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June 2022

HYMAN TO TAKE THE REIGN

*Florence District Vice President
Barbara Hyman steps into the role of President.*

*President Pernerva Thomas was appointed
pastor of St. Paul Elliott.*

*God Bless Rev. Thomas and
new President Hyman.*

From the Desk of the *Former* President

Pernerva Washington Thomas

Greetings to my sisters in Christ, I am humbled and honored to have served as the Florence District United Women in Faith (formerly UMW) President for the past two years. We the United Woman in Faith came a long way. From only being able to meet virtually, to have the option to attend Assembly 2022 in-person. Back in 2020, I wanted to begin my service emphasizing our purpose “the organized unit of united woman and faith shall be a community of woman Christ, to develop a creative supportive fellowship” and we were able to do that through my time in 2022. Let us continue to connect with each other. We must continue to support each other (It’s our mission). Technology has given us the opportunity to expand how we lift up and support our missions. We are able to connect virtually, via phone calls, written words, and in-person. We are able to send emails and text in a matter of minutes. Although most of the women I speak with are ready to have more in-person workshops, they understand that ladies who never attended a workshop/conference are able to do so virtually. Let the journey continue. Together let’s turn faith, hope and love into action to fulfill our purpose.

I can’t thank you enough for your participation in district and statewide events. I



thank you for participating during the Legislative Advocacy Workshops. I cannot say enough about Assembly 2022 in Orlando. The Florence District showed up in-person and via Zoom and they lived up to the theme: “Turn It Up”. Thank you to the members that attended. Most of all, thank you for participating in our Mission-Giving-Projects with your prayers and donations. I’ve met some wonderful people during my time as president. The Florence District has much to be thankful for. Continue to do the work that our God has called you to do. Don’t sit on the sideline, waiting for someone else. Use the gifts and talents that He has given you. Together we will build God’s kingdom on earth.

Team: Thank you for believing in and supporting me during my tenure as president from day one. It saddens me, not to be able to complete my term but as I leave this position, I know it is in great hands. Ms. Barbara Hyman (Vice President) will assume the role as president. Give her the support you gave me. Not only is she stepping up as president, Katherine Graham-Sabb will assume the duties as vice president. These ladies can not do it without you. Florence District, we are to expand the concepts of mission and together we can.

Pernerva

The Purpose: 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.

Mission u



mission u 2022

Who Can We Be Together?

Building Communities
of Hope and Joy

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

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

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

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

Here is the curricula we will be using that will be available on our e-store by January 2022.

Who Can We Be Together? (Adult)

Community in the Midst of Challenging Times (Youth)

Our Growing Tree

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

Will you join us?

Join us:

July 21-23, 2022 at Spartanburg Methodist College

Vanessa Key

803-755-3469

803-917-4803 cell

**Mission u in Person
You Don't Want To Miss It**

Mission u

2022 SC Conference UWF Mission u
 Thursday, July 21- Saturday July 24, 2022
 Spartanburg Methodist College
 Theme: Who Can We Be Together?

Dean: Vanessa Key
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General Information Please Read carefully

Youth /Chaperone Covenant and Consent forms: Youth participants must complete a registration form, covenant, and parental consent form, information, and covenant forms for adult chaperones. These forms must be mailed together. Registration is incomplete until all forms are received by the registrar. Forms are located on the web at: <https://www.umcsc.org/women/> or may be secured from the registrar.

Registration: Thursday afternoon from 12:30-3:50pm and 6-6:45pm in Ellis Hall Atrium

First Timer's and Clergy Orientation: Thursday, 3:00-3:45pm in Ellis Hall

Opening Plenary: Thursday, 4pm

Offering: An offering for our 4 missions will be received during the closing plenary on Saturday before lunch.

Books: Please remember that the study book will not be available in the resource room. This is a change made by UWF National. You MUST order your books ahead of time from: <https://www.umwmissionresources.org/>

Housing: Resident participants will be housed in college dormitories. College dorm style twin bed is longer length than a regular twin bed. (2 flat sheets will be better than a fitted sheet) and bath linens, bathmat, soap, warm blanket or spread for a single bed, pillow, coat hangers, comfortable clothes and walking shoes, flashlight, raingear, Bible, **water bottle**, pens, notebook, trash bags, jacket or sweater, tote bag/book bag for your Bible and Study Book and other items necessary for your comfort away from home. Classrooms and dormitories may be cold **bring** appropriate linens and clothing!

Please bring cash or checkbook for shopping in craft room and resource room. No credit cards accepted.

Refund policy: Requests must be submitted to the registrar via email before July 1, 2022. Remember that registrations are transferrable if you need to cancel. **NO REFUNDS AFTER JULY 1, 2022**

Keys: There is a \$10 deposit at registration for keys and it is refunded at checkout. **THERE WILL BE A \$100 CHARGE FOR LOST KEYS-NO EXCEPTIONS**

Reprint from the Mission Echo

Calling all Crafters!

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

during Mission u at Spartanburg Methodist College.

We seek donations of handmade items to sell.

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

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

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

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

Mission u

2022 Mission u Adult Registration

July 21-23, Spartanburg Methodist College

Theme: Who Can We Be Together?

Register on-line

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sccuwf-2022-mission-u-registration-333276076717>

Or

Mail in form below and 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 Attending first time Conference Officer District Officer

Clergy Missionary Deaconess Day participant Coming on Wed- 7/20/2022

Dietary needs: gluten-free nut allergies other explain _____

Physical needs golf cart dorm other explain _____

Emergency contact: _____ contact number: _____

Adult participants study: Choose one.

Who Can We Be Together? A Biblical Exploration of Luke 13

OR

Bearing Witness in The Kin-dom

You will need to purchase the book before attending because books are not available on site: (registrations received by June 15 will guarantee your first choice of study.) <https://www.umwmissionresources.org/>

Did you take the Bearing Witness in The Kin-dom course in 2021? (Y/N) _____

Are you interested in participating in a plenary? _____ Would you like to drive a golf cart? _____

Adult resident: \$ 185 * Day Student: \$120.00 *

If you register on-line a check can be mailed/if you pay on-line an additional fee is applied

****Registration deadline must be postmarked by July 1, 2022****

***Late registration deadline must be postmarked by July 9, 2022 and late fee is \$15**

Mail completed form with check made payable to SCCUMW to:

SCCUWF Mission u
Charm Eaddy
1003 Cockfield Rd
Scranton, SC 29591

Phone: 864-901-5431
email: misseaddy_19@yahoo.com

Amount enclosed _____

SPECIAL EMPHASIS MONTHS

September - Killingsworth

November - Bethlehem Center Spartanburg

February - Wallace Family Life

April - Columbia Bethlehem Community Center

September Special Emphasis Month is
Killingsworth

Killingsworth Thanks Board Members

Azilee Dickey and Debra Friday heard of the need of air conditioning in a staff area of the home. Together they researched, shopped and purchased a portable air unit for the small area. Thank you ladies, for your kindness, generosity and dedication to the Killingsworth residents and staff.

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Membership Census Time

Deadline: August 30, 2022

Don't Delay • Do it Today

All Units are asked to complete
the membership census ASAP.

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

If you need assistance contact the MN&O Coordinator, Ethel Holmes:

117 Lloyd Street • Kingstree, SC 29556
ethelholmes@gmail.com

MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Please Send Completed Form To: _____

Send by this date: ____/____/____

Unit President: _____ Date: _____

Unit Name: _____ Number of Members in Unit: _____

Units, which include all circles, must complete at least 10 of the following items. All units must complete #1.

Check if your unit:

- ____ 1. *Made and met its Pledge to Mission.
- ____ 2. Used the **Daily Prayer Guide at most meetings** to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children and youth.
- ____ 3. Added at least one or more members to its roll.
- ____ 4. Had at least one member who subscribes to **response: the magazine of women in mission**.
- ____ 5. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend Mission u and/or a district or local mission study.
- ____ 6. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the District Annual Meeting.
- ____ 7. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the Conference Annual Meeting.
- ____ 8. Had at least two members who wrote to at least five people listed in the **Daily Prayer Guide** – at least once during the year.
- ____ 9. Participated in **education programs for children through prayers and donations of funds, supplies or volunteer hours at schools, homes and churches. This includes Vacation Bible School participation.**
- ____ 10.* Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving which are Pledge to Mission, Gift in Memory, Gift to Mission, Special Mission Recognition and World Thank Offering.
- ____ 11. Had at least one person complete one of the plans in the Reading Program.
- ____ 12. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one unit meeting during the year.

Check if your unit, circle, or subgroup:

- ____ 13. Included a **response** moment where an article from **response: the magazine of women in mission** was lifted up as a way to tell the mission story in at least three meetings.
- ____ 14. Had at least two programs from the Program Book.
- ____ 15. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two ways.

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

From the Desk of Spiritual Growth Coordinator

Hats off to the Florence District on our well attended Virtual Day A Part held on Saturday, April 9. Our theme was “Healing and Joy on our Journey to God.” We were blessed with a warm message of hope and love by Columbia District Spiritual Coordinator Sandra Love.

Special thanks to Asbury UMC-Andrews who served as our host church. Special thanks to Sandra for a job well done and all other districts who were in attendance.

Well, they did it again. SC Conference Spiritual Growth Coordinator Vickie Harvey and her team provided us with more nourishment for our souls as we celebrated our Virtual Spiritual Growth Conference Event on Saturday, April 23. Our speaker was Rev. Annie Crocker of Beaumont UMC, Spartanburg. The theme was “Surrounded by Prayer.” Our heartfelt thanks to all because we know that Prayer will change things.

Turn It Up! Our 2022 Assembly held both in person and virtually in Orlando Florida was awesome!

Although I attended virtually, the community of United Women in Faith, the gatherings, workshops, plenaries, day of service, music, engaging conversations and spirit of community was evidenced by all.



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As stated again and again, “We believe love in action can change the world.” Ladies you are agents of change, of love, of peace, of reconciliation. We are united in sisterhood. To God be the Glory!

Remember Mission U 2022 is right around the corner. Held in person this time at Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg July 21-23, 2022. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Remember we are “Building Communities’ of Hope and Joy.” This year our study is based on Luke 13. There will be a study for adults, youth and children. Please remember to send items for the Craft room too.

Our Prayer Pals ministry is in full swing. Have you remembered your Prayer Pal this week?

Ladies I pray your Memorial Day will be one of peace as we remember those who served God and our country unselfishly with our tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths, flags and prayer . We continue to pray for

Ukraine and Russia; an end to gun violence among our young people, a call to serve others who are marginalized by this world. We continue to praise and thank God that He is still in control and though He allows things to happen, it is not His desire that bad things happen. I pray for a world where we give God, our

Creator, our Sustainer, our Redeemer- a seat at the table in our hearts and our homes. Give God the Glory in all things. Amen.

In His Service
and Yours,

*Azilee
DeeDee Dickey*

St. John United Methodist Women and Global Missions in Africa

Article submitted by
Rev. Meredith T. Graham, St. John United Methodist Women)



Missions, locally and abroad, serving the less fortunate; and giving is at the heart of the mission and vision of United Methodist Women. In this same spirit, Rev. Meredith T. Graham organized a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, Ambassadors of Hope Global Ministries, Inc. (www.ambassadorsofhopegm.org) which provides Christian ministry and humanitarian support to orphanages, widow homes, hospitals, healthcare centers, and those living in low economic

areas in Africa.

On August 25, Rev. Graham will embark on her ninth global mission tour to the Republic of Ghana serving communities economically impacted by the pandemic and other phenomenon. For more information or to support the mission, please contact Rev. Graham at ambassadorsofhopegm@gmail.com. Your kindness and much needed support will be greatly appreciated.

FD TREASURER'S NOTES



Local treasurers are asked to increase in their
2023 Pledge to Mission.

Please mail or email 2023 pledges to the District Treasurer by
August 1, 2022.

Your pledges are needed to assist in the preparation of the
2023 District Budget and Conference Budget.

• **Quarterly Reporting Due Dates:**

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>2nd quarter</u> | <u>3/1 thru 5/31</u> | <u>Reports due before 6/5</u> |
| <u>3rd quarter</u> | <u>6/1 thru 8/31</u> | <u>Reports due before 9/5</u> |
| <u>4th quarter</u> | <u>9/1 thru 11/30</u> | <u>Reports due before 12/5</u> |
| <u>1st quarter</u> | <u>12/1 thru 2/28</u> | <u>Reports due before 3/5</u> |

- All checks to District must be payable only to **Florence District UMW Treasurer (FDUMW Treasurer)**

Mail reports at least 3-5 days before the due date.

Complete all Remittance Forms with the appropriate information at the bottom of the form. (ex: Your Treasurer's Name and current mailing address, phone number and check #)

• **DO NOT INCLUDE EPWORTH DONATIONS IN THE CHECK TO THE DISTRICT TREASURER:**

Make check payable to Epworth Children's Home and mail to the following address: EPWORTH

2900 Millwood Avenue
Columbia, SC 29205

If you have any questions, I can be reached at the following telephone numbers, email address and mailing address:

Pearl R. Brown
2076 Cade Rd.
Lake City, SC 29560
Cell: 843-319-6450
Email: prbrown2076@gmail.com

To obtain forms you may contact me or go to

www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/giving

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June 2022

WWW.UNITEDMETHODISTWOMEN.ORG/

UNIT PLEDGE CARD



Local Unit 2023 Pledge to Mission

Church: _____
Pledge Amount: \$ _____
President: _____
Address: _____
Ph: _____ Email: _____
Treasurer: _____
Address: _____
Ph: _____ Email: _____

We give thanks to God for you!

Please submit form by August 1, 2022

Ms. Pearl Brown, Treasurer

Florence District Women in Faith

2076 Cade Road, Lake City, SC 29560

PERSONAL PLEDGE CARD



Name: _____
Address: _____
Date of Pledge: _____
For the coming year, I Pledge: \$ _____
To be paid: _____ Monthly
_____ Quarterly
_____ Yearly

Please fill out and mail to your unit treasurer

As a member of United Women in Faith, I celebrate and commit to supporting United Women in Faith's local, national and global outreach.

Mission Giving Makes Mission Happens!

2022 FLORENCE DISTRICT UMW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

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THE FLAME...

E&I Coordinator

Education & Interpretation Updates

Reprint from
the Mission Echo

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

For the year 2022 we are focusing on the final portion of our pledge. "The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church." Let us work together to grow the mission work we do. Let us invite and encourage others to participate with us, beside us. Our Daily Prayer Guide 2022, issues of response: the magazine of women in mission, our umcsc.org website and Program Resource 2021-2022 Healing and Joy on Our Journey to God all contain stories and details of many missions in the world today. You are encouraged to learn about them, pray for them and provide support by educating and sharing resources. This is the perfect year to try something new!

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

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

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

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

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

The Flame “Sits Down” with one of the SCUWiF Assembly 2022 Under 40 Scholarship Recipients

Dawnn Flowers is one of two Assembly 2022 Scholarship Recipients. A member of the Florence District, her local Unit is Asbury of Andrews where Doris Session is the president.

THE FLAME: *Is this your first-time attending Assembly?*

FLOWERS: Yes, this was my first Assembly.

THE FLAME: *Who do you wish to thank?*

FLOWERS: First, I would like to thank the SCI Umiri officials for selecting me. Also, I would like to thank The Florence District and my local unit Asbury of Andrews, for their unwavering support.

THE FLAME: *When you heard the theme – Turn It UP – What did you think?*

FLOWERS: After hearing the theme and watching the promo videos, I understood Assembly to be the place for faith-filled women to come together and Turn It Up ...



THE FLAME: *Did you have an opportunity to meet women from other areas?*

FLOWERS: Yes, at the many plenaries and sessions, I was given the opportunity to meet and socialize with those around me.

THE FLAME: *What did you think about the sessions?*

FLOWERS: The two sessions I attended focused on soul care, a new focus of the United Women in Faith and Leadership.....

THE FLAME: *Did you learn anything?*

FLOWERS: Some may consider this as common knowledge, but I learned the history of the United Methodist Church and how the UMW came to be. We were reminded just how Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. stated it. "We are not makers of history. We are made by history."

I also, was reminded of all of the wonderful missions that the UWiF are involved in.....

THE FLAME: *What would you like to share with the United Women in Faith of South Carolina?*

FLOWERS: We truly had a good time at Assembly 2022. I was in awe with the music. They lived up to the theme Turn It UP. Music was more than hymns. Many of the songs were uplifting and contemporary.

THE FLAME: *What do you think about the name change? (Going from UMW to UMiF?)*

FLOWERS: When given the history lesson of the United Methodist Church, I was reminded of the fact that the UMW were their own entity within the church. With that

being said, I believe the change is a way to capitalize on the fact that we are own entity and can stand alone outside of a church. In fact, now, women don't have to be connected to a local unit to be a member anymore.

THE FLAME: *Did you see other women from your district? Your Church?*

FLOWERS: I was the only attendee from my local unit, but there were several women from the Florence District. The Florence district was well represented.

THE FLAME: *If you had to share one thing you learned with others, what would it be?*

FLOWERS: The UWiF (UMW) is Love in Action. I would ask all units "is your love in action?"

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THE FLAME: *What made you apply for the scholarship?*

FLOWERS: I began attending UMW events as a tag along with my mom. She is very active in the district. As an under 40 member, sometimes, I only see the women on my local unit or district, which isn't everything that the UWIF entails. Assembly gave me the opportunity to see the UWIF on a National/International level. Initially, I wasn't 100% sure that I would be able to afford this experience, so I decided that I would apply for the scholarship.



SCUMiF president Cathy Ford and Dawnn Flowers

THE FLAME: *What was the "seed mission" all about? Did you participate?*

FLOWERS: Yes, with assistance from my local unit Asbury/Andrews, I was able to bring several of the seed packets that were requested. One of the mission that the UWIF supports is Cornerstone..... The seeds were apart of a project that cornerstone is working on to show

youth the process of "Seed-to-Table". We were even blessed with a performance from the children of Cornerstone.

THE FLAME: *Assembly is every four years, are you planning to attend again?*

FLOWERS: Yes, I had such a great experience that I am already making plans to attend Assembly 2026 in Indianapolis, IN. My goal is to have others from my local Unit attend as well.

THE FLAME: *What else would you like to share?*

FLOWERS: I knew nothing about the Deaconess/Missionaries in the UMC before attending Assembly?

I had seen a Deaconess at Mission u previously, but never actually knew what the title meant or what the job entailed. They serve as a liaison between the community and the church. The largest class was crowned this year. A class of 60....

Don't Stop Turning It UP!

A Look At Assembly 2022



United Women in Faith
Welcome



A Look At Assembly 2022

THANK YOU FOR STEPPING UP.
*We said we needed you
and several ladies stepped-up
to serve. (To God Be The Glory.)*

It's not too late for you.

Contact Mildred Cunningham Chair of CON today
843.382.8154

if you or someone you know is willing to serve
on the District's team.

A full list coming soon.

“Serving others may not always be easy but we will be rewarded
in eternity...Nothing is too small that God will not use it.
Nothing we do for God is in vain!” BibleStudyTool.com

United Women in Faith Resources
can be order online

<https://uwfaith.org/resources/2022-reading-program/>

Contact Stephanie Bolden for more
information

803.459.2692

stephaniebolden1958@gmail.com



2022 CALENDAR

JANUARY

- Jan. 15.....FD Team Meeting..... Virtual
- Jan. 22.....Officers' Training 10 a.m.

FEBRUARY

Special Emphasis Month - Wallace Family Life Center

- Feb. 2, 8, 17, 26.....Legislative Advocacy Days Virtual
Time Varies

MARCH

- Mar. 12.....Day Apart.....

Moved to April 9th

APRIL

Special Emphasis Month - Bethlehem Community Ctr Columbia

- April 9.....Day Apart 10 a.m. Virtual
- April 9FD Team Meeting..... Virtual
- April 23.....Spiritual Growth Retreat..... Lake Junaluska

MAY

- May 20 - 22.....Assembly In Person/Virtual

JUNE

- June 6-9.....SC UMC Annual Conference..... Virtual
- June 25.....Come Together Be Together..... Virtual

JULY

- July 9.....FD Team Meeting..... Virtual
- July 21-23.....Mission u in Person/Spartanburg

AUGUST

Rest and Relaxation

SEPTEMBER

Special Emphasis Month - Killingsworth - Columbia

- Sept 10.....FD Team Meeting..... Virtual
- Sept 24.....FD Annual Meeting In Person/

OCTOBER

Special Emphasis Month - Bethlehem Community Ctr Spartanburg

- Oct 21-22.....Annual Meeting Marion District

NOVEMBER

- Nov 12.....District Officers' Training.. In Person/Columbia
- Nov (TBA).....FD Team Meeting..... Virtual

DECEMBER *Merry Christmas*

Have You Heard the News?

The United Methodist Women is now
United Women in Faith



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United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and education so they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities. We are a powerful, fearless force driven by God's love and united in sisterhood. With a focus on women, children and youth, we act for justice and transform communities.

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

- A new, easier to navigate website
 - A new "All-Access" National Membership Option
 - Soul Care Retreats

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