

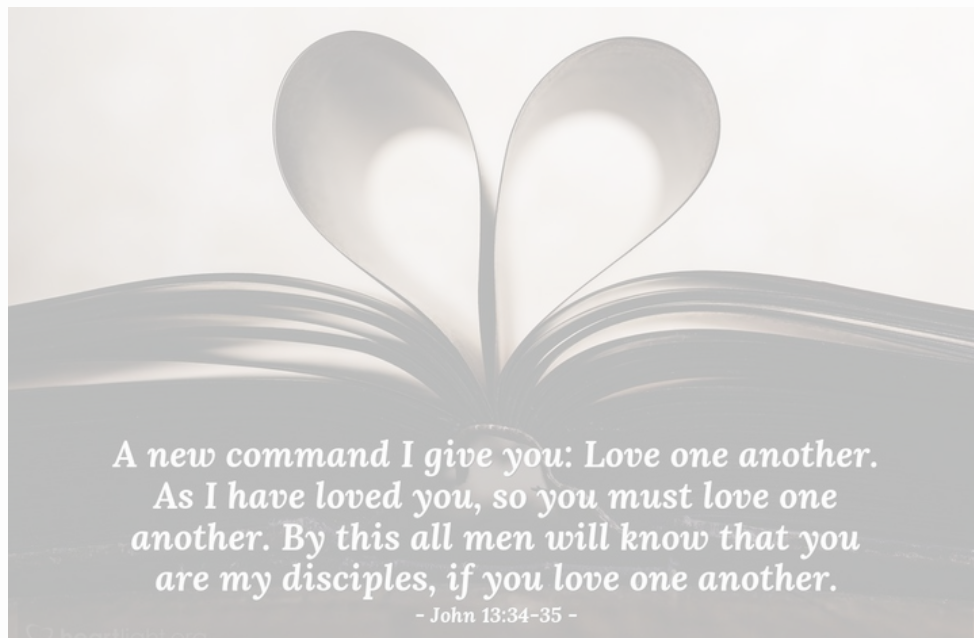
The Mission Echo

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH NEWSLETTER

September Issue of Mission Echo

Written by Kimberly Love Quick

The September issue of Mission Echo is ready for all to enjoy! Whether you found us on Facebook, received an email, or downloaded a copy on the UMW website, we are glad that you are taking a moment to see what's happening with the SC Conference UWF. As this will be my last edition of the Mission Echo, I want to take a moment to thank everyone for taking this Communication Journey with me. We have zoomed through Covid, journeyed through social media with our Facebook and Youtube page and kept informed with our digital newsletter each quarter. I have enjoyed serving as the Communications Chair and hope that you have enjoyed the ride with me! Be Blessed!



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President's Report

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith-President - Mission Echo – September 2022

This edition holds much information as our South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith officers continue to perform the duties of their positions and so much more! I am truly grateful to each officer and the work they do. Be sure to read about their projects, register for events and provide prayer for all our activities. Kindly remember all the behind the scenes members who create our newsletter and bring our virtual events to life. Our gifts and talents serve best when shared with others. We have many to share and do so joyfully as United Women in Faith!

Our return to in person activity began with **Assembly**, May 20-22. Our South Carolina Conference had 73 members involved with Assembly. We had 50 attend the Orlando, Florida event, 22 participate virtually and one member make a donation to Assembly. Several of our attendees were first timers, while many had experienced Assembly before. The theme "Turn It Up" was emphasized with inspiring speakers, hand clapping foot stomping music, moving videos, engaging workshops and informative explanations of our United Women in Faith name and our many new programs. Look for articles in response magazine which capture speakers and interviews with musicians, and Bible study leaders. All are encouraged to make plans now for Assembly 2026 located in Indianapolis, Indiana.

A virtual **Come Together Be Together** on Saturday June 25th with theme "Surrounded by Love" had 200 registered guests. South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Membership Nurture and Outreach Committee, chair Angela Allen with hosts Charleston District United Women in Faith, Jeanette Alston district president and the Aldersgate United Methodist Church United Women in Faith, unit president Pat DuBois created a lively, spiritual morning for all. With over 130 online we heard greetings from Pastor T, Rev. Telley Gadson, sharing her morning with us and bringing greetings from Bishop Holston as our Cabinet Representative. Her dedication to connect with us that morning was especially heartfelt as her family was experiencing a sudden tragic loss. Our mission minded speaker Rev. Debra Dowdle of Goose Creek United Methodist Church spoke of the love and support she has experienced in her life. She reflected upon times when prayers of love encouraged her. Our four workshops provided unique fun activity or Bible message continuing on the theme. This lively, loving, fun morning together was shared by all who were on camera wearing hearts, the color red and large smiles.

The **Limitless Event** July 1st brought together our young United Women in Faith. Limitless mentor Debra Schooler, Columbia District President, and Samoria Session, Limitless member and Program Advisory Group representative prepared a program designed for our youth. Presentations on preparing healthy snacks (cranberry oatmeal bars) and planting wild flowers demonstrated by Terri Sumpter, Clemson Education along with safety tips from Richland County Sheriff's Office made for a fun and informative morning. A separate workshop for the 4 Limitless aged attendees was led by Samoria while Debra hosted 21 adults in discussion of ways to reach our Limitless aged, 14-30 young women. A fun virtual scavenger hunt completed the morning event. The next Limitless Event is December 3 with more details to come.

Mission u returned to in person learning at **Spartanburg Methodist College** on July 21-23. Dean Vanessa Key and Assistant Dean Michelline Williams, the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Mission u Committee, study leaders, youth leaders, golf cart drivers, many volunteers and Spartanburg Methodist College hosts composed a fabulous event. Theme "Who Can We Be Together? Building Communities of Hope and Joy" brought 103 students to campus for study, conversation and group learning. Our inspiring plenaries, engaging music led by Craton Dicks, self-guided Prayer Room, display tables, bountiful Craft Room (sales totaling \$1,366.25 for missions), awarding Bess Dowling Ware Scholarships, 50 Year Golden Memories Celebration and Fashion Show (with 50 year party cake at dinner), Bishop Holston's message, Limitless performance, Dr. Regina Moore of SC Christian Action Council, Communion service and more composed a robust agenda and exciting time to be on campus. Our closing offering and donations along with Craft Room sales provided \$989.25 to each of our four SC mission projects. We are immensely thankful to our Registrar Charm Eaddy and Assistant Registrar Vikki Hill who tirelessly and flawlessly managed our coming and going, keys to dorm

President's Report continued

rooms, class assignments, answering questions all with broad smiles and grace. Every district had participants on campus, all excited to return to be together for Mission u.

An invitation to purchase a **polo shirt with our new logo** resulted in 48 purchases. You will see these white shirts with our colorful new United Women in Faith and South Carolina Conference embroidery being proudly worn. Thank you to all who chose to participate in this opportunity to showcase our new name and South Carolina pride.

I look forward to learning the results of the **2021 Unit Survey**. Thank you Unit Presidents who participated. It is important for every member to be in the count. Each person is vital to our organization and our mission work.

Be sure to register for our **50th Annual Meeting** October 21-22. The South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Program Committee chair Janice Eaddy and the United Women in Faith of both Marion District, Sarah Woods District President and First United Methodist Church Janice Myers Unit President are preparing a wonderful return to in person Annual Meeting. Make plans to come to Myrtle Beach and be part of the many great moments we will share together. I hope to see you there very soon!

The **District Officer Training Event** on November 12 in Columbia District returns to in person format. Our twelve District Presidents will be reaching out to their elected and appointed district officers for participation in this meaningful morning of training. As a community of women we strive to produce good leaders. This time together supports that endeavor.

Be sure to keep the **Legacy Fund** in mind. It is a great way to support our future financial stability. Remember that you can honor a friend with your donation, the perfect holiday gift, one of purpose and love. Thank you for your generosity!

Our website continues to evolve. It has a new look, to reflect our new name. It is found at umcsc.org/women/

Our **Advocate** subscribers will find current information in our monthly column. Numerous officers write our column about activities and programs. Many additional articles reflect our events with photos. We purchase ¼ page advertisements to promote our events, which are open to all, both members and non members. We are grateful to Jessica Brody, editor and Allison Trussell, assistant editor for faithfully sharing our news with their readership.

My articles in the Mission Echo end with this final submission as your President. On December 1st my term of service will end. The December edition will hold words of a newly elected President of the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith. The past four years have been unforgettable and will remain very treasured days of my life. I am truly thankful for the numerous unexpected and unimaginable blessings which occurred while serving. I thank you for the honor of my election and the gift of serving which it provided. So many of you have been part of my journey as both officers and members, all of you friends, and I sincerely thank each of you. I thank you so very much! I especially wish to give thanks to all the fabulous Past Presidents of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women dba. United Women in Faith leading the way to our fiftieth year serving God. You are wonderful leaders and supporters. I am honored to become a past president with you and continue serving as a bold cheerleader of our beloved organization.

The future will be a surprise of wonderful people, places and activities shared with you, my sisters in Christ. I look forward to whatever the future holds. I pray for our journey together with confidence that God is leading the way. With Bible in hand, and smiles on our faces, may all our prayers reach the heavens. Let us rejoice and send our thanks to God!

Peace, Cathy Ford SCCUWF President 2019-2022

Ecclesiastes 3:1 For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.

“Embracing Change, Sharing Grace!”

“No one cuts up a fine silk scarf to patch old work clothes; you want fabrics that match. And you don’t put your wine in cracked bottles.” (Mark 2:22) MSG

We’ve again answered yes to God’s call to mission on behalf of women, children, and youth by boldly embracing the next chapter in our organization’s 150+ year journey as **United Women in Faith!** This is truly an exciting time in the life of our organization. Our new name will enable us to better reflect how we answer God’s calling today.

As we commit to even greater inclusivity, action and impact, we must remain as women of passion and power, united by God’s love in our mission to support women, children and youth. To support this effort, our new Mission Statement below was created:

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

United Women in Faith, are you ready to inspire, influence and impact our communities and the world God so loves on behalf of women, children and youth? If your answer is yes, then you should plan to join us as we celebrate our **50th South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting!** This meeting will be held as an in person event, October 21st and 22nd at First UMC in Myrtle Beach.

You will be given an opportunity to come together with your Sisters and Brothers to hear from **Sally Vonner**, our National United Women in Faith Transformation Officer. As the Transformation Officer, she coordinates the organization’s strategic focus and ongoing vision to positively impact the lives of women, children, and youth. As a longtime United Women in Faith member, she puts her faith, hope and love into action daily.

Sally is a graduate of SMU/Perkins School of Theology with a M. Div. and Women’s Studies Certification. She previously served as the Associate Director of Connectional Ministries for the North Texas Conference. Sally is a member of First UMC in Grand Prairie, Texas. She enjoys spending time with her young adult children, Wesley and Lessie, reading and traveling.

Bible study will be led by **Rev. Judith Ann Knox**, daughter of Ann Hough Knox of Bishopville, South Carolina and the late John David Knox. She is an Ordained Elder of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Currently, she serves as pastor of Trinity UMC in Bennettsville.

Rev. Knox earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology and a Master of Education degree in generic special education from USC. She also graduated from Candler School of Theology at Emory University earning a Master of Divinity degree with certification in black church studies and a concentration in church and community leadership and administration.

The SCCUWF Program Committee has planned for an experience you will remember for years to come. Hotel reservations should be made quickly to ensure you have housing for October 21st.

The hotel listing and registration form can be found at umcsc.org/women/ and in the September Mission Echo.

Shalom!

Janice Cockfield Eaddy,
SCCUWF Vice President

50th South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting

October 21 - 22, 2022

First United Methodist Church 901 North Kings Highway Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

For registration information contact Kay Summerlin, Registrar (843) 632-1106 or email mikeandkay0233@gmail.com

Theme: "Embracing Change, Sharing Grace!"

Name _____ (this will be printed on name tag)

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____ District _____ Church _____

Check all of the following that apply:

First Timer Conference Officer District Officer Past Conf President
 Under 40 Unit President Mission Director Clergy
 Age 14-30 Voting Delegate Missionary / Deaconess
 Nursery needed: Number of children / ages _____ / _____

In case of emergency, contact _____ Phone _____

Will you be at dinner Friday night _____ Will you be at lunch Saturday ? _____

***Note meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.**

*****Workshops****

Select your first, second & third choices for Friday afternoon, you will be assigned one of your selections!

Human Trafficking Prevention Guardian ad Litem Program Mini Mission u
 Limitless Workshop What's In a Name Children Recovery Center
 Missions Around the World Charter for Racial Justice

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Friday, October 21st

Registration: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm (follow signs) **Late registration will be available prior to Communion Service**

Session 1

2:45 pm Opening Ceremonies / Bible Study (Rev. Judith Knox-Trinity UMC Bennettsville) - Sanctuary
4:15 pm Workshops
5:30 pm **Dinner (MEAL TICKETS REQUIRED)**

Session 2

6:45 pm Gathering music
7:00 pm Communion - Sanctuary
8:30 pm Afterglow and Fellowship

Saturday, October 22nd

Registration: 8:00 am - 9:00 am (follow signs)

Session 3

8:45 am General Business, Information Moments, Memorial Service, Special Music - Sanctuary
10:30 am Break
10:45 am Keynote Speaker (Sally Vonner) Adoption of Budget, Love Offering
12:15 pm **Lunch (MEAL TICKET REQUIRED)**

Session 4

1:15 pm Election and Installation of Officers / Closing - Sanctuary

Mail with \$40.00 fee payable to SCCUMW to: Kay Summerlin 1200 McLean Drive Dillon, SC 29536

****Registration deadline: October 5th- registrations postmarked after October 5th and on-site fee is \$50.00****

Recommended Hotels for SCCUWF 50 Annual Meeting-October 21-22
First United Methodist Church, 901 North Kings Highway
Myrtle Beach, SC – Marion District hosts

Anderson Ocean Club and Spa 2600 N Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (844) 887-9452 Room Rate: \$111 - \$151

Courtyard by Marriott 1351 21st Avenue North Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (843) 445-6333 Room Rate: \$179

Fairfield Inn by Marriott Myrtle Beach Broadway at the Beach 3150 Oleander Drive Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (843) 444-8097 Room Rate: \$137 - \$142

Holiday Inn at the Pavilion 1200 N. Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (800) 211-6947 Room Rate: \$114 - \$144 per night

LaQuinta Inn and Suites by Wyndham Myrtle Beach N Kings Highway 4709 N Kings Highway Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (833) 483-0763 Room Rate: \$179 - \$225

Sand Castle Oceanfront Resort by Patton Hospitality 2207 South Ocean Boulevard Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (843) 448-4316 Room Rate: \$79 - \$149

Sea Crest Oceanfront Resort 803 S. Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (843) 913-5800 Room Rate: \$95 – 107 per night

Sheraton Myrtle Beach 2101 N Oak Street Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (843) 918-5000 Room Rate: \$143 - \$170

Hotels are listed alphabetically.

Reservations are by individuals, based upon availability.

The SCCUWF Executive Committee is staying at the Sheraton on N Oak Street.

SCCUMW Annual Meetings			
Year	Host District	Meeting No	Note #1
6-Nov-71	Spartanburg	1st	Bethel UMC, Spartanburg
3-Nov-72	Columbia	2nd	Shandon UMC, Columbia
10-Nov-73	Greenville	3rd	St Matthew's UMC, Greenville
26-Oct-74	Florence	4th	Central UMC, Florence
22-Nov-75	Charleston	3rd	Bethel UMC, Charleston
23-Oct-76	Walterboro	4th	Bethel UMC, Walterboro
15-Oct-77	Rock Hill	5th	St John's UMC, Rock Hill
Nov 3-4, 1978	Orangeburg	6th	Trinity UMC, Orangeburg
Nov 9-10, 1979	Anderson	7th	St John's UMC, Anderson
Nov 7-8, 1980	Charleston	8th	N Charleston UMC, N Charleston
Oct 9-10, 1981	Columbia	9th	Cayce UMC, Cayce
Oct 8-9, 1982	Florence	10th	Central UMC, Florence
Oct 6-7, 1983	Greenville	11th	Buncombe St UMC, Greenville
Oct 12-13, 1984	Greenwood	12th	Main St UMC, Greenwood
Oct 11-12, 1985	Hartsville	13th	Trinity UMC, Sumter
Oct 10-11, 1986	Marion	14th	First UMC, Myrtle Beach
Oct 9-10, 1987	Orangeburg	15th	St John's UMC, Aiken
Oct 7-8, 1988	Rock Hill	16th	St John's UMC, Rock Hill
Oct 13-14, 1989	Spartanburg	17th	Bethel UMC, Spartanburg
Oct 12-13, 1990	Walterboro	18th	Bethel UMC, Walterboro
Oct 11-12, 1991	Anderson	19th	St John's UMC, Anderson
Oct 9-10, 1992	Charleston	20th	Bethany UMC, Summerville
Oct 8-9, 1993	Columbia	21st	Shandon UMC, Columbia
Oct 7-8, 1994	Florence	22nd	Central UMC, Florence
1995	Greenville	23rd	Buncombe St UMC, Greenville
1996	Greenwood	24th	
1997	Hartsville	25th	Trinity UMC, Sumter
1998	Marion	26th	
1999	Orangeburg	27th	St John's UMC, Aiken
2000	Rock Hill	28th	St John's UMC, Rock Hill
2001	Spartanburg	29th	at Bethel UMC, Spartanburg
2002	Walterboro	30th	at Bethel UMC, Walterboro
2003	Anderson	31st	Sheraton hotel in Columbia
2004	Charleston	32nd	Sheraton hotel in Columbia
2005	Columbia	33rd	Sheraton hotel in Columbia
2006	Florence	34th	Central UMC, Florence
2007	Greenville	35th	Aldersgate UMC, Greenville
2008	Greenwood	36th	Broad St UMC, Clinton
2009	Hartsville	37th	Trinity UMC, Sumter
2010	Marion	38th	Belin Memorial UMC, Murrells Inlet
2011	Orangeburg	39th	St John's UMC, Aiken
2012	Rock Hill	40th	St John's UMC, Rock Hill
2013	Spartanburg	41st	Bethel UMC, Spartanburg
2014	Walterboro	42nd	Carteret St UMC, Beaufort
2015	Anderson	43rd	Bethesda UMC, Powdersville
2016	Charleston	44th	Bethany UMC, Summerville
2017	Columbia	45th	Union UMC, Irmo
2018	Florence	46th	Central UMC, Florence
2019	Greenville	47th	Buncombe St UMC, Greenville
2020	Greenwood	48th	virtual meeting hosted by Main St UMC, Greenwood
2021	Hartsville	49th	virtual meeting hosted by Lyttleton St UMC, Camden
Oct 21-22, 2022	Marion	50th	First UMC, Myrtle Beach

South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women dba United Women in Faith Annual Meeting Locations

Your help is
needed naming
the host church
for 1996 and
1998.

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Thoughts on 2022 Assembly-Orlando, Florida May 20-22, 2022

Personal testimony from seven participants at Assembly reveals the following information.

Expectations were met and all will definitely, absolutely recommend Assembly to others.

Majority will attend 2026 Assembly in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Some quotes are abbreviated versions of response to invitation to share a few words on Assembly.

The entire event was inspiring. The speakers, Bible study, workshops and presenters. The music was great, the band and the dancers. Loved every minute of the Assembly. Great information and sisterhood. Clarice Blakeney, Hartsville District

The speakers were excellent. The Musicians were very good. The dancers and poet were moving in the spirit. Workshops were informative + fun. Food was delicious and vendors were of a good selection with great mission information. Joslyn Cooper, Florence District

My favorite part was the music. The band and singers were phenomenal! The speakers were very good! The LDD class I attended was good. Everyone should have that experience at least once. Ruby Hannah, Charleston District

The speakers were wonderful, in particular Janet Wolf. Very inspiring. Truly enjoyed the worship. Wished the breakout sessions could have been a little more helpful and informative. I look forward to the tapes of the speakers. I will definitely be re-listening to them again and again. I feel that I understand UWF better than ever and I am proud to be part of the Sisterhood. It is a wonderfully inspiring time that confirms your faith and enthusiasm to serve our Lord! Pam Kahl, Charleston District

Enjoyed the workshops, the music was awesome and the diverse speakers were inspiring. Well organized and something for everyone. Vanessa Key, Columbia District

Loved the song choices and awesome female band. The workshops were very informative. Speakers and entertainment was outstanding. Consider attending in person. Great faith experience. Shirlene McMillan, Hartsville

I enjoyed seeing people whom I served on jurisdiction and Women's Division with. I enjoyed all of the speakers. They gave such a wealth of knowledge. I participated in Ubuntu experience. I enjoyed the hands on of decorating bags for the hygiene kits. The town hall on the school to prison pipeline was quite eye opening. The singing was fantastic. Assembly is a place to meet and talk to the staff and officers of United Women in Faith. It is a place to network with others from other conferences and other parts of the world to get ideas for ones local unit. Jimmie Blake Shuler, Orangeburg District

Assembly 2022 SCCUWF Attendees



<p>www.Assembly2022.org</p> <p>Millie Nelson Smith</p>	<p>www.Assembly2022.org</p> <p>Carrie R. Murray</p>	<p>www.Assembly2022.org</p> <p>Judy Roumillat</p>	<p>www.Assembly2022.org</p> <p>Carolyn Jenkins</p>
<p>www.A... 2022.org</p> <p>Vickie Failor</p>	<p>Mae Cooke</p>	<p>Ask to Unmute</p> <p>JoAnn Abram</p>	<p>Ask to Unmute</p> <p>Maureen Thomas</p>
<p>Carolyn Hamby</p>	<p>Iva Gardner</p>	<p>Jacquelyn Session</p>	<p>Azilee Dickey</p>
<p>Barbara Simpson</p>		<p>2022 Assembly SCCUWF Virtual Attendees</p>	

TURN IT UP!!

A Note from our Conference Treasurer

Hello everyone!! We are at the end of the third quarter of 2022. Can you believe it?? We are already into preparing financial information for 2023. Our District Treasurers are working hard to process your Mission Givings and get them to me in a timely manner. I hope and pray your local units are meeting again and everyone is paying your pledges, donations to the 4 Missions, etc. Every member in South Carolina please prayerfully consider increasing your pledge for next year.

Thank you, Ruby Hannah

Be A Blessing!

Special Emphasis Months

FEBRUARY - WALLACE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

APRIL - COLUMBIA BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CENTER

SEPTEMBER - KILLINGSWORTH

NOVEMBER - BETHLEHEM CENTER SPARTANBURG

Missing Gold Tablecloth

One beautiful display tablecloth did not return to its owner from Mission u. The gorgeous, golden, wrinkle texture fabric, rectangular, floor length cloths were on tables in Ellis Hall and auditorium of Spartanburg Methodist College. Sadly one did not get returned to its owner.

Please double check your return home bundles to be sure it did not get unintentionally tucked into a table take down or display materials. We all enjoyed the beauty and 50 year golden theme the cloths provided. We hope to get it back to its owner soon.

Let me know if you find our missing tablecloth, please. No questions asked!

Cathy Ford cathylford@gmail.com #864-231-6740



READING RESOURCE PROGRAM

This has been an interesting year of the Reading Program. We are stilling working on learning ways of sharing resources. Check out our website to see the new things. I would like to invite the Reading Secretaries to join me at the Annual Meeting in Myrtle Beach.. We will be having a room set up for Resources. This would an opportunity to engage with fellow readers and share information that someone my need to know. Just reminder please forward those participations in this year's Reading Program.

Happy Readings,

Shirley Crosby

Reading Program Secretary

Date Extended

**THE 2021 UNIT CENSUS FOR
UNIT PRESIDENTS TO
COMPLETE HAS AN
EXTENDED DEADLINE OF
SEPTEMBER 20TH**

2021 Unit Survey Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TZSYN2B>

Education & Interpretation News

Let me open with thanking everyone for participation in our Craft Room at Mission u July 21-23. We had a room full of beautiful crafts and busy shoppers. Much appreciation goes to everyone who donated an item for sale. Thanks also to those who collected the many handmade goodies and brought them from the crafters hands to our Spartanburg Methodist College Craft Room. We had some deliveries arrive before we did! Your support was strong! We are grateful.

Volunteer leader Jane Scott, Killingsworth representative, Jan Fleming Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg representative and many District Education & Interpretation Mission Coordinators Damita Bridges, Katherine Sabb-Graham, Donna Hopkins, Tonya Mack, and Barbara Wright, worked together to provide a successful Craft Room. They set up, organized, priced, bagged and encouraged strong sales. Appreciation goes to Sarah Woods, Marion District President for delivery of unsold items to Wallace Family Life to stock their student Christmas Shop.

Sales from the Craft Room totaled \$1,366.25. Along with the Saturday offering and some additional donations a resulting figure of \$989.25 was provided to each of our four mission projects. This community of women is amazing! Thanks to all.

We continue to collect pull tabs and used postage stamps. A drop off table will be available at our in person 50th Annual Meeting at First United Methodist Church, Myrtle Beach, Marion District. Please bring both pull tabs and used stamps there. We ask you to separate trimmed stamps from untrimmed stamps, please. Trimming is to be one quarter inch on all four sides.

Sue Owens, SEJ President continues to accept your pull tabs for delivery to a Ronald McDonald House near her Spartanburg location. You are encouraged to donate them locally if a Ronald McDonald House is near to you.

Many used postage stamps were delivered to our collection and trimming table in Ellis Hall at Spartanburg Methodist College. It has been several years since meeting in person to receive your bundles so many stamps were brought. Thanks so much! To date I have shipped fifty five pounds of trimmed stamps to Marion Mission Storehouse. I will continue to ship weekly until all have made their way to be a part of this amazing mission project. A new newsletter has been provided. Look for it in this edition, titled A New Day in Mission, March 2022. I am thrilled to share it with you and a new letter of correspondence titled Marion Mission Storehouse.

We look to the October election of a conference level Education & Interpretation Mission Coordinator to continue this good work and encourage completing the Mission Today Action form annually. We are a mission organization. Your good deeds are the bedrock of all we do. Let us continue together to be the hands and feet of Christ on earth.

Cathy Ford, SCCUWF President, acting chair for Education & Interpretation - September 2022

MARION Mission Storehouse
(MMS)
P.O. Box 38
402 E. Highland Ave.
Marion, Indiana 46952
July 2021 34 Years

March 8, 2022

Dear Friends;

Thank you for your support of MMS since 1987. It has been only possible with your support to do the things we have done for the Vances and Enright's for their Mission Project in Africa. In these past years we have sent many items of clothing, shoes, bedding and items of required equipment. This has only been possible because of the many churches and individuals who have come forward to provide the necessary items to meet their needs in Africa. We continue to collect clothing and shoes for men, women, boys and girls as well as good clean bedding and linens. Also the funding for the Vances and MMS. In essence we are still doing what we have for many years.

We still collect stamps trimmed (1/4 in) or untrimmed. The sale of these canceled stamps goes toward shipping costs. Each container costs approximately \$4000 and an additional 14-16000 dollars to send to Africa.

If anyone is considering purchasing some large piece of equipment for the Pastor's School, please contact us first because we are limited in what we have the capability of handling.

Any items shipped UPS should be shipped to my home due to our limited hours on Monday 1-3 or by appointment. Robert Atchison, 3224 E. 200 N. Marion, In. 46952

Sincerely in Christ
Robert Atchison, Chairperson
Mark Conrad, Treasure

Board Members: Mary Atchison, Val McIntire, Jenny Conrad, Ben Conrad, Judy Rigsbee, Sandra Conrad and Ken Vance

MMS Faithful Helpers: Mary Atchison, Jan Lanckenau, Val McIntire

*Thank
you so much
for your
kind words
and bless
Bob*

A NEW DAY IN MISSION

Kafakumba Training Center | Zambia, Africa

Fisenge UMC

The Fisenge Church struggles to return to where we were when the COVID-19 pandemic emerged 2 years ago. We have a very faithful core who have worked long and hard to keep our church moving forward. Many prayers and now visits to members and people who used to attend along with new people generates energy for evangelism and outreach.

We continue to develop the church facility by adding 30 new children's chairs and 100 adult chairs. Shout outs to Colfax and Warsaw Walnut Creek UMC's! Our water project is ongoing. As with many projects in Zambia, when you start one job you find you have 2 others to do before you can do your job. We thank you for your prayers and financial support in these 2 projects and for our church.

Ken's Visit to the States

Ken will be in the States for the Life Celebration service of Debbie and will remain for a time with family (Grandchildren, Children etc.). He will also be available for speaking and visitation to churches. To schedule Ken please contact Shirley Dominick

(765) 427-7869
dominickshirley@gmail.com.

Kafakumba Pastor's School in Session!



Ken's Star Preaching Students

The 2021/2022 Session of KPS is underway! After nearly two years and the pandemic we are able to hold classes and will graduate our Senior class on April 2, 2022. This will allow our students and teachers to be back to their churches for Palm Sunday and Easter Celebrations.

It is an exciting time. The anticipation of what God has in store for us is building. Students and teachers alike are sensing a presence of God's Spirit. My preaching classes are excited to continue preaching on camera to replay and evaluate/critique. It is always a fun time of learning.

Life Celebration Service

After two years of pandemic restrictions we are going to celebrate the life of DEBORAH RIGSBEE VANCE in the United States.

Many watched the livestream of Debbie's Service in Zambia following her death. This will be held on the 2nd anniversary of Debbie's passing, on May 20, 2022 at Hanfield UMC, 101 North 400 East, Marion, IN. (Intersection of S.R.18 and 400 East).

Visitation from noon until 3:00 p.m. with the Service at 3 p.m.



Greetings from Killingsworth!

As we celebrate 75 years in mission at Killingsworth I think of the dozens of women who have come to us for hope and healing through these years. They all have a story. We never use their actual names as we tell stories – but –

Brenda spent much of her childhood alone. Her mom would leave her for hours – even days – simply telling her to “be a big girl”. Brenda had no concept of what it was to be a big girl, so she made some bad choices. She gave birth to two little girls and did not know how to parent them. Her bad choices eventually took her to prison. When she was released, she was ready to find out what it was like to really be a big girl. Killingsworth accepted her as a resident. Over time, she learned that big girls get jobs and establish good work histories, they go to meetings to help them understand and cope with a clean life – they rent apartments, pay for utilities and food – and more.

Brenda’s biggest accomplishment is that she is now a good role model for her daughters – letting them see that big girls become productive women.

Amber was an alcoholic married to an alcoholic. Even though the husband could do it, Amber could not drink and hold a job. She realized that she had to get away and get treatment but leaving her childhood sweetheart turned husband was a hard thing to do. She got sober and saw that a sober life was a good life – she got a good job with benefits, and she saved enough money to buy a car. All was going well – until her husband called and begged her to come home. He promised that he would stop drinking as soon as she got home. She went back and she soon learned that she was addicted to him as well as to alcohol. With this realization she returned to Killingsworth to start over – conquering two addictions this time.

After years of abuse and marital rape Angie left her marriage and took her two children with her. While living in her car they were discovered, and the children were taken away to foster care. And then Angie realized that she was pregnant once again – a result of marital rape.

Angie attempted suicide and was discovered and taken to a hospital. When she was dismissed, she went to Killingsworth as an indifferent, lethargic woman. The hospital had restored her physical life and then, at Killingsworth, God worked to restore her hope of sense and self.

She left Killingsworth just in time for her baby to be born and then went to the home of a longtime Killingsworth supporter where she and the baby stayed until she could get her own place. She lost touch with our staff for a few years- then we found her.

She had gone back to school for LPN training, regained custody of her two older children and married a man who was good to her and her children – and he realized that he was a lucky man to have found this family. Quoting a former staff member “that is a great return on an eight-month investment, a mustard seed investment. But Killingsworth is all about planting seeds and having faith in God’s merciful capacity to give our lives back to us as a gift.”

Your support of Killingsworth has planted numerous seed through these years. We thank God for the lives that have been restored to produce good fruit resulting from cultivating these seeds.

Shalom,

Jane Scott

Wallace Family Life Center Article

When we help those in need, we are showing the love of God.

When we put our love in action, we are representing the mission and purpose of United Women in Faith. Our gratitude for your immeasurable support means more to us than you will ever know or realize. A HUGE thank you for all you do for the community of Wallace.

The summer camp was a happy place for the children the months of June and July. They enjoyed art activities, writing and making a book, planting trees and seeds, VBS and Home Economics lessons. Speakers from Law Enforcement, information from a banker and field trips kept the children engaged. A Back to School Bash and food give away will take place on August 27, 2022.

The After School Program and Adult Education Classes will resume in August and September. The Welvista Agency is offering prescription assistance to uninsured persons in the community. Plans are in the works to provide a Senior feeding program and CDL classes.

We are very blessed to have caring people like you to help with the programs and events planned at the center. We are so very thankful for all you do.

Clarice Blakeney, Wallace Family Life Center Representative

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith
2023 Mission Trip

The Asheville to Nashville Adventure

Adventure includes tour of Brooks-McCord Home
Beautiful Lake Junaluska
Tour of Scavrin Bennett
Bethlehem's Center, Nashville
A UWF National Mission Institution



March 27-31, 2023

\$165.00 Per Person

Price includes Round Trip Bus Fide
& breakfast, 4 lunches and 1 dinner

Pick up in Charleston, Columbia, and Spartanburg, SC

Returns March 30th to pick up price

Lake Junaluska \$120.00 per night - The Terrace Inn (252/210025)

Travelers Must Make Hotel Reservations By February 26, 2023

Telephone: 800-222-4020

Best Western Plus Music Row \$129.00 (252/8429, 2023)

Travelers Must Make Hotel Reservations By December 31, 2022

Telephone: 615-242-2123

Room sleep Two-Free Breakfast

A Bus Deposit of \$200.00 is due December 9, 2022

Balance of \$165.00 is due February 3, 2023

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith
2023 Mission Trip
The Asheville to Nashville Adventure
Registration

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Cost of Transportation and 4 Meals: \$165.00

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

Mail checks to:

Ann Alexander

PO Box 392

Clover, South Carolina 29710

Contact Information: MHAALL5@bellsouth.net

704-616-1133

Deposit of \$100.00 is due December 2, 2022

Balance of \$65.00 is due February 3, 2023

Travelers must make their own hotel reservations: Deadline is December 31, 2022

Pick up locations: Please circle your pick up choice:

Charleston-Grace United Methodist Church-1601 Rittenberg Blvd., Charleston, SC-Depart 7:00 am

Columbia-Columbia College-Campus Police Parking Lot-Depart 9:10 am

Spartanburg-Silver Hill UMC-778 John B. White St. Blvd, Spartanburg, SC-Depart 11:00 am

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SCCUWF Nominations Report:

The Committee on Nominations has been working hard all year. We had the task of filling eleven positions and was successful with all but two. We are still in need of two ladies to serve with the Committee on Nominations. A list of responsibilities for these positions is included. Please contact Kathy Roys if you are interested in joining us. The proposed slate of officers for 2023 is also included. The election will be held during our SCCUWF Annual Meeting on October 22, 2022.

The voting delegates at Annual Meeting from the local churches will be the unit President or her duly elected alternate. Each unit may have an additional elected delegate for membership under 100 or two additional elected delegates for membership of 100 or more.

Other delegates include members of District and Conference Executive Committees, the appointees to SC Mission Project boards, past Conference presidents, nominees for conference offices, members of the Conference Committee on Nominations, as well as deaconesses, members of the National UWF Board of Directors and Program Advisory Group, and Southeast Jurisdiction officers who reside within the bounds of the S.C. Conference.

Be sure to check the voting delegate slot on your Annual Meeting registration form.

Come join us at Annual Meeting in October!

Kathy Roys

SCCUWF CON Chair

Kathy5339@att.net

Responsibilities of the Nominations Committee

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith

- Recruits potential nominees for leadership positions on the Conference Executive Committee.
- Attends Nominations Committee meetings (virtually).
- Is encouraged to attend Executive Committee meetings to learn about the responsibilities of the other elected positions.
- Attends Conference events to observe work of current officers and to meet potential future officers.
- Reviews job performances of current officers and deals with issues that may arise.
- Reads and becomes familiar with National United Women in Faith (UMW) Handbook by-laws concerning the Committee on Nominations, as well as job descriptions for all elected offices, and responsibilities of standing committees.
- Reads and becomes familiar with Conference United Women in Faith Standing Rules published in the annual directory.
- Promotes the PURPOSE, MISSION, and VISION of United Women in Faith.
- Maintains confidentiality of anything discussed within this committee.

The term of service for a Committee on Nominations member is 4 years.

2022 Officer Nominations

SCCUWF Slate of Officers for 2023 (with year in term)

Bold print denotes open office with candidate being nominated for election.

President: Clarice Blakeney (Hartsville)

Vice President: Kathy Roys (Charleston)

Secretary: Ann Alexander (Rock Hill)

Treasurer: Ruby Hannah (5)

Communications: Wanda Chandler-Flowers (Florence)

Social Action: Patricia Armstrong (Columbia)

Spiritual Growth: Vickie Harvey re-election to 2nd term (3) (Spartanburg)

Program Resources: Shirley Crosby re-election to 2nd term (3) (Spartanburg)

MN&O: Angela Allen (2)

Education & Interpretation: Beth Addis (Anderson)

Committee on Nominations Chair: Azilee Dickey (1/3) (Florence)

CON 2023: Jane Crawford, Sandra Jeter, Flo Johnson (4)

CON 2024: Velva Ellerbe, Sandra Love (3)

CON 2025: Linda Kennedy (2)

CON 2026: 2 Open Positions

Charter for Racial Justice Committee:

Sonya Benjamin, Barb Brooks, Eunice White (2)

2022 Officer Nominations



President Nominee

Clarice Blakeney

Clarice Blakeney lives in Pageland, South Carolina. She is a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church and presently serves as the unit president and teaches Adult Sunday School. In her local church she has served as Vice-President, Spiritual Growth Coordinator and on numerous committees. Clarice is Past President of the Hartsville District and is presently the Wallace Family Life Center Representative for United Women in Faith. She is a Retired Educator, has a daughter Khandis and enjoys spending time with family and traveling.

Vice President Nominee

Kathy Roys



Kathy Roys is a member of St. James UMC, Goose Creek. She serves as Missions co-chair. Within her unit she has been circle leader, social action coordinator, nominations chairperson, and president. With the Charleston District, she was a cluster leader, Chair of Nominations, and President. She is now serving as SCCUWF Nominations Chair.

Communications Chair

Wanda Chandler-Flowers



Wanda Chandler-Flowers is a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Andrews. She currently serves as the Chair of the church council, a member of the S/PPRC team, the Communications Chair for her local United Women in Faith and the lay member to the SC Annual Conference. Chandler-Flowers is not afraid to help. She continues to serve the Florence district UMW as the secretary and communications coordinator, roles she's had for years (while they find others to step up) . She retired after working 30 years for The Sun News. Currently she works as a communications specialist for Coastal Carolina University. Her mission is "to allow God to use her to do the best work she can to help the most people she can".

2022 Officer Nominations

Secretary

Ann Alexander



Ann is a retired School Counselor. She has faithfully worked within her church, UWF and her community. She is a member of St. James United Methodist Church-York where she has served in many positions to include a few; Chair of Worship, Sunday School Teacher, Secretary and Chair of Administrative Council, Chair of Christian Education, Delegate to Annual Conference, and served on several committees. She is a Certified Lay Servant and Lay Servant Instructor.

She has served as a local unit officer of UWF, serving as President. She has held offices in the Rock Hill District as Secretary, MNO Chair, Historian and President.

She has also served as Secretary, Assistant Dean and Dean of the Southeastern Jurisdiction School of Christian Mission (currently known as Mission u). She has served as Assistant Dean and Dean of Mission u for the South Carolina Conference. She has also served as the Communications Coordinator and Trip Coordinator for the South Carolina Conference UWF.

Ann is a Member of the Board of Directors for the Stellie J. Jackson Enrichment Center where she is currently serving as Secretary. She is a Life Member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, a Life Member of the NAACP, and a member of the Order of Eastern Stars.

Spiritual Growth Coordinator

Vickie Harvey



Vickie Harvey has been nominated for Spiritual Growth Coordinator. A graduate of Winthrop and Clemson, she worked with Special Needs Children her entire career. Vickie is currently Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth and also held the job of Spiritual Growth Coordinator, President and Vice-President of the Spartanburg UWF. She attends Trinity UMC in Spartanburg where she is a circle leader. Vickie is married to Dick Harvey and they have 3 children, 1 granddaughter and 4 grandsons.

2022 Officer Nominations

Secretary Program Resources Nominee

Shirley Crosby



Shirley Crosby lives in Spartanburg with her husband Bernard. She is a graduate of Claflin College (now University) in Orangeburg SC and has worked for over 20 years as a case manager in the Mental Health Area.

Shirley is an active member of Friends in Christ United Methodist Church in Chesnee SC where she currently serves as Treasurer and was a past President of their UWF unit. Shirley has served on the PPRC Committee, the Nominations committee and sings on the choir at her church.

Shirley has served on the Conference as the Spartanburg Bethlehem Center Representative. She was also a member of the Board. On the District Level, Shirley served as the Education and Interpretation Chair for the Spartanburg District and served on the Protection and Advocacy Board for many years

Education & Interpretation

Beth Addis



Member, Toxaway UMC, Anderson, SC. Member, Susanna Wesley circle, Trinity UMC, Anderson: Secretary of Program Resources. Past member, Toxaway UMW: treasurer, president. Anderson District

UMW: Secretary; Secretary, Program Resources; President; Cluster Leader; Historian. SC Conference UMW: Member and Chair, Nominating Committee; Secretary; Representative, Appalachian Membership Network. Retired Medical Librarian. Single.

2022 Officer Nominations

Social Action Committee Nominee

Patricia Armstrong



I was born and raised in the Oatland Section of Georgetown County SC. I attended Brown's Ferry Elementary and Choppee High School. I further my education at NC A&T S U (BSN) and USC, Columbia (MN). I was blessed to be nurtured in the faith by my parents, grandparents, church family and the greater community. Some were Methodist, others Baptist all believers who instilled in me that worshipping and serving goes hand in hand.

Committee on Nominations Nominee

Azilee Dickey



Azilee Dickey is a member of Asbury United Methodist Church-Shiloh in Florence District where she serves as Lay Leader and Treasurer. An active member of United Women in Faith: Local Communication Chairperson, former President, Vice—President and Spiritual Growth Coordinator. On the District, immediate past President, Spiritual Growth, and Conference Nominations Committee. Proud grandmother of Enrick, and grand dog Stroll, she loves to sing, bowl and fish. Azilee is blessed to be a blessing.

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith 2023 Dates to Remember

February – Wallace Family Life Center, Special Emphasis Month

February 1 – Social Action Workshop #1/10am – Virtual

February 7– Social Action Workshop #2/7pm - Virtual

February 16 – Social Action Workshop #3/2pm - Virtual

February 25 – Social Action Workshop #4/10am - Virtual

March 1 – Presidential Scholarship Applications due

March 23 – Legacy Fund Day of Giving, 154th year

March 27-30 -Mission Trip, Asheville to Nashville Adventure, North Carolina and Tennessee

April – Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Special Emphasis month

April 9 – **Easter** – He is Risen!

April 22 - Spiritual Growth Event/10 am/Walterboro District UWF host - Virtual

May 20 – Come Together Be Together/10 am/Columbia District UWF host - Virtual

June 4-7 -SC UMC Annual Conference, Florence Center, Florence, SC

June 24 – Charter for Racial + Environmental Justice Event/10 am – Virtual

July 1 – Limitless Event / 10am-virtual

July 20-22 Mission u, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

September – Killingsworth Special Emphasis Month

October – Bethlehem Center -Spartanburg, Special Emphasis Month

October 20-21– SCCUWF 51st Annual Mtg. /12:30pm - 3 pm/St. John’s UMC, Aiken, Orangeburg District

November 11 – District Officers Training/ 8:30 am /Columbia District UWF host

December 2 – Limitless Event /10am- virtual

December 25 – Baby Jesus is born.