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United
Women
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Message from the President



In the spirit of unity, faith, and empowerment, we have come together to create a District that celebrates the strength, resilience, and diversity of women. We are more than just an organization; we are a sisterhood bound by our shared faith, and this newsletter is a reflection of our collective commitment to growth, empowerment, and community.

Local Units and District Officers play a vital role in UWF. You are the heart and soul of United Women in Faith, working tirelessly to create spaces of support, learning, and spiritual growth within your units and communities. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for your unwavering commitment.

As we gather, let us remember our mission - 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. Thanks to the ladies that were a part of the District Fellowship of Fun while Learning in August. We started the day with a relaxing meditation led by Katherine Sabb-Graham, District Vice President on the ground of the Circle G Ranch followed by music melody, scripture, laughter, words of encouragement/ "Would You Rather Game", Giving Segment and President Helpful Segment. We concluded the day with a delicious lunch and planted our flowers. As we encourage our plant to grow, we will uplift ourselves and others as we grow in faith, love, and hope.

Upcoming – register for the District Annual Meeting hosted by Bethesda UMC in Lake City and for the Conference Annual Meeting October 20 -21, 2023 at St. John's UMC-Aiken/Orangeburg District. Let us not forget to take care of business by – submitting Local President's Report, UWF Membership Office Unit Survey, Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit, register for Southeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting in Chattanooga April 19 - 21, 2024, submission of Unit Giving/Special Mission Recognitions, and Killingsworth Gala. District officers mark your calendar for November 11th for training at Trenholm Road UMC in Columbia.

Together, we can make an impact on the lives of women everywhere. I look forward to the incredible journey ahead, hand in hand with all of you. Reminder to share newsletter with members in your Unit.



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September 2023

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SCC UWFaith Fifty-First Annual Meeting Celebration

Theme: Unity in Christ

October 21 - 22

St. John UMC

104 Newberry St. NW

Aiken, South Carolina 29801

**Registration Form inside*

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Shirley P. Gordon

Executive Director and Campus Minister for the Orangeburg Wesley Foundation

**Ladies are encouraged to call to check current prices*

Hotels in Aiken, South Carolina

**Information and suggestions from Mission Echo*

Hilton Garden

350 Eastgate Drive

803-641-4220

\$149 plus tax

Country Inn & Suites

3270 Whiskey Road

803-649-4024

\$149 plus tax

Hampton Inn

100 Tamil Drive

803-648-2525

\$139 plus tax

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

2897 Whiskey Road

844-201-6444

\$119 plus tax



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51st South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting

October 20-21, 2023

St. John's United Methodist Church 104 Newberry St NW Aiken, SC

For registration information contact Hazel Darby, Registrar (803)516-1354 / hazeldarby@bellsouth.net

Theme: "Unity in Christ"

Name _____ email _____

Address _____

Phone _____ District _____ Church _____

Check all that apply:

- First Timer Conference Officer District Officer Past Conference President
- Under 40 Unit President Mission Director Clergy
- Age 14-30 Voting Delegate Missionary / Deaconess
- Childcare needed – Number of Children _____ Ages _____

Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone** _____

Attending Friday dinner _____ Attending Saturday lunch _____ Vegetarian__ Gluten Free__

****By registering for this event, you understand that your photo may appear in any SCCUWF publication/media avenues. ****

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Friday, October 20

Registration check-in: 12:30pm – 3:00pm / Late check-in: 6:15pm-7:00pm

Displays and activities, Limitless donations drop-off, Soul Care Prayer Room

Session 1

- 2:45pm Gathering & Opening /featured local mission organization/Bible Study – Faith Center Sanctuary
- 4:00pm Break with option of light chair exercise (Faith Center Sanctuary)
- 4:15pm Workshop on **Community Creation Care: Climate Justice** – Faith Center Sanctuary (option to view displays, do mission encouragement & support card making, or go to Soul Care Prayer Room)
- 5:30pm Dinner – **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED** (inside name tag holder)

Session 2

- 6:45pm Gathering music
- 7:00pm Communion Worship Service – Main Sanctuary

Saturday, October 21 Registration check-in: 8:00am-9:00am

Session 3

- 8:45am Gathering, Memorial Service, General Business, Informational Moments, Special Recognitions, Offering, Keynote Speaker: Rev. Shirley Gordon, Orangeburg Wesley Foundation – Faith Center
- 12:15pm Lunch – **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED**

Session 4

- 1:15pm Retirement of Officers, Nomination & Election of Officers, Installation of Officers, Announcements

Mail early registration fee of \$45 payable to SCCUWF to Hazel Darby, 109 Meatcutter Rd., Bamberg, SC 29003 postmarked by September 30. Late registration fee postmarked by October 14 is \$55. Onsite fee is \$65.



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Mark Your Calendar!



Southeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting

WHERE: Chattanooga, Tennessee
WHEN: April 19-21, 2024

QR Code to register



Registration opens September 2023

Early Registration: \$210 (thru December 2023)
Late Registration: \$240 (after December 2023)

THE TABLE IS OPEN TO EVERYONE - NO NEED TO BELONG TO
UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH, SO BRING A FRIEND!

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MISSION GIVING

SAVE YOUR DOLLAR BILLS.....

with a "J" on them for "Jesus" and "Jurisdiction"
AND "G" for "God".

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For additional information, go to our website at: www.sejuwf.org

Views of July 2023 Limitless Event

July's Limitless event was an awesome experience. This year was my first time in attendance and my guest and I were very impressed with the youth in attendance as well as the activities, moments of worship and fellowship. If you have never been to a Limitless Event, I highly recommend it. You should experience it at least once.

A sincere THANK YOU to everyone that attended Limitless 2023!

Below: Samoria' explained the purpose of Limitless



Above: It's GAME TIME with Sarah Kate

Below: A moment of DEVOTION with Vickie Failor and Anne Marie her daughter



Limitless 2023



Above: Making prayer bead.
Each bead represent a moment in prayer.



Above: a moment of fellowship

SPECIAL EMPHASIS MONTHS

September - Killingsworth

November - Bethlehem Center /Spartanburg

February - Wallace Family Life Center

April - Columbia Bethlehem Community Center

Reminders

SCC UW Faith Fifty-First Annual Meeting Celebration

Theme: Unity in Christ

(See registration form inside *The Flame*)

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104 Newberry St. NW

Aiken, South Carolina 29801

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Voting At The Annual Meeting Facts:

The President or her duly elected alternate will serve as the voting delegate at the Annual Meeting. Each Unit may have an additional elected delegate for membership under 100 or two additional delegates for membership of 100 or more. In addition to, Southeast Jurisdiction officers who reside within the bounds of the SC Conference, other delegates include members of:

***District and Conference Executive Committees**

*** The appointees to SC mission Project Boards**

***Past Conference Presidents**

***Nominees for Conference offices**

***Member of the Conference Committee on Nominations**

*** Deaconess**

***National UWF Board of Directors and Program Advisory Group**

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

Reminders continued

Killingsworth Gala Returns

Killingsworth transforming women

“Changing lives one resident at a time”

Date: **Thursday, November 9, 2023**

Venue: **Seawell’s Restaurant**

Address: **1125 Rosewood Drive**

Columbia, SC 29201

Time: **6:00 - 9:00 pm**

**Copy and paste the website
link for information and registration:
<https://www.killingsworth.org/gala>**

**More information and form inside The Flame*
QR Code for Killingsworth Gala



QR Code for Unit Survey



**Unit Survey Deadline extended
September 30th**

**Any questions contact Angela Allen
phone, : 864-680-9029**

email: Angela.Allen@charter.net

Link for webpage survey:

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

Snapshots of Florence District Meeting / FunDay 2023



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Thanks to
St. Michael UW Faith Unit
for being Such gracious hosts at
such a beautiful and serene venue.



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Executive FUNDAY cont.



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KILLINGSWORTH
GALA RETURNS!

KILLINGSWORTH
transforming women

"CHANGING LIVES ONE RESIDENT AT A TIME"

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Seawell's Restaurant
1125 Rosewood Drive
Columbia, SC 29201

6:00 P.M.~ 9:00 P.M.

Online Ticket Sales Begin August 18th
Individual-\$65.00 / Table of Eight-\$500.00

Deadline for Ticket Sales is Friday, November 3rd

Killingsworth Home For Women
at killingsworth.org or mail below:



Tear off and mail this portion with check/money order: **All**
1831 Pendelton St. Columbia, SC 29201 (Payable to Killingsworth Inc.)
information below required for registration.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____

Email _____

Sponsorship
Available

Signature	\$10,000
Platinum	\$5,000
Diamond	\$3,000
Ruby	\$1,000
Emerald	\$500

\$10,000 Signature Sponsor:

- The Signature Sponsor gets their name listed everywhere we mention the Gala.
- The Gala will be named Killingsworth's 30th Gala presented by business name.
- The business logo will be included in the logo / graphic elements created for the Gala.
- Speaking time or the ability to present a video during the Gala.
- Two tables of eight for you and your guests will be provided.
- Full page advertising space in the program booklet.
- Thank you plaque.
- Personalized thank you letter from the residents of Killingsworth.
- Mentions and links posted to Killingsworth's social media pages leading up to the event.
- Promotions in our e-Newsletter.
- Numerous mentions and thank you(s) during the event itself.

\$5,000 Platinum Sponsor:

- A table of eight for you and your guests will be provided.
- Half page advertising space in the program booklet.
- Company Logo and link on Killingsworth Website.
- A thank you plaque.
- Personalized thank you letter from the residents of Killingsworth.
- Mentions and links posted to Killingsworth's social media pages leading up to the event.
- Promotions in our e-Newsletter.
- Numerous mentions and thank you(s) during the event itself.



\$3,000 Diamond Sponsor:

- A table of eight for you and your guests will be provided.
- One fourth page advertising space in the program booklet.
- Company Logo and link on Killingsworth Website.
- Personalized thank you letter from the residents of Killingsworth.
- Mentions and links posted to Killingsworth's social media pages leading up to the event.
- Promotions in our e-Newsletter.
- Numerous mentions and thank you(s) during the event itself.

\$1,000 Ruby Sponsor:

- A table of eight for you and your guests will be provided.
- Company name listed in the program booklet.
- Company Link on Killingsworth Website.
- Personalized thank you letter from the residents of Killingsworth.
- Promotions in our e-Newsletter.
- Thank you during the event itself.

\$500 Emerald Sponsor:

- A table of eight for you and your guests will be provided.



2023 FLORENCE DISTRICT UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

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Florence District United Women in Faith 2023 Calendar

September

Special Emphasis Month - Killingsworth/Columbia SC

September 30th District Annual Meeting @ 10:00 am

Location: Bethesda United Methodist Church-Bethesda UWF/Host

2000 Cades Road, Lake City, SC 29560

October

Special Emphasis Month - Bethlehem Center/Spartanburg SC

October 20th - 21stSCCUWF 51st Annual Meeting/ St. John's UMC-Aiken/Orangeburg District

Location: St. John's United Methodist Church - Orangeburg District/Host

104 Newberry Street NW, Aiken, SC 29801

November

November 11th District Officer's Training 8:30 am, Columbia District UWif Host

Location: Trenholm Road United Methodist Church

3401 Trenholm Road, Columbia, SC 29204

November 9th Executive Meeting/Killingsworth Gala (6:00 - 9:00 pm)

Location: Seawell's Restaurant

1125 Rosewood Drive, Columbia, SC 29201

December

December 2nd Limitless Event @ 10:00 am

December 25th Merry Christmas/Christ the Savior was Born



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**“There is no limit to what we, as
women, can accomplish.”**

Michelle Obama



**From the Florence District Executive
Team**