

The Network News

Anderson District United Methodist Women

South Carolina Conference

JUNE 2017



You
don't want to miss...

**2017 SCCUMW Mission u
July 27-29, 2017**

at Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

Theme: "Embracing The World With The Gospel"
Registration deadline is **June 30th**.

This is open to women and youth girls.

General information about the event, study topic and course offerings, and the registration form is available online at umcsc.org/umw, and also in the March issue of the conference newsletter, The Mission Echo.

You may also contact your unit leadership.

If you cannot attend, be in prayer for the event, the organizers, and all participants.

You can help support the **Mission u Craft Room** by making crafts, and inviting your friends and church family to donate any items that could be offered for sale at the Craft Room. Proceeds benefit the five mission projects of the SCCUMW.

Send items with someone who is attending.

❖ **Save the date** ❖

Saturday, October 14, 2017;

**for the 45th Annual Meeting
of the Anderson District
United Methodist Women.**

Location to be announced.

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From the President ~
Kate Hyder

I had a dream last night that I was lost. I was out of town and I couldn't remember where I was staying. I walked up and down the same street for hours looking for a place to sleep. Fortunately I woke up in a very comfortable bed and immediately was thankful for where I was and what I have.

Everyone is not that fortunate. Our world is full of people who need our help. And the Anderson District United Methodist Women stepped up to the plate and batted a home run at our Day Apart! Ladies brought a SUV load of supplies for Rural Mission. Thank you for your continual support and prayers. We offer all people our "Peace, Prosperity, and Hope".

Please read the Network News from beginning to end. Note the coming events: both local and conference. Make plans to attend. Look for deadlines, share what your local units are doing, and invite others to get involved. We are all encouraged by someone who stirs us to move ahead; someone who believes we can do the task God has given us to do.

Our leadership team is now complete. Thank you to DeDee Clarey for accepting God's call to serve as our Social Action Mission Coordinator.

"Peace, Prosperity, and Hope" to all, Kate
864-360-7208 | cappyhyder@yahoo.com



Mark your calendars - News to know and share.

June 2017 ★ **Tracy Jackson Program of G.I.F.T. (General Instruction for Tomorrow)**
Special Mission Emphasis Month - Anderson District Mission.

- June 4 - 7** - SC Conference UMC Church Annual Conference, to be held at TD Convention Center in Greenville, SC
- June 5** - Second Quarter Financial Report deadline.

- June 20** First day of Summer!
- Register by **June 30** to attend SCCUMW **Mission u** at Spartanburg Methodist College. Women and youth girls can contact your unit leaders or see the June issue of The Mission Echo for information, registration forms, and scholarship application; also online at umcsc.org/umw

July 2017 **Mission u - July 27 - 29** at Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg

- August 2017
- August 7** - Anderson District Executive Committee Meeting, 4:30 at Robinson Chapel UMC, Liberty
 - Write a short article / send pictures of your Unit or Circle in mission for the September issue of The Network News. Submit them to Communications Coordinator Cynthia Keesler by **August 16**.
 - Submit information and mail completed forms** to the designated persons for the Anderson District 2017 Annual Reports.by September 1.
Forms for • Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit Award and
• Mission Today Action Form. These were in the March 2017 newsletter; also find online.
The • Annual Reporting Guide for 2017 (find on page 11)
Unit membership and names of any deceased members are to be submitted.
UMW Reading Program reports are also to be submitted.

From the Treasurer ~
Snooky Forgue

Treasurers, as we are in our second quarter of 2017, keep encouraging your members to keep up with their personal pledges. Your second quarter remittances are due to me no later than June 5. Another topic I want to bring up at this time is that I will be ending my four year commitment as your District Treasurer this December. The new District Treasurer will be installed in October at the Anderson District Annual Meeting. If you know someone who is looking for an opportunity to serve as the District Treasurer, please let Kate Hyder (President) or myself know. If anyone has questions about the responsibilities of this office, I will be happy to answer them. As always, I am

Joyfully serving, Snooky Forgue

The Legacy Fund - for Future Generations

The Legacy Fund is a permanent endowment of the United Methodist Women National Office that will support the mission outreach of future generations of United Methodist Women as they address the needs of women, children and youth of their day. It is a key element of United Methodist Women's 150th anniversary celebration, happening in 2019.

Any one can give to the Legacy Fund and, as it is a permanent endowment fund, may give at any time, and more than once. Be sure your UMW unit, church and friends know about this giving opportunity. Perhaps supporting in honor or in memory of someone. The gift will continue to strengthen the organization of United Methodist Women as they engage in mission with women, children, and youth well into the future. Read more about the Legacy Fund and the anniversary celebration on the UMW website.

Gifts to the Legacy Fund can be made in several ways:

- Online: unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund
- By Phone: 800-278-7771 (Monday–Friday, 8am–6pm EST)
- By Mobile Phone: Text **LEGACY150** to **41444**
- By Mail: Make checks payable to United Methodist Women, write "Legacy Fund" in memo section. United Methodist Women, Office of the Treasurer | 475 Riverside Drive | New York, NY 10115



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Committee on Nominations Chair

Social Action
Mission Coordinator ~

I consider it an honor to be asked to serve as Social Action Mission Coordinator. Currently, I am the Unit President at Bethesda UMC in Easley where my husband, Kevin and I have been members for 10 years. We have been blessed with two children, Kristin and Casey.

The definition of mission is the vocation or calling of a religious organization, especially a Christian one, to go out into the world and spread its faith. This is a task that needs to be taken seriously. Helping women, children and youth is an issue that is close and dear to my heart. I have personally encountered this love and care that I received while living at Thornwell Home for Children.

Matthew 28:19-20 reads: Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember that I am with you always, to the end of the age." In the May issue of the Response Magazine I came across the article on Jesus of Nazareth: Our Model for Mission. Showing compassion towards all people is what Jesus did. Let us all remember to love one another and help those who are in need.

DeDee Clarey
Social Action Mission Coordinator

At Day Apart I sold quite a few books and other resources for mission. Since it is not until October that we will have another district wide event, I purchased some of the resources to have on hand. For information and if you would like to purchase any of the following, call me at 864-353-4877.

Secretary of
Program Resources ~

- 2016 - 2017 Program Book - A Call to Community
- Missionary Conferences of the UMC in the U.S. — Youth Study and the Children's Study
- Not Just a Pretty Face: The Ugly Side of the Beauty Industry (Social Action)
- Color-Blind (Social Action)
- Hidden in the Rubble (Spiritual Growth)
- Help, Thanks, Wow (Spiritual Growth)

❖ and the following free items:

Why Should I Get Involved in Social Issues, Pledge to Mission cards,
On a Path to Mission, We Are UMW pamphlets,
2017 Reading Program booklets, Resource catalogs,
Membership Joys, Mission Giving and Legacy Giving envelopes,
and Domestic Violence brochures.

Judith Polson
Secretary of Program Resources

Faith, Hope & Love in Action



For fifteen years members of Faith Circle of Saint Mark UMW in Seneca have purchased items and lovingly assembled boy and girl layettes. Each layette contains a baby blanket, disposable diapers and wipes, a towel and washcloth, a bottle, a burp cloth, a sleep and play, a onesie and matching pants, socks and a small toy. The layettes are delivered to Oconee Memorial Hospital to be given to families who are unable to provide these items for their newborn children. In addition to the baby items which are placed in bags and tied with blue or pink ribbons, each bag contains a note from Faith Circle and information about Saint Mark UMW. This ministry began when the former nursing supervisor, a member of Saint Mark, saw a need and presented the idea to members of the circle. What a great way to serve "the least of these"!



There is so much to explore at:
unitedmethodistwomen.org

Visit the SCCUMW website:
umcsc.org/umw ~
and connect with social media.



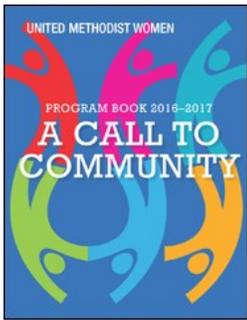
June 20

Remember to include book titles from the UMW Reading Program in your summer reading.

Simply reading five books, one from each of the five mission emphases, and regular reading of response magazine completes PLAN I.

There are many titles to choose from. Children's books are available and quality too.

Fill out a Reporting Form, or just list them on a sheet of paper, and turn them in to your unit's Secretary of Program Resources or President by August 31. Let's have a record number of participants recognized at the Annual Meeting in October!



United Methodist Women accept the challenge and answer the *Call to Community*. We are bound together in a creative, supportive fellowship. We practice community and faith-filled living by sharing Jesus' love, and striving for justice and peace in our neighborhoods and around the world.

Just to catch a Glimpse

The district **2017 Day Apart** was held on April 1, in Liberty, SC at The McKissick Center / Meals on Wheels facility. The 55 ladies that attended the event shared a wonderful time of fellowship, while reflecting on only godly thoughts and on the theme, "Peace, Prosperity, and Hope; Refreshing Ourselves for Mission."

Johnnie Jackson, the ADUMW Spiritual Growth Mission Coordinator wishes to thank everyone who helped with donations of food for the refreshments and that contributed to the grand collection for Rural Mission, Inc.

A special thank you goes to Gwendolyn Collins and Tasha Shaw; performing a liturgical dance as the G and T Experience (pictured together in photo at right). Also, to the keynote speaker, Rev. Cathy Joens and her inspiring message (pictured in photo below on the right, with Johnnie Jackson at left and President, Kate Hyder in the center). Rev. Cathy's scripture focus was John 21:1-11, Jesus and the Miraculous Catch of Fish [NIV]. I recall her



saying: The disciples had spent a day fishing, but caught nothing. The next morning, Jesus told the disciples to cast the net 'over there'. They obeyed, and what a catch they had! The miracle is in our obedience! Then, imagine Jesus saying to his disciples, "Let's have breakfast." As we sit with our Lord, that is where our Peace comes from. We are blessed! As women of faith doing Holy work, God will provide and we can always find hope in Jesus Christ. Those gathered shared in the sacrament of Holy Communion and we left with a sense of renewal and gratefulness that He has chosen us to offer hope, peace, love, joy, mercy and compassion to the world.



There was positive feedback about the venue and the program. The planning team will strive to make it just as enjoyable again next year.

by Cynthia Keesler

Report on the SCCUMW Mission Trip ~ April 3-6, 2017

Four women from the Anderson District went on the SCCUMW Mission Trip to Washington, DC: Beth Addis, Jane Hallums, Johnnie Jackson, and Odena Rosemond. A total of 67 women from across the conference traveled to Washington. On Tuesday of the trip, we participated in a seminar on Human Trafficking at the Board of Church and Society. The Board is located on Capitol Hill and is the only non-governmental building on Capitol Hill. The historic United Methodist Building (pictured at right) was built in the 1920's by Methodist Women to fight for Prohibition. We discussed sexual trafficking and labor trafficking. We also met SC's own Dr. Susan Henry-Crowe, the General Secretary of the Board.



On Wednesday, we went to the Capitol Area Food Bank for a service project. The group was divided into three groups. One group packed boxes for senior citizens, one group separated canned goods, and a third group double bagged plastic bags.

The group headed home on Thursday after a productive trip.

by Beth Addis

Recap of the SCCUMW Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska April 28-29, 2017 ~ "One in Charity"

It was a beautiful spring weekend for the retreat, as women from across South Carolina united in fellowship at Lake Junaluska; nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains. If you've ever been there, you know it is a special place. The 2017 retreat committee is to be commended for their achievement in organizing this spirit-filled event. It was as inspiring as in years past, inviting participants to express their faith through song, praise, worship, prayer and meditation.



The retreat leader was Rev. Pattie Gordon, of the Orangeburg District. Her love of the Lord and passion for leading people to Him is evident when you hear her share her message. Key phrases: You are a child of God, a daughter of the King. We should be ready to give our witness of how good God is. Be One in Charity - see others the way God sees them. We are a community of women - when one United Methodist Woman serves in the name of Jesus all United Methodist Women have a part. Know Him, keep seeking Him. Use your talents and skills for God's glory. We are to be a reflection of Jesus; love one another and be a servant, not to be served.



There were 55 ladies in attendance from the Anderson district, representing 14 units; including zero Under 40 and four first-timers. Total registered attendance was 416, with 116 units represented; including 16 Under 40 and 60 first-timers. Consider attending next year. Enjoy the road trip with your sisters in Christ. Take in the beauty of God's creation. Stroll along the Rose Walk or just sit by the lake. You will leave changed and be glad of it.



by Cynthia Keesler



**SCCUMW Come Together Be Together
held May 20, 2017 in Florence at
Cumberland UMC and Central UMC**



The Come Together Be Together event was extra special this year. It was absolutely a sisterhood of community as two churches coordinated efforts to host the women of the SCCUMW. The focus of CTBT is to gather for a fun day of fellowship relaxation, music, and also to be inspired and gain knowledge by the spoken word and through the workshops.

Twelve women from the Anderson District were in attendance. We sure would've liked to have more attend. It's great opportunity to see our sisters in Christ that we don't get to see often, except at conference events.

The keynote speaker was Rev. Kelly Snelgrove. She opened with a song to help calm our hearts, minds and spirits. Her message brought new insight into the familiar passage of Luke 10: 38–42; Jesus' visit with Martha and Mary. Rev. Kelly shared that as Jesus was on the last leg on his journey to Jerusalem he wanted to spend quality time with his followers. Martha opened her home to Him, and then kept busy with all the preparations that had to be made while Mary just sat and listened to what He said. We know Martha's exclamation to Jesus. There can be a 'Martha' in each of us, especially when it comes to our Christian service. Women have an innate nature for compassion; to nurture, and to love. Women are called to serve and do so much - do you ever feel overwhelmed? Mary knew they had a very special guest in Jesus that day and no matter how good or needed the task we must, like Mary, chose to spend time at the feet of Jesus. Do you get caught up in doing, not BE-ING? Are you more like Martha? or Mary? In today's busy society it may be difficult to find balance. To make the world a better place we have to be better disciples ourselves. As busy women we need to be mindful to be still and let our souls catch up to our bodies. Everything in our lives has to be rooted in true relationship with Jesus. Spending time in the word and trusting in prayer will change things. Let's first be a 'Mary' and ask God what he wants us to do, and then take 'Martha' into the world!

Pictured below: (L) the collection organized by the Limitless Team. (R) attendees: Jane Hallums, Bernice Anderson, Bernetha Orr, Ella Mae Jones, Roselene Moore, Kate Hyder, Beth Addis, Johnnie Jackson, Judith Polson, Martha McKinney, Cynthia Keesler, and Shirley Crittenden.

Come Together Be Together 2018 will be held June 23 at Woodland UMC, in the Rock Hill District. It's always good to have something fun to look forward to! by Cynthia Keesler





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This is *your* Anderson District UMW newsletter!

**** Any individual page of this newsletter can be sent separately upon request via e-mail.**

The **NETWORK NEWS** is published quarterly; in March, June, September and December. The AD UMW qualifies for bulk mailing postage rates by mailing a minimum of 200 pieces. We order 215 copies from the print shop and those printed copies are to be mailed to the following:

- the District Leadership Team members,
- local unit presidents, treasurers, secretaries and/or communications coordinators, circle leaders,
- churches where no organized unit exists,
- and yearly subscribers.

Remaining copies are mailed to as many of the mission coordinators as possible.

Help keep the mailing list current by communicating with the President, Secretary, and Communications Coordinator when there are any changes to the leadership information.

Individual **subscriptions** (a printed copy) are available at a cost of \$5 per year (4 issues) by sending a request to the District Treasurer. Include your name and address with a check made payable to: Anderson District UMW. She will then notify me and you will be added to the mailing list.

An **e-mail distribution list** exists and those on that list will receive this newsletter electronically (in PDF format). Anyone can receive the newsletter via e-mail. Contact me at any time to request to be added to (or removed from) the e-mail distribution list.

Contributions of articles are welcome! Submit news stories and digital photos from your local membership, unit and church activities relating to Mission in ACTION! Space permitting, they will be included in future newsletters.

The Network News and *The Mission Echo* of the SCCUMW can be found online (in full color) at umcsc.org/umw. You can also visit unitedmethodistwomen.org to discover more about your United Methodist Women!

Submit items for the September issue
by August 16th

Send information to Cynthia Keesler at
adumwcc@aol.com or call 864.276.4406

In December I will complete my four year term as your district communications coordinator.
Please be in prayer for the woman that God will call next to this mission service role.
If this is of interest to you or someone you know, contact me or President Kate Hyder for information.

The Anderson District
United Methodist Women
express Christian love
and condolences to
the family of our sister in Christ,
Carrie Anderson ~
who entered life eternal
on May 31, 2017.



Taken from the June 2017 issue of The Mission Echo
from SCCUMW Vice President, Cathy Ford

The South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women 45th Annual Meeting at Union United Methodist Church in Irmo, the Columbia District will take place on October 27-28. The theme is **“Harvesting the Lord's Promises”** with Bible passage **Joshua 14:10**. Our keynote speaker is Rev. Millie Nelson Smith, Congregational Specialist for Columbia and Hartsville Districts. Bible Study leader is Rev. Cathy Jamieson, Columbia District Superintendent. Come hear their inspiring words. The Program Committee, the Columbia District and Union United Methodist Women are planning a memorable event. The registration form is now ready for you to complete. We cordially invite you to be there. We encourage you to bring your friends.

You will attend one workshop of your choosing on Friday afternoon. Select your first and second choice from ten great offerings. Be a FAN for your Health, Every Student Succeeds Act, Federal Health Care Act, Learning Your Leadership Story, Meet Your 3 National Mission Projects, Meet your 2 SC Mission Projects, Missionary Conferences/Mission u Study, Sex Trafficking, Where Does the Money Go?, Who are the Limitless Team?

Sharing God's Love, a centrally located ministry to provide food, clothing and financial assistance for families facing emergencies related to their basic living needs will offer us a mini tour and work session. Transportation will be provided during the registration me. Our Limitless Team is organizing a “Stock the Pantry” collection to support this Columbia district ministry. Bring canned goods!

We look forward to this event and seeing your smiling faces, hearing your lovely voices and sharing hugs with all. Thanks be to God!

** Hotel information is in the Mission Echo and can be found online. Area hotels are holding rooms for SCCUMW for a limited time, with the suggestion to make your reservations early!



Annual Reporting Guide for 2017

Please complete for the time frame noted below. Mail to:
 Kate Hyder 106 Biltmore Court | Easley, SC 29642
 or email to cappyhyder@yahoo.com | 864-360-7208
Mail no later than September 1, 2017

LOCAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE 2017 ANNUAL MEETING

◆ For period from September 1, 2016 – August 31, 2017 ◆

UNIT NAME _____ PRESIDENT _____

1. MEMBERSHIP:

Number of members in local organization: _____
 Total number of members giving \$5 a year for Wallace Family Life Center: _____
 Number of deceased members: _____
 > Send a list of names to Johnnie Jackson, 100 Acquillious Lane | Easley, SC 29642
 or email: johnniejackson2625@gmail.com phone: 864-915-2625.

2. CONTRIBUTIONS:

Five Star Requirements*: (Enter Amount)		Five Mission Requirements* (for Gold Seal)	
\$	*Pledge to Mission	\$	*Bethlehem Center – Spartanburg
\$	*Special Mission Recognition (@\$40)	\$	*Columbia Bethlehem Comm Center
\$	*Gift to Missions (@\$5 per card)	\$	*Killingsworth
\$	*Gift in Memory (@\$5 per card)	\$	*Rural Mission, Inc.
\$	*World Thank Offering	\$	*Wallace Family Life Center
\$	TOTAL Amount	\$	Tracy Jackson Program of G.I.F.T.
\$	Extra Giving – (Rainbow Woman, etc.)	\$	Call to Prayer and Self Denial

3. PARTICIPATION (Since September 1, 2016)

Anderson District Events: (# of persons from your unit attending each event)

Annual Meeting 10/01/2016		Day Apart 4/01/2017	
District Officers Training 1/28/2017		Other Unit Mission Events (list on back)	

SCCUMW Events: (# of persons from your unit attending each event)

Annual Meeting 10/21-22/2016		Spiritual Growth Retreat 4/28-29/2017	
Conf. Officers Training 11/05/2016		Come Together Be Together 5/20/2017	
Killingsworth Gala 11/10/2016		Mission u 7/27-29/2017	
Legislative Advocacy Day 2/21/2017		Youth Mission u 7/27-29/2017	
SCCUMW Mission Trip 4/3-6/2017		Other SC Mission Events (list on back)	

4. MISSION EDUCATION • SOCIAL JUSTICE • MISSION TODAY

Reading Program: Number of participants: _____ Send reading reports to: Judith Polson,
 116 James L. Orr Drive | Anderson, SC 29621 or email to jpolson29621@yahoo.com
 Number of subscriptions to Response: _____
 Was Program Book used? _____ Was Prayer Calendar used? _____

Charter for Racial Justice: Are you a Diamond Unit? ____ Send report to: DeDee Clarey,
 1128 Lakeview Drive | Greenville, SC 29611 or email to clarey8080@bellsouth.net

Are you a **Mission Today Unit**? _____ Send completed form to: Brenda Davis,
 287 Ann Davis St. | Westminster, SC 29693 or email to foxclayd@yahoo.com

5. In what public school district is your Unit located? _____

Does your Unit support the Campaign for Children? Yes ____ No ____

6. OTHER: List any additional projects / activities on back or attach another page.

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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



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