The Mission Echo

Season's Greetings

Welcome to the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women's December edition of the The Mission Echo! I know many of you were wondering...what happened to the September Edition??? COVID struck my household. I thank everyone that prayed for me and with me while battling this monster! A very special thank you to our President Cathy Ford who constantly checked on me and provided words of encouragement while I was ill. For those who have had COVID, you know what I went through. For those who have not, please continue to mask up, wash your hands and use sanitizer. Even with the vaccine and extra precautions, COVID found its way into my home. I know that had I not been vaccinated, I may not be here today to share my testimony. Just know that God is Good and He is not done with me yet.

You all are encouraged to submit articles and announcements for upcoming events to umwscc@gmail.com. I look forward to serving as your Communications Chair for 2022.

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Kimberly Love Quick, Communications Chair

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A Note from our President Cathy Ford

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women-President - Mission Echo - December 2021

The holiday season is upon us! December is here! My prayers are with you and your families for a blessed holiday, full of smiles. May the love of Christ be with each of you. May the reason for this season be ever present (current), our present (gift) from God. Luke 1:35.....therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.

Our South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women have experienced a great year fulfilling our purpose. Together we focused on building a "creative supportive fellowship". Together we worked to "Let Your Light Shine", theme from our 48th Annual Meeting.

Let me give thanks and share about several events which have recently transpired.

Our virtual Leadership Training Event June 19th was led by Rev. Millie Nelson Smith, Connectional Ministries Director and hosted by event chair Eunice White the SCCUMW Education & Interpretation Mission Coordinator. We had twenty three officers present. Rev. Millie shared knowledge about us as individual leaders, our SCCUMW leadership team and our own teams, those we lead. We learned about eight pillars of trust, keys to successful leadership. We were reminded of the benefit gained when one PONDERS an issue. Often we do need to pause and reflect before we proceed. Many wonderful ideas and reflections were shared. I am most grateful for all who spent the morning working together.

The Limitless Party July 3rd was great fun for all. Attended virtually by 13 SCCUMW both young and mature, we enjoyed making new friends and a time of sharing. Two minute introductions and answers to fun questions provided opportunity for all to participate and share a snapshot of our Limitless aged members. A lively virtual scavenger hunt brought much competition and many giggles. It was so lively we lost track of who gained the most points. Truly all who were present won by gaining new friends and sharing smiles. Thank you Lavonne James our SCCUMW Membership Nurture and Outreach Mission Coordinator and Debra Schooler, Columbia District President and Limitless Mentor and LaQuasha James Limitless Mentor for your enthusiasm and hosting this event. Another party is planned for December 3rd.

Our second virtual Mission u took place July 24, 31 and August 7. Thanks go to Betty Swinton Dean and Vanessa Key Assistant Dean, Charm Eaddy Registrar and Vikki Hill Assistant Registrar for arranging our annual school time of group study and learning. We are most appreciative of study leaders Ann Alexander, Rev. Susan Maddox, Sue Owens and Rev. Thessa Smith for leading the adult studies. We also thank our Youth Study leaders Debra Schooler and Selena Ruth Smith. The Mission u Committee also earned our appreciation and thanks for support and assistance with Mission u. Our first session opened with words and encouragement from our Bishop Holston. His participation at Mission u and support have inspired us and we are most thankful for his leadership. Additional greetings from Harriett Olson, General Secretary and CEO and our UMW National song leader Amanda Powell added excitement to our event. We were thankful to have 267 registered in 2021. Mission u remains a vital part of our foundation.

Our 49th Annual Meeting took place virtually October 23, with theme "Exercising Faith Over Fear". Our hosts Hartsville District United Methodist Women, president Jacqueline Session and Lyttleton Street United Methodist Church, pastor Rev Gary Rivas, musician Ike Pitts, and Lyttleton United Methodist Women, president Carol Lee brought welcome, sharing of talent, and warmth to our event. Great job by Program Committee, chair Janice Eaddy and all who created our big celebration, a time of worship and fellowship. Our morning began with Program Book dedication to Bishop Holston. Bishop Holston's welcome and words from the heart encouraged us all. Our opportunities to do more, include more women, make more disciples are present and real, right now. Thank you Bishop Holston for being our most faithful cheerleader and encourager! Our new Cabinet Representative Rev. Telley Gadson gave joyful welcome and greeting to all.

A Note from our President Cathy Ford cont.

Our Charter for Racial Justice Prayer of Commitment and timeline booklet brought the issue of love and equality forward refreshing our beliefs in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Bible study leader Rev. Brenda Thomas, pastor Good Hope Wesley United Methodist Church spoke of God's promises, man's obedience and fear. Stating great leaders are rare, and called by God to be faithful not popular, her words inspired us all. Rev. Angela Marshall pastor St. John's United Methodist Church shared a keynote message of encouragement to fear not, noting 365 references in scripture to fear not. She reminded us that God is with us as we choose faith over fear. Registrar Bernice Wright informed 348 registered with 10 under forty and 79 first timers. A meaningful Memorial Service provided time to pause and reflect on our departed Sisters in Christ. Sincere words of appreciation from our two 2021 Presidential Scholarship recipients Joyden Glover and Jillian Spencer brought smiles to all. Let us pray for the success of these future UMW leaders. The business portion with reports, awards, certificates, adopting budget, retiring officers and electing new officers will keep us moving forward another year. Invitation was extended to our 50th Annual Meeting at Myrtle Beach, Marion District President Sarah Woods with hope for in person gathering.

District Officer's Training was held virtually November 6th. Thank you to hosts Salem UMW Dorothea Bailey, unit President, Florence District UMW, Pernerva Thomas President and SCCUMW Program Committee, chair Janice Eaddy for organizing this annual event. Rev. Brian Mungo pastor Salem United Methodist Church brought welcome and greetings and singing voice as part of the special music, three lovely voices enjoyed by all. Training with our district counterparts is very important. Information sharing and knowledge gained through questions and exchange is vital to fulfilling our purpose as a community of women who lead with knowledge and compassion. I noted 126 virtual attendees coming from all 12 districts, dispersed into 13 workshops, a morning or intellectual sharing and growth!

On a personal note I say thank you to Saint Mark United Methodist Women, Taylors, Greenville district for my second invitation to your virtual Women's Day Celebration May 22nd. Your theme "Embracing Change" shared by Dr. Regina H. Moore was perfect for this time in history. Her powerful energy and words were very motivational. Thank you so much for including me in your special day.

The Membership Survey 2020 placed our South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women in first place, largest number of members, 9,458 and number of units, 319 larger than all 53 participating conferences. This is great, great news to celebrate and inspire us to continue to grow and expand our membership. Thank you all who completed the survey! Let us do it again in 2021.

Make plans now to attend Assembly 2022 in Orlando Florida. Both in person and virtual registration are available. Do not miss this once every four year event. It will be memorable. Visit www.assembly2022.org for information.

Remember the Legacy Fund. A monetary gift in honor or memory of a loved one makes the perfect holiday gift.

The year 2022 offers the promise of continuing growth and strength for South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women. We will concentrate on the fourth 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. Together we will take action to increase those who receive the gifts from our caring hearts and hands. "Exercising Faith Over Fear" theme form the 49th Annual Meeting keeps our focus on God.

A Note from our President Cathy Ford cont.

Thank you for the honor of serving as your president. I look forward to our time together, the work we do and gifts shared with others. Our future holds many good deeds and happy hearts. I can only imagine how beautiful the world will be in 2022. We will journey together with strong faith and fellowship to build God's kingdom on earth. Thanks be to God.

Matthew 2: 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy;

Peace and love,

Cathy Ford

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women President 2019-2022

CONGRATULATIONS

From the Scholarship Committee:

It is my pleasure to announce the winner of the Southeastern Jurisdiction UMW Scholarship to National Assembly is Barbara Wright from Spartanburg, SC. She will be attending Assembly for the first time. Please join me in congratulating Barbara for this honor. Also, being a first timer, I'm sure she will welcome any assistance navigating around the conference.

Congratulations, Barbara!

SCCUMW Vice President, Janice Cockfield Eaddy

Greetings My Sisters & Brothers In Christ!

We are ending a fantastic year of many exciting events and programs. Our 49th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting was held October 23rd via two Zoom sessions. Rev. Angela Marshall, St. John UMC - Lugoff Pastor, provided a spirit filled message focused on our theme of "Excising Faith Over Fear!" A passionate Bible Study was led by Rev. Brenda Thomas, pastor of Good Hope Wesley Chapel UMC. This year's program book was dedicated in honor of Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, South Carolina Resident Bishop, for his dedicated service to United Methodist Women and its mission. This was our second year presenting the annual meeting in a virtual setting. We feel it went well and there were 348 persons registered for the event. Thanks to each of you for your continued commitment to the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women. The Hartsville District Mission Team led by Jacquelyn Session, UMW District President, Carol Lee, Lyttleton Street UMW President, Rev. Gary Rivas, Lyttleton Street UMC Pastor, and Bernice Wright, Registrar and Hartsville District UMW Treasurer gave much time behind the scenes to make the event a success. Mr. Ike Pitts, Lyttleton Street UMC Musician spent an undocumented number of hours recording music for our event. Many chat comments reference the beauty of the music during the meeting. Please join me in thanking these individuals for giving of themselves to ensure our event was memorable.

District Officers Training was held Saturday, November 6th, as a virtual event with Salem United Church as our virtual host. Pearl Brown helped to ensure 138 persons were successfully registered for our Zoom event. Greetings from Rev. Terry Fleming, Florence District Superintendent, Rev. Briant Mungo, Salem UMC Pastor, Doreathea Bailey, Salem UMW President and Pernerva Thomas, Florence District UMW President set the tone of a warm virtual welcome. Many thanks to the Salem United Methodist Women and their church family for hosting this virtual event and providing beautifully recorded music. Training via Zoom was in keeping with our theme of "Continuing Our Commitment to Our Purpose!" Due to time restraints, our schedule didn't allow for a guest speaker. The breakout rooms worked well, and participants seemed to enjoy their sessions. Each participant will receive an electronic survey to be completed and returned. Your opinion is valued and appreciated.

Excitement fills my heart as I look towards new adventures in 2022 for the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women. Our plans are to host both of these events in person, and we ask for your continued prayers. Please stay safe by following the advice of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concerning COVID-19 of washing your hands, wearing a mask, and socially distancing. Blessings to each of you for a joyful holiday season as you celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Janice Cockfield Eaddy SCCUMW Vice President

Past E&I Coordinator, Eunice Y. White

To God be the glory for how He keeps on blessing us!

We thank God for all of His provisions, because for us as United Methodist Women, communicating virtually has been our primary source. Since we could not meet in person and while it was a little difficult, we made it! Thanks be to God, we are still in Mission for women, children and youth and doing the work God has required of us. We truly believe that He always goes before us and prepares the journey and the direction that we need to travel. Thanks to Him, we can say that the work has gone forth and a wonderful job has been done!

On June 19, 2021, we had our Leadership Training Event which was facilitated by Rev. Millie Nelson Smith. It was an awesome training event! Rev. Millie gave us some important information to think about as a leader and some helpful information about how to work with the people that we lead.

One of the questions that was asked was, 'what is a leader?' One of the answers that was given was from a quote of Mahatma Gandhi which says, "A sign of a good leader is not in how many followers you have, but how many leaders you create!" That was a bold statement and we focused on that point. It was a wonderful morning of learning about our role as Conference UMW leaders. I believe that this training, that was filled with so much valuable information, will help equip us to be better leaders in the positions that God has called us into.

My journey as the Education and Interpretation Coordinator is swiftly coming to an end and it does not seem like it's been four years already! I would like to take a moment to thank our Conference President Cathy Ford and our Vice President Janice Eaddy for their leadership and for the opportunity to work with all the great leaders that make up our Executive Team. It has been a great learning experience and a wonderful opportunity to be a part of this ministry of missional service with you. My assignment is not over yet and I still have more work to do until the end of the year, but I just wanted you all to know that you have been a blessing in my life, and it has been a blessing to serve with you, the South Carolina United Methodist Women.

May God bless you all! Stay safe and may God's peace and all of our prayer be with you!

Blessings to all,

Eunice Y. White, Education and Interpretation Coordinator, SCCUMW

A Note from our Conference Treasurer, Ruby Hannah

TREASURER REPORT

Hello all SC United Methodist Women!! I pray everyone is safe and healthy as these difficult times continue. I hope a time will come soon when we can meet face to face again. Just a reminder to everyone, if you have an expense voucher that needs reimbursement, please have it signed and to me no later than 12/15/21.

Treasurers, thank you for attending the Treasurer Training on 11/6/21. We welcomed a new member of our team from the Orangeburg District, Hazel Darby. We thank the former treasurer, Ginger Risher, for her many years of service and wish her well. I will be expecting your fourth quarter remittance no later than 12/15/21. Please be safe and stay healthy. I hope to see you all soon.

Ruby Hannah

SCCUMW Treasurer



FEBRUARY - WALLACE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

APRIL - COLUMBIA BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CENTER

SEPTEMBER - KILLINGSWORTH

NOVEMBER - BETHLEHEM CENTER SPARTANBURG

Promoting Mission Projects for Women, Children and Youth Statewide

What is Education and Interpretation at the state level all about? It is about educating and encouraging our UMW members to be involved in various mission activities benefitting women, children and youth where ever there is a need. It is about inviting women and youth to attend Mission u to learn more about the importance of mission. It is about encouraging districts to host their own mini - Mission u events to educate even more members about getting involved.

It is about asking local units to share the information from the Mission u courses with their own ladies.

Education and Interpretation is about supporting the mission organizations in our state including Killingsworth, the Bethlehem Center – Spartanburg, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, and Wallace Family Life Center. This can be done as a statewide fundraiser, donations at Conference UMW events, and statewide supply drive projects. Each of these state mission organizations is asked to keep our members updated on their activities and needs. All members are asked to remember and support these mission organizations on their designated months on the Conference UMW calendar.

Education and Interpretation is at the heart of what United Methodist Women is all about. Unfortunately, no one has been able to assume this role within the Conference UMW for 2022.

If you have an interest in helping out, the Committee on Nominations would be happy to work with you as to how you can be involved in various ways: as the E&I Coordinator, or maybe as a Co-Coordinator with another lady, or perhaps by serving on a short-term special projects team.

National UMW is redefining how we can serve and asking us to become "New Wineskins" in a new time. It does not have to be done as it always has, but how we are led to do it right now.

There is no wrong or right way, but only by the grace of God's way. If you are interested in becoming a part of the new Missions Education team, please contact Kathy Roys at 843-572-9393 or kathy5339@att.net.

How many of you use your Prayer Calendar?? If you are on face book, you may go to the search and type in UMW Prayer Calendar. Once you add them to your face book, you will receive a post from them each day with prayer, birthdays, scripture, and mission focus.

We are still in need of Prayer Pals. The form for Prayer Pals has been in the December and March Mission Echo. Your Spiritual Growth person for you district has these forms as well. This is a great way for us to reach out to our UMW sisters across the Conference while we are still meeting in a virtual mode.

Ephesians 5:2 Live a Life of Love
Vickie Harvey
Conference Spiritual Growth Mission Coordinator

Have a talent or skill to share, but short on time?

SCCUMW has an opportunity for you!!

Options for service include being on a special event planning team like Come Together Be Together, Spiritual Growth or Soul Care Retreat, Racial Justice Event, 4 Missions Fundraising/Supply Drive Project, Limitless Project or anything else that serves the Purpose of United Methodist Women statewide.

We would love to have your input and ideas to grow our Conference. If you can't serve as a Conference Coordinator on your own, but could with the help of a partner, we would love to pair you up to accomplish our goals to care for women, children, and youth. Everyone who has worked with SCCUMW has felt the support that is given, the love that is shared, and the blessings that are received. Won't you join us? We would love to have you!

To learn more contact Kathy Roys at kathy5339@att.net or 843-572-9393.

Program Resources

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women,

As Secretary Program Resources, here is an update from the national office. The changed for better the services and provide better options. This changed on orders that were place in June 2021 to July 2.

This the official website unitedmethodistwomen.org/store. This will bring up all resources that are available. You now can call fax or email question about a resource.

Customer Service 800-305-9857

Customer Service fax 214 -528-2288

Email address cs@umwmissionresources.org

New Hours of Operations 9:00 to 6:00 EST Monday through Friday

Happy Reading, Shirley Crosby

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The Wallace Family Life Center

The Wallace Family is fully operational and is providing an afterschool program for children attending Wallace Elementary School. Children are picked up by the Center van and transported to the WFLC. Children receive a snack and afterward they are assisted in homework assignments. Children receive individual assistance and are given additional work. They are directed to Khan Academy to enhance their educational skills. Children completing assignments are allowed a few minutes in play time.

The Wallace Family Life Center provides Adult Enrichment activities to local adults in the community. Adults meet weekly with an instructor from the County Adult Education program. Following instruction, seniors play games and have lunch before being transported home. The Enrichment program is growing, and we hope to encourage others to participate.

The Wallace Family Life Center distributes food to local residents. A Food giveaway is scheduled for November 20th. The Wallace Family Life Center serves from 40 to 50 families at each distribution.

Families in the area have been identified for Thanksgiving meals to be provided by one of the Local churches. The Church will deliver a Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving day. We are making plans for Christmas at this time. Some of the children at the Afterschool program have been adopted by outside entities and have already received shoes and socks. They will also be adopted for Christmas. We here at the Center plan to provide for all the Afterschool children as well as the Adults and other needy families in the community

The Wallace Family Life Center appreciates all the care and concern you have for the people in the Wallace Community. We know without your assistance the programs would not exist. We thank you and ask God to continue to bless each heart.

Outreach Coordinator

Ms. Ethelyne B. Simmons

NEW COMMUNITY CENTER BRINGS MUCH-NEEDED CHILD CARE, OPPORTUNITY TO SPARTANBURG COMMUNITY - First Steps Press Release

State and local officials joined community leaders to open the Highland Early Learning Center on Tuesday. The new child care center, located in Spartanburg's Highland community, will provide free, quality care and education to eligible children.

In 2020, South Carolina First Steps awarded \$300,000 in state funds to The Bethlehem Center based on the community's plans to renovate an underutilized, city-owned building and establish a First Steps 4K program serving children from the Highland community and surrounding areas.

"This is life changing for families. We are addressing the critical need for affordable, high-quality early care and education and creating a foundation for lifelong learning for young children and their families," said Patrena Mims, executive director of The Bethlehem Center.

The Highland Early Learning Center has a large classroom for 18 First Steps 4K students and provides transportation to and from the center for each student. The center plans to expand its services to serve children birth through three in an Early Head Start classroom supported by Spartanburg County First Steps and the Mary Black Foundation.

The building at 400 Highland Avenue was originally constructed as part of the now-demolished Cammie Clagett public housing complex. Donated to the City of Spartanburg by the Spartanburg Housing Authority in 2019, the facility is now managed by the neighboring Bethlehem Center. The nonprofit organization has served the Highland area for 90 years with Youth Programs including – the new Early Learning Center, afterschool and summer youth programs, as well as Community Supportive Service Programs for senior adult services, financial literacy activities, a food pantry, and wellness activities.

"Many people came together in support of this vision, and it is amazing what can happen when communities come together, said Martha Strickland, State Director of 4K. "We know that early learning and increased family supports are very powerful and produce positive outcomes."

This program will advance ongoing local efforts to revitalize the Highland community. Assistant City Manager, Mitch Kennedy said, "We are forming a solid plan for the future by first investing in our young people."

Interested families can learn more about The Highland Early Learning Center and First Steps 4K by visiting www.Free4KSC.org.

Benefits and Blessings as South Carolina United Methodist Women Officers

- 1. Leadership growth is gained by experience, participation, and performing duties. Many learn about finances, SC Mission Projects, spiritual growth, UMW National and our UMCSC by serving. Service connects from one committee to the next. Many officers serve as members on committees they do not chair.
- 2. Creative planning skills are experienced and learned through doing. Hosting events and organizing group activities provides life skills which can benefit one's personal life, family, church and career.
- 3. Early in-depth knowledge of scheduled events is gained through planning meetings. You can share early news and information with your circle, unit and district while promoting attendance and participation.
- 4. Our creative network of talented lay women is expanded with each new officer. You can participate in making opportunities for other new leaders to shine and be heard. Help those you know reach a wider audience by introducing them to our organization when leadership recruitment is in process.
- 5. Learning by doing happens. Learning together is more fun. Attending virtual meetings on zoom is a new skill learned in 2020. We like it now!
- 6. Articles for the Advocate are written by SCCUMW officers. The wider church readership reads our words. Your voice is heard across the conference.
- 7. Mileage and per diem to conference meetings and some events are financially covered by SCCUMW, per Standing Rules.
- 8. Thirteen officers receive the Annual Sampler Mailing every year they serve. Currently the 11 elected, dean and assistant dean are recipients. Present value is \$40.
- 9. As "a community of women" we are part of a large, Christian organization that works for good in our world. We learn and share our mission of making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world together. We participate in this mission across the globe. Sharing our stories, our journey of faith is a foundation of our community. We invite you to join us, serving as a conference officer.

Blessing Quotes of SCCUMW Officers – February 2020

At the 2020 February Executive Committee meeting, members were asked to submit quotes about the blessings they have received while serving.

These women who make up the SC Conference UMW help me to keep the flame burning in my heart. It makes me want to pass it on. I hope that I can be an inspiration to others, make a difference, mentoring and including younger ladies start the fire and keep it burning.

Crystal Barrs - Rock Hill District President

God has allowed me to use my gifts, talents and service to help build His kingdom. Through serving I have learned that with God all things are possible. Friendship and fellowship with Christian women enrich your lives.

Sonya Benjamin - Orangeburg District President

The fellowship and connections made are life changing. Friendships are lasting and touching. Many rewards in the information gained in all the activities and events. Clarice Blakeney – Rep to Wallace Family Life Center

News from Killingsworth

Hello from Killingsworth!

Thank you all for generously supporting our second "Stay at Home Gala Again – Home for the Holidays". The first count on proceeds is over \$11,000! We appreciate your support for this production. It was great to see the faces of many of you online – thank you for attending,

We also thank our Board member Jenny Middleton for organizing the event, Matt Brodie for handling the technical piece, all of our models, our board and the others who worked to make this good, safe way to continue our tradition possible. And – if you have not yet contributed, it is not too late. Contributions can be made through the website Killingsworth-home.org or mailed to the house at 1831 Pendleton Street, Columbia, 29201.

Several months ago, we received a grant from the Central Carolina Foundation for painting and repairs in the house. I have learned that the painting is complete, and the residents and staff appreciate the fresh, new look.

Our house census is eleven at the moment and three others will probably be moving in the near future. The residents continue to stay employed and on track for the goal of successfully living on their own. Earlier this summer our board members participated in a planning retreat. We learned about Killingsworth's history and our relationship with United Methodist Women, Inc and then spent time developing a new strategic plan for the future of the home.

In a conversation today with our House Manager Arlene Jackson, I asked her what she needed most. Her quick answer was that volunteers are needed to commit for a few hours at a time at regular intervals. Tasks that would be assigned to them would include answering the door, logging in donations, inventorying items on hand, and more as situation dictate. If you live in the area, please consider giving a bit of your time to help.

Ongoing needs include postage stamps, cleaning products, office supplies and more.

For updated information about the home, the program, our events, and our needs list you can always check out our website: Killingsworth-home.com

Thank you for all that you do as United Methodist Women to keep this ministry alive and healthy. Jane Scott, SCCUMW Representative to Killingsworth



South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

Application for Two 2022 Assembly Scholarships

Orlando Convention Center, Orlando, Florida, May 20-22, 2022
"Turn it Up!"

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women are offering

two scholarships in the amount of \$500 each for two individuals under the age of forty

to attend the 2022 Assembly in Orlando, Florida on May 20-22, 2022.

Criteria for the two scholarships are as follows:

<u>Two</u> scholarships will be awarded to <u>two</u> United Methodist Women members <u>under age forty</u>.

Application deadline is <u>March 15</u>, 2022.

A brief paragraph stating (50 words or less) why you want to attend Assembly <u>and</u> how you plan to use the information received during Assembly upon your return home.

Please provide the following:		
Name		
Adress		
City	_State	zipcode
Phone	_email	
Church	District	
Confirm that you are under forty(Y/N)		

Attach your letter of 50 words or less as to why you would like to attend <u>and</u> how you will use the information received during Assembly upon your return home.

Please mail or email this form with attachments by **March 15, 2022** to: rubyeliz44@gmail.com Ruby Hannah –SCCUMW treasurer + chair Scholarship Committee 3015 Audubon Drive Hanahan, SC 29410



Exciting plans are underway for the 21st Assembly of United Methodist Women, May 20-22, 2022. We hope that you will be among the thousands of women attending this exciting celebration in Orlando, Florida.

Registration will open on **Sept. 1, 2021** for either the in-person event or the virtual experience. In an effort to protect our environment and reduce printed resources, registration confirmation and updates will be handled via e-mail. Register early online at assembly2022.org to receive the early bird registration fee of \$330.00. The discount ends on **Nov. 30, 2021**. A registration acknowledgement will be e-mailed to you upon completion of your registration.

Please know that proof of vaccination and/or wearing a mask may be required to attend Assembly. The United Methodist Women National Office is following guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and will comply with all applicable health and safety guidance to protect the safety of event attendees. We ask that you remain flexible with us as we continue to monitor best options as health guidelines evolve. We are excited to be able to offer both a live and a virtual option for the 2022 Assembly.

A block of rooms have been reserved for the South Carolina Conference at the Rosen Centre, 9840 International Drive, Orlando. Each person is required to make individual reservations by **December 1, 2021.**

- Cost of room is \$174.00 per night plus 12.5 percent taxes.
- Online reservations can be made at: https://book.passkey.com/go/UMWA2022.
- Each room reservation must be processed with a credit card guarantee.

Transportation plans are being discussed, however, it is advisable that ladies seek individual modes of travel. Caution is advised when purchasing non-refundable tickets.

Assembly 2022 will feature pre-registered workshops. When you register for Assembly, you may sign up for one workshop on Friday and one workshop on Saturday. The list of workshops will be posted on the Assembly website, under the Event Info tab—Workshops drop-down menu, so you may review the options prior to registering and make a list of your top choices.

Can't join us in Orlando? Then join us from your living room! Assembly 2022 has both in-person and online experiences allowing even more women to participate and TURN IT UP! Virtual attendees receive access to all five Community Gatherings, one workshop on Friday and Saturday, exclusive behind-the-scenes speaker interviews, sisterhood networking, and more. Knowing you no longer pay for travel, hotel, and meals—this is a great bargain for the low early registration price of \$199. Please know that your link for the virtual option can only be used with one device and cannot be shared.

Ann L. Alexander, Trip Coordinator (803) 222-4958 Home (704) 616-1133



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 <u>e-store</u> 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?

Join us:

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