## THE BARBARA BOULTINGHOUSE BRIDGE BUILDER AWARD

## **AWARD CRITERIA**

The Bridge Builder Award will be given annually to one person or organization of the South Carolina Annual Conference who has built bridges of understanding by promoting the equity and inclusiveness of all person, without regard to race, gender, age, handicap or economic condition.

## NOMINATING PROCEDURE

Nominations may be made using the nominating form or by a letter. Nominations are due April 1st.

Send nominations to: Connectional Ministries 4908 Colonial Drive Columbia, SC 29203

## HISTORY OF THE AWARD

Barbara Boultinghouse was a Deaconess in the United Methodist Church. Most of her life was spent serving as a teacher an adminstrator in schools and homes for youth. At the time of her death in 1987, Barbara was serving as the chairperson of the Conference Commission on the Status and Role of Women, Delegate to the 1988 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference and Conference United Methodist Women's Secretary for Publicity and Public Relations.

Barbara Boultinghouse was known as a person dedicated to the work of a reconciler, peacemaker, partisan of the forgotten, apostle of possibilities, instrument of change and wellspring of courage and hope. In the hope that we might learn to embrace all persons as sister and brothers, without exception, the 1989 Annual Conference established the Barbara Boultinghouse Memorial Bridge Builder Award.

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