



THE UMW APPALACHIAN DISTRICT NEWS

1st Quarter 2017

President's Message:

I am so proud to be a part of such an amazing organization! We are supportive and creative and have numerous resources to help us grow spiritually and in mission. I think we all know that we are a part of something more... something greater. But there are so many things that we don't know about OUR United Methodist Women! What is the Reading Program really all about? What are these Mission & Justice Today forms that I am asked to complete? What's up with all the talk around Human Trafficking? One way of understanding more of what UMW is about and doing in the world is to attend the District and Conference events. The dates are listed in the newsletter. If your unit would like to host a District event or co-host with another church, please let us know. Many times, units would like to host but the facility is not large enough. If that is your unit, you can unite with other units to host at a larger facility; we can help make that happen for you.

As we enter 2017 it is a perfect time to think about the membership of our units and how we can add new members to our present units as well as grow new units in churches that presently do not have United Methodist Women units. We can do this in the following ways:

- ☐ Send birthday cards to members of your local unit
- ☐ Send Gift to Mission Cards such as New Baby, Thinking of You
- ☐ Pray for United Methodist Women everywhere
- ☐ Make phone calls to remind members of upcoming events
- ☐ Ask a woman to join United Methodist Women and go to a meeting with you and remember it takes asking 10 times before they may agree to come—don't give up!
- ☐ Start new circles—for young women (Cyber circles through the internet) and for older women in the nursing homes who miss going to circle meetings—take the circle meetings to them and start units in the local assisted care facilities—They LOVE it and NEED it!!!
- ☐ As we nurture our members we need to nurture each other; the nurturing partners of the District UMW would be happy to come out to one of your meetings and provide support, help with a program or give suggestions for ideas to grow your units. Remember that we are there to nurture and support and many times we receive very valuable and useful information from the units that we visit that we can then pass along as ideas to help other units. It takes all of us working together as a team to accomplish the work of United Methodist Women.
- ☐ When you invite a District or Conference Officer to your unit gathering before August 24, 2017 you will then be entered for a chance to win a CPR "Feel the LUV" care package which includes: - *Program Book* - *Copy of Response Magazine* - *Prayer Calendar* - *Book from the Reading Program* - *A few Other Surprises*

The drawing will be held at Conference Annual Meeting in September, 2017.

If I can help in any way as we nurture our present units and outreach to grow and expand new units, please contact me.

Lorraine Burns



Feel the...



We offer to share our passion for:

- **United Methodist Women**
- **Our Purpose**
- **Reading Program**
- **Social Action**
- **Mission Giving**
- **ANYTHING Your Unit would like us to share...LUV!**

... From United Methodist Women

Invite a District or Conference Officer to your unit gathering starting August 25, 2016 through August 24, 2017. You will then be entered for a chance to win a C.P.R. "Feel the LUV" care package, which includes:

- **Program Book**
- **Copy of Response Magazine**
- **Prayer Calendar**
- **Reading Program Book**
- **A Few Other Surprises**

Committed to Purposeful Renewal



Vice-President:

Greetings and Happy New Year! As we begin 2017, I hope that you have great plans to be involved in United Methodist Women activities. This year as we think about the many opportunities to serve, I would like to ask that you share pictures of the many activities in which your unit has participated. We hope to share pictures to showcase United Methodist Women involved in service. Please email pictures to me at drsallen421@yahoo.com or text them to [336-247-1323](tel:336-247-1323). Include the name of the church, the activity, and any other pertinent information. These will be used in a video presentation for our service of celebration in August, 2017. Thank you in advance for your help. "Let us go forward together".

Secretary:

Happy New Year! I hope everyone is excited to begin our 2017 UMW journey. As secretaries, our goal is to provide concise, accurate, and informative accounts of our meetings through our minutes.

A master sheet for attendance is a great tool to accurately record the attendees for your meeting. You can prepare the master sheet with names of your members and spaces for guests and new members. By incorporating the dates of each meeting on the master sheet, attendance can be easily checked, and only 1 master sheet is required. The master sheet can be copied and attached to your meeting minutes. Prepare the official minutes as soon as possible after your meeting. Provide a copy to your President, and ask her to review the minutes for any needed amendments.

Have a wonderful year through missions to women and children!

Communications:

2017 is here and we are “off and running”! There is a lot going on in our District and Conference and communications is the way to stay on top of it all. I have received updated officer lists and contact information from 21 of our 60+ local units. To keep you and your unit informed of all activities, action items, and general UMW information, it is important to make sure the district leadership team receives your updated local unit officer and contact information. If you have not submitted your local 2017 officer lists with your annual reports, please email, mail, or call the updated information to me and/or Lorraine Burns (our contact information is on page 14 of this newsletter).

If you haven't checked the UMW Website recently, I encourage you to do so (www.umw.org). On the homepage there is a link to an article titled: *Let's Box 'Em Up and Stack 'Em up! Super Bowl LI is February 5, 2017*. This is our UMW annual awareness campaign to symbolize UMW intercepting the traffickers who bind the vulnerable with boxes of imprisonment. We can't prevent all the exploitation of traffickers or their control over the lives of those they traffic, but we can intercept them. Check out the Website and see what your local unit can do to raise awareness of this social action issue.



I also encourage you to monitor our WNCC UMW Website (www.wnccumw.org; you can also link to our Appalachian District UMW Website from here). Our first conference event for 2017 will be Legislative Advocacy Days 2017. Registration for this conference-wide event will open January 17th (register online through the WNCC UMW website). This event will be held at First United Methodist Church in Mocksville on Saturday, April 1st from 9:30am - 3:30pm. The theme is taken from 1 Cor. 1:27 – “*The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom... God uses the foolish to shame the wise.*”

After a brief opening, speakers will provide overviews of the four Social Action priorities for this quadrennium.

- Climate Justice
- Maternal/Child Health
- Criminalization of Communities of Color/Mass Incarceration
- Economic Inequality

Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch. Drinks and snacks will be provided. There is no cost to attend our Legislative Advocacy Day.

Blessings,
Jan Taylor

PRAYER FOR SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Loving God, we come before you this Super Bowl Sunday, thanking you for the good things that this day represents and what it means to so many people. However, Lord, we know that we are called to reach out in the midst of our bliss to those for whom such joyful days are few or nonexistent.

Holy One, we pray for those who have been sold into sex trade. We ask that you send the Comforter to them this day. Please ease their fears, loneliness, and physical pain. Give them hope and help to escape.

Merciful God, although it is hard to do, help us show mercy to those who are profiting from this trade and to the poor families who sell their little girls to the traders. We ask that you turn them from their sinful ways and help them see a way to repentance.

Glorious Creator, please bless and uplift those in the battle against this horrible sin. You know that it is frustrating, hard, and sometimes dangerous for them to take a stand. Please give them hope, continued courage and protection from anyone or any system that works against them.

Lord, give us, your servants, the courage to comfort the abused, confront the abuser and support those who are at the front lines of the struggle. We ask these things in the name of your son Jesus the Christ.

Amen

Treasurer:

Greetings to Local Unit Treasurers!

I look forward to working with all of you in 2017 and welcome those who are new to the treasurer's position this year. Remember that you have two important responsibilities in performing the Treasurer's job.

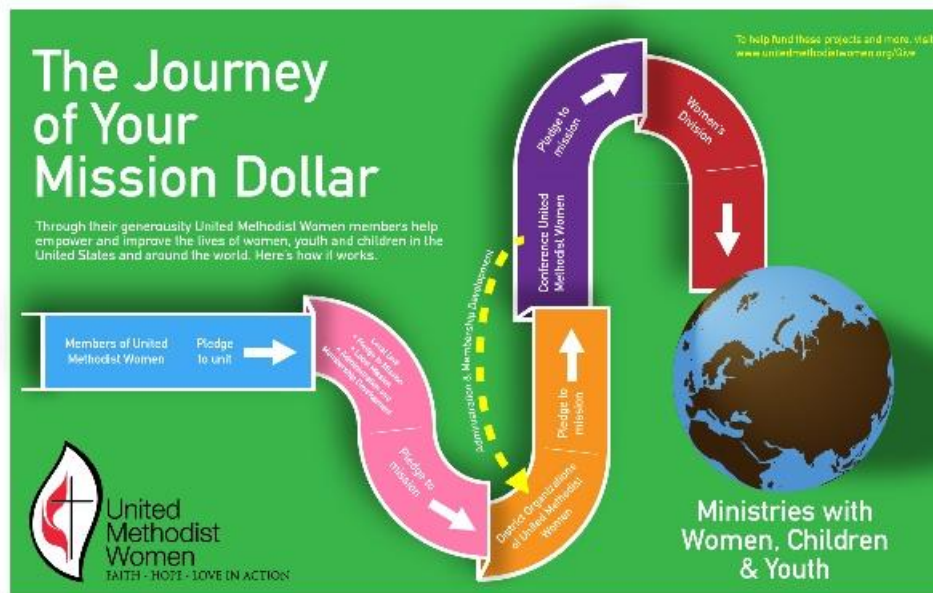
The first and most obvious responsibility is the financial responsibility that includes following best practices for safeguarding the money, making deposits and payments from the UMW checking account, recording receipts and disbursements, reporting the financial activity of the local unit to your members, and remitting pledge and other funds to the District UMW Treasurer at the end of each mission quarter. All checks sent to me should be made out to *Appalachian (or App) District UMW Treasurer*. Please send all checks with a Remittance Form except for event registrations. Remittance Forms can be found on the UMW Website, or I can send you a copy if you are not able to print from the website.

Second, and just as important as financial recordkeeping, is the responsibility of lifting up the purpose of UMW to your local unit. As Treasurer, you can remind the unit about where our mission dollars go throughout the year and how UMW reaches around the world with our mission dollars. We are in the business of Empowering Women throughout the world.

Please remember that we keep strict confidentiality about each member's giving and we never pressure anyone who may not make her pledge. Let's encourage members to stretch a little and exceed their pledges whenever possible. Even the smallest additional amount adds up to a significant amount when we pool our giving.

As always, I will mail to the Local Unit Treasurer a letter at the first of the month before the end of the mission quarter. Letters go out February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. These letters provide a lot of information to you, especially if you are learning the job of treasurer. Please do not hesitate to call or email me with any questions – I enjoy talking with you and helping in any way that I can.

Pratt Davis, Appalachian District UMW Treasurer
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Mission Education and Interpretation:

We did a great job last year! Following is an account of Appalachian District UMW donations to the Mission Response Center:

June 8, 2016:

UMCOR KITS COLLECTED AT MISSION STUDY AND PRAYER BREAKFAST

76 sewing kits @ \$28 =	\$2,128.00
75 health kits @ \$12 =	\$ 900.00
Monetary collection for shipping and kits	<u>\$ 362.00</u>
Subtotal Value of UMCOR Collection:	\$3,390.00

December 1, 2016

UMCOR KITS COLLECTED AT ANNUAL CELEBRATION AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT DAY

65 School Kits @ \$11 =	\$715.00
15 Sewing Kits @ \$28 =	\$420.00
43 Health Kits @ \$12 =	\$516.00
8 Layette Kits @ \$45 =	\$360.00
8 Birthing Kits @ \$8 =	\$ 64.00
Monetary collection for shipping and kits	<u>\$393.00</u>
Subtotal Value of UMCOR Collection:	<u>\$2,468.00</u>

2016 TOTAL VALUE OF UMCOR COLLECTIONS: \$5,858.00

Please take note of the flyer on page 6 for our **2017 District Mission Study – Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action**. This event will be held at Wilkesboro UMC on April 22nd. April 22nd is also the day that over one billion people in 192 countries will observe the 46th Earth Day. We are holding an **Earth Day/Climate Justice Poster Contest** for Older Children and Youth (see details on page 12). The cost is \$6; lunch will be provided and the reservation deadline is April 14th.





United Methodist Women
MISSION STUDY 2017

Wilkesboro United Methodist Church
309 West Main Street
Wilkesboro, NC 28697
Saturday, April 22, 2017
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (includes lunch)



Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action
Speaker: Sarah Ogletree

Older Children and Youth are invited to participate in an Earth Day Poster Contest and the Mission Study.
Child care for young children is available upon request.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Cost: \$6 per adult (includes lunch) There is no cost for Children and Youth.

This personal, theological, informative, and inspirational study will be helpful in learning about Caring for God's Earth

Attendance at this study will fulfill requirements for Mission Today Criteria #4.

Advance Registration is Required - Please use the registration form at the bottom. Deadline is April 14, 2017. If childcare is needed, please contact Susan Allen (336-247-1323).

Directions to Wilkesboro United Methodist Church

From Boone and West Wilkes Co. - Take US-421 South to NC-268 (Exit 286B) toward Wilkesboro/Downtown. Turn left on NC-268 and in approximately 1.2 miles arrive at church on your right.

From I-77 (Statesville) - Take I-77 to Exit 73B onto US-421 North toward Wilkesboro/Boone. On US-421, go approximately 20 miles to Exit 286A (NC16/18 toward Wilkesboro/Taylorsville/Lenoir); keep left at the fork on the exit ramp and turn left onto NC-18N (Cherry St.). Go approximately ½ mile to the traffic light and turn right onto W. Main St. In approximately ¼ mile, arrive at church on your right.

From Taylorsville - Take NC-16N toward Wilkesboro (approx. 18 miles); Turn right on West Main Street; church is approx. ¼ mile on your right.

From Lenoir - Take NC-18N/Wilkesboro Rd approximately 23 miles; take a right onto NC-16N/NC-18N. In 3.8 miles, turn right onto N. Main Street In approximately ¼ mile, arrive at church on your right.

From Sparta - Take NC-18S. In approx. 35.5 miles, turn left on 5th Street, then right onto Cherry St. In .2 miles, keep left to continue on Wilkesboro Ave; in ¾ mile, turn right onto Hwy 268/Main Street. In approx. ¾ mile, passing the Federal Bldg. on the left, at the traffic light (Woodland Blvd), turn left and then right into the church parking lot.



United
Methodist
Women
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

Our Love Offering will be a Gift to Mission
in Honor of all women who fight against social injustices

Hands-On Mission Projects: UMCOR Health Kits and Bedding Kits

Registration for Appalachian District Mission Study 2016

Name of Unit _____

Attending _____ X \$6.00 = \$ _____ (Check enclosed) Make checks payable to Appalachian District UMW

Mail form with check to:

Pratt Davis, Appalachian District Treasurer

3945 Fox Ridge Road, Sparta, NC 28675

Due by Friday, April 14, 2017

Nominations:

Hello UMW Sisters! Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Kim Smith and I have the honor of serving as the Chairperson for Committee on Nominations. I'm very excited to be in this role and look forward to working with you this year. Being a member of UMW is such a wonderful way to be a part of an organization that is making a difference in the lives of women, children, and youth. If you feel that you would like to become more deeply involved in UMW as a district officer, please let me know. I would love to speak with you and explore the options available.

Peace and blessings to all,

kimsmith@wilkes.net

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336-957-3058 home

Social Action:

Hi! Happy New Year!

I would like to introduce myself...my name is Donna Parks Hill. I will be your new Social Action Coordinator for the Appalachian District UMW.

A little about me...I am a Wilkes County resident, where I was raised. I am a 2000 Graduate of Appalachian State University. I am a Public Health Educator and work as Project Director on the Drug-Free Communities Program Grant and the Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success Grants at Project Lazarus. I enjoy volunteering and fostering for Surry Animal Rescue, going on hiking and outing adventures with my husband and three dogs, and volunteering with my home church – Roaring River UMC.

I look forward to serving as your Social Action Coordinator for the Appalachian District UMW, as I have much passion for social justice issues. I hope that you contact me if you need resources, presentations, information, or just have questions. I am excited for this opportunity and look forward to meeting all of you.

Peace and Blessings,

Donna Parks Hill

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Human
Trafficking

Global
Migration

Economic
Justice

Climate
Justice

Domestic
Violence

Peace

Gender
Justice

Racial
Justice

Health Care

Food
Justice

Program Resources:

Happy New Year UMW Sisters!

I am very excited to serve as the Secretary of Program Resources for the Appalachian District!

There are many informative, inspiring UMW books to read in 2017 that will expand your concepts of missions and lead you to action!

The 4 Reading Plans for your unit to choose from are:

Plan 1 – 5 books per year

Plan 2 – 10 books per year

Plan 3 – 15 books per year

Plan 4 – 20 books per year

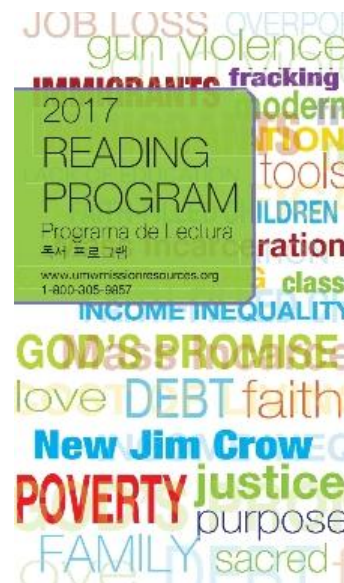
The 4 categories to read books from are:

Education for Mission

Leadership Development

Nurturing for Community

Spiritual Growth



The Bible undergirds all books on the reading list. Each plan includes Response Magazine which is essential reading for understanding the mission of UMW. Books read from the 2011 – 2017 reading lists will be credited toward the reading plan, including children and youth books!!

ACTION SUGGESTIONS:

Pray: Books will raise your concerns about people, countries and issues. Bring these concerns to God during your prayer time at home and group meetings.

Host a Program: read *Class Lives: Stories from across our Economic Divide*. Begin the discussion on economic justice within your United Methodist Women group.



Teach a Sunday school class: Read books from the children's list with a Sunday school class. Use *Journey with J.W.*, to explore Methodist history. Read *#Stolen* with a youth group and talk about the benefits and problems of social media. Read *Live to Give* and explore how to use God-given talents to serve others.

Be inclusive: Continue your action on the Charter for Racial Justice Policies of the United Methodist Church.

God's Blessings in the New Year as you pray, study, act and organize in Christ's name,

Anna Bottoms

Secretary of Program Resources

Appalachian District UMW

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Membership – Nurture – Outreach:

As we begin 2017, let us remember the purpose of the United Methodist Women:

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Soon, you should receive the names of your nurturing partners. These partners are available to visit, help with your programs and give support in any way you may need! These ladies should contact you; however, if you need help, please feel free to contact me.

January is a great time for new beginnings so invite a friend or acquaintance to a meeting, let missing members know you missed them, offer rides to events and, most importantly, share the wonderful fellowship available in your group!

I hope to see each of you at Broad Street UMC in Statesville on March 18 for our Prayer Breakfast. My email is denise.harris2105@gmail.com. Please email me with any concerns, celebrations, and ways I can help YOU, as I am new in this office!

Peace of Christ to you in this New Year,

Denise Harris, Appalachian District MNO

Spiritual Growth:

Greetings! Isaiah 60:1 says, “Arise; Shine, for thy light has come!” What an awesome verse to remember! Yes, our Light has come and in 2017 let us allow our own light to be bright and shine every day, every hour, every minute, and every second.

As we begin this new year of 2017, we celebrate the lives of those ladies who have fought the good fight and lived a life that made a difference! Our District Prayer Breakfast is on Saturday, March 18, 2017!



Our speaker is Dr. Irish Spencer, recipient of the *President’s Champions for Change* award at the White House in May, 2015. She is currently the President and CEO of Welfare Reform Liaison Project Inc. (WRLP). WRLP is a federally funded, faith-based, non-profit community action agency focused on workforce development and eradicating poverty in Guilford County!

Join us in Statesville at Broad Street United Methodist Church as the Appalachian District United Methodist Women come together to worship, sing and praise God for the love and legacy we have experienced in and through the lives of these our departed sisters in Christ. Mark your calendar, get your sisters, and travel to Statesville on March 18th from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. You will feel the love and experience a renewal of spirit!

Details, Registration (due to Pratt Davis, Treasurer) and Forms to complete to include your Sisters to be remembered in the program (due to Sherry Summerlin) are in this edition of the Appalachian District Newsletter (See pages 9 and 10)! Remember to complete and submit these forms by MARCH 9!!!!

Peace and Christian love,
Sherry Summerlin, Spiritual Growth Coordinator
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Isaiah 60:1 "Arise! Shine!
Your light has come; the Lord's
glory has shone
upon you."

Appalachian District United Methodist Women Prayer Breakfast
Broad Street UMC, Saturday, March 18, 2017

"Legacy of Light": "Being the Light in Community"

Speaker: Dr. Irish Spencer, recipient of the President's Champions for Change award at the White House in May, 2015 and advocate to end poverty in the Greensboro area.

8:30-9:30 a.m. Breakfast, Registration, Program Resources and Prayer Room

9:30-9:45 a.m. Gathering Music

9:45-11:15 a.m. Worship and Memorial Service

Love Offering in Memory of those Remembered today in our Memorial Service.

Advance registration required. Cost: \$6/person. Send reservation for prayer breakfast and names for memorial service using attached forms. Deadline for registration and childcare request is March 9, 2017.

Hands On Mission Project Bethlehem Center Supplies: Washable Markers, Washable Paint, Jumbo Crayons, Jumbo Pencils, #2 Pencils, Colored Pencils

Driving Directions: 315 West Broad Street, Statesville, NC 28677

From Boone and Wilkes Co.: From US 421 By-Pass, Travel toward Wilkesboro to Exit 282. Merge onto NC-115 toward Statesville. Then travel 29.43 miles. Keep left at the fork to go on N. Center Street, Then 1.6 miles. Turn right onto W. Broad St. Church is on left.

From Lenoir and Taylorsville: Turn onto Taylorsville Road SE/ US -64 E/NC-90. Continue to follow US-64. Then 1.74 miles turn left onto W. End Ave/NC-90. In 0.72 miles, turn right. Take the 1st left onto W. Broad St. In 0.06 miles, Church is on right.

From I-77 North: Travel south and take the E. Broad St. Exit 50, toward Downtown. Turn right on East Broad Street. Church is on the left.

From I-40: Take exit 150 and turn onto 115 toward Statesville. Go 3.5 miles. Turn right onto East Broad Street. Church is on the left

**Street parking is available; however, main parking is in back of church.
Broad Street UMC is Located near Mitchell Community College front entrance.**

If childcare is needed, please contact Vice President Susan Allen (336-247-1323) by March 9.

Registration for Appalachian District Prayer Breakfast

Name of Unit _____ # attending X \$6 = _____

Check enclosed (make checks payable to Appalachian District UMW) Mail to:

Pratt Davis, Appalachian District Treasurer

3945 Fox Ridge Road, Sparta, NC 28675 *Due by Thursday, March 9, 2017*

Prayer Breakfast Memorial Service

Please print clearly the names of those UMW to be remembered at the Memorial Service (for the year 2016 only); **INCLUDE A PHOTO IF POSSIBLE**. List your name and phone number for information to be verified if needed. Deadline: Thursday, March 9, 2017

Name of Unit: _____

Person reporting: _____ Phone # _____

Name of Person present to represent Unit during Memorial Service:

_____ Office held in Unit _____

List names of those to be remembered....Please Print Clearly, Thank you!

1. _____ List 3 adjectives that describe this beautiful UMW

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

2. _____ List 3 adjectives that describe this beautiful UMW

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

3. _____ List 3 adjectives that describe this beautiful UMW

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

4. _____ List 3 adjectives that describe this beautiful UMW

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

5. _____ List 3 adjectives that describe this beautiful UMW

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

Please send to:

Sherry Summerlin, Appalachian District Spiritual Growth Coordinator

120 Shady Oak Terrace, Hudson, NC 28638

Or email: Sherry Summerlin at stopac69@gmail.com

EARTH DAY POSTER CONTEST

Our Climate Justice speaker, Sarah Ogletree, is the editor for the Wake Forest University newspaper. She has agreed to judge our older children/youth Earth Day/Climate Justice Poster contest and will publish her interview with the winner. Encourage youth from your churches to participate. The posters can be created by an individual or group, must be original work, and must portray a 2017 Earth Day or Climate Justice Theme. At least one person responsible for creating a poster must attend the Mission Study; make sure the poster creator name(s) and home church are noted on the back of the poster. When registering for the study (no later than April 14th), please make a note on the registration form if any youth are attending and if they plan to submit a poster. There is no cost for children or youth to attend the study. Posters should be brought to Wilkesboro UMC on the day of the mission study (April 22nd). If anyone has any questions, please contact Roberta Walker, 336-755-0397.



Parliamentary Procedure

Basic Agenda for Conducting a Meeting

Call to Order...President gives one rap of gavel & says: “The meeting will come to order.”

Devotional/Invocation/Prayer Calendar...By Spiritual Growth Coordinator

Roll Call...By Secretary

Minutes...By Secretary/Approval

Correspondence...By Secretary

Treasurer’s Report...By Treasurer/Filed for Audit

Executive Committee Report...By Secretary

Officers Report...By Officers

Committee Chairpersons Report...By Chairperson

Special Committees Report...By Chairperson

Unfinished Business...Secretary advises President

New Business...Proposed by Members

Program...Introduced by Vice President or Program Chairperson

Announcements...President announces next meeting, District & Conference Events

Inspiration...By President

Adjournment...By President saying: “If there is no further business to come before this assembly, the meeting is adjourned.”

If there is a motion to adjourn, there must be a second & a majority vote to pass the motion.

United Methodist Women Appalachian District Stipend Application 2017

Each year the Appalachian District awards stipends for attendance at the following events:



for Mission u



for the Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting



for a teen girl to attend one of the above events

Each unit is encouraged to submit applications from your unit based on only two considerations:

A person who has never attended before

A person who is interested in learning more about United Methodist Women

Please encourage women in your unit to apply for one of these great opportunities to grow their faith! The recipients of the stipends will be chosen by the District Executive Committee by June 1, 2017.

This application is for: (check one)

- ☐ Mission u at Pfeiffer University July 13-16, 2017
- ☐ Western North Carolina Conference Annual Celebration at Lake Junaluska September 29 – October 1, 2017
- ☐ Teen Application for Mission u at Pfeiffer University July 13-16, 2017
- ☐ Teen Application for North Carolina Conference Annual Celebration at Lake Junaluska Sept. 29 – Oct. 1, 2017

Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone

Mobile Phone

Work Phone

E-mail Address

Local Church

Please share why you want to attend your chosen event and how you plan to use the knowledge you will gain:

Recommendation statement from a fellow United Methodist Woman:

Signature

Date

Return completed form to Lorraine Burns, PO Box 473, Granite Falls, NC or lorraineburns@gmail.com.

WNCC United Methodist Women

Scholarship Program

The Scholarship Program assists members of the United Methodist Church who live within the bounds of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church pursue an academic course leading to a church-related vocation other than ordained ministry. Scholarships have been helping deserving students called to be spiritual leaders in the United Methodist Church since the 1940s. Recipients must attend one of these five colleges or universities:



The Scholarship Program is funded by the General Scholarship Fund and seven endowed scholarships: Fannie Mitt Case, Carrie Forbis Ferguson, Ronda Robbins Memorial, Weaver Memorial, Ethylene Shelley, Herbin-Motley and Ernest R. Ellis and Lithie Phillips Ellis. Funding is for undergraduate degrees only.

Application Deadline:
March 1 of each year

Contributions to the General Scholarship Fund are encouraged. Scholarships can be endowed at any time. This is a wonderful way to assist in perpetuity those called into ministry in the United Methodist Church. As United Methodist Women, we emphasize the importance of Mission Giving. It provides ministries with women, children and youth that are funded by the National Office of United Methodist Women.

Giving to our Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Scholarship Funds is encouraged after fulfilling our responsibility of giving to the five-channels of Mission Giving.

If you have questions, wish to contribute to or endow a scholarship, or need an application, contact the Scholarship Committee Chair:

Sherry Sink
210 Craven Road
High Point, NC 27262
Phone: 336-880-2663

E-mail: sherrysink@gmail.com

For further information, visit our website:

www.wnccumw.org

2017 Appalachian District United Methodist Women Officers

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Hudson	Wesley Chapel	Broad Street UMC	Roaring River UMW
828-728-4936 h 828-234-0850 c	336-835-1939	704-871-9219 h 704-437-2794 c	336-466-1230
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2017 UMW Appalachian District Nurturing Partners

Church / Unit	Nurturing Partner		Church / Unit	Nurturing Partner
Altamont	Susan Allen		Ebenezer (Granite Falls)	Anna Bottoms
Antioch	Belinda Johnson		Elk Park	Roberta Walker
Arbor Grove	Jan Taylor		Fairmount	Beverly Curtis
Banner Elk	Sherry Summerlin		FaithBridge	Susan Allen
Barbara Heck	Kimberly Smith		First (Elkin)	Terrie Clark
Baton	Margo Bowman		First (Granite Falls)	Beverly Curtis
Beaver Creek	Margo Bowman		First (Jonesville)	Kimberly Smith
Bethany	Jan Taylor		First (Lenoir)	Lorraine Burns
Bethel	Sherry Summerlin		First (North Wilkesboro)	Jan Taylor
Bethelview	Susan Allen		First (Taylorville)	Sherry Summerlin
Bethlehem	Linda Greer		First (Troutman)	Terrie Clark
Boone	Jan Taylor		Friendship (Boone)	Susan Allen
Broad Street	Linda Greer		Friendship (Statesville)	Beverly Curtis
Calvary	Susan Allen		Gamewell	Lorraine Burns
Carson's Chapel	Anna Bottoms		Grace Chapel	Sherry Summerlin
Cedar Valley	Margo Bowman		Grassy Creek (Grassy Creek)	Pratt Davis
Chapel Hill	Terrie Clark		Grassy Creek (State Road)	Kimberly Smith
Charity (Elkin)	Donna Parks Hill		Green Hill NC	Margo Bowman
Charity (Millers Creek)	Jan Taylor		Green Valley	Pratt Davis
Chestnut Hill	Pratt Davis		Harmony	Beverly Curtis
Christ Boulevard	Brenda Kimberlin		Harper's Chapel (Patterson) NC	Margo Bowman
Clarksbury	Beverly Curtis		Helton	Pratt Davis
Clifton	Nancy Reigel		Henson's Chapel	Margo Bowman
Colliers	Anna Bottoms		Hiddenite	Anna Bottoms
Cool Spring	Micki Earp		Hudson	Lorraine Burns
Cox's Chapel	Pratt Davis		Jefferson	Jan Taylor
Creston	Pratt Davis		Jonas Ridge	Susan Allen
Crossfire	Jan Taylor		Lansing	Donna Parks Hill
Deerfield	Roberta Walker		Liberty (Hiddenite)	Micki Earp
Dunkirk	Jan Taylor		Linville	Susan Allen
Ebenezer (Elkin)	Denise Harris		Little Laurel	Pratt Davis

Church / Unit	Nurturing Partner		Church / Unit	Nurturing Partner
Littlejohn	Anna Bottoms		Rocky Springs	Denise Harris
Mabel	Susan Allen		Rose Chapel	Margo Bowman
Macedonia	Beverly Curtis		Sandy Ridge	Sara Reid
Maple Springs	Jan Taylor		Scott's Chapel	Anna Bottoms
Marvin	Linda Greer		Shiloh (Sparta)	Pratt Davis
Midway	Denise Harris		Shiloh (Statesville)	Annette Echard
Millers Creek	Jan Taylor		Smethport	Martha Phillips
Minneapolis	Brenda Kimberlin		Smith Memorial	Margo Bowman
Monticello	Linda Greer		Snow Creek	Sara Reid
Mount Bethel (Hickory)	Sherry Summerlin		South River	Sherry Summerlin
Mount Bethel (Turnersburg)	Beverly Curtis		Sparta	Kimberly Smith
Mount Hermon	Sherry Summerlin		Stony Point	Anna Bottoms
Mount Olivet NC	Margo Bowman		Sutherland	Belinda Johnson
Mount Zion (Lenoir)	Margo Bowman		Temple Hill	Kimberly Smith
Mount Zion (Piney Creek)	Pratt Davis		Transou	Roberta Walker
Mount Zion (Spruce Pine)	Roberta Walker		Trinity (Lansing)	Beverly Curtis
Mountain View	Annette Echard		Trinity (Lenoir)	Lorraine Burns
Nathan's Creek	Donna Parks Hill		Trinity (Statesville)	Annette Echard
New Salem	Annette Echard		Union	Jan Taylor
Newland	Micki Earp		Union Grove	Sara Reid
North Wilkesboro	Sherry Summerlin		Valle Crucis	Susan Allen
Olin	Kimberly Smith		Vance Memorial	Martha Phillips
Philadelphia	Linda Greer		Warrensville	Susan Allen
Pine Grove	Belinda Johnson		Wesley Chapel (Hamptonville)	Kimberly Smith
Piney Creek	Pratt Davis		Wesley Chapel (Troutman)	Anna Bottoms
Piney Grove	Kimberly Smith		Wesley Memorial	Denise Harris
Pisgah (Hiddenite)	Beverly Curtis		Wesley's Chapel (Elkin)	Kimberly Smith
Pisgah (Linville Falls)	Donna Parks Hill		West Jefferson	Anna Bottoms
Pleasant Valley	Susan Allen		White Rock	Kimberly Smith
Providence	Sara Reid		Whitnel	Margo Bowman
Rhodhiss	Lorraine Burns		Wilkesboro	Terrie Clark
Roaring River	Kimberly Smith		Zion	Roberta Walker

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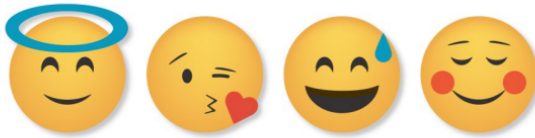
June 16-17, 2017

Opening Session 6:45pm

Ends Noon Saturday

Lake Junaluska, Stuart Auditorium

Rev. Ashley Thomas, Retreat Leader



S.M.I.L.E.

See Miracles in Life Everyday



Our 2017 Retreat Leader is **Rev. Ashley Thomas**, Pastor at Stokesdale UMC, in Stokesdale, North Carolina.

Hands On Mission Project:

UMCOR Layette Kits



Layette kits provide basic supplies for many women to swaddle and care for their newborn babies that they welcome into the world

Music Leaders: Joyce Brooks, Song Leader with musicians Matthew Stafford, Acoustical Guitar and Gary Chapin, pianist .

See UMCOR Layette Kits at: <http://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies/Relief-Supply-Kits/Layette>

Complete information about the retreat is available on our website:

www.wnccumw.org

Mark your calendar!

Register ONLINE!

Join us at the lake!

Retreat Registration: (Begins February 1, 2017)

- On-site registration at the retreat - \$25.00 per person
- **Get a DISCOUNT! Register early and ONLINE!**
Online advance registration, February 1, 2017 through June 11, 2017 is only \$15.00 per person! Use the online registration link on our website at **www.wnccumw.org**.
- **Advance registration fees are transferable, but non-refundable.**
So, if someone registers for the retreat, and is unable to attend, their registration fee is not refundable, but it is ok for someone else to attend in their place.
- **Register yourself AND others!** Our online registration offers the opportunity for you to register up to 35 guests at the same time that you do your own retreat registration. Help other members of your local unit to register online — especially those who may not use a computer!
- **DO NOT** mail Spiritual Growth Retreat registration fee money to Lake Junaluska. Contact us if you have a question about registration.

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Lake Junaluska Reservations:

**Housing Reservations
Open February 1, 2017**

To book Lake Junaluska
lodging for the
Spiritual Growth Retreat:

- **Call the Lake Junaluska reservations department at 1-800-222-4930.** Then select 1 for the Reservations Department, and the next available agent will be glad to assist you. The Lake Junaluska reservations team is on duty from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. **Our Group Code is 28810108130.**
- **Reservations can also be made online using the Group Code at:**
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Lake Junaluska Accommodations & Rates

The Terrace / Lambuth Inn

(Private baths, Free WIFI, air conditioning, phone, elevator)

Rates are per person, per day, **ROOM & MEALS**, before applicable taxes.

	Terrace Rooms	Lambuth Rooms	Meals*	Terrace Total	Lambuth Total
Single	\$114	\$100	\$26	\$140	\$126
Double	\$57	\$50	\$26	\$83	\$76
Triple	\$45	\$37	\$26	\$71	\$63
Quad	\$39	\$30	\$26	\$65	\$56

* BOTH FRIDAY DINNER AND SATURDAY BREAKFAST ARE REQUIRED WHEN STAYING IN THE TERRACE AND THE LAMBUTH INN: COST \$26/PERSON.

Note: In response to evaluations, Saturday lunch eliminated from meal plan

Lakeside Lodge

(Private baths, air conditioning, TV, phone, no elevator)

Rates are per person, per day, no meals, before applicable taxes.

Single	\$72	Triple	\$33
Double	\$43	Quad	\$27

Junaluska Apartments

(Private baths, air conditioning, TV)

Rates are per person, per day, no meals, before applicable taxes.

Single	\$72	Triple	\$33
Double	\$43	Quad	\$27

Type A, C, & D have kitchens with small refrigerators, counter top burner, microwave, and limited equipment and dishes.

Important Lodging Information: Lodging reservation deposit : (1) Preferred -paid by credit card upon booking reservation; or(2) Due and payable by check or credit card no more than seven business days from booking reservation. To facilitate a quicker check in, please contact reservations prior to arrival to make changes in roommates or billing. All meal charges for Terrace and Lambuth will be included in reservation deposit at the time of reservation. If reservation deposit is not received within 7 business days following booking, the room will be released back to the room block reserved for WNCC UMW SGR Event.

Individual lodging deposit refund policy: Cancellations 15 days or more before an event receive a full refund minus a \$15 processing fee. 14 days or less before an event will not receive a refund.

CHECK IN TIME FOR 2017 for all facilities is 4:00pm; CHECK OUT is 11:00am. CREDIT CARD AND ID WILL BE REQUIRED AT CHECK IN. YOU CAN PAY IN FULL PRIOR TO ARRIVAL TO GET EXPRESS CHECK-IN ONCE YOU ARRIVE. For those who do not have credit cards, the Lake suggests purchasing pre-paid credit cards prior to arrival.

Important Meal Information: The confirmation letter you receive after making your reservation will include lodging charges, meal charges (if staying in Terrace or Lambuth Inn), and taxes. Optional meals when staying in other lodging facilities :Guests may purchase Friday dinner for \$16 and/or Saturday breakfast for \$10. Saturday lunch will not be available on campus.

UMW Appalachian District 2017 Calendar

March 18	District Prayer Breakfast (see flyer on page 10) Broad Street UMC, Statesville NC
April 22	District Mission Study (see flyer on page 6) Wilkesboro UMC, Wilkesboro NC
August 27	District Annual Meeting Grace Chapel, Granite Falls NC
November 4	District Leadership and Membership Development Location TBD

Western North Carolina Conference 2017 Dates

April 1	Legislative Advocacy Days 2017 First UMC Mocksville, Mocksville NC
June 16 – 17	Spiritual Growth Retreat (see flyer on page 18) Lake Junaluska
July 13 – 16	Mission u Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer NC
Sep 29 – Oct 1	Annual Celebration Lake Junaluska
October 14	Ubuntu Day Various locations
October 21	Leader Development Day (District UMW) Location TBD

