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Announcements

Mark Your Calendars

Florence District Local Officer Training

**January 18, 2025
@ 9:00 am -Gathering
9:30- Session Starts**

**@ Salem UMC
5814 Old River Road,
Florence, SC**



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Presidential Scholarship

Application Due

March 1st, 2025

February Special Emphasis Month



**WE
ARE
UWFAITH**

Trip to St. Helena Island Penn Center

**February 15, 2025
Charter for Racial
Justice Trip
Information inside**

Charter for Racial Justice

Book Study (Virtual)

**Book Title: (*"How to Be
an Antiracist"*)
by Ibram X. Kendi**

**March 8, 2025
@ 12:00 pm**

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

**Faith
Talks**

A United Women in Faith Podcast

<https://uwfaith.org/resources/podcasts/>

A Message from The President



Greetings to Fabulous Florence District United Women in Faith! As 2024 comes to a close, I am grateful for the incredible journey we have shared. This year has been filled with spiritual growth, leadership development, and the strengthening of our bonds as a sisterhood in Christ. Together, we have done so much, and it is a privilege to reflect on all we have achieved.

Your commitment to mission giving and contributions has been inspiring. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to support Wallace Family Life, Killingsworth, Bethlehem Center Columbia, Bethlehem Center Spartanburg and initiatives that empower women, children, and youth locally and globally. This work reflects our shared commitment to living out our faith through action.

As we prepare to step into a new year, we are ready to revive our energy, embrace new challenges, and continue to lead with purpose. I am confident that, together, we will carry forward the spirit of love, service, and faith that defines United Women in Faith. *We know that God works all things together for good for the ones who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 (CEB)*

May we enter the new year with open hearts and renewed passion for our mission. We are looking forward to meeting all officers Saturday, January 18, 2025, at Salem UMC in Florence for Officers Training. A copy of the 2025 calendar is included in this issue of The Flame. Thank you for your dedication, support, and unwavering faith.

Hope | Faith | Love,
Melissa Epps





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Local Units

Officers Training

Salem United Methodist Church

5814 Old River Road | Florence, SC 29505

Hosted by Salem UMC

Florence District Local Unit Officers are expected to attend Officers Training. Breakfast & Lunch will be served.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2025 @ 9:30 A. M.

**Register by January 4, 2025 at
tinyurl.com/OfficersTraining2025**

*If you have questions contact
Melissa Epps, District President at 803-316-4971 or
Katherine Sabb-Graham, Vice-President at 843-372-9419*



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Vice President Corner



Hello Florence District UWFaith! Where did the year go? Thank God we have made it to the last month of 2024. I trust that you have reached all or most of your desired goals for the year. Let's continue working together by sharing vital information and resources provided to make the coming year even better.

Our annual meeting was an awesome success. Thanks to Wesley, St. Michael, the Florence District Team and all of our local units for a job well done.

The District Officer's Training was held in November and your counterparts are ready to share all they have learned at our local officer's training on January 18, 2025. Salem United Methodist Church will host the training. Our Theme is "Revive and Lead: Empowered by Resurrection!". (UWFaith Leadership Development Days)

Please review the 2025 Florence District Calendar and make plans to attend the various events and meetings. We look forward to another blessed and productive year in fulfilling our mission locally and throughout the world.

As we celebrate the birth of our King, let us focus on all that He has done for us and our families and welcome Him to renew our minds, body and soul. I thank God for all of you and pray that God showers you with Love, Peace and Joy during this season and in the years to come.

God Bless You,

Katherine Sabb-Graham
Vice-President



Join the Field Trip to St. Helena Island Penn Center in February

**Tour
Saturday
Feb. 15, 2025
1:00 pm
Admission: \$15**

**Youth
Admission
Fee covered by
SCC UWFaith**

The Conference Charter for Racial Justice Committee has arrangements for a tour of the Penn Center Museum on St. Helena Island on February 15, 2025 at 1:00pm. This tour will take 90 minutes and admission is \$15.00. We are encouraging you to make your own discoveries based on your interests. Hopefully we can all come together at some point and share what we have learned and experienced.

Let us know if you would like to have a group dinner on St. Helena Island that evening. Everyone is responsible for their own transportation and lodging if you decide to stay in Beaufort. Please note the Marine Corps Training Base at Parris Island will be holding a graduation ceremony the day before our tour, so book your lodging well in advance. <https://www.beaufort.com/accommodation/s/hotels-resorts/>

Share this information with your church youth directors.

You can contact **Kathy Roys** at kathy5339@att.net for more information or to express interest in participating.

I HAVE TALENT!

Tell me how to share it with United Women in Faith

Name: _____

District: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Circle preferred contact: phone or email



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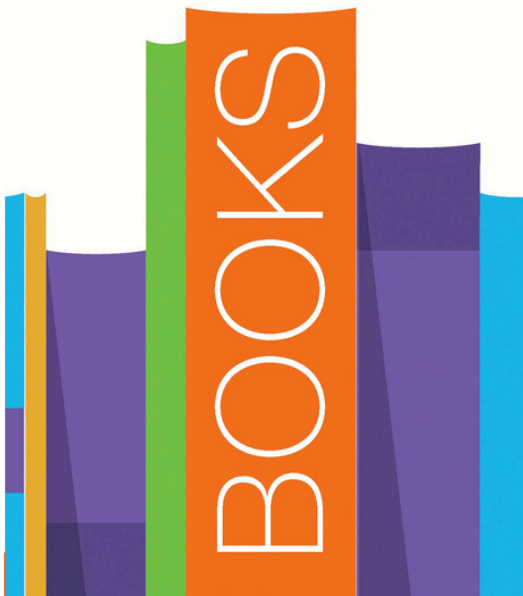
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READING PROGRAM

Reporting Form

Formulario de Información del
Programa de Lectura

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PLAN I

- 5 books each year.
- 1 book from each category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN II

- 10 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN III

- 15 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- PLUS 5 additional books from any category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN IV

- 20 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- PLUS 10 additional books from any category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

Books can be purchased directly from the retailer of your choice or borrowed from your local public library.
For books on previous reading lists, go to:

uwfaith.org/read



Please fill out the report form on the next page and send it to:

Pearl R. Brown

2076 Cade Road

Lake City, South Carolina 29161

REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

(Send completed form to your secretary of program resources or equivalent according to your conference's schedules.)

NAME:

PLAN CHOSEN:

I

II

III

IV

CURRENT YEAR:

MISSION EMPHASES

Education for Mission

Leadership Development

Nurturing for Community

Social Action

Spiritual Growth

I have completed the required reading for PLAN I____. The books I have read are listed on this form.

LOCAL UNIT

DISTRICT

CONFERENCE

PRINT NAME

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

☐ I have also read response regularly.

response Check off the issues you have read!

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A Glance at 2024 Events

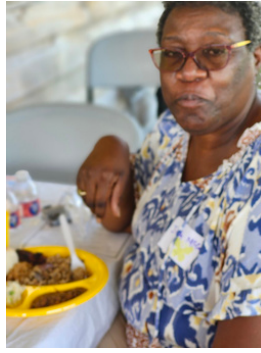


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Back at Circle G Ranch



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2024 SCCUWF 52nd Annual Meeting/ Rock Hill



Florence District was the second largest group in attendance at SCCUWF/Rock Hill. Thanks for the support and memories.



Greetings to the Florence District.

I am Pearl Kinder Pressley, and I sincerely thank you for the opportunity to serve as Secretary for the Florence District. It is not only an honor but also a tremendous privilege. While this role is new to me, I bring a wealth of experience from my ongoing involvement at my home church and various organizations. I am excited about this new challenge and firmly believe that together we can make 2025 a landmark year for our district. I look forward to working closely with each of you to achieve our shared goals!

Love, Peace & Blessings;
Pearl K. Pressley, Secretary



Florence District Executive Team Welcomes Pearl K. Pressley - Florence District Secretary

Our New Florence District Secretary requests that you fill out the 2025 unit officer Roster form on the next page and send it to:

Pearl K. Pressley, FD Secretary

724 Doodlehill Loop

Nesmith, South Carolina 29580

Unit Survey

As we go into this holiday season, don't forget to get a head start on the unit survey. As a leader in United Women in Faith, the Membership Office invites you to participate in this year's 2023 Unit Survey. The survey is intended to be completed by Unit Presidents and/or All Access Group Convenors.

This year's questions will focus on membership engagement and growth, leadership development, and program awareness and participation, as we aim to support our new organizational vision of expanding our membership, increasing annual revenue, and strengthening our legacy funding. Your feedback is crucial and your response matters—not just for understanding our current progress, but for guiding our next steps toward continued growth. We also want to be able to celebrate all the work you are doing on behalf of women, children and youth around the globe. The portal is open from **now until March 31st**. Please ensure to complete your UWF groups information. Hit the link below, or scan the QR code, sign in or create an account and fill out the survey.

Survey link: https://uwfaith.org/login/?mepr-unauth-page=8411&redirect_to=%2Funit-survey%2F

If you have any Questions Contact:

*Barbara Hyman (Florence District Membership, Nurture & Outreach) - Email: Bhyman1969@yahoo.com

or

*Angela Allen (SCCUWF Membership, Nurture Outreach) - Angel_Allen@charter.net



Florence District 2025 Local Unit Officers Roster Form

There may be circumstances, when cluster leaders, district or state executive member need to contact you. The start of a new year may come with new leadership as a result of elections. We need you to complete this form and submit it to the district secretary by mail, email or bring it with you to Local Officers Training on January 18, 2025.

Name of Unit: _____

City: _____

President: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Vice-President: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Secretary: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Treasurer: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Sec. Program Resources: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Spiritual Growth: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Social Action: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Education & Interpretation: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Membership, Nurture & Outreach: _____

Phone: _____ ()cell ()Home

Address: _____

Email: _____

Mail to:

Pearl K. Pressley, FD Secretary

724 Doodlehill Loop

Nesmith, South Carolina 29580

Email: pkpressley@ftc-i.net

2025 Florence District United Women in Faith Executive Committee Officers

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Secretary	Pearl K/Pressley	(843)-372-1327 (C) (843)-382-3601 (H)	724 Doodlehill Loop Nesmith, SC 29580	pkpressley@ftc-i.net
Treasurer	Dorothy Murray	(843)-356-0398	P.O. Box 602 Kingstree, SC 29556	Thebig_DM@yahoo.com
Communications	Trinette McKnight	(843)-356-1856	4856 Thurgood Marshall Hwy. Kingstree, SC 29556	Tmcknightfd@yahoo.com
Program Resource	Pearl R. Brown	(843)-319-6450 (C) (843)-382-3564 (H)	2076 Cade Road Lake City, SC 29161	prbrown2076@gmail.com
Social Action	Carolyn W. Scott	(843)-389-7528	P.O. Box 1564 Lake City, SC 29560	carolynw.scott54@gmail.com
MN & O	Barbara Hyman	(843)-395-0786	304 Limit Street, Darlington, SC 29532	Bhyman1969@yahoo.com
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Chair CON	Shirley Woodard	(843)-354-3600 (H) (843)-356-9540 (C)	51 Montana Drive Kingstree, SC 29111	shirley_woodard@yahoo.com
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CON	Lutie Brown	(843)-365-4468		
CON	Mildred Cunningham	(843)-687-3951	729 Doodle Hill Loop New Zion, SC 29556	Cunninghammildred4@gmail.com
CON	Betsy Graham	(843)-374-8935 (C) (843)-956-3471 (H)	P.O. Box 387 Lake City, SC 29560	thecakelady1944@yahoo.com


2025 Ex-Officio Roster

SCCUWF Vice-President	Kimberly Graham	(843)-496-1919	614 Cricklewood Drive Florence, SC 29505	kdteach94@aol.com
Mission U Dean	Michelline Williams	(843)-610-0652	52 Buzby Road Kingstree, SC 29556	miki2@sc.rr.com
Interim Treasurer/Past President	Janice Eaddy	(843)-373-1203	101 Winner Circle Lake City, SC 29560	jeaddy2@yahoo.com
District Superintendent	Rev. Terry Fleming	(843)-669-5992 (Office)	101 Sanborn St. Florence, SC 29501	fldist@umcsc.org

Name Badge Information!!

If you would like to have a name badge, the order information is below. Please contact tina@mrsign.net for further information and/ order your badge today.

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\$10 + 7% tax

If needed, shipping is additional

Orders can be emailed to tina@mrsign.net

2024 Reflections from Spiritual Growth Coordinator

My Dear Sisters, I invite you to join me as I review 2024, Blessing from God flowed in a supernatural flow. We shared a spirit filled Day Apart March 23, 2024 hosted by my local unit Cumberland United Methodist United Women in Faith. Our very own Florence District Praise and Worship Choir came in and ushered us through the service with extraordinary singing, again I thank them for showing up and showing out in Jesus' name. Please refer to our June 2024 Flame for my Chattanooga experience at the 2024 Get Together Southeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting United Women in Faith in Chattanooga, Tennessee April 19-21, 2024.

May 18, 2024, we experienced a wonderful Come Together Be Together Virtual Event with the theme "God the Sower of Love and Mercy" from Matthew 13:3-9 our speaker was Rev. Katherine Crimm, Highland Park United Methodist Church, Florence. We were able to join a virtual workshop, I joined the Yoga- Body Soul and Mind, my experience was soul changing, I still practice the deep complete breathing. I encourage each of you to try yoga.

Annual Fun Day at the Ranch was my first experience at the 'Circle G Ranch'. We had a great time with food and fellowship. We played games, danced, exercised and laughed. Fun and Fellowship was had by all. Check our September 2024 Flame for pictures.

I was fortunate to attend the Women's Day Service at Salem United Methodist Church, Florence. The guest speaker was Rev. Elma L. Galbreath, who delivered a wonderful message, "Standing in the Gap!" using her personal experience of loss, when she shared her story. I reflected on our personal relationship, she was my nurse when I was in Mcleod Hospital for 3 months and 4 days recovering from first, second and third degree burns over 85 percent of my body. When someone prays for you and with you, words cannot describe the connection. I remembered my time in room 620 at McLeod, I remembered she would come into the room with a smile and grace, that made my day better. She was more than a nurse to me; she is my angel. I did not have the relationship I have now with God. God gave me what I needed to be able to walk today and I smile because he brought me out. Gods grace did not allow my face to scar, I have scars all over my body, but nobody did that but God. I thank God for sending Nurse Elma Galbreath to me. 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." 2 Corinthians 12:9. God showed me his grace, who cannot serve a God like this. Rev. Elma L. Galbreath stood in the gap for me then, and I am eternally grateful for God sending her. After the service I shared with Nurse Elma how she ministered to me while I was in the hospital back in April through June 1997. Praise God for her, I continue to pray for her, because back then I did not know how to pray for myself. Praise God for divine connection.

Florence District United Women in Faith 52nd Annual Meeting September 21, 2024, theme “Living Waters in Times of Drought Re-digging The Wells of Our Foremothers” with our South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith President Clarice Blakeney who gave us an awesome charge for the future. Again, our Florence District Praise and Worship Choir with Craton Dicks, Director gave us beautiful music reminds me of the following scripture, Ephesians 5:19-20 ‘speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.’ We really appreciate your dedication and answering our calls when we ask you to help us with our services. Bless you all. Our Pastors Rev. Louis Ashley, Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church and Rev. Barry McFadden, St. Michael United Methodist Church words cannot express how much we appreciate your dedication, Rev. McFadden did say we were at the best church on this side of heaven. We will let him say that until we get to my home church. It really makes your soul rejoice when you witness Pastors working together like brothers. I am honored to be a United Methodist.

October 12, 2024, I had the privileged to attend the Tri-District Connectional Gathering with our new Bishop Leonard Fairley at Central United Methodist Church, Florence. This reminds me of family reunion with all those in attendance. Florence District Superintendent Terry Fleming introduced Bishop Fairley and his lovely wife Dawn with jokes included. Bishop Fairley’s message was centered on Connectionism and encouraged us to use hope, healing and health to work together to become better in our leadership roles going forward. After the gathering, I was filled with inspiration to work harder as my personal mission. Bishop Fairley shared that a week prior, they placed his mother Doreatha Fairley in Hospice, and she was transitioning. When I made my way to the refreshments provided, the Fairley’s were walking by, I made the comment why y’all got my Bishop carrying the box. They smiled and continued down the hall, a few minutes later Mrs. Dawn Fairley back in the fellowship hall and shared with me that they we were leaving to go be with the Bishops Mother Doreatha. As Dawn took a minute to share with me a stranger, I knew she was special, I remember ushering her back towards the door and saying we understood go, go. When I get the opportunity to talk with her, I will share how she demonstrated love in action. Mother Doreatha passed Saturday October 12, 2024, please continue to keep Bishop Fairley’s Family in our prayers. When people ask me about our new Bishop, I share we got another good one, praise God.

South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith 52nd Annual Meeting October 25-26, 2024, at Woodland United Methodist Church, Rock Hill the theme “Praise the Lord! Justice for All!” scripture Psalm 146. Words cannot describe the wonderful experience I had attending and being elected, South Carolina Conference Vice-President by my sisters. Woodland United Methodist and the Rock Hill District were exceptional host, everyone I greeted we kind and thoughtful. I loved the sisters’ wearing crowns so we could recognize them if we needed them. I plan to borrow that idea as well. This was another great learning



experience for me. I felt the love of my sisters as I greeted them during the weekend. My heart is full of gratitude for every person who helped make the events of the weekend possible. It was great to see and hear Dr. Rev. Anthony Hodge, Rock Hill District Superintendent (formally Pastor of Cumberland United Methodist Church) and Dr. Sheila Hodge. Bishop Leonard Fairley and Dawn gave us another wonderful worship experience and communion, I honored to have a Bishop Fairley join the United Women in Faith 52nd Annual Meeting, welcome to South Carolina Bishop Fairley and Dawn. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. I pledge to be one of the greatest Conference Vice- President.

The Virtual District Officers Training Saturday November 9, 2024, was insightful and inspiring. We are blessed to have access to tools that will help us become stronger. Please be sure to join the United Women in Faith uwfaith.org and United Women in Faith Digital, the amount of information and resources available will inspire you.

Finally, November 21-23, 2024, I attend Leadership Development Days virtually, the number of women from all over our country, was trilling to see. I made connections with others from different and diverse locations. I am so excited about 2025 and all that it has to offer, I'm at a loss for words. The excellent thing about this training is some of the information will be located on the website. Please, take some time to just look through all the resources available on both the website and UWF Digital.

We had a wonderful 2024 as your District Spiritual Growth Coordinator, this experience has proven to be an amazing journey. As we glide into 2025, we are a strong powerful resource of change to help our world. I think of the words of the song "We Are the World" written by Lionel Richie and the late Michael Jackson.

*We are the world
We are the children
We are the ones who make a brighter day, so let's start giving
There's a choice we're making
We're saving our own lives
It's true we'll make a better day, just you and me*

This is my charge going forward, with prayer and God as my guide.

Be Blessed;

Kimberly Graham

Spiritual Growth Coordinator



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SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN in FAITH PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

South Carolina United Women in Faith is offering a scholarship to future leaders of United Women in Faith. As a supportive community, our desire is to financially assist young women with their higher educational needs.

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor:

¹⁰If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

¹¹Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.

But how can one keep warm alone? ¹²Though one may be overpowered,
two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

-Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12 (New International Version)

APPLICATION PACKET

Packets are available from District Presidents and members of the Conference UWF Scholarship Committee and on the conference website, umcsc.org/women.

This packet includes the following forms:

1. Requirements for Scholarship Application
2. Presidential Scholarship Standards
3. Application for Presidential Scholarship
4. Scholarship Application – High School Guidance Counselor
5. Scholarship Application – Dean or Advisor
6. Checklist for Completing Application

Each applicant should be given all six forms listed above. The applicant is required to complete the Application for Presidential Scholarship form. If the applicant is in high school, she should have her high school Guidance Counselor complete the appropriate form; if in college, her Dean or Advisor should complete the appropriate form. If employed, her employer should complete the Guidance Counselor form. Letters of recommendation are required from the applicant's local pastor and the president of her local UWF.

*In order for an application to be considered, it must be typed or legibly written. **ALL** required materials are due to the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee with a postmark date no later than March 1.*

Janice Cockfield Eaddy
101 Winners Circle
Lake City SC 29560
(843) 373-1203
jeaddy2@yahoo.com

Revised November 9, 2022

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
UNITED WOMEN in FAITH

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP STANDARDS

1. Scholarships are available to women who are members of a South Carolina Conference United Methodist Church.
2. Undergraduate and graduate scholarships are awarded to students who have been accepted at an institution of higher learning, which include technical, two-year, or four-year college or university.
3. Scholarships for graduate and undergraduate study shall be given annually, based on the availability of funds.
4. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the designated college by the Conference Treasurer. One-half of the award will be paid for the first semester, and the other half of the award will be disbursed upon successful completion of the first semester term.
5. The scholarship is granted for one year with the privilege of reapplying for an additional year. **No more than two SCCUWF Presidential Scholarships will be awarded to any individual.**
6. Application forms will be available from all District Presidents of the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith, members of the Scholarship Committee, and from the conference website, umcsc.org/women. All applications (**typed or legibly written**) must be sent directly to the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.
7. The Conference Scholarship Committee will make the final selection of the recipients.
8. No application will be considered unless all requirements are postmarked by the March 1st deadline.
9. Not all applications will be funded.
10. All applicants will be notified of the committee's decision.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN in FAITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. Scholarships are made available to women who:
 - a. Are members of a South Carolina United Methodist Church.
 - b. Have met all Presidential Scholarship Standards as set by the United Women in Faith of the South Carolina Conference.
 - c. Show active participation in the program and service activities of the church and United Women in Faith (UWF).
 - d. Have a minimum 2.5 GPA in high school or college. Student is responsible for requesting a current official transcript to be sent directly to the chair of the Scholarship Committee from her high school or college. **First and second-year college students must also include an official high school transcript.**
2. Applicant will be evaluated in these three areas: grade point average (GPA), leadership and community involvement, and UWF and church participation.
3. A personal letter of introduction with details of activities including leadership, community service and involvement in United Women in Faith and church shall be submitted by the applicant.
4. Letters or forms of recommendation are required from the following: **(No letters from parents or legal guardians will be accepted.)**
 - a. Pastor, Lay Leader, or Youth Leader. **Details are requested. See Note #1**
 - b. President of the local United Women in Faith's unit or United Women in Faith's District Officers. **Details are requested. See Note #1**

Note 1: Letters of recommendation should include examples of specific leadership and active participation in the program and services of the church and UWF.

- c. School Guidance Counselor and/or teacher (if just finishing high school). **Please include specific examples of leadership and active participation** Form on page 5.
- d. Dean and/or Advisor (if already enrolled in college or graduate school). **Please include specific examples of leadership and active participation**. Form on page 6.

Note 2: If applicant has been out of high school or college for a number of years and it is impossible to obtain an academic recommendation, her employer should complete the form on page 5.

5. **The completed application including all items on the checklist and the signed checklist on page 7 must be received by the chair of the Conference Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than March 1st to be considered.**

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
UNITED WOMEN in FAITH

Checklist for Presidential Scholarship Application

- _____ 1. Completed Application for Presidential Scholarship
- _____ 2. Personal letter of introduction
- _____ 3. Current **official transcript** sent directly to the chair of the Scholarship Committee from the school or college (**First or second-year college students must also include an official high school transcript**)
- _____ 4. Official High School Transcript
- _____ 5. Letters or forms of recommendation:
- _____ Pastor, Lay Leader, or Youth Leader
- _____ President of local United Women in Faith's unit or United Women in Faith's District Officer
- _____ Guidance Counselor (if completing high school) Form on page 5 and attachments.
- _____ Employer (if out of school) Form on page 5 and attachments.
- _____ Dean and/or Advisor (if already enrolled in college or graduate school) Form on page 6 and attachments.

Signature _____ Date _____

All forms must be received by the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Scholarship Committee chairperson postmarked no later than March 1st. Please ensure that you have submitted all items on the checklist.

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SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN in FAITH
PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

The first two lines are to be filled in by the applicant:

Name of student _____

Address of student _____

The above-named student is applying for this scholarship. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in answering the following questions.

The following is to be filled in by High School Guidance Counselor. This information is confidential. Please attach any additional information you may wish to provide that would help us evaluate the student. Please include specific examples of leadership and active participation.

Please return to applicant in a sealed envelope. The entire application packet must be received by the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Scholarship Committee chair postmarked no later March 1st.

1. Where does the student rank in her graduating class? _____

2. What is the enrollment of the class? _____ Of the school? _____

3. What special abilities has this student shown? _____

4. Has she assumed a position of leadership? _____ If so, in what way? _____

School name _____

Signed: _____ Date _____

Guidance Counselor

Printed name _____

Daytime phone _____

E-mail address _____

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN in FAITH
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

APPLICATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1. Name in full _____
2. Home Address _____
3. Date of birth _____ Telephone # _____
- E-mail address _____
4. Name and address of church _____

- District _____ Date of membership _____
5. Name and address of high school _____
_____ Date of graduation _____
6. Name and address of institution of higher
learning at which you have been accepted or
are now attending _____
_____ Anticipated date of
graduation _____
7. Name and address of employer if you have
been out of high school or college more than
2 years _____

8. In what field of work are you most
interested? _____
9. Is this your first application for this scholarship? _____
- Signed: _____ Date _____

Must be postmarked by March 1st. Please return this form to the following:

Janice Cockfield Eaddy
101 Winners Circle
Lake City SC 29560
(843) 373-1203

jeaddy2@yahoo.com

Revised November 9, 2022

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN in FAITH
PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEAN OR ADVISOR

The first two lines are to be filled in by the applicant:

Name of student _____

Address of student _____

The above-named student is applying for this scholarship. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in answering the following questions.

The following is to be filled in by Dean or Advisor: This information is confidential. Please attach any additional information you may wish to provide that would help us evaluate this student. Please include specific examples of leadership and active participation.

Please return to applicant in a sealed envelope. The entire application packet must be received by the South Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Scholarship Committee chair postmarked no later than March 1st.

1. What is the student's Grade Point Average? _____

2. What special abilities has this student shown during her time in college? _____

3. Has she assumed a position of leadership? _____ If so, in what way? _____

School name _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Dean/Advisor

Printed name _____

Daytime phone _____

E-mail address _____

**Florence District
United Women in Faith 2025 Calendar
JANUARY**

Saturday, January 11th	1:00 PM	Social Action and Limitless Team**	Virtual & In-Person
Saturday, January 18th	9:30 AM	Local District Officer's Training Spiritual	Salem UMC 5814 Old River Rd Florence, SC
Saturday, January 25th	9:30 AM	Growth Committee**	Virtual
	1:00 PM	Membership, Nurture and Outreach**	Virtual

FEBRUARY

Wallace Family Life Center Special Emphasis Month			
Saturday, February 1st	9:30 AM	Education & Interpretation**	Virtual Virtual
	1:00 PM	Communications**	TBA Penn
Saturday, February 8th	11:00 AM	Florence District Executive Team Meeting	Center, Beaufort
Saturday, February 15th		Charter for Racial Justice (CRJ) Field Trip	County Virtual
Saturday, February 22nd	1:00 PM	Membership, Nurture and Outreach**	

MARCH

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Friday, March 1st	Deadline for Presidential Scholarship Application		
	1:00 PM	Finance Committee**	Virtual
		Connectional Ministries**	TBA
Saturday, March 8th	9:30 AM	Program Committee**	Spartanburg District On-site visit
	12:00 PM	Book Study (CRJ) ("How to Be an Antiracist" by Ibram X. Kendi)	Virtual
Saturday, March 15th	10:00 AM	Committee on Nominations**	Virtual
Tuesday, March 18th	TBA	Legislative Day (Social Action)	Epworth Home (In-Person)
Saturday, March 22nd	All Day	Legacy Fund Day of Giving-156th Year	
	9:00 AM	Florence District Day Apart	TBA
	12:00 PM	Book Study (CRJ)	Virtual

APRIL

Columbia Bethlehem Community Center Special Emphasis Month			
Saturday, April 5th	12:00 PM	Book Study	Virtual
Saturday, March 12th	10:00 AM	Spiritual Growth Event	TBA
Sunday, April 20th		† Resurrection Sunday †	
Saturday, April 26th	10:00 AM	Florence District Executive Team Meeting	Asbury-Shiloh
Saturday, March 26th	12:00 PM	Book Study	Virtual

MAY

Saturday, May 17th	10:00 AM	Come Together Be Together	Virtual, Spartanburg District
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JUNE

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Sunday, June 8 th – Wednesday, June 11 th		SC UMC Annual Conference	Greenville, SC
Saturday – 21	10:00 AM	Charter for Racial + Environmental Justice Event	Virtual

** (District and Local Officers need to attend the noted committee meetings) Event and Meetings without notations (asterisks) are for all UWF members to attend.

Florence District United Women of Faith 2025 Calendar JULY

Saturday, July 5 th	10:00 AM	Limitless Event			In-Person/TBA
Thursday, July 17 th	9:00 AM	Executive Committee**	Spartanburg Methodist College	Fireside Room	Spartanburg
	10:30 AM	Spiritual Growth Committee**	Spartanburg Methodist College	Fireside Room	Spartanburg
	11:00 AM	Charter for Racial Justice**	Spartanburg Methodist College	Fireside Room	Spartanburg
July 17 th – 19 th Thursday - Saturday	TBA	Mission u	Spartanburg Methodist College		Spartanburg

August

Saturday, August 9	12:30 PM	Program Committee** Social Action			
Saturday, August 16 th	1:00 PM	Committee **			Virtual Virtual
	9:00 AM	Florence District Fun Day			Circle G Ranch
Saturday, August 23 rd	9:30 AM	Finance Committee**			Virtual
	1:00 PM	MN&O Committee**			Virtual
Saturday, August 30 th		Florence District Executive Team Meeting (Calendar 2026)			Virtual

September

Killingsworth Special Emphasis Month The Flame Newsletter Published					
Friday, September 5 th		Florence District Annual Meeting Report Forms Due			
Saturday, September 20 th	9:00 AM	Florence District 53rd Annual Meetings			In Person

October

Bethlehem Center – Spartanburg Special Emphasis Month					
Friday – Saturday, October 23 rd –25 th	12:30 PM – 3:00 PM	SCCUWF 53rd Annual Meeting			Spartanburg District
Sunday, October 26 th	6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Florence District Executive Team Meeting			Virtual

November

Saturday, November 8 th	9:00 AM	District Officers Training			Host Church
Thursday, November 13 th	TBA	Killingsworth Annual Gala			TBA

December

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Saturday, December 6 th	10:00 AM	Limitless Event			In-Person
December 25 th		🎄 Merry Christmas 🎄			
TBA	TBA	Florence District Executive End of Year Meeting			TBA

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United
Women
in Faith

South Carolina Conference UWFaith Potential Leader Form

South Carolina Conference UWF (UMW) Potential Leader Form

Name: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

District: _____ Ethnicity: _____

Professional Skills/ Job Experience: _____

Offices/Appointments held in UMW/UWF:

Local Unit _____

District _____

Conference _____

Jurisdiction/National _____

Additional experience within the church or community other than

UMW/UWF: _____

Which offices are of most interest to you?

President _____ Vice President _____ Secretary _____ Treasurer _____ Nominations _____

Communications _____ Spiritual Growth _____ Social Action _____ Program Resources _____

Education & Interpretation (Missions) _____ Membership, Nurture & Outreach _____

Charter for Racial Justice Committee _____

Please continue on next page

Potential Leader Form

Page 2

Are you able to participate in online meetings? _____

Are you able to travel for meetings and events? _____

When would you be available to serve? _____

Are you able and willing to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen
the Purpose of United Women in Faith? _____

Please return this form to a Committee on Nominations member or
send to:

Shirley Woodard
51 Montana Drive.
Kingstree, SC 29556
Email: shirley_woodard@yahoo.com

A Request From the Treasurers Desk!

Florence Treasurer Dorothy Murray requests that all Local treasurers send via email, their email address along with your name and your local unit name to her for future communication purposes.

Send to: **Dorothy Murray**

Email: **thebig_dm@yahoo.com**

or send via mail to: **Dorothy Murray**

P.O. Box 602

Kingstree, SC 29556

Florence District 2025 UWF Pledge List as of 09/21/2024



Church Name	2025 Pledge
Asbury, Andrews	\$400.00
Asbury, Shiloh	\$950.00
Bethel, Kingstree	\$350.00
Bethesda, Lake City	\$1,200.00
Cumberland	\$2,000.00
Elijah, Kingstree	\$500.00
Faith	\$500.00
Friendship, Nesmith	\$1,500.00
Jeremiah	\$500.00

Church Name	2025 Pledge
Mt. Zion, Kingstree	\$1,500.00
Salem, Florence	\$1,200.00
St. John, Green Road	\$400.00
St. John/Shiloh, Lynchburg	\$500.00
St. Michael, Kingstree	\$1000.00
St. Paul, Kingstree	\$500.00
Wesley Chapel	\$1,650.00
Florence District Total	\$14,650.00

THANK YOU for submitting your pledges!!

(There is still time for others to submit their 2025 Pledge)



Reporting Dates for Local Units

1st Quarter is

January - March

Report due to District Treasurer

By April 4, 2025

1st Quarter is

April - June

Report due to District Treasurer

By July 5, 2025

1st Quarter is

July - September

Report due to District Treasurer

By September 5, 2025

(Due early before Annual Meeting)

1st Quarter is

October - December

Report due to District Treasurer

By November 28, 2025

*(District Treasurer Report is
due to Conference Treasurer)*

It's Not Too Late - Make a Pledge Today!!!

Name of Church/Unit: _____

Treasurer's Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Pledge Amount: \$ _____

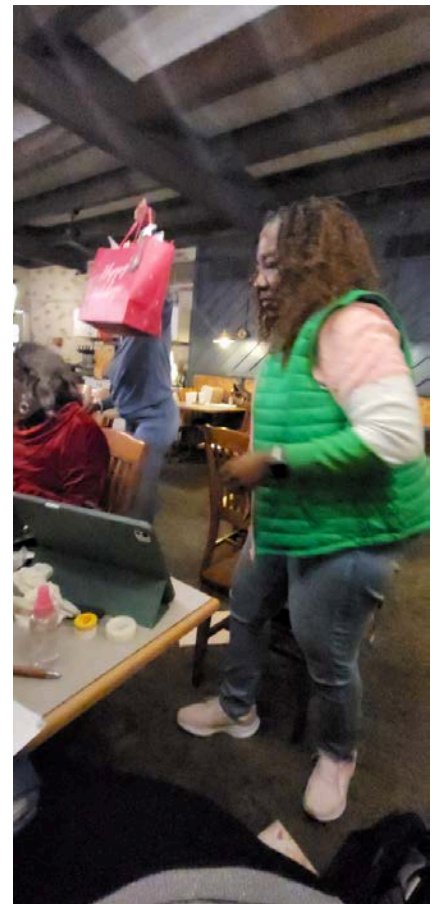
Mail to: Dorothy Murray, P.O. Box 602, Kingstree, SC 29556

Florence District Executive Team Members End Of Year Meeting 2024



**Your hard work
inspired us.
We only hope that
our work inspired
you in some way.**

*Happy
Holidays*





“Remember, If Christmas isn’t found in your heart,
You won’t find it under a tree.”

_ Charlotte Carpenter

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Happy New Year

**From:
The Florence District
Executive Team**

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