



Greenwood District United Women in Faith
United Women in Faith News A Plenty
 JUNE, 2024 CAROL MARSE, PRESIDENT

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United Women in Faith Greenwood District Day Apart

**MARCH 2, 2024
 TRANQUIL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**



Attendees to the Greenwood District UWF Day Apart at Tranquil UMC were greeted by these ladies (left to right) Evelyn Cauley, Jean Byrd, Linda Goldman, Carol Langley, Martha Vincent, and Jane Price. In the background is Tranquil's 200th Anniversary banner from several years ago. Thank you, ladies!



“Are You A Transformer?”

Using the theme of “Are You A Transformer?”, Dr. Mary Lynn Polk inspired the 37 ladies in attendance at this year’s District Day Apart at Tranquil UMC. Her powerful message gave her listeners much food for thought during this special time apart in a beautiful setting created by the United Women in Faith of Tranquil. Like the words of “Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place” that was a part of the program, Tranquil United Methodist Church truly lived up to its peaceful and spiritual name!



News from Greenwood District UWF

President

By Carol Marse

“As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, Oh God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.” PSALM 42: 1-2

The language of thirsting for God has been a theme even in the early days of Methodism. Sermon, hymns and PSALM 42 express a longing for the presence of God. Indeed, in these troubled times for Methodists, we search for answers and lean on God, our everlasting Father, for understanding and peace. We feel peace and comfort in the presence of God. I wish for all of you the blessed peace that only God can provide.

What a wonderful time 37 of us had at the Greenwood District Day Apart at Tranquil United Methodist Church on March second! A huge thank you goes out to Martha Vincent and the ladies of Tranquil. Your decorations were lovely, and your welcome so warm, we felt the joy of fellowship upon arriving at your beautiful church. Ladies, you thought of everything. “Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.” (UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL, p. 328) Wow!! Once again Dr. Mary Lynn Polk inspired us with her powerful message of “Are You a Transformer?” Those of you who were not able to come missed a truly energizing message, and you were missed! Thank you, Mary Lynn and the ladies of Tranquil for a very rewarding Day Apart! We left with renewed spirits to do God’s will.

Summer will fly by, and before we know it, it will be September! Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 28. However, **we have a problem (or an opportunity): Wightman Methodist Church has voted to disaffiliate and will not be able to host our meeting. Please, please notify me if your church would be willing to host our September 28 event. My e-mail address is carolmarse@aol.com and phone number is 803 364-2320.**

We continue to have openings for officers: Vice President, a Communication Coordinator, and a Nominations Chair. Please contact Linda Woods at 864 229-5608 if you are willing to serve. Please search your heart and volunteer!!

Summer events are fast approaching:

- June 22, 2024 Charter for Racial and Environmental Justice Event/virtual (you do need to register for the zoom meeting.)
- July 18-20 Mission U at Spartanburg Methodist College See MISSION ECHO for registration information.

Coming this fall are:

- September 28 Greenwood District Annual Meeting **Location is to be determined.**
- * October 25-26 SCCUWF 52nd Annual Meeting, Woodland UMC, Rock Hill.

Blessings to all the ladies of the Greenwood District,

Carol

Carol Marse, President Greenwood District
carolmarse@aol.com



News from Greenwood District UWF Treasurer

By Patti Nelson

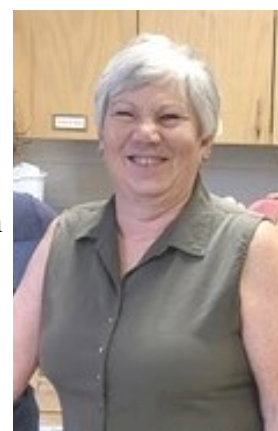
Hi, Ladies,

Just a reminder that our financial year is drawing to a close. Please send your fourth quarter or annual report to me by August 31, 2024 so that I can get my reports in on time. You will find a copy of the remittance form with my information on it on page 9 for your use in doing this. Please make as many copies as you need for your future use. I took over as Greenwood District Treasurer at the first of the year. Please make your checks payable to United Women in Faith—Greenwood District, and mail them to Patti Nelson, 108 Sumter Street, Clinton, SC 29325.

If you have any questions, please call or email me. My cell is 864-923-0165 and email is pnelson@clintonymca.org. If I can be of any help, please let me know.

In your service,

Patti



Hopewell-Sharon United Women in Faith

Hold Informational Meeting

Shown at left (left to right) Patti Nelson, Greenwood District Treasurer; Rev. Kathleen Cinnamon, Hopewell-Sharon Pastor; Sarah Greene, Cluster 1 & 2 Leader and Ed./Interpretation Coord.; Joyce Turner; Carol Marse, Greenwood District President; and Joyce Crouch. These District leaders were invited to share information on UWF and what units need to know about handling their finances, etc.

His Grace Is Enough—2 Corinthians 12: 9



News from Greenwood District

UWF Spiritual Growth Coordinator

By **Mary Lynn Polk**

I am the Spiritual Growth Coordinator for the Greenwood District United Women in Faith or the organization that once was called United Methodist Women. My task is to provide a Devotional for the District Meetings as well as Provide a Day Apart program in the Spring.

I realize that those churches that have disaffiliated are no longer an active part of The United Methodist Church. However, I welcome all the folks who have been faithful participants at our meetings to come and enjoy Christian fellowship with those whose churches have stayed with the United Methodists, gone Global, or become a part of an Independent organization.

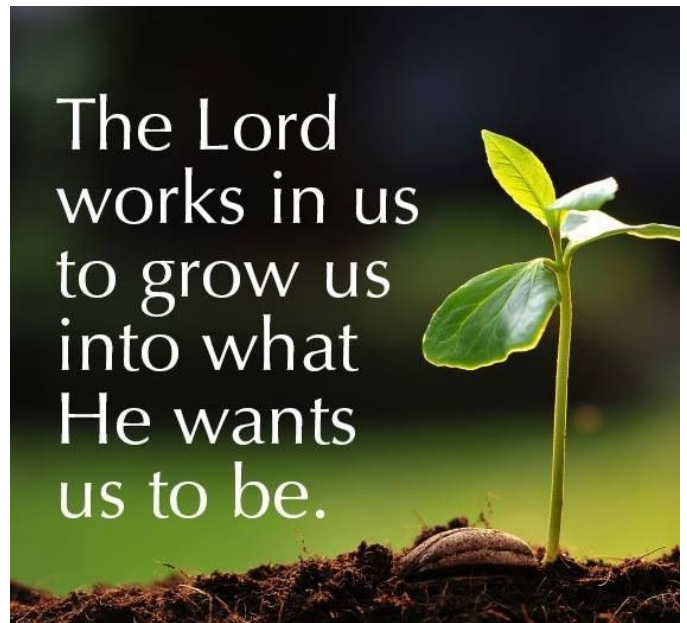
I have gotten to know so many of you that I consider you a part of my Christian Family. Like John Wesley I offer my hand to you in Christian Fellowship. Please feel free to join us regularly or whenever you miss your District friends. I once heard a Christian Speaker say that "we are all headed in the same direction even if we are on buses with different labels!"

Feel free to contact me if or whenever you would like to spend some time in worship and catching up with some of your Christian family that have been and/or still friends from the former Greenwood District.

In Christian Love,

Mary Lynn

Mary Lynn Polk
Spiritual Growth Coordinator



God Bless America!

Glimpses From District Day Apart at Tranquil UMC!



PRESIDENT’S REPORT FOR 2024 (for September 1, 2023—August 31, 2024)

Unit (Church or group of churches) _____

President _____

President’s E-Mail _____ President’s Phone Number _____

President’s Address _____

Membership totals:

Total number of members in unit _____

Total deceased this year _____

Names of Deceased:

Pledges and contributions:

Actual amounts sent in to District Treasurer:

Pledge to Missions _____ World Thank Offering _____ Gift in Memory \$5/card _____

Gift to Missions \$5/card _____ Special Mission Recognition (at least \$40) _____

Call to Prayer & Self Denial _____ Killingsworth _____

Wallace Family Life Center _____ Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg _____

Bethlehem Center, Columbia _____

Participation: (since September 1, 2023)

District Events (Number of people from your unit attending each event):

Annual Meeting 2023—**Sept. 23, Broad Street UMC, Clinton, SC** _____

Day Apart—**March 2, 2024—Tranquil UMC, Greenwood, SC** _____

Conference Events (Number of people from your unit attending each event):

Annual Meeting 2023—**October 20-21, 2023** SCCUWF 51st Annual Mtg. /St. John’s UMC, Aiken,
Orangeburg District _____

Officers’ Training - **November 11, 2023** – District Officers Training/ Columbia District UWF host _____

Legislative Advocacy Days , 2024—Feb. 8 and 15 (Virtual) _____

Come Together, Be Together - May 18, 2024(Virtual) _____

Charter for Racial Justice + Environmental Justice Online Workshop –June 22, 2024 _____

Mission u, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg –July 18-20, 2024 _____

Any Other Conference Events _____ (Continued On Next Page—Page 7)

THE READING CORNER

News from Greenwood District Program Resources Coordinator

By Carolyn Cantrell

Hello, ladies!

I hope everyone is staying inside out of the heat. This would be an enjoyable time to read.

I would like to recommend:

The House That Love Built: Why I Opened My Door to Immigrants and How We Found Hope Beyond a Broken System. (**Category:** Education for Mission)

You Have Been Chosen: Thriving Through The Unexpected The Unexpected is a book about a Black business lady who has spent her life helping others. (**Category:** Leadership)

Beating Guns: Hope for People Who Are Weary of Violence *Beating Guns* allows victims and perpetrators to tell their own compelling stories, offering hope for change (**Category:** Social Action)

We Can Go On: Finding Purpose in All of Life's Sorrows and Joys Rich in powerful stories, and life changing reflections from the book of Ecclesiastes (**Category:** Spiritual Growth)

Just a reminder:

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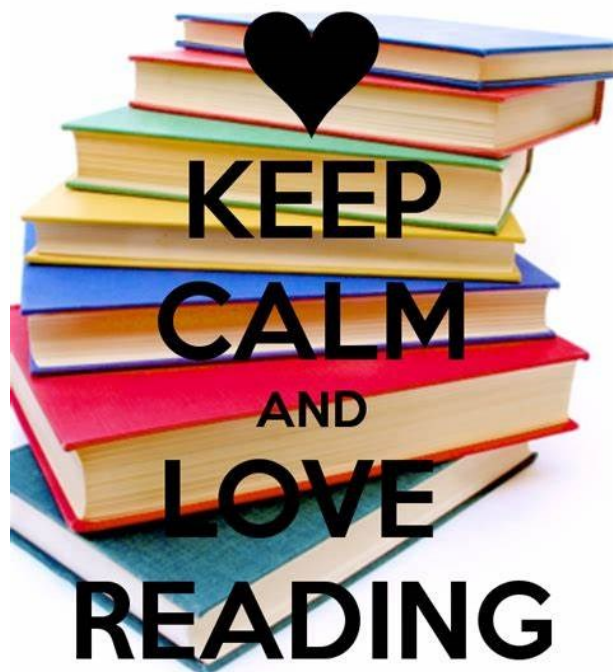
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Carolyn

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United Women in Faith

REMITTANCE FORM FOR ALL TREASURERS

Thank you for giving

Local Unit: _____ Remittance #: _____

District: Greenwood Date: _____

Conference: South Carolina Period From: _____ To: _____

Local: Submit Remittances Form to district treasurer with every check to explain how the money should be used.

District: Consolidate local remittances. Submit Remittance Form (online or paper) to conference treasurer with check.

Conference: Consolidate district remittances. Submit Remittance Form (online or paper) to national office with check.

MISSION GIVING	\$ Donation
1. Pledge to Mission (general)	
For Conference only: Minus designated percentage of Pledge (retained for budget)	
2. Special Mission Recognition (SMR)	
3. Gift to Mission (GTM)	
4. Gift in Memory (GIM)	
5. World Thank Offering	
*All five channels help fund the budget and count for Pledge goal. Sub-Total Mission Giving	\$
SUPPLEMENTARY GIFTS **	\$ Donation
6. A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial #3001145	
7a. A Brighter Future for Children and Youth #3001146	
7b. Assembly Offering #3001148	
7c. United Women in Faith Project Names & Codes (list below):	
Killingsworth	
Bethlehem—Columbia	
Bethlehem—Spartanburg	
Wallace Family Life	
7d Enter Total from Supplementary Gifts Details Form of attached to list more projects)	
8. Requests #3001177 (attach copy of or excerpt of will)	
9. Other Designated Gifts (list)	
6-9 are unbudgeted extra support for specific projects. Sub-Total Supplementary Gifts	\$

Make check payable to: UWF—Greenwood District **TOTAL CHECK** \$ _____

Last remittance of year due: _____ Check Number _____

Prepared by: _____, Treasurer

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

(Keep copy of submitted form for our records) Submit to: Patti Nelson, 108 Sumter St., Clinton, SC 29325



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Greenwood District United Women in Faith

Annual Meeting

Saturday, September 28, 2024

LOCATION: To Be Announced

BE SURE TO PUT THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDARS!

Mission u

July 18-20, 2024

Spartanburg Methodist College

**Theme: “The Kin-dom is Upon You: Drawing
Closer to God and One Another”**

To Access Mission u Registration Form, Copy & Paste the Link Below into Your Web
Browser To Get Mission Echo’s June Issue

https://mcusercontent.com/bb64f7302082cb06fdc6b38fa/files/392b5d85-52a4-8ca4-dbd1-13b9b70ba154/June_2024_Mission_Echo.pdf

Limitless—July 6 Event

Rescheduled to July 19, 2024—7 PM

Greenwood District United Women in Faith 2024 Calendar of Events

June, 2024—News-A-Plenty Articles Due

June 22, 2024— Racial & Environmental Justice Online Workshop

July 18-20, 2024—Mission u, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

July 19, 2024 – Limitless Event / 7 PM

August, 2024—News-A-Plenty Articles Due

September 28, 2024—Greenwood District UWF Annual Meeting—Location TBA

September, 2024— Killingsworth Special Emphasis Month

October, 2024 -Bethlehem Center -Spartanburg Special Emphasis Month

October 25-26, 2024— SCCUWF 52nd Annual Mtg. /12:30pm - 3 pm/Woodland UMC,
801 Cherry Road, Rock Hill, SC

November 9, 2024 – District Officers Training/ 9 am /Virtual



Day Apart—Refreshing for the Body & Soul!



2024 Mission u Registration Form

July 18-20, Spartanburg Methodist College

Please print clearly

Name: _____ Suitemates: _____

Address: _____ City and zip: _____

Phone: _____ District: _____

Please provide email if you wish for confirmation to be sent electronically:

Please Check All That Apply

Under 40 Youth (12-18) Attending first time Conference Officer District Officer
 Clergy Missionary Deaconess Day participant youth chaperone
 Limitless (18-30) Coming on Wed- 7/19/2023 (for event set up)

Special needs: Please help us address and meet your needs by listing them on the back of this form. If you have a physical condition that requires our consideration for classroom, dorm, or campus please indicate. Also, please list any dietary needs or restrictions. Hearing loss is a limitation and we can seat you close to the study leader. If you will need transportation on campus please let us know on the back so we will have enough transportation available.

Emergency contact: _____ contact number: _____

Adult participants study:

Living the Kin-dom: Exploring the Lord's Prayer as a Spiritual Practice for Social Transformation by Riva Tabelisma

You will need to purchase the book before attending because books are not available on site: In order to save on shipping order with others.

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For Youth and Limitless Ladies only: *Youth Study: Seek and You Shall Find: Living in the Kin-dom* by Rachel Mosher

_____ Age _____ date of birth _____ grade entering in the fall

Name of Chaperone: _____ cell phone: _____

Youth registration, Chaperone registration, and additional required forms must be mailed together.

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Are you interested in participating in a plenary? _____ Would you like to help with on campus transportation? _____

Mail completed form with check made payable to SCCUMW to: Vikki Hill, SCCUMW Mission u,, 518-A Oak Dr., Lexington, SC 29072

Adult resident: \$ 185 * Day Student: \$120.00 * Youth resident: \$130.00 Amount enclosed: _____

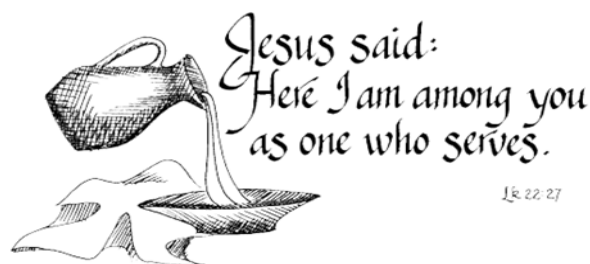
****Registration deadline is July 1, 2024**Late registration is \$15 **All suitemate forms must be mailed together****

****Please read general Information Sheet for more details about this event****

OFFICE	NAME	HOME PHONE	ADDRESS	E-MAIL
President	Carol Marse	(803) 364-2320 (803) 920-7509 (C)	1011 Seagull Lane Prosperity, SC 29127	carolmarse@aol.com
Vice President	VACANT			
Secretary	Betty Swann	(864) 602-9254 (C)	164 Ellie Drive McCormick, SC 29835	baswann@wctel.net
Treasurer	Patti Nelson	(864) 923-0165	108 Sumter Street Clinton, SC 29325	pnelson@clintonymca.org
Communications	VACANT			
Program Resources	Carolyn Cantrell	(864) 323-3122	534 Circle Drive Greenwood, SC 29646	Cwcantrell534@gmail.com
Social Action	Rebecca McDonald	(864) 227-9091 (H) (864) 993-9183 (C)	127 Hill and Dale Drive Greenwood, SC 29646	jbecca@gmail.com
Spiritual Growth	Mary Lynn Polk	(864) 229-6122(H) (864) 993-4134 (C)	303 Curl Creek Greenwood, SC 29649	mlcpolk42@gmail.com
Membership	Nancy Roebuck	(864) 415-5710	P. O. Box 392 Cross Hill, SC 29332	nancyroebuck@centurylink.net;
Educ/Interpretation	Sarah Greene	(803) 321-2506 (H) (803) 271-2903 (C)	1832 Floyd Road Newberry, SC 29108	(Please text or call)
Historian	Zella Williams	(864) 223-3620	112 Yorke Drive Greenwood, SC 29649	zellawilliams413@yahoo.com
Nominations Chair	VACANT			
Nominations	Linda Woods	(864) 229-5608	109 Ronnie Drive Greenwood, SC 29649	woodslinda@live.com
Nominations	Ellen Schumpert	(864) 443-2422	1197 Jefferson Street McCormick, SC 29835	eschumpert@wctel.net
Nominations	Betty Staples	(864) 229-6122	303 Curl Creek Greenwood, SC 29649	e.awstapl3456@gmail.com
Nominations	Carolyn Cantrell	(706) 483-7818 (864) 223-0271	534 Circle Drive Greenwood, SC 29649	cwcantrell@embarqmail.com
Cluster 1 Leader	Sarah Greene	(803) 321-2506 (H) (803) 271-2903 (C)	1832 Floyd Road Newberry, SC 29108	(Please text or call)
Cluster 2 Leader	Sarah Greene			
Cluster 3 Leader	Mary Ann Bayer	(864) 992-8713	P. O. Box 137 Saluda, SC 29138	maryatbayer@gmail.com

Wondering What Your Officer Duties Are?

If you are an officer in your Local UWF Unit and wondering what the duties of your position are, feel free to contact the District Officer listed here in your position and ask them for help.



Reminder of District Reports Due From Local UWF Units

It's not too soon to begin working on your Local UWF Unit Reports that are due to be submitted prior to this year's Greenwood District Annual Meeting scheduled for September 28!

Please complete your Unit's forms to the best of your ability.

Report forms are included as mentioned below in this newsletter. Contact information for sending the reports in is included on the forms.

Thank You!

Reading Program— Form on Page 17- Send to Carolyn Cantrell

Mission Today Action Form—Form on Page 16—Send to Sarah Greene

Memorial List— List of Deceased Members (9/1/23-8/31/24) - Send to Carol Marse

Charter for Racial Justice – Diamond Units Form—Form on Page 15—Send to Rebecca McDonald

2024 President's Report— Form on Pages 6 & 7—due by September 15 - Send to Carol Marse

Five Star/Gold Seal SC Mission Award Determined by Patti Nelson, Treasurer, based upon your unit's budget and quarterly reports—see Treasurer's update for more information)

The following is due by December 31, 2024 or earlier:

Local Unit Officers List - Send to Betty Swann, Secretary

NOTE: Please refer to list on Page 13 for additional contact information for submitting these forms,





Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit Award

In order to receive a Diamond Unit Certificate, a minimum of three activities must be completed. Certificates will be presented at your District Annual Meeting.

Please return this form to Rebecca McDonald, Greenwood District Social Action

Coordinator at the address below by August 15:

127 Hill and Dale Drive, Greenwood, SC 29646, jbecca@gmail.com

- _____ 1. Watch a video relating to concerns addressed by the Charter for Racial Justice.
- _____ 2. Give a book report on a UMW Reading Program book selected from Social Action area.
- _____ 3. Share articles from Response magazine relating to racism.
- _____ 4. Supply each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice.
- _____ 5. Present a program on the Charter for Racial Justice.
- _____ 6. Use a program on racial justice or human rights from the UMW Program Book.
- _____ 7. Participate in a UMW Social Action/Human Rights Mission Study.
- _____ 8. Give a Unit report about an experience; i.e. attendance at a music or theatrical performance by persons of a different culture, race, or ethnic background..
- _____ 9. Send at least one UMW member to Legislative Day.
- _____ 10. Participate in post card writing or email to support legislation on behalf of the economically deprived or challenged.
- _____ 11. Experience worship, Bible study, or UMW unit program activity with ethnic group different from your own.
- _____ 12. Attend or host an international tasting party, culture fair, or other international event.
- _____ 13. Participate in a Bible Study on racism..
- _____ 14. Celebrate Black History Month in February.
- _____ 15. Suggest and plan your pastor (or pulpit choir) an exchange with a pastor/choir of another race.
- _____ 16. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (a Celebration, Worship, Vacation Bible School, Service of Prayer and Self Denial).
- _____ 17. Other (Collect items/funds for UMCOR Kits—collect items for other community social welfare/ educational purposes.)

Church Name: _____ Church Address: _____

MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Please Send Completed Form To: Sarah Greene, Greenwood District Education/Interpretation Coordinator, 1832 Floyd Road, Newberry, SC 29108, Phone: 803-271-2903 (Cell) , 803- 321-2506 (Home) - Please text or call

by August 15

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 Prayer Calendar at each General Membership Meeting of the unit 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 Magazine.
- _____ 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 Prayer Calendar – at least once during the year.
- _____ 9. Participated in the Campaign for Children.
- _____ 10. Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.
- _____ 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 Magazine 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.

2024 UWF Reading Program Individual Participation Form

Name _____ Church _____ Telephone _____

Reading Program Plan: _____

BOOKS READ:

DATE:

Education for Mission:

Nurturing for Community:

Social Action:

Spiritual Growth:

Leadership Development:

Be sure to give your unit credit for listening to Faith Talks podcasts!

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Greenwood, SC 29646, cwcantrell534@gmail.com, Home Phone: (864) 323-3122

Greenwood District United Women in Faith

News A Plenty

June, 2024 Edition

We're on the web:

<https://uwfaith.org>



**United
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The organized unit of United Women in Faith 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.