**

Visit: [uwfaith.org/move4mission](http://uwfaith.org/move4mission) or email [MissionGiving@UW Faith.org](mailto:MissionGiving@UW Faith.org)

# PRAYER PALS

Growing spiritually is the best way that we can understand our part in God's mission and ministry in our world. Connecting with our other United Methodist Sisters in our conference through prayer and blessings can help us become stronger in our Christian journey. If you are interested in participating in this connection, please contact me or your District Spiritual Growth Coordinator. You will be given your prayer pals information and they will be given yours.

Please send this information to Vickie Harvey

email: vtharvey62@gmail.com or

mail it to 440 Goldmine Road Spartanburg SC 29307



**Please fill out the following information:**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other information you wish your prayer partner may need to know:

\_\_\_\_\_

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Lent begins with a challenge: clear out the mental and spiritual clutter and discover how to live life to the fullest. -Maggi Dawn



# SAVE THE DATE



## MISSION u JULY 18-20, 2024

Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

### Theme: The Kin-dom is Among You: Drawing Closer to God and One Another

Join us at Mission u, July 18-20,2024, as we explore what it means to draw closer to God and one another.

Jesus told his followers the kin-dom was among them (Luke 17:21). What does that mean? Who does Jesus say will inherit the kin-dom? How do we transform ourselves and our communities in ways that bring us closer to the kin-dom and the kin-dom closer to us? Dive into these questions and more at Mission u 2024 as we examine Scripture together and join in worship, fellowship, and action.

Our Mission u 2024 offers two exciting curricula on this theme: **“Welcome Home** written by Neomi Fletcher (Adult study) and **Cultivating Symbiosis: The Nature of God’s Kin-dom** written by Nica Sy. Purchase your copy from: [uwfaithresources.org](http://uwfaithresources.org)

Adult — Welcome Home by Neomi Fletcher - The adult curriculum uses the image of home to explore how living in close proximity to the kin-dom is like making a home with God. Participants are invited to develop practices for building healthy, welcoming communities as a result of being anchored in the abiding love of God.

Youth — Cultivating Symbiosis: The Nature of God’s Kin-dom by Nica Sy. In Creation, we see the power of symbiosis, or interdependent relationship. The youth curriculum explores the idea of symbiosis between our relationships with one another and our relationship with God. By drawing closer to one another and our world, we draw closer to the kin-dom.

### Study Books



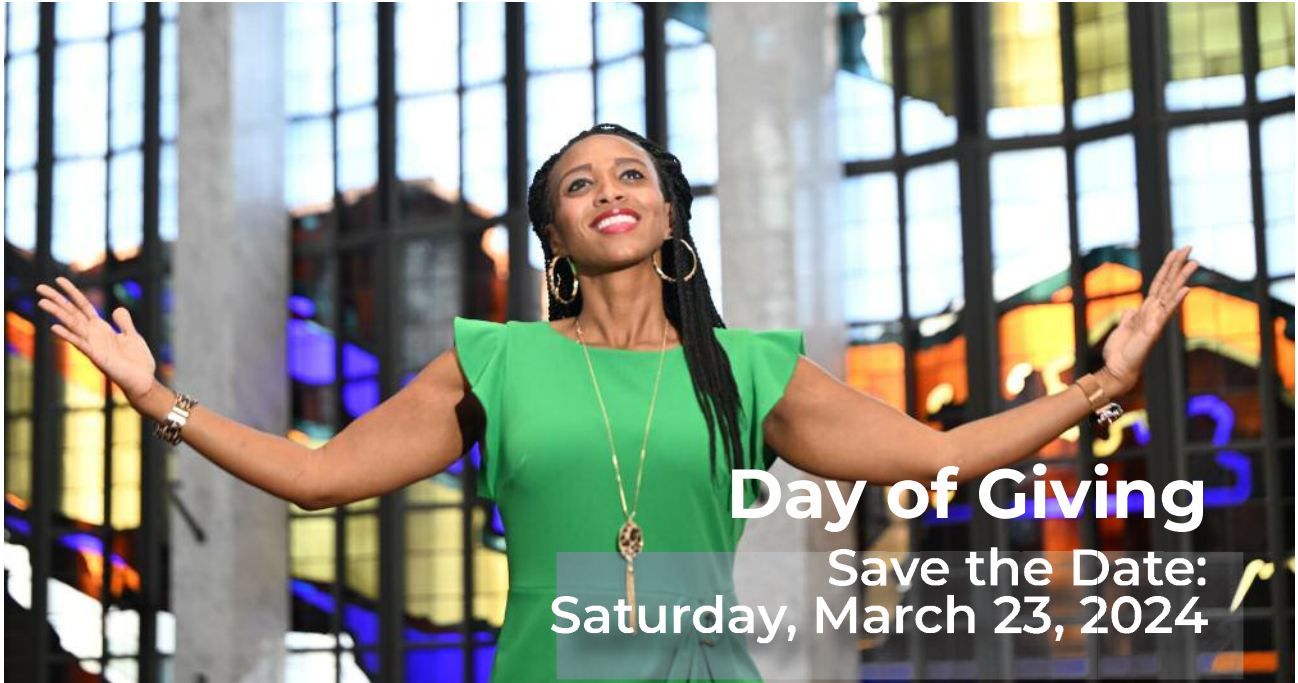
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Save the Date:  
Saturday, March 23, 2024

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**Faithfully Forward** Join United Women in Faith as we step faithfully forward, uniting hearts and hands to create a brighter, more compassionate tomorrow for women, children, and youth. Give to The Legacy Endowment Fund on the Day of Giving, March 23.

#### WAYS TO GIVE

- **Online at:** [uwfaith.org/dayofgiving](http://uwfaith.org/dayofgiving)
- **By phone:** 800-278-7771 (8 am–5 pm EST, Mon.–Fri.)
- **Text:** “FUTURE” to 20503
- **By check to:**

United Women in Faith, Attn: Legacy  
777 United Nations Plaza, 11th Floor  
Church Center for the United Nations  
New York, NY 10017



Write “**Day of Giving**” in the memo section.

### Together we are building our Legacy!



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The **Legacy Endowment Fund** is a permanent investment that supports the work and the future of United Women in Faith.

# SPECIAL EMPHASIS MONTHS

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February - Wallace Family Life Center

April - Columbia Bethlehem Community Center

September - Killingsworth

November - Bethlehem Center Spartanburg

## Wallace Family Life Center

574 Old Wire Road West  
Bennettsville, SC 29512  
843-479-7991

## Bethlehem Community Center - Columbia

308 McRae St, Columbia, SC 29203  
803-807-9583

## Killingsworth

1831 Pendleton St,  
Columbia, SC 29201  
803-771-6359

## Bethlehem Center Spartanburg

397 Highland Ave,  
Spartanburg, SC 29306  
864-582-7158

# FROM THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Nominations held its first meeting of 2024 and found we have several vacancies for the upcoming year. We are truly appreciative of all of you who continue to serve. While reality dictates that things and events change in people's lives and sometimes, we must step away for a while, with hopes of one day possibly returning. Attached are Talent Cards and Profiles. Even if you cannot serve right away, fill it out for future reference that we may update our notebooks. The following positions will be vacated in October on the Executive Team by letter of non-consideration or tenure (four years served):

President, Vice President, Secretary Program Resources, Spiritual Growth, three Committee on Nomination positions, and three elected members for the Charter for Racial Justice Committee.

Please pray and seek guidance in your willingness to serve. We will be transparent and answer any questions you may have to the best of our ability and/or guidance of National.



In His Service  
and Yours,

*Azilee*

Azilee B. Dickey, CON Chair (Cell 803-491-6699  
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## I HAVE TALENT!

Tell me how to share it with United Women in Faith

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

District: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Circle preferred contact:    phone    or    email



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# South Carolina Conference UWF (UMW) Potential Leader Form

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: 20's \_\_\_ 30's \_\_\_ 40's \_\_\_ 50's \_\_\_ 60's \_\_\_ 70's \_\_\_ 80's \_\_\_ Employed? \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Skills/ Job Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Offices/Appointments held in UMW/UWF:

Local Unit \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction/National \_\_\_\_\_

Additional experience within the church or community other than UMW/UWF:

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

Which offices are of most interest to you?

President \_\_\_ Vice President \_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_ Treasurer \_\_\_ Nominations \_\_\_

Communications \_\_\_ Spiritual Growth \_\_\_ Social Action \_\_\_ Program Resources \_\_\_

Education & Interpretation (Missions) \_\_\_ Membership, Nurture & Outreach \_\_\_

Charter for Racial Justice Committee \_\_\_ (Please continue on back.)

Are you able to participate in online meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to travel for meetings and events? \_\_\_\_\_

When would you be available to serve? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able and willing to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen the Purpose of United Women in Faith? \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to a Committee on Nominations member or send to:  
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# WE ARE LIMITLESS...



**WHO ARE WE:** Teens from 12 to 18  
young ladies 18+ mentors for our girls



↳ **WHAT ARE WE:** A group of God seeking youth who want to  
serve God and form relationships with other youth in our state

**WHAT DO WE DO:** We meet twice a year  
for fellowship and mission projects



↳ **WHEN DO WE MEET:** We meet in July and  
December at area churches

**WHERE DO WE MEET:** TBD as facilities become available



↳ **OUR MISSION:** To provide young ladies  
opportunities to build relationships through  
worship and service

**HOW TO JOIN US:** Email your name and  
phone number to [youth123sc@gmail.com](mailto:youth123sc@gmail.com)

*...AND YOU CAN BE  
TOO!*

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an  
example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. Timothy 4:12



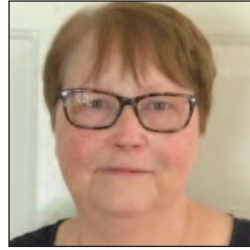
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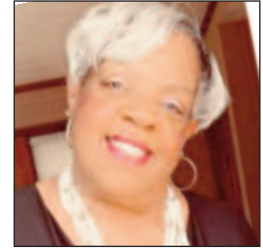
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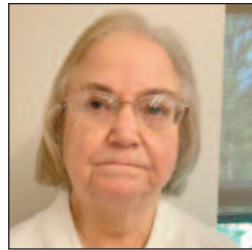
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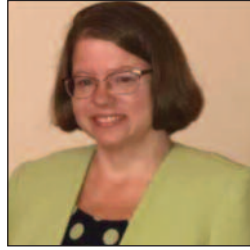
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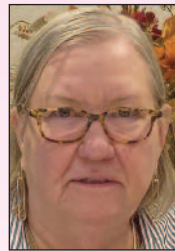
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We're a **sisterhood** acting in **faith** to tackle the **hard work** of the **world** without hesitation.

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**MISSION:** We seek 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.

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**VISION:** We are a powerful, fearless force driven by God's love and united in sisterhood. With a focus on women, children and youth, we act for justice and transform communities.

We face the realities we see in the world, even when they are not the ones we would like to see. However, our goal is not to bear witness simply to harms but also to God's love by acting boldly to change those harms.

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**ACTION:** Bold action, like faith, takes courage. Our bravery is inspired by God's love and our powerful commitment to improve the lives of women, children and youth. United Women in Faith works for justice through compassionate service and advocacy to change unfair policies and systems that harm women, children and youth—from racial and gender injustice to economic inequality, climate issues and more.

Take a minute to relax

# Fun Page

B R Y L B M E S S A N M W K R O W T E N C N P  
N W V V P Y P E Y P R E S I D E N T J A J U G  
O M X G Y C H A N G E W E C I T S U J J L N L  
I E Z N R Z X B L A U T I R I P S Q Z W E I U  
T E D I U O I N F L U E N C E F U D I M A T F  
C T L U N R W A G O O N A T T A H C S D D E G  
A I U Z C S T T M T Y T I N U M M O C O E D N  
M N H P T A P U H U U X R E N N O V L H R W I  
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B E A O T C A P M I G M Y N L O V E Y T H S K  
N B P R M S I S T E R H O O D A H P A T H I W

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden     and .

ACTION  
ADVOCATE  
ASSEMBLY  
CHANGE  
CHATTANOOGA  
CHILDREN  
COMMUNITY  
EDUCATE

FAITH  
GROWTH  
IMPACT  
INFLUENCE  
INSPIRATION  
INSPIRE  
JESUS  
JUSTICE

LEADER  
LOCAL  
LOVE  
MEANINGFUL  
MEETINGS  
MISSION U  
NETWORK  
NURTURING

PATH  
PODCAST  
PRESIDENT  
SISTERHOOD  
SPIRITUAL  
SUPPORT  
UNITED  
UPLIFTING

VONNER  
WORK

# Announcements

**APRIL**

SPECIAL EMPHASIS MONTH

**BETHLEHEM  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER  
COLUMBIA**

**Presidential  
Scholarship**

**Deadline**

(postmarked by)

**March 1st**

For more information **CLICK HERE**

**MARCH 23**

**DAY OF**

**GIVING**

**Spiritual  
Growth**

Event via Zoom

April 6th



**SEJ**

**QUADRENNIAL  
MEETING**

**CHATANOOGA, TN**

**APRIL 19 -21**

**Limitless  
Event**

**Saturday, July  
6th @ 10am**

In-Person  
Location TBA

**Mission u**

July 18 - 20th

Spartanburg  
Methodist College

(In person event)

**COME TOGETHER**

**BE TOGETHER**

**MAY 18TH**

**VIRTUAL EVENT**

**10 AM**



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