

# Airwaves

Greenville District United Methodist Women

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December 2017

## Calendar of Events

### 2017

- December 1<sup>st</sup> – December Airwaves Published
- December 5<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Remittance Due
- December 10<sup>th</sup> – Executive Board Meeting @ Bethlehem UMC

### 2018

- January 13<sup>th</sup> – Greenville District Officers Training @ New St. Luke UMC, Travelers Rest 8:30-12noon
- February – Mission Emphasis: Wallace Family Life Center
- February 15<sup>th</sup> – Airwaves deadline for March Edition
- February 20<sup>th</sup> – Legislative Day @ Epworth Children's Home Columbia SC (Rain Date – February 27<sup>th</sup>)
- February 25<sup>th</sup> – Executive Board Meeting @ St. Matthews UMC, Taylors
- March – Mission Emphasis: Rural Missions
- March 1<sup>st</sup> – Airwaves Published
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> – World Day of Prayer @ Wesley Chapel UMC Noon -1pm
- March 10<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Remittance Due
- April – Mission Emphasis: Bethlehem Center – Columbia
- April 7<sup>th</sup> – Greenville District Day Apart @ Berea Friendship UMC, 8:30am – 2:00pm
- April 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska, NC
- May 6<sup>th</sup> – Greenville District Executive Board Meeting, St. Mark UMC, Taylors. 3:00pm -5:00pm
- May 15<sup>th</sup> – Airwaves Deadline for June Edition
- May 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – UMW National Assembly – Columbus Ohio
- June 1<sup>st</sup> – Airwaves Published

### The Purpose of the United Methodist Women

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.



## **President's Notes**

Holiday Greetings to Everyone,

This past year has been successful for the Greenville District. We have had an inspiring District-wide World Day of Prayer, District Mission Project and One Day Women's Rehabilitation Program. We also had Greenville District United Methodist Women t-shirts available to those who wanted to purchase them.

We had representation for each conference event from Greenville District.

There are a few accomplishments, I hope that we can work together to achieve in 2018. It's my hope that we can bring in new members and bring some of the local units back to the District that has dropped out. The Executive Team is putting out a plea for all local districts to increase their Pledge to Mission for 2018. As you know in October 2019, the Greenville District will host the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women and we need to start at this point of building up our budget for mission and the meeting.

Let's put our hands together to congratulate Caron Cooper in becoming the Spiritual Growth Coordinator on the Conference level.

My first year of President will be ending soon and I would like to thank each one of you for your help, support and prayers. We will continue to work together to make Greenville District the best District in the state.

Happy Holidays to everyone and I will see you in January.

Grace and Harmony,  
Sylvia Marie Clinkscales, President

## **Vice President's Notes**

I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and a preparing for a Merry Christmas. Please remember that Jesus is the reason we celebrate Christmas. I hope you and your family get to enjoy the holidays together.

We are preparing for a Wonderful and busy year in 2018. Our officer's Training will be held on Saturday, January 13, 2018 at New St. Luke United Methodist Church, 250 Pine Log Ford Rd., Travelers Rest, SC. Registration will start at 8:30 and gathering and music will begin at 9:15. Pastor Beth Faulk from Lee Road United Methodist Church will be our guest speaker. All unit officers are encouraged to attend this training. We give updated information and training on the offices and you get to meet your District Team mate.

Your Sister In Christ

Vickie Failor  
Greenville District Vice President

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## Program Resource's Notes

Program Resources Article for December Airwaves

Our participants in the 2017 UMW Reading Program are to be congratulated. The Greenville District had 43 ladies to complete one of our plans; leading to our district's being ranked fourth out of the twelve South Carolina Conference Districts in this category. However, for 2018, I feel that we can set our goals even higher. One way to encourage more of our members to participate in the Reading Program is to make sure a good selection of our 2013-2018 books are taken to all circle and/or unit meetings. Using this method, securing the books will be easier since members will not have to make a special trip to the church library. A report on one of the books could even be used as a program for a circle. We have at least one church that has organized a ladies book club which includes at least five of our UMW books, one from each category, in their book selections.

We will have a good selection of the 2018 books, Prayer Calendars, and the 2018 Catalogs available at the Officer's Training Program for the District on Saturday, January 13 at New St. Luke UMC. Plan to stock up if you haven't already done so. Unfortunately, Nationals is now charging the District postage on all books. Due to this new policy, we are having to add \$1.00 to the cost of all materials that are not free.

If anyone has read a book which should be considered for the national 2019 book selections, please mail the title, author, publisher, date of publication, price and the category into which you feel the book best fits to Reading Program, United Methodist Women, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115 or e-mail [bthompson@unitedmethodistwomen.org](mailto:bthompson@unitedmethodistwomen.org). If we find interesting books that are current and relevant, we should suggest them.

Ruth McAllister, District Program Resources Chair

## Education & Interpretation's Notes

"Inasmuch as you have done it to the least of these my brethren, you have done it to Me."

Matthew 25:40

Hopefully, you all are looking forward to the holidays. As we decorate, shop, and celebrate the Christmas season, do not forget about mission!

Though the joy of celebrating Christ's birth can be experienced even in less-than-happy times, many people must see the joy through hurt, despair, sadness and tears.

Remember our five S.C. Missions, especially if you have not supported them earlier in the year. Or, your unit may have a local mission that is dear to your hearts.

Don't forget our Five Channels of Mission Giving, and share with your congregation about these opportunities.

I hope that each of you have a blessed holiday season as you celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for all that you do!

Winifred Simpson  
Greenville District  
E & I Coordinator

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As you know, the era of technology is here, we are going paperless. The reason for this transition is because the cost of paper, ink, mailing labels, postage and gas has increased and it will continue to do so in the following years. There are several ways you can still receive the Airwaves:

- Ask your Pastor to check their e-mail and print you a copy
- Get a copy from a friend
- Go to <http://www.umcsc.org> – Quick Links then United Methodist Women (Left side of the Page)
- Greenville County Library has a Learning Center where you can learn how to use the computer, just go to the nearest Library and ask.

*New!!* We also have a Greenville District United Methodist Women calendar called The Happenings, which is available every month. If you want anything posted about your church activities please send them to me by the 15<sup>th</sup> of previous month and I will be happy to put it on the calendar.

Thank you,

Barbara Castro  
Communications

## **Our History**

Thanks to all the units that sent me the History of their local units. Evidently there has been no deadline from Conference, so if your Unit wants to send us any or any more info about special events or people, I'll be glad to add them to our District History. Names help us recall persons from the past.

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**Second year of Second Term**

Social Action Coordinator

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**Second Year of First Term**

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**South Carolina  
Mission Projects  
Emphasis Months**

**February**

Wallace Family Life Center

**March**

Rural Missions

**April**

Bethlehem Center



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