

Yadkin Valley District UMW Newsletter

YVD Newsletter Second Quarter 2015

Volume 3, Issue 2



2015 Events:

- ◆ Day Apart/ Prayer Breakfast
- ◆ Spiritual Growth @ Lake Junaluska
- ◆ Mission U
- ◆ WNCC UMW Annual Meeting
- ◆ YVD Annual Meeting
- ◆ YVD Leadership Training

For more information about Day Apart / Prayer Breakfast, turn to pages 4 & 5.



Praying
Women

**Yadkin Valley District
Day Apart
Prayer Breakfast
April 25, 2015**



President: Darlene Gardner

As I write this article, we have been through some very strange weather, from warm weather one day to 5 inches of snow just a day or two later. But, there are signs that spring is on the way! By the time you receive this, spring will have started and Easter will be behind us.

Easter is the high point in the Christian year and in many of our churches, special services will be held to remind us of the greatest gift of God to us – the life, death and resurrection of His son, Jesus. And to whom did Jesus first appear on that Easter Sunday morning? The answer is to a woman, Mary Magdalene. Where were all of his male disciples? Back in Jerusalem, hiding behind locked doors. As I read the Gospels, especially the Gospel of John, I am intrigued by the relationship Jesus had with the women he encountered. John's gospel tells of three different women with whom Jesus had some deep conversations. There is the woman at the well in Samaria, Martha, after the death of her brother Lazarus, and Mary Magdalene in the garden after the Resurrection. What is so amazing in these conversations is that any of them occurred at all!

In Jewish society, women were certainly not considered equals, and the phrase "seen, and not heard" comes to mind. But there Jesus is, not once, but three times, engaged in serious and profound theological discussions with women. I don't know about you, but that makes me feel so important!

United Methodist Women has a proud tradition of treating women with the same respect. Our leadership throughout the years has strived to empower and educate women and we continue that endeavor today. Through mission studies, Bible studies, social action, and fellowship events, women are called to carry on the legacy begun by those few women in 1869. In the months ahead, we will learn more about **The Legacy Fund** and how it will insure that United Methodist Women is able to continue empowering women, long after we are gone.

For now though, I want to concentrate on what Jesus told Mary Magdalene in the garden so long ago. He told her to go tell "his brothers". That is what we are called to do as well. United Methodist Women are called to go to our communities, our cities, our nation and around the world as witnesses to what we have seen of Jesus, just as Mary was so long ago. As we make plans to attend our District Prayer Breakfast and Conference Spiritual Growth Retreat, let's invite those women that aren't a part of our fellowship to join us as we spread the Message that Christ is risen Alleluia!

In His Service,

Darlene





Treasurer: Donna Ireland

We have completed the first mission giving quarter and are off to a good start. We sent \$38,397.61 to the conference treasurer of which \$34,478.26 was undesignated giving which counts toward our pledge of \$163,000. \$3,919.35 was for designated giving. I am very proud of our district and want to thank each one of you for your donations. Without the generosity of each of you, we would not be able to help as many women, youth and children as we do.

Our **Conference Financial Goal for 2015** is ***“to increase the percentage of local units giving in all five channels.”*** Many of the local units in the Yadkin Valley District already give in all five channels which include the Pledge, Special Mission Recognition, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory, and World Thank. But if your unit is not giving in all five channels, I challenge you to do. Not only does it help us meet our pledge but the most important thing is that more women, youth and children will benefit from the mission dollars that are raised. Remember, it only takes a \$5 donation in each of the channels to meet this challenge.

I also want to issue a challenge to each member of the Yadkin Valley District. I challenge each member to give to each of the five channels. How do you do this? First, pay your pledge. Hopefully each of you has made a pledge to your local unit for the 2015 year. Second, make a financial donation toward the Special Mission Recognition channel or give someone a SMR pin (\$40). Anyone (not just a local unit) can give a pin to someone that deserves “special mission recognition”. Third, purchase a Gift to Mission card (\$5) from your local treasurer and send it to someone. Be sure to turn the name of the recipient into your local treasurer. There are a variety of cards to choose from – Thank You, Birthday, In the Service of Christ, Thinking of You, Baby, Congratulations, and Peace. Fourth, send a Gift in Memory card to the family of a loved one that has passed away. Again, see your local unit treasurer to get this card. Turn in the name of the person who passed away to your local treasurer. A minimum donation of \$5 is required.

Last, each time you have something to give thanks for, put pennies (or nickels, dimes, quarters, even dollars) in a bank during 2015 and turn them in at your local unit World Thank program. We are all so blessed- even on our worst day - and there is no way we can out give God. So it doesn't take much from each one of us individually to meet our conference goal. If individual members in your local unit accept and meet this challenge, then your unit will meet the goal of giving in all five channels.

The **2015 Conference Love Offering** will be ***“A Gift to Mission in Honor of our Members' faithful commitment to Mission Giving”***. You may bring your personal Love Offering or your local unit's Love Offering to the Annual meeting at Lake Junaluska in September 2015 or send it directly to Martha Phillips at PO Box 49, Linville Falls, NC 28647. On-line love offerings can be made at the UMW website, www.wnccumw.org. Just click on the “DONATE” icon in the Love Offering section by December 31st. I hope to see you at the upcoming District and Conference events. The more you know about the work of the UMW helps you understand our purpose. I am available to come and speak to your unit about “Where the Money Goes” and always like to come and visit. Please call me if you have any questions.

Grace and Peace!

Donna Ireland

Samples of Gift to Mission Cards





Spiritual Growth—Barbara Crotts

Hello ladies, hope to see all of you at our 2015 Day Apart on April 25 at Maple Springs UMC located on Reynolda Road, Winston Salem. Our theme this year is "Praying Women".....and I notice in our reading program there is an interesting book in the Spiritual Growth category....PRAYING TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE, a guide to productive prayer

Through instruction, prayer exercises, personal stories and testimonies, you will learn WHAT prayer is, WHY you should pray and HOW to pray using the six categories of the Lord's Prayer. I must confess, I have not read this book, but hope to get a copy soon. Remember, you can get books from you libraries and from used book sales on the internet. Keep growing spiritually by reading, praying, using your prayer calendars at meetings, and attending Bible studies when possible. Also, learn more about our 150 LEGACY. We will be hearing more about this from conference leaders....but you can do some research on your own on your computers.

We owe it to the future of UMW to support this worthy cause

Barbara Crotts

PRAYING WOMEN

Day Apart / Prayer Breakfast

April 25, 2015

Maple Springs UMC

2569 Reynolda Rd Winston Salem NC 27106 (see page 9 for directions)

Registration and Fellowship 9:00 am – 10:00am

Light Breakfast \$7.00

SPEAKER: Sandra Williamson

Hands On Project: Undesignated monetary gift or Birthing Kits (or individual kit items). Details below.

Birthing Kits

- 1 small bar of soap
 - 1 -2 oz size such as those found in hotel acceptable.
 - Do not remove the original wrapping
- 1 pair thin gloves (surgical, latex, thin rubber)
- 1 square yard of clear plastic sheeting... must be 4ml thick
 - Trash bags and shower curtains are not acceptable
- 3 pieces of cotton string. 12 inches long each. NOT yarn. Must be clean.
 - Bundle pieces together and secure and tie together.
- 1 single edge razor blade....must be covered in paper or cardboard.
 - Regular shaving blades NOT ACCEPTABLE
- 2 receiving blankets... sizes between 28 x 28 to 32 to 32
 - NOT THERMAL OR FLEECE. Do not wash
- 1 one gallon sealable plastic bag

Assembly:

Fold the plastic sheeting and blankets so that they will fit into the one gallon plastic bag. Lay loose items on top of blankets and sheeting and slide all items into plastic bag. Squeeze out as much air as possible and seal bag.

PLEASE DO NOT ADD ANY OTHER ITEMS IN THE KIT. DO NOT WASH ITEMS. ONLY NEW ITEMS.



DAY APART / PRAYER BREAKFAST

REGISTRATION FORM

April 25, 2015

Maple Springs UMC

NAME OF CHURCH AND ADDRESS: _____

UMW CONTACT PERSON AND PHONE NUMBER: _____

NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING _____ x \$7.00 = \$ _____

NAMES OF ATTENDEES:

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Send this form and check written to ***Yadkin Valley District UMW***

before or by **April 12th** to:

Donna Ireland

223 Brier Creek Rd

Advance NC 27006



Education and Interpretation: Martha Isenberg

Our district mission study on “The Church and People with Disabilities” has recently been held and we can consider it a success. I’d like to thank the unit at Sedge Garden for hosting our event this year. It takes the work of many to do a district event and I appreciate all who helped in any way. Jennifer Davis, our study leader, presented many ideas that we can use to make our churches and more inclusive for all handicaps, those that we see and those we don’t see. If you attended the study, I challenge you to share what you learned with others at your church and think of ways to make your church more accessible to everyone. A simple way to start is by doing the “Accessibility Mini-Audit” that was shared on the resource list, at your church. If you didn’t attend and want a copy please contact me.

Rebecca Wright, our conference education and interpretation chair recently shared that the total value of all our hands on mission projects in 2014 including all the UMCOR kits was \$81,584.65. That’s an amazing amount for our conference and has certainly benefitted thousands.

Blessings,
Martha Isenberg



Communications Coordinator: Deborah Brooks

Our goal is to get you information to you in a timely manner. Unfortunately, event dates do not always coincide with “quarterly” newsletter. We wanted you to have the Day Apart/Prayer Breakfast asap so this newsletter is a few weeks early. Now this is a great opportunity to start receiving newsletter and announcement via email. Not only will you receive information a lot earlier, the money you gave to UMW is not being used for postage and paper.

How do you sign up for email? Go to **wncumw.org**. Click on “About Us” and then click on “Join Our Email List”. Fill in the blanks and check of preferences. Also when you provide me with an updated officer list, you can let us know that you prefer the newsletter via email.

Have a wonderful spring and hope to see you at UMW events!!

Deb Brooks

UMW National sites:

Unitedmethodistwomen.org
facebook.com/UMWomen
twitter.com/UMWomen
pinterest.com/UMWomen
youtube.com/UMWomen



Social Action—Vickie Morrison

Greetings Sisters in Mission,

Spring has sprung and the YVD is off to a great start in our mission work. I recently received great news. I will be traveling to Chicago this summer to the National Seminar. I am very, very excited about this new adventure. This trip will serve to further educate me on Social Action. Check out the information below:

Our theme for National Seminar is: “Interrupting Indifference: Jesus, Justice and Joy.” We will be focusing on Luke 19 with our key scriptural verse: “he answered, ‘I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out’” (Luke 19:40).

National Seminar is an opportunity for United Methodist Women to explore God's actions in the current moment in the world and dialogue about how we must respond. In a gathering that reflects our rich diversity of race, ethnicity, age and geographic makeup, the National Seminar 2015 will equip and empower participants to engage as leaders for social justice by:

- exploring the life and ministry of Jesus for practical application and concrete social action
- building practical skills and tools to respond to current social issues
- visiting local organizations and learning from grassroots leaders
- building community and connection with others
- engaging in dynamic worship

I look forward to the 2nd half of 2015. I will return refreshed and with loads of new information to share with your local units. I am, as always, ready and willing to be of service. Invite me and I will come share with you.

Yours in Christ,

Vickie Morrison



Nominations, Chair—Ruth Hoyle

Local Matchmakers,

Thank you serving your local unit by giving your time and talents to seek leaders for your unit. Matching a woman to an office is not always easy. Take time to pray and ask for guidance. Encourage UMW members to join in praying to be open to answer God's call.

Your district officers need your prayers and need to be made aware of the talented, Spirit-filled women in your unit.

I look forward to seeing you at district and conference events.

You are blessings!

Ruth



Secretary: Debbie Norman

Listen; listen....do you hear the robins singing, or that little sparrow chirping? Surely it's spring! I am always reminded of the hymn, His Eye Is on the Sparrow when I hear the birds singing. You know that one, "I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free, for His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me".

This newsletter contains planned event information so be sure to read and make note! Please make sure that everyone in your unit is aware of these events. I hope you and as many as possible from your unit will attend. You'll see your friends and make new ones!

And, as your unit's secretary you play a vital role in the record keeping and history of your unit. What should be included in your meeting minutes?

Your unit more than likely has a specific format that you'll need to follow, but generally, meeting minutes usually include the following:

Date and time of the meeting

Names of the meeting attendees and those unable to attend

Acceptance or corrections to previous meeting minutes

Decisions made about each agenda item, for example:

 Actions taken or agreed to be taken

 Next steps

 Voting outcomes – details regarding who made motions; who seconded and approved or via show of hands, etc.

Motions taken or rejected

Items to be held over to next meeting

New business

Next meeting date and time

I hope this little tidbit helps you. And, if you find something you need help with, contact me and together we'll discover the answer.

I wish every UMW unit a wonderful spring! May all your unit events be fun, interesting and successful as we strive to provide support for women, children and youth in our neighborhood, our community, across America and throughout the world!



Blessings to you all! Debbie Norman, Secretary



Program Resources: - Debra Lawson

Blessings all,

I am ready for spring. I encourage everyone to read. I am currently reading the book "Whatever Happened to Dinner". It full of quick and nourishing food recipes. Reading the book has made me aware of how much the time together at the dinner table is important to building healthy families. There are interesting comments on how this time together helps all members to be strengthened not only physically but socially and spiritually. I encourage our young women to read this book..

Reading the selected books help us to develop knowledge of things that are happening here and around the world, how to move forward with missions, what we as Methodist Women are doing to promote a better life for those who are less fortunate, makes us even more aware of how important our work is to bringing hope to the hopeless, and also gives us encouragement in all our missions small are large.

Just as a reminder to reach level one in reading you must read one book from the five different categories, Spiritual Growth, Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, and Social Actions. The bonus books can count as two books in one category or in some cases another category depending on the subject matter.

Hope you all have blessed Easter.

Debra Lawson

response
the magazine of women in mission
 The magazine of women
 in mission!

Directions to Maple Springs UMC

Day Apart / Prayer Breakfast

From Business 40 (either direction) take the Silas Creek Parkway North exit. Follow signs to the Wake Forest University (approximate 3.5 miles). The road splits so you will be going to the right. Turn left the stop lights (Reynolda Rd/ WFU entrance). The church will be in your right.



March 23, 1869, eight women gathered at Tremont Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston, Massachusetts, to organize for mission focused on the needs of women and children. They started the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, a predecessor organization of United Methodist Women, and through it raised money to send a woman doctor, Clara Swain, and a woman teacher, Isabella Thoburn, to India as missionaries to serve the women and girls of that nation. Those visionary women left a legacy that has moved generations of women to engage in mission focused on the needs of women and children of their times for going on 150 years. In the 21st century, women still need to organize for mission. Make it happen with a gift to The Legacy Fund.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Western North Carolina Conference

- What:** 2015 Spiritual Growth Retreat
When: June 12-13, 2015
Opening Session 6:45pm Friday / Ends Noon Saturday
Where: Lake Junaluska, Stuart Auditorium
Theme: *Love as God Loves*
Leader: Rev. Toni Ruth Smith



Toni Ruth Smith was born and raised in the Toe Valley Charge of the UMC in Avery County, NC. She graduated High School from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics before getting her BA in History from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Toni Ruth is a 2001 graduate of The Divinity School at Duke University. Ordained as an Elder in 2005, Toni Ruth has served as an associate at First UMC in High Point and as the pastor of Hopewell UMC in Trinity. She currently co-pastors

Harrisburg UMC with her husband, Rev. Wesley Smith with whom she has 2 young children. She is particularly interested in how we cultivate a spiritual life with intentionality in the chaos of the day to day. Some of you might know her better as Martha Phillips' daughter, a title she wears with much pride.



Love as God Loves

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, 2015)

- On-site registration at the retreat - \$25.00 per person
- **Get a DISCOUNT! Register early and ONLINE!**
Online advance registration, February 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015 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.

Contact Persons:

Retreat Information

Sandy Hieronymus,
Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth, sandyh46@aol.com
704-545-6910

Questions about Online Payments

Martha Phillips,
Conference Treasurer
mcwphillips@gmail.com
828-765-7009

Questions about Online Registration

Lynne Gilbert
Webmaster
lgilbert.umw@gmail.com
336-207-3479



Lake Junaluska
Conference & Retreat
Center, P. O. Box 67
Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

Reservations Phone #:

1-800-222-4930 (Toll Free)
1-828-452-2881

**Lake Junaluska
Reservations:**

**Housing Reservations
Open February 1, 2015**

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 number is 7121.
- **Reservations can also be made online at:**
<http://goo.gl/Fj9KYH>



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Western North Carolina Conference

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2015 Spiritual Growth Retreat

June 12-13, 2015 - Lake Junaluska, North Carolina

Lake Junaluska Accommodations & Rates

Terrace Hotel / Lambuth Inn

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

Rates are per person, per day, room & meals.

	Terrace Rooms	Lambuth Rooms	Meals* Both	Terrace Total	Lambuth Total
Single	\$108	\$106	\$32	\$140	\$138
Double	\$62	\$60	\$32	\$94	\$92
Triple	\$43	\$41	\$32	\$75	\$73
Quad	\$35	\$33	\$32	\$67	\$65

*Lake Junaluska operates The Terrace and Lambuth on an American Plan, and meals are required with the room.

Lakeside Lodge

(Private baths, heat, air

conditioning, TV, phone, no elevator)

Rates are per person, per day, no meals.

Single	\$79
Double	\$46
Triple	\$35
Quad	\$30

Junaluska Apartments

Rates are per person, per day, no meals.

Single	\$74	Quad	\$28
Double	\$42	Quintuplet	\$26
Triple	\$31	Sextuplet	\$26

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

Lake Junaluska Lodging Information:

Event lodging reservation deposit – Due 60 or more days prior to the event – Deposit amount is equal to the first nights lodging and is due at the time of reservation. Any rooms not reserved with a Lodging Reservations Deposit will be released into general availability 30 days prior to an event. Individual lodging reservations deposit refund policy: 30 days or more before an event receive a full refund minus a \$15 processing fee. 29 days or less before an event will not receive a refund. **NEW CHECK IN TIME FOR 2015 for all facilities is 4:00pm; check out is 11:00am.**

Meal Information:

The room rate that shows on your confirmation letter is the room rate only, meals are an additional cost. Meals are optional for all facilities other than the Terrace Hotel or the Lambuth Inn. Guests staying in optional meal facilities may purchase a 3 meal package at the same cost of \$32.00 per person for each 3 consecutive meals or individual meals can be purchased: \$9.50 for breakfast, \$11.50 for lunch and \$14.00 for dinner. Children 6 through 11 years of age receive meals at half price, 5 years of age and under eat free. **Meal package of \$32.00 per person, per day will automatically be added for each person staying in the Terrace Hotel or the Lambuth Inn (dinner on day of arrival, breakfast and lunch the next day).**

Mission u !

PFEIFFER UNIVERSITY
48380 US HWY 52N
MISENHEIMER, NC 28109

Our Courses of Study

Spiritual Growth Study: Created In Happiness: Understanding Your Life In God

Study leader: **Rev. Ellen Robison**

One-Day Overview leader: **Rev. Tina Mosby**

This study will examine the Christian and Wesleyan understanding of happiness and how to live the life that God calls us to.

Geographical Study: Latin America

Study leaders: **Rev. Pamela Blackstock, Rev. Jeff Hassel, Dixie Liggett, Rev. Dana McKim, Rev. Don Newman, Dawn Revere**

One-Day Overview leader: **Rev. Sarah Kalish**

Many of us have neither visited nor were born in Latin America, but in this study, all of us will be given a chance to learn about this region. This study is an invitation to enter this land, called Latin America, knowing it is a sacred land. We will come in with respect to face the dignity of a people and with the love of God for them.

Social Issue Study: The Church and People With Disabilities

Study leader: **Ann Aldridge**

The intent of this study is to build awareness in the church regarding issues around disability, to call the church to provide full accessibility to services and opportunities, and to promote advocacy for justice for people with disabilities.

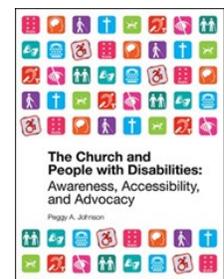
Come and Learn with us!

Who Should Attend?

Anyone who wants to worship God, learn new things, and enjoy the fellowship of other Christians
Local officers and members of United Methodist Women/
District and Conference UMW Officers/
District Chairpersons of Mission Engagement/Ministers
and all men, women, and youth of the Church
Especially calling out to teens for our Youth Camp!

Mission u theme 2015:

"Learning Together for the Transformation of the World"



The national theme for *Mission u* continues. In Romans 12:2, St. Paul advised, "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will." (NIV)

God's ultimate will for humankind is that all persons will have abundant life: We study and learn together so that, through the renewing of our minds, the world may be transformed.

Our graphic images include representations of the three studies and the Mission u logo. Taken together, they remind us to explore and reaffirm our own connections to God, to learn and reconnect to our neighbors near and far, and in renewing our minds, to identify ways our church can do more to open the floodgates of inclusion and equality. Learning together, we can be transformed into God's compassionate people.

Registration is open May 1-June 26, 2015

All Registrations must be postmarked no later than

June 26, 2015

NO ONSITE REGISTRATIONS

Check--in for full time students

Thursday, July 16, 2:00-6:00 p.m.

First session begins at 6:30 p.m.

Workshop for Leaders of Children

Leader: **Kim Eller**

Session Time: 4:15 pm Friday or Saturday

Mission u 2015 Full time Youth Camp

Leaders: **Rev. Sherri Barnes and Sherry Sink**

“Latin America: Country, Culture, and Faith”
This study contains a wealth of information on Latin American life, customs, culture, young people, geography, and liturgical practices that will help United Methodist youth increase their understanding of what life is like for Latin American youth who are working toward and dreaming of a better world.

Registration:

May 1, 2015-June 26, 2015

Full time Youth Camp: \$150.00 per person

Housing in New Hall: (suite-style) Residence: \$190.00 per person

Resident Double: \$160.00 (two persons sharing)

Resident Private: \$175.00

(LUNCH ON SUNDAY WILL NOT BE PROVIDED)

Non-Resident: \$40.00 (No meals)

Non-Resident: \$80.00 (With 4 meals—Lunch and Dinner Friday and Saturday)

One-Day Overview: \$20.00 (No meals)

One-Day Overview: \$30.00 (Lunch included)

One-Day Overview Students will choose one study and will have 6 hours of session time in that study. You will not get both studies, unless you come to both days, and that certainly is an option for you.

Watch for additional details on our Website:
www.wncumw.org

REFUNDS: There will be no refunds without at least 7 days notice. (\$40.00 of Resident Fee is not refundable.) **NO CHILD CARE AVAILABLE**

HOUSING: HOUSING WILL BE IN COLLEGE DORMITORIES. Bring bed linens, including a light blanket, pillow, towels, clothes hangers, grooming items, mirror, bathrobe, study lamp and any other items you feel necessary for your comfort away from home. (Wireless internet is available all over the campus.) There will be no linen rental.

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you have any physical conditions that require consideration in room or classroom assignment, please explain on registration form or on separate sheet of paper stapled to your form.

YOUTH: This year’s youth camp is limited to 15 participants and will last the full time of Mission u 2015. For youth participants, there are covenant and consent forms that must be completed and accompany the basic registration form. Those forms are available from the school officers, district presidents, and our conference website at www.wncumw.org. There will be a youth curfew in effect at 11:30 p.m. each evening.

CLASSES: The Spiritual Growth Study, “Created in Happiness: Understanding Your Life in God,” will be offered to everyone. Please choose one of the other courses for more intensive study. Bring Bibles, pencils, paper, etc. Text books will be available from the Mission Resource Center in early spring, and at all Conference events prior to the school and in the Resource Room during the school. Participants are strongly encouraged to purchase and read the texts before arriving at Mission u. **CEU’s and Advanced Lay Servant**

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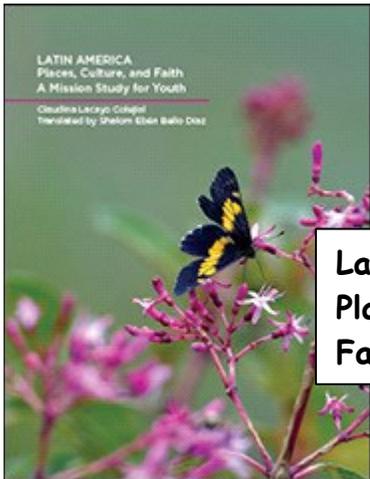
Hands-On Mission Project

Sewing Kits

- 3 continuous yards of fabric: cotton or cotton blend only; no heavy duty, corduroy or knit; no patriotic, religious, holiday, camouflage, or military patterns
- 1 pair of fabric scissors
- 1 package assorted hand needles, at least 10 in original packing; no craft needles
- 1 spool of medium to large thread; no travel kit thread
- 5 to 8 buttons, 5/8-inch size or larger; no loose buttons; leave in original packing or fasten all together
- 1 gallon size sealable plastic bag

Assembly Instructions: Place all items in plastic bag and seal. In a separate envelope, please include a check payable to UMCOR Sager Brown for at least \$1.00 per kit.

Mission u 2015
Residential Youth CAMP!
July 16-19
Pfeiffer University,
48380 U.S. Highway 52N
Misenheimer, NC 28109



**Latin America:
Places, Culture and
Faith**

Resident Youth Camp. This year *Mission u* is providing the opportunity for up to **15 high school students or recent graduates** to participate in study, worship, fellowship and hands-on ministry!

Theme: "Latin America: Places, Culture and Faith"

This is a study for young people regarding Latin American life, customs, culture, young people, geography, and liturgical practices. You will increase your understanding of what life is like for Latin American youth who are working toward and dreaming of a better world.

Leaders: Rev. Sherri Barnes and Sherry Sink

COST: \$150 per student. The expectation is that the student will pay \$50 towards the experience with their local church/UMW unit paying the balance of \$100.

AGE: *Mission u* is open to high school students who have **completed 8th grade through those who have completed 12th grade.**

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you have any physical conditions that require consideration in room or classroom assignment, please explain on registration form or on separate sheet of paper stapled to your form.

HOUSING: Housing will be in College Dormitories. Pfeiffer Student Leaders will be serving as Camp Leaders!

WHAT TO BRING:

- **Your Bible (of course!!)**
- Musical instrument if you play
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, body wash, etc. etc. etc.!!) Whatever you need to be clean & happy!
- Outdoor toiletries (bug spray & sun screen) Whatever you need to be comfortable!
- Sheets/blanket/pillow (Twin XL) or a sleeping bag instead of sheets/blanket
- Bath towels/wash cloths/hand towels
- Rain gear if forecasted
- Clothes, sleepwear, & footwear (**SOCKS & SHOES**) that will keep you comfortable & happy!

ON Friday and Saturday, we will be going out into the community for hands on ministry experiences. You will need to wear a T-shirt or tank top (no spaghetti straps), shorts are fine (not too short), socks and closed toed shoes. (You MUST have closed toed shoes).

- Medicines (Please bring them in prescription bottles/containers)-Need parent/legal guardian's permission/advisement regarding your medicine schedule
- Copy of your health insurance card & vaccination records
- List of any dietary restrictions/concerns
- Jacket, sweat shirt, hat, sun glasses
- Small amount of spending money if desired
- Camp Chair
- It's OK to bring electronic devices (computers, e-readers, tablets, cell phones, etc. etc. etc.) **BUT you are responsible for them.** (Wireless internet is available on the campus.)
- **DO NOT BRING: Expensive items or items of sentimental value that you would be unhappy if they were lost or broken!**
- **Also plan to bring Open Minds, Open Hearts, & Open Hands!!!!**

CONSENT FORMS: For youth participants, there are covenant and consent forms that must be completed and accompany the basic registration form. Those forms are available from the school officers, district presidents, and our conference website at www.wnccumw.org. **There will be a youth curfew in effect at 11:30pm**

REGISTRATION - 2015 Western NC Conference *Mission u* – YOUTH CAMP!

STUDENT INFORMATION: *Please PRINT CLEARLY and complete all information.*

Name: _____ First Timer? () Yes
(Name for name tag)

Church: _____ District: _____ () Female () Male

Date of Birth: _____ (m/date/year) Grade Level for 2015-2016 school year: 9 ___ 10 ___ 11 ___ 12 ___ College ___

Address: _____
Street, P. O. Box City State Zip

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Roommate (if applicable) _____ (Must be sent in together!)

In case of Emergency, contact: Name: _____ Telephone: () _____

Special Housing/Classroom Needs *(please be specific)*: _____

REGISTRATION FORM & PAYMENT DUE BY JUNE 26, 2015

Make Checks payable to: UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Mail Check and Registration form to:

Virginia Robinson
2141 Millstone Drive
Morganton, NC 28655

Registration is open May 1-June 26, 2015

**All Registrations must be postmarked no later than
June 26, 2015**

THERE WILL BE NO ONSITE REGISTRATIONS

Call/Email/Text Questions or Concerns to

Sherri Barnes - sherri.barnes@pfeiffer.edu or 704-463-3073

Due to limited space in our newsletter, you need to obtain online at wnccumw.org the following forms:

- the Covenant and Consent form
- Pfeiffer Permission and Medical Release form

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Central - Tville	Greta Stookey	Mocks	Donna Ireland
Central Terrace	Cathy Smith	Morris Chapel	Arlyn Wilson & Carolyn Brown
Cherry Street	Sandy Letchworth	Mount Carmel	Cathy Smith
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Cooleemee	Patsy Veach	Mt Tabor	Debra Lawson
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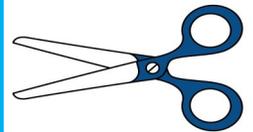
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SAVE THE DATE

Invite a friend. Hope to see you there!



District Prayer Breakfast	April 25th Maple Springs UMC—Winston Salem
Spiritual Growth Retreat	June 12th & 13th Lake Junaluska
Mission U	July 16th thru 19th Pfeiffer University Misenheimer Campus
District Annual Meeting	August 23rd Location TBA
Conference Annual Meeting	September 11th thru 13th Lake Junaluska
Ubuntu Day of Service	October 17 Locations TB
Unit Leadership Training	November 21st Memorial UMC—Thomasville

Yadkin Valley District UMW

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:
Please submit all articles, information, and changes to
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Mission Today! **Make a Difference....Become a Mission Today Unit**

A collage of small photographs showing diverse people engaged in various activities, likely mission work. The photos are arranged in a border around a central white text box. The photos include people in traditional head coverings, people in casual attire, and people in more formal or professional settings, all appearing to be involved in community or service projects.

**PURPOSE OF
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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 through participation in the global ministries of the church.