2017—2018 Dates to Remember

Annual Meeting
Union UMC, Columbia
October 27-28

Killingsworth Gala
Seawells, Columbia
November 9

District Officer Training
Trenholm Rd. UMC, Columbia
November 11

Legislative Advocacy Day
Epworth, Columbia
February 20, 2018

Spiritual Growth Retreat
Lake Junaluska, NC
April 27-28, 2018

UMW National Assembly
Columbus, Ohio
May 18-20, 2018

Come Together, Be Together
Woodland UMC, Rock Hill
June 23, 2018
The End of An Era

By vote of your executive SCCUMW board this will be the last printed and mailed copy of the *Mission Echo*. The current cost of around seven thousand dollars a year is prohibitive and no longer a good use of our resources. The newsletter will be available online at www.scumc.org. Please make arrangements in your local churches for someone to run off a copy for anyone upset or hurt by this change. We also will be offering much more information on the website. Change is always difficult but we pray this will be a good decision.

Blessings,

Jane Jowers — Communications

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WHEN
WOMEN UNITE,
Bold and Courageous
ACTIONS HAPPEN

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ASSEMBLY MAY 18-20, 2018
GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER
COLUMBUS, OHIO

www.umwassembly.org
All Forms & Information
Wat a marvelous summer this has been. My suitcase has been in a state of constant change and rearrange as I traveled to Spiritual Growth at Lake Junaluska, to Annual Conference in Greenville, to Mission u at Spartanburg Methodist College and on a family vacation. Being with family, friends, and my sisters in Christ and enjoying what God has given us helps bond me to my fullness. No matter how busy we get with life and its demands, we must remember to pause and look around us and take in all the people and gifts that God has given us and rejoice and be thankful.

We have just returned from another wonderful Mission u. Thanks to everyone on the Mission u team, the study leaders, helpers, and most important – our participants and especially our young ladies. These events do not just happen. Many, many long hours go into planning to give us this awesome experience and for that we are grateful.

Our next SCCUMW conference event is the 45th Annual Meeting which will be held at Union United Methodist Church in Irmo, SC on October 27-28. It will be a wonderful celebration of our mission work! Lots of great things are being planned. Check for information on workshops and the registration form with hotel information in this issue of the Mission Echo. As we prepare for our Annual Meeting, let’s remember that God is not finished with us yet. There is still work to do, women to help, children to feed, youth to counsel, units to form, members to nurture, and love to share.

Assembly 2018 will be in Columbus, Ohio on May 18-20, 2018. Registration for the event opens on September 1, 2017. The Power of BOLD is the Assembly theme. Our conference has contracted a block of rooms at the Crowne Plaza Hotel which is directly across from the Convention Center. This will be an exciting Assembly as UMW will be celebrating 150 years in mission! What a celebration we will have and----I want you to be there with me! As United Methodist Women, we are reminded that we are a group of BOLD women in action doing great things in the world for women, children, and youth.

Mary Agnes Jenkins, Trip Coordinator will be providing more information on the trip to Columbus and additional information about the event can be found at: www.UMWAssembly.org 2018.

As always, thanks for your continued support and for allowing me to serve as your conference president. May God bless each of you as you continue to minister to God’s people through United Methodist Women.

Marlene
Mark your calendars now! Our 45th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting is where all your South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women friends will be looking for you! Our host district is Columbia and the host church is Union United Methodist in Irmo. The date is October 27-28, 2017, Friday and Saturday! Make your plans now.

Our theme is “Harvesting the Lord’s Promises”. Keynote speaker Rev. Millie Nelson Smith, Congregational Specialist for Columbia and Hartsville Districts and Bible Study leader Rev. Cathy Jamieson, Columbia District Superintendent will enrich our understanding. Come hear their messages inspired by Joshua 14:10.

This event will include opportunities for worship, praise, inspiration and singing, exciting speakers, workshops, awards, a memorial service, our past year’s mission accomplishments, adoption of our conference Pledge to Mission and budget, and election of conference officers. A highlight of every conference event is the fellowship and fun with other United Methodist Women! Come join us!

Pre-register for one Friday afternoon workshop. Choose from ten great offerings. Be a FAN for your Health in “Faith, Activity and Nutrition” is a faith based program to create a healthier church environment, or Every Student Succeeds Act to be informed of what this act means for our student, or Federal Health Care Act to look at changes that have been made and how it affects our children and women. The workshop Learning Your Leadership Story will discuss how to reflect on ones’ personal leadership story and use it as a resource for developing our next leaders. You can select Meet Your 3 National Mission Projects and greet their directors or Meet Your 2 SC Mission Projects and meet those directors. Our workshop on Missionary Conferences/Mission u Study will be a mini version of our newest Mission u geography study. Workshop on Sex Trafficking will hear about programs that are making a difference in SC. Our Where Does the Money Go? will learn about service and advocacy work through Mission Giving. Who are the Limitless Team? to hear tips and reach out to young women in local units.

Both our MINI UBUNTU service project and the Limitless Team will support Sharing God’s Love. This centrally located ministry provides food, clothing and financial assistance to families in emergencies related to their basic living needs, serving 230 local families weekly. A tour and work session is scheduled for 1 pm to 2:30 pm. Buses leave the church parking lot for a short 7 minute ride. Items to “Stock the Pantry” are requested by the Limitless Team. This may include canned goods like fruit and meats, pasta sauce and pasta, mac and cheese or breakfast foods like grits, cereal, oatmeal, jelly or diapers size 4 and 5.

Come ready to shop the Resource Room for the latest materials. Enjoy displays from our five SC Missions and chat with their directors. Trim used postage stamps for clean water in Africa. Saturday wear a shirt with a UMW or your church logo. Make a donation to The Legacy Fund and get your 150 pin.

Visit displays of mission projects supported by Union United Methodist members. Demonstrations and informational handouts will be available. They are eager to share with you the joys of their hearts and hands.

Registration form and hotel information is online and printed in this edition of the Mission Echo. Visit our website at www.umcsc.org/umw for complete details. Registration fee is $30 due October 13th. Registration postmarked after October 14th and on-site will be $35. Register early to save money.

Mark your calendars now and make plans to attend. The 45th anniversary stone is sapphire. I hope to see lots of beautiful sapphire blue, God’s most majestic deep blue color! We look forward to seeing each of you in the Columbia District this October — Cathy Ford
Legacy Fund Updates

Our Legacy Fund is growing! Contributions for the March 23rd Day of Giving totaled $300,000! Thank you to each person in The South Carolina Conference who participated in this special emphasis Day of Giving event. Thanks to an anonymous donor, every new gift was matched by 50 percent. This was reported in the ACT section of response magazine July/August issue.

The Legacy Fund now has $2.4 million! Awesome! The Legacy Fund is a permanent endowment with generated income that will enable United Methodist Women to distribute grants and scholarships, coordinate work with mission personnel and make needed upgrades to technological and communication systems and more. The Legacy Fund will ensure a regular source of support for these core expenses of being in mission. It will enable United Methodist Women to enhance programming and launch new initiatives to address emerging needs of women, children and youth.

We are in the third year of our five year campaign for the Legacy Fund. The year 2019 will be our 150 year anniversary. It will be our sesquicentennial anniversary on March 23, 2019.

Our Mission u Legacy Fund video presentation and Happy Birthday table display provided another opportunity to celebrate together. We received many new contributions and some pledge payments too. Look for ladies wearing their 150 pins and join me in thanking them for supporting the Legacy Fund with a donation. Our next presentation and display will be at 45th Annual Meeting at Union United Methodist Church in Irmo on October 27-28. You do not want to miss it!

Mission stories of women in our conference are needed. Are you sharing our story, telling the activities and events of our predecessors? If so, please write them down! You are invited to share them with the national office at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mystory and on the United Methodist Women Living Timeline Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ourstorieslivingtimeline. A downloadable guide is available at www.untiedmethodistwomen.org/livingtimeline. Help us share the story of the many great ladies whose tireless mission work inspires us all.

Do remember to pray for the Legacy Fund on the 15th of every month, a number inspired by our 150 years of mission work.

Continue to place $1.50 in an envelope for The Legacy Fund on the 15th of every month. By September you should have $13.50 set aside. In December we will have $18 if you do this monthly. Our goal is $18.69 every year from every member. We can do this, together. Thanks be to God!
When SCCUMW get together…we have FUN!!! The Come Together Be Together event at Cumberland & Central UMC on May 20th, in Florence was special. Our theme was “Sisterhood of Community”, and we had more than 315 women in attendance. Rev. Kelly Snelgrove, our keynote speaker had a message of hope and wholeness for everyone present. We were blessed by her story of how obedience to God’s word can make a change in our lives. We also enjoyed the fun and informative workshops, the renewing fellowship and the Word proclaimed by Rev. Snelgrove. How awesome! Thanks to the women of both churches for their great hospitality!

The Limitless Team led by mentor, Deaconess Selena Ruth Smith as well as being assisted by Sue Owens, together worked very hard in separating, organizing and getting shipped out, all of the items you brought for our five mission projects. Thanks for your continued support for women, children and youth as we collectively responded to the needs of our local missions. The youth who helped organize, sort and pack supplies and donations were Brittany Isaacs, Samoria Sessions and Regan Sharp.

During Mission u several units chose to sponsor young ladies to attend this event and all were welcome faces as we learned together about mission conferences in the United Methodist Church. Please look for other opportunities to involve youth in our organization at every level.

Next year Come Together Be Together will be held in the Rock Hill district at Woodland UMC. The MNO committee will meet again January 6th, 2018 to make final plans for the June 23rd, 2018 event. This date is later than our usual time due to UMW Assembly being held in Ohio next year. We have welcomed your active and enthusiastic participation in CTBT in past years and look forward to seeing you next year!

South Carolina has finally received the results of our 2016 on-line census count. We had only one opportunity to submit our numbers to the national office and while the final count was encouraging when compared to the first numbers, we know there were units who were not counted at all. I want to say thanks to all district MN&O coordinators as well as district presidents and local presidents for getting units to submit their count, however this year’s numbers as represented, amounted to a drop of approximately 4,000 members and we all know that is not the case. South Carolina’s final numbers were 6,752. We will continue to fine tune our efforts to make sure all are counted. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to reaching a true accounting of our membership.

As we look toward to our final conference events for this year we want to emphasize the mission collection project for the Annual Meeting at Union UMC in Irmo. The Sharing God’s Love ministry located in Irmo is helping families in need of food, clothing, personal hygiene products as well as financial assistance. The needs list of items will be posted elsewhere in this issue of Mission Echo. If your local unit is able to assist in collecting any of the items listed and bringing them to Union UMC on October 27 & 28, you will make a difference in the lives of families who need help.

—Gladys Lemon
MISSION ARE US!

On behalf of our five mission projects allow me to extend a **HUGE THANK YOU** to all who stitched, crocheted, knitted, canned, pickled, jellied, jammed, made jewelry, made wreaths, planted plants, and created creative gifts ideas for the throngs of shoppers who came and spent lots of money at the Craft Room at Mission u. Because of your efforts, $2189.26 will be split among our mission projects. This was a record turnout both in offerings and in proceeds! Thank you for all who made stuff and for those who shopped. I personally wish to thank Clara Horton, Jenny Rawlings and Pat Gunther for their assistance in setting up before, restocking during, encouraging folks to buy, and for helping tear down afterwards. I also wish to thank those of my District counterparts (and one’s husband and friend) who assisted in packing up the leftovers to be sent to Wallace Family Life Center. It was a very successful sale!!!

Those who purchased the ten pull-tab bracelets that Ronald McDonald House in Greenville allotted us provided ten nights for a family or families to stay in the House. The House was appreciative of your purchases, but also in the 40 pound bird seed bag plus a box of pull tabs that were collected during Mission u. Thanks to all who collected.

I sent 27 pounds of trimmed stamps to Marion Storehouse in June. Due to your efforts, I have another box almost ready to go. Thanks to all who collected, to all who trimmed before and during Mission u, to those who offered to take some home to trim, and to those who are still contacting me about their willingness to trim. The Storehouse prefers that we not mix trimmed and untrimmed in the same box. It is much better use of our funds to send trimmed stamps. So----I thank you for all of your efforts.

Campbell Soup Labels are a thing of the past. As of August 1, 2017, they are no longer accepting or redeeming labels. For all who religiously saved them for years, thank you. If you can even find any now, just recycle them when you recycle the soup cans.

As this is the last article that you will see in the Mission Echo from me in any official capacity, let me voice my appreciation to all United Methodist Women who have encouraged me, put up with me, and supported me all these years. This formerly shy individual has become a force to be reckoned with—and I reckon it is time to move on to whatever God has in store for me next. I ask that you support whoever is elected to this position in October as well as you have supported me and my efforts to make each of us more mission-minded. As seen with stamps and pull-tabs, everyone, regardless of age, can be a part of mission. From the bottom of my recycling bin, I thank you for a wonderful 25 years on the Executive Committee.

Blessings,
Sue Owens
E&I Coordinator

$2, 189.26!!!
Current Needs

Sharing God’s Love tries to provide basic necessities as well as food. The following items are suggestions,

- Rice  
- Pasta Sauce & Pasta**
- Canned tomatoes
- Canned Meat (Tuna)**
- Canned Vegetables  
- Canned Fruit or Fruit Cups**

OTHER

- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Detergent/Soap
- Diapers- size 4 & 5**
- Feminine Care
- Toilet Paper
- Summer Clothes - all sizes (gently used)**
- Mac ‘n Cheese**  
- Pork n Beans** but we are always grateful for whatever you choose to donate.

**Items are currently needed

FOOD PANTRY

- Grits**  
- Cereal**  
- Oatmeal**
- Jelly**  
- Peanut Butter
- Sugar  
- Flour  
- Juice
- Tea  
- Coffee

- Ziploc freezer bags- quart & gallon size (no sliders)

PERSONAL CARE OTHER

- Shampoo  
- Laundry Detergent  
- Deodorant
- Dish Detergent/Soap
- Toothbrush
- Diapers-size 4 & 5
- Toothpaste
- Feminine Care
- Toilet Paper
- Toilet Paper
- Bar Soap

Sharing God’s Ministry

Items

To Be Brought to Annual Meeting
The Conference Committee on Nominations (CON) is pleased to be able to present a full slate of officers for 2018. Please support the new and returning officers with your prayers and service as you are able. These ladies have stepped up to attend many meetings where decisions are being made in the name of the SC Conference UMW. They have agreed to uphold the purpose of the UMW as they strive to fulfill the duties of the office to which they have been nominated. They are our representatives and we are their support system.

In the coming months the Conference Committee on Nominations (CON) is prayerfully looking for ladies to fill the following offices: President, Vice President, Coordinator of Membership Nurture and Outreach, Coordinator of Spiritual Growth, two members of the CON. The chairman of the CON will be nominated from within that committee. Please communicate with us about any UMW members you would recommend for consideration to any one of those positions.

In closing, we want to thank the following ladies for their service and cooperation as they rotate off their current committees: Maureen Thomas (Treasurer), Evelyn Pauling (Spiritual Growth), Sue Owens (E&I), and Ellen Schumpert (CON). We know you love the UMW and that we will see you in full participation at many events in the future.

The Committee on Nominations presents the official slate of officers for the SC Conference United Methodist Women for 2018. (Parentheses indicate year of tenure in this office. Bold print indicates persons nominated for election to a new position for 2018.)

President Marlene Spencer (4)
V. President Cathy Ford (4)
Secretary Jacqueline Williams (2)
**Treasurer Deborah Edwards (1)**
Communications Jane Jowers (2)
Sect. Prog Res. Oleather Smith (2)
**E & I Eunice White (1)**
MN&O Gladys Lemon (4)
Social Action Jackie Hicks (4)
**Spiritual Growth Caron Cooper (1)**
Chair CON 2018 Judy Roumillat (2/4)

CON 2018 Jacqueline Sessions (4)
CON 2019 Clara Horton (3)
CON 2019 Annette Pollard (3)
CON 2020 Jan Fleming (2)
CON 2020 Dannett Golden (2)
CON 2020 Mary Cabaniss (2)
CON 2020 Sharon Washington (2)
**CON 2021 Evelyn Pauling (1)**
Meet the Nominees

**Caron Cooper** is a lifetime member of the United Methodist church. She was a UMW District officer for 8 years and is currently serving as a cluster leader for the Greenville district.

She is the daughter of an United States Army veteran, the late Herbert "Jack" Hamby and Carolyn Hamby. She considers herself fortunate as she grew up overseas, traveling to many countries.

Upon returning to the United States, Caron attended Riverside high school, then North Greenville college and USC Coastal where she received her BS degree in Psychology as well as a Mrs. degree. She stayed home to raise her two children Alisha and Robert and now works for Interior Plantscapes where she gets to practice her passion of working with plants. She is an activist for equal rights, animal rights, and environment rights. She is a Lay speaker for Greenville district and teaches Sunday school at Liberty Hill UMC.

**Deborah B. Edwards** is a member of Williston United Methodist Church in Williston, SC where she serves as Lay Leader and VBS Director. She is a former Sunday school teacher for both children and adults. She is an active member of her local United Methodist Women, where she has served as President and Vice-President. She has served on both the Orangeburg District and Conference UMW Executive teams, most recently as district President and Mission u youth study leader. Deborah is married to Thomas Edwards, Jr., and they have three children. Deborah is a SC certified middle and secondary level mathematics teacher. This past summer, she added a Gifted and Talented endorsement to her certification. She is currently teaching seventh and eighth grade Pre-algebra and Algebra 1 at Williston-Elko Middle School and is the varsity cheerleader coach.

She loves to sing and enjoys craft projects in her spare time.

**Eunice White** is the wife of Rev. Rufus Horace White and the First Lady of the Spartanburg Parish which consists of Allen Chapel and Florence Chapel UMC. Eunice is the mother of four children, Veronica, Willie, Nathaniel and Kimberly. She is the grandmother of six and a proud great grandmother of five. Loving children as she does, Eunice is employed with the Bright Horizon Childcare Center. Eunice is a Certified Lay Servant and an Instructor for the Spartanburg District Lay Servant Ministry. She is a member of the Spartanburg District Connectional Ministries, past Spiritual Growth Coordinator for Spartanburg District UMW. She is the Director of the Grace and Mercy Hope House Ministry and a member of the Spartanburg District Clergy Spouses Choir. Eunice loves the Lord and is always ready to serve in whatever capacity she can.

**Evelyn Pauling** of the Orangeburg District, of which she is a former president, is a nurse, wife, mother, and grandmother and has served as Conference Spiritual Growth Coordinator for the past four years. She served as the president of her local unit for many years. She holds an Associate Degree in nursing from Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from the University of South Carolina. She is currently employed by the Orangeburg Regional Medical Center. She has always served the conference UMW with grace, poise, and Christian love in every capacity she has held.
I hope your District had a great reading year. Thanks to all who completed the required reading for Plans I-IV and to those who participated in the reading program. Please encourage everyone to continue reading. The deadline for District’s 2017 Reading Program Report is September 8th.

The 2018 reading list is in inventory and the consignment order form has been updated. Please place your order now, especially if your meetings are September, October and November. You can order up to four of most 2018 Resource Program titles, but please only order four of titles you think your attendees are most interested in. For children and youth titles the limit is still two, and you should request Spanish and Korean Resource Program titles if you need them, and the limit is one. You should order quantities of UMW resources (2018 prayer calendars and program books) you think you might need. Please note that the 2018 mission studies are not available until December.

The entire Mission u team wants to thank You for making this year's event a success.
> There were 221 in attendance which included 16 youth and 45 first timers.
> The offering on Saturday was $2418.00 and the sales in the craft room totaled over $2100.00!
> These monies will be divided among our 5 mission projects so many will benefit from your generosity.
We are so thankful to announce that we now have both the Executive Director and Program Coordinator positions filled. Kevin Long, Administrator and Linda Sanders, Program Coordinator. They are committed to improving the WFLC standing in the community and among the UMW programs throughout the state.

Although finances have dictated that both positions must be part time, the schedules are staggered so that one of them is always there, along with our tutors during the hours of the After School program. The Summer Program was very successful with an average attendance of 25 students. We also had a group from Salt and Light, (similar to Salkehatchie,) who built new picnic tables did outside clean-up and took part in the children’s activities. The materials for the picnic tables came from a grant written by our Director, Kevin Long.

Our finances are very low and we ask that each unit take a serious look at their support of WFLC. When this Center was established as a Mission of the SCUMW, $5/member was set as an annual offering. After more than 30 years you can understand how this is no longer a realistic goal. We are so thankful to all of you who support us far above this asking.

If you have never visited the Center, I encourage you to make plans for a Day Trip. Meet our wonderful staff and let them share with you some of the heartwarming results of this Mission. Together we are making a difference in the lives of so many children.

Our five-star missions are all on Facebook. Please visit them often. We will feature one mission in each issue of the *Mission Echo*.

Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg (Oct. special emphasis month)
Columbia Bethlehem Community Center (Apr. special emphasis month)
Killingsworth, Inc. (Sept. special emphasis month)
Rural Mission, Inc. (Mar. special emphasis month)
Wallace Family Life Center (Feb. special emphasis month)
# 25th Annual Killingsworth Gala

**Happy 70th Birthday!**

**Killingsworth**

**Thursday, November 9, 2017 • 6:00 pm at Seawells**

1125 Rosewood Drive • Columbia, SC (across from SC State Fairgrounds)

Music by: The Dick Goodwin Quartet

Fashions by: Chico's

6:00 pm - Silent Auction Preview
6:45 pm - Seated Dinner and Program
7:30 pm - Silent Auction Ends
Fashion Show and Door Prizes

Reservations are required and must include payment in the form of a check payable to Killingsworth. We encourage early reservations since Gala seating is limited. Your canceled check will serve as your receipt. Table assignments are made in the order in which paid reservations are received. Tickets go on sale September 5th and will be mailed to the contact person noted on the reservation form below. We regret that because of catering guarantees we cannot provide refunds if you are unable to attend.

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**Killingsworth Transforming Women**

1831 Pendleton Street • Columbia, SC 29201

Questions? Call 803.771.6359
45TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN  
October 27-28, 2017  
Union United Methodist Church  7582 Woodrow Street, Irmo, SC 29063  
For Registration Information contact Pam Thomas, Registrar at (803) 629-0246 or email: pamtjcblz@gmail.com  
THEME: “HARVESTING THE LORD’S PROMISES”

Name: _______________________________ (please provide name as you wish for it to appear on name tag)
Address: _____________________________ City: _______________________ Zip: _______________________
Best Contact Phone number: ___________ District: ____________ Church: __________________________
E-Mail Address: _________________________ Dietary Restrictions: ______________________________

Check all of the following that apply:

______ First Time  ______ Conference Officer  ______ District Officer  ______ Past Conference President
______ Under 40  ______ Unit President  ______ Mission Director  ______ Clergy
______ Age 14-30 Limitless  ______ Voting Delegate  ______ Missionary/Deaconess
______ Nursery Needed - Number of Children/Ages ___________________/______

In case of emergency please contact __________________________ Phone: _______________________

Will you be at Dinner on Friday night 5:30pm - 6:30pm? ______ Will you be at Lunch on Saturday? ______

Please note: Meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.

--- Workshops ---

Please select your first (1) and second (2) choice for Friday afternoon Workshops. You will be assigned to one of your selections.

1. Be a Fan for Your Health
2. Every Student Succeeds Act
3. Federal Health Care Act
4. Learning Your Leadership Story
5. Meet Your 3 National Mission Projects
6. Meet Your 2 SC Mission Projects
7. Missionary Conferences/Mission u Study
8. Sex Trafficking
9. Where Does the Money Go?
10. Who are the Limitless Team?

--- Friday, October 27 ---

Registration: 12:30noon – 3:00pm in the Tower Entry of the church

(Anyone arriving after 3pm may still register prior to Communion Service. No meal tickets will be available unless pre-registered)

Optional Pre-conference Activities and a Tour/Mini Work Project at Sharing God’s Love will be available during registration. The Tour bus will depart from the church parking lot at 1:00pm and return at 2:30pm.

**Session 1**

3:00pm Opening Ceremonies/Bible Study - Sanctuary
4:10pm Workshops
5:30pm Dinner  **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED**
7:00pm Five Mission Project Reps, Worship Service & Holy Communion - Sanctuary
8:00pm Afterglow and Fellowship, Bible Bookmark Exchange - Fellowship Hall

--- Saturday, October 28 ---

Registration: 8:00am – 9:00am in the Tower Entry of the church (for those attending only the Saturday sessions)

**Session 2**

9:00am – 10:30am General Business - Sanctuary
10:45am – 12:15pm General Business continued/Keynote Address
12:30 - 1:30 pm Lunch  **MEAL TICKET REQUIRED**

**Session 3**

1:45 - 3:00 pm General Business - Sanctuary/Election and Installation of Officers/Closing

Registration DEADLINE: October 13, 2017

Any registrations POSTMARKED AFTER: October 14, 2017 and any on-site registrations will be $35.00

Send registration along with $30.00 fee (payable to SCCUMW) to: Pam Thomas  
P. O. Box 23067  
Columbia, SC 29224  
(803) 629-0246 or email: pamtjcblz@gmail.com
The voting delegates of the Annual Meeting of the conference organization shall be representatives from the local church organizations as follows: each local organization will be represented by its President or her duly elected alternate. In addition, local organizations with membership under 100 may elect one additional delegate and those with over 100 members may elect two.

Hotels for the SCCUMW Annual Meeting
October 27-28, 2017
Host church: Union United Methodist Church, 7582 Woodrow St., Irmo, SC 29063

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Rates seem a little higher than usual? That’s because USC plays Vanderbilt at home October 28, 2017. Reserve your room early!
Sept. 1, 2017 Letter to our President Marlene

Dear Marlene,

It is our pleasure to announce that registration for The Power of Bold Assembly is now open!

Assembly 2018 Registration

Registration

In an effort to reduce our impact on the environment and be better stewards of mission money, we are not printing Assembly packets. While we are offering paper mail-in forms for those who have absolutely no access to the internet or a computer, the online form is the main method of Assembly registration. Help your members save money and the environment by encouraging online registration at https://umwassembly.org

Please use every means available to promote online registration. If a paper form is a must have, the following links to necessary documents are provided. Please save these to a computer in a safe place to make copies and print for later.

The mail-in paper registration form and the Important Registration Information document can be found on the FAQ page of the Assembly website: https://umwassembly.org/faq.

Please note that the early online registration discount of $295 does not apply to mail-in forms and the mail-in registration fee is $330 due to the added costs involved with paper forms.

Workshops for Assembly 2018 are pre-registered. When you register for Assembly you can sign up for one workshop, town hall meeting or film on Friday and one workshop, town hall meeting or film on Saturday. Workshop offerings can be viewed at https://umwassembly.org/workshops.

Visit https://umwassembly.org/ for more information. Please visit the Conference Update section at the bottom of the website, beginning Sept. 15th, to see how your conference is progressing towards its 30% increase goal. Also note that Google translation is available for the entire site. Click on the Select Language button to choose your primary language.

Thank you for your continued support of the Assembly program and the work of United Methodist Women.

Sincerely,

Harriett Jane Olson, General Secretary
Shannon Priddy, President
South Carolina Information for Assembly

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
United Methodist Women
Columbus, Ohio
May 17–20, 2018

Come celebrate the United Methodist Women 150th Anniversary in Columbus, Ohio!!

WHERE: GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER

WHY: The 2018 Assembly is particularly momentous in that it marks both the official celebration of the organization’s 150th anniversary and a return to the location of the first Assembly in 1942. St. Louis was the original site for that first Assembly, but the women moved their meeting to Columbus because St. Louis would not allow white women and black women to congregate in the same space. They boldly united and switched to a location where ALL women could meet, worship, and stay together. That location was Columbus!

PRICE: $330 $295 EARLY REGISTRATION

The early registration fee for the 2018 Assembly is $295 with a November 30, 2017, deadline. After that date, regular registration fee is $330. This fee includes two healthy lunches for attendees. Assembly is a great value at $295 early registration fee. Few other faith-based conferences offer Worship/Plenaries infused with music and performing arts, quality Workshops & riveting Town Hall Meetings with important leaders, Action opportunities and Experience Hall with educational immersion experiences for such a low fee. When you register for assembly, you can sign up for one workshop, town hall or film on Friday and one workshop, town hall film on Saturday. The list of workshops will be posted on the Assembly website after September 1, under the Workshops tab, if you would like to review the options before you start your registration.

REGISTER ONLINE AT unmassembly.org.

RATES
Registration opens SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 and closes April 9, 2018

Early Online Registration Sept. 1 – Nov. 30, 2017 $295
Online Registration Dec. 1, 2017 – April 9, 2018 $330
Paper mail-in form* Sept. 1, 2017 – April 8, 2018 $330
Ubunta Day of Service (optional) Filled until capacity $60

*Early rate does not apply to mail-in forms due to their associated added costs.
PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE:

**Thursday, May 17, 2018**
9am - Ubuntu Day of Service (additional fee) Late Afternoon - Public Action, please attend! (No additional fee)

**Friday and Saturday, May 18-19, 2018**
9am – Community Gathering Workshops & Experience Hall 7pm – Community Gathering

**Sunday, May 20, 2018**
Ends at noon - Community Gathering

We have reserved a block of rooms at the **Crowne Plaza Columbus – Downtown**. The hotel rate is **$158 per night**. You are responsible for making your reservation by calling **1-800-338-4462** inform them that you are with the **South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women**. Reservations must be received no later than **April 18, 2018**. The hotel is located across the street from the convention center, it has shuttle service, and an enclosed walkway. The hotel address is: 33 E Nationwide Boulevard, Columbus, OH 43215, telephone number 614-461-4100.

We will have a chartered bus for transportation leaving from Columbia College, Columbia, on Thursday, May 17th and returning on Sunday, May 20th. The cost per person is $125.00. Anyone desiring to ride the bus should mail their check, made payable to SCCUMW, to me. The deadline for the bus transportation is **May 7, 2018**. A detailed scheduled will be sent after this date.

**Looking forward to a wonderful and blessed experience at Assembly 2018!!**

Through Our UMW Missions We Serve the World
BUS TRANSPORTATION
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Mary A. Jenkins
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803-536-5029 or 803-614-7630
The Organized Unit of 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.