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Please send any questions, concerns, comments or newsworthy articles to any officer listed and we will be sure your voice is heard. We are United.
One of our problems is that we are blessed in so many ways that we can begin to take them for granted. Ralph Waldo Emerson said that if the stars came out only once a year, everybody would stay up all night to look at them. He observed that we have seen the stars so often that we don’t bother to look at them anymore. It’s easy for us to be like that. We can become so accustomed to our blessings that we can lose our sense of gratitude.

As we start this New Year, let’s pray we don’t become complacent and just go through the motions but become more compassionate and eager to serve those who are less fortunate than us. When you see a need and you are able to meet that need or at least help, do it. That is why God has blessed you. To be a blessing to another.

Look through the Network news, read the articles, and go to work. Share the Word, meet the deadlines, and put your faith, hope, and love into Action.

Sharing God’s Love,

Kate
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FEBRUARY Wallace Family Life Center - Special Emphasis Month
Feb 20th Legislative Advocacy Day- EPWORTH CHILDREN’S HOME

MARCH Rural Missions - Special Emphasis Month
March 5th 1st quarter financial reports are due

APRIL Bethlehem Community Center - Special Emphasis Month
April 14th Anderson District UMW – A Day Apart – Lovely Lake Hartwell at McFall’s Landing @ Broadway Lake in Anderson  9:00am-Noon

April 27-28 Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska, NC

We would love to have as much participation as possible. First Timers are welcome to the retreats – A day Apart and Lake Junaluska are filled with praise, worship fun and fellowship. It is good to be among a group of spirit filled Christ followers, to be renewed
Legislative Advocacy Day 2018
"Can't You Hear Their Cry"

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 (Weather make-up day February 27, 2018)
Epworth Children's Home 2900 Millwood Ave., Columbia, SC 29205 803-256-7394

9:00 - 9:30 Registration (no on-site registration)
Coffee and fruit available
9:30 Welcome and Greetings
10:00 Invocation
10:10 Children's First of SC — Ms. Sue Williams
Epworth Update — Rev. John E. Holler, Jr, President, Epworth
11:10 - 12:05 Workshops (Public Education, Poverty, Mass Incarceration, and Domestic Violence)
12:05 - 1.05 Lunch
1:05 - 1:50 Guest Speaker (to be confirmed)
2:00 Tours of Epworth

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- Registration Fee $20 (includes material, lunch, nursery, parking)
Postmark deadline Feb. 12, 2018 — Late registration $30 — space limited to 400 attendees
Make checks payable to SCCUMW.

Send form and fee to: Rebecca W. Eleazer, 5116 Burke Ave., Columbia, SC 29203 803-754-0942

Name ________________________ Phone___________ Email__________
Address________________________ City_______________ Zip______________

Church___________________________________ District____________________
Special Dietary Needs __________________________________________________
Childcare needed___________Child's age___ (Please bring lunch and snack for your child,)ONLY if you invited your state legislators to attend AND they are attending, please list their name: Senator_____________________Representative___________________

Please circle ONE Workshop option
Public Education Issues How Poverty Affects our Children
Domestic Violence Prevention Mass Incarceration and Criminal Justice
As this year draws to a close, I want to write about being thankful. My childhood wasn't filled with great memories, but I have always been thankful for Thornwell Home for Children, where I was able to receive my spiritual foundation. It was by God's grace that I am the woman I am today.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 (NIV)

9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. 10 That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

There have been so many times in my life where I have stumbled, but God always catches me!

DeDee Clarey
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Hello UMW unit T R E A S U R E R ‘ S let’s welcome aboard Mary Beth Ellison as the Anderson District United Methodist Women’s Treasurer. Welcome her cheerfully by getting the required reports when called upon. Season Greetings and Praise God for guidance on us, his servants, into 2018, may our works bring PRAISE AND GOLORY to Him.

info:
Mary Beth Ellison ladymadator1@gmail.com
Census for United Methodist Women will once again begin on January 1, 2018. Membership numbers being accurately reported is very important. The UMW receives support from the United Methodist Conference based on membership. As Membership - Nurture and Outreach (MNO), I will be available to aid each UMW Unit as needed. The census form is located online at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2017. Choose the census form. The instructions are very specific and helpful. The deadline to complete the census is March 30, 2018. This is a firm deadline. There is no grace period. I will be working to contact each unit to offer encouragement and support. Thank you for your commitment Methodist Women!

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Visit the SCCUMW website: umcsc.org/umw

Learn information, find forms and the online editions of The Mission Echo newsletter and district newsletters.

Stay connected and learn more about your UMW and Limitless on the website and through social media.
You are invited to join
a second mile adventure of caring
for the women of Killingsworth.

Be part of their transformation.

When: January 13, 2018
Where: St John’s UMC, Anderson, SC
Time: 10am-12pm

This is a free event to hear stories from residents of Killingsworth. Immediately following, a delicious lunch will be offered for $5.00. This will be a chance to socially interact with the residents themselves.

To register for lunch, please send name and monies to Donna Hopkins at 405 St. Paul Road, Easley, SC 29642

Registration deadline is January 8, 2018
The Committee on Nominations presents the Installation of officers of the Anderson District UMW 2018; Accepted and passed at the Annual Meeting on October 14.

2nd Two Year Term:
- Shelby Henderson - Vice President
- Lynn Friedman - Secretary
- Johnnie Jackson - Spiritual Growths

1st Two Year Term:
- Mary Beth Ellison - Treasurer
- Martha McKinney - Committee on Nominations Chair

Communications Coordinator nominated from the floor Eileen Blowers.

Thank You for your prayerful blessings and recommendations. Always keep your eyes and hearts open for future service to the mission of women, children and youth.

Please contact the Committee on Nominations Chair, Martha McKinney, at 864-246-3498 or by email at malemc@bellsouth.net.

Assembly 2018 will be a forum for United Methodist Women members, new friends and partners to gather, worship and learn about the needs of women, children and youth in the 21st century. We will be claiming our 150-year history as women who know how to organize and serve and are willing to be challenged to grow in our faith as we build deeper connections with one another, church leaders and partners in the work of justice for all God’s children.

Assembly will offer an incredible personal faith journey through community building, training for action, and visioning a movement for the future. Bold and courageous ventures await us!

an excerpt from www.umwassembly.org

Registration for Assembly 2018 opens on September 1, 2017.
45<sup>th</sup> UMW ANDERSON DISTRICT MEETING HELD AT BETHESDA POWDERSVILLE WAS INSPIRATIONAL AND VERY EXCITING. INSTALLING NEW OFFICES AND CONDUCTING BUSINESS MIXED WITH SONG AND DEVOTIONAL. PRAISE BE TO GOD AND ALL THE BEAUTIFUL LADIES WHO MADE A POINT OF BEING PRESENT TO FULLFUL THE NEEDS OF CHURCH BUSINESS AND MISSION WORK. WE RECEIVE A GREAT BLESSING FROM OUR SPEAKER REV. JOYCE HENDRY.

FOR WE WALK BY FAITH NOT BY SIGHT. 2 Corinthians 5:7
Continue to support of your five mission projections. All contributions are counted, no giving is too small. Your faith and love are in action.

Irmo SC site of the 45 Annual South Carolina of United Methodist Women a few from Anderson District are pictured above. We were visited by Bishop Holston and served Holy Communion.

Theme: **HARVESTING THE LORD’S PROMISES**

Joshua 14:10 - Now then, just as the LORD promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the wilderness. So here I am today, eighty-five years old!

**WHEN ARE WE FINISHED DOING GOD’S WORK?**

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND the annual conference IN 2018!
One day a woman who loved to shop noticed a new stall in the local market. God was in the stall.

“What do you sell here?” she asked. God smiled and replied, “All your heart desires.” The woman was astounded. “Wow!!! I’ll have peace, joy, and a nice house. Not just for me, but for everyone and....” God interrupted her. “I think you’ve misunderstood, my dear. I don’t sell fruits here, only seeds.”

God gives us seeds.
What we do with them is up to us.

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The Purpose of United Methodist Women

The Purpose is adopted by the General Conference of The United Methodist Church as the official mission statement of 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.

Out of the Purpose are four mission foci that relate to the mission initiatives and priorities of United Methodist Women.

- To be a community of women
- To know God
- To develop a creative and supportive fellowship
- To expand concepts of mission