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.

Calendar of Events

2019

- December 1st – December Airwaves Published
- December 5th – 1st Quarter Remittance Due

2020

- January 11th – Greenville District Officers Training @ Simpsonville UMC, Simpsonville 8:30-12noon
- February – Mission Emphasis: Wallace Family Life Center
- February 11th Legislative Advocacy Day @ Epworth Children’s Home, Columbia SC (Rain Date – March 3rd)
- February 15th – Airwaves deadline for March Edition
- March 1st – Airwaves Published
- March 6th – World Day of Prayer @ Lee Road UMC, Taylors, Noon – 1pm
- March 10th - 1st Quarter Remittance Due
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone,

A hearty Thank You to everyone who contribute, plan, serve, volunteer or attended the South Carolina Annual Meeting at Buncombe Street United Methodist Church, October 25-26. The conference was a Success and everyone simply enjoy themselves.

We need our leaders to attend Local Officer Training on January 11, 2020 at Simpsonville United Methodist Church, so we can better serve our local units. When our local units are doing well, we are able to operate smoothly and become a more efficient and spiritual District by living out and supporting our purpose.

If you have not attended our District World Day of Prayer, this is your opportunity to come and worship with us on March 6, 2020 at Lee Road United Methodist Church at 12 noon. We sing, pray and receive four different messages from four different speakers all within one hour. We also give you a bag lunch to either take with you to go back to work or stay around and dine with us. I hope everyone have a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Blessings,

Sylvia Marie Clinkscales, President
I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. Christmas will be here before we know it. I hope you will have a very Merry Christmas.

Our 2020 Greenville District Officers training will be on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Simpsonville United Methodist Church, 215 SE Main Street, Simpsonville, SC. Registration will start at 8:30 and the program at 9:15. I look forward to seeing you there.

I would like to thank everyone that volunteered at the SC Conference annual meeting at Buncombe Street.

I look forward to working with all of you this year. See you on January 11th.

Your sister in Faith,

Vickie Failor
The Reading Program is a cherished United Methodist Women tradition that brings together members in mission as they explore, share, and discuss the books. From captivating novels and heartfelt biographies, to urgent messages about issues such as climate change and mass incarceration, there's something for everyone in 2020's Reading Program.

In preparation for our Officers Training meeting on January 11th, please let me know by Dec. 20th if any of your units still need a Program Book for 2020, at a cost of $10.00. I also need requests for Prayer Calendar books @ $14.00 each, and any of the current UMW mission study books, which also happen to be Bonus Books counting as 2 books in their respective categories. These titles are: Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship, What About our Money: A Faith Response, Women United For Change:150 Years in Mission, and So You Want to Talk About Race. These are $10.00 each. I can be contacted at 864-320-9072, or by email @ mgayleb525@outlook.com.

Again this year, there will not be a printed 2020 Reading Program Catalog or Reading Program Reporting forms. Both of these are available for downloading & printing from www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram. A print copy of the catalog is available for purchase in the November/December issue of response. Please plan on printing several copies of the Reading Program Reporting Form and have them available where your unit's books are located at your church, along with the printed 2020 Reading Program Catalog. The forms will need to be filled out front and back by each member completing a plan then turned in to me by August.

Encourage members to participate by offering one of the books as a circle program or by choosing a book that each circle member could read & discuss. Please email any suggested books for future Reading Program selections to ASalter@unitedmethodistwomen.org. Or mail your suggested titles to Reading Program, United Methodist Women, 475 Riverside Drive 15th Floor, New York, NY 10115, Attention: Andris Salter. Make sure to include the title, author, publisher, date of publication, and price of the book being suggested and what catagory it would best fit in. A brief summary of the content is also helpful.

Looking forward to seeing you at Officers Training this coming January 11th.

Gayle B. Ashworth
Program Resource Chair
Education & Interpretation’s Notes

Hopefully, you all are looking forward to the holidays with much anticipation. But let’s stay “mission-minded” and remember that not everyone out there is likely to have a Merry Christmas. With this in mind please remember our four S.C. Missions, especially if you have not supported them earlier in the year. They can always use money and or gift cards. Also don’t forget our Five Channels of Mission Giving, and share with your congregation about these opportunities.

I look forward to the New Year and hope that each of you have a blessed holiday season as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for all you do.

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Membership Nurture and Outreach

Dear Everyone,

This is the day that the Lord has made let us rejoice and be glad in it. The year is almost over and as we get ready to celebrate Christmas and the start of a new year, let’s take a moment to Thank God for a beautiful year he has brought us through. I am so thankful to all of you who helped make the anniversary of our 150 year of United Methodist Women conference at Buncombe Street UMC such a wonderful and successful celebration. There were over 350 women in the house and ladies it was a time when I felt proud to be a United Methodist Women.

In saying that let us note it’s time again for us to stand up as “Sisters in Christ” united on a mission to be counted as servants helping those in need.

It’s time again for our CENSUS!!!! The census is open NOW till March 30, 2020 and we are asking all of our units to go on line and enter their information for the count. Please don’t let your unit miss out on being acknowledged and counted. You can access the link by going to the website at: www.untedmethodistwomen.org/census2019 and follow the directions. If you do not have a computer or access to a computer, please contact me at (864) 346-9932 with your information and I will be more than happy to enter it for you.

Again let me say “It’s time for us to stand up and be counted”.

Love you and Thank you for all you do,

Markylena Tolbert-Wydman

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- Committee on Nomination: Deloris Johnson
- Susan Smith
- Elinda Downs

**Appointees**
- Historian: Carolyn Hamby

- Cluster Leader 1: Jennifer Cheatham
- Cluster Leader 2: Mary Blue
- Cluster Leader 3: Deborah Brown
- Cluster Leader 4: Juanita Bowens
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South Carolina Mission Projects Emphasis Months

**February**
Wallace Family Life

**April**
Bethlehem Community Center - Columbia

**September**
Killingsworth

**October**
Bethlehem Center Spartanburg

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