



The United Methodist Church & United Methodist Women

Official & Unofficial Groups & Resources

OFFICIAL GROUPS

GENERAL CONFERENCE (meets every 4 years)

COUNCIL OF BISHOPS (and the Office of Christian Unity & Interreligious Relationships)

GENERAL BOARDS AND AGENCIES

- Connectional Table (CT)
- Council on Finance and Administration (GCFA)
- Board of Global Ministries (GBGM)
- Board of Church and Society (GBCS)
- Board of Discipleship (GBOD)
- Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM)
- Board of Pension and Health Benefits (GBOPHB)
- Commission on Status and Role of Women (COSROW)
- Commission on Religion and Race (GCORR)
- Commission on Archives and History (GCAH)
- Commission on United Methodist Men (GCUMM)
- United Methodist Communications (UMCOM)
- United Methodist Women (UMW)
- Judicial Council
- United Methodist Publishing House (UMPH)

OFFICIAL RESOURCES

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

- The Book of Discipline
- The Book of Resolutions
- Interpreter Magazine
- UMC Website - umc.org
- Websites related to the general boards & agencies
- Official newsletters and mailings
- Official magazines of the general boards & agencies

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

- Annual Report of United Methodist Women
- response Magazine

- Letters from Harriett Jane Olson (General Secretary and CEO United Methodist Women)
- Prayer Calendar
- Press Releases
- Brochures and other publications
- Videos
- Website of United Methodist Women - unitedmethodistwomen.org
- Social Media Sites for United Methodist Women - facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, youTube, Flickr, UMWOnline, Instagram

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

- Newsletter: *Conference Gram*
- Website: wnccumw.org
- Other brochures & communications from the Conference

UNOFFICIAL

GROUPS THAT IMPACT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH / UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

- Good News / Good News Magazine
- Renew / Renew Network
- Methodist Federation for Social Action
- Confessing Movement
- Institute For Religion and Democracy
- Reconciling Ministries Network
- Affirmation
- MARCHA
- Black Methodists for Church Renewal
- Various caucus groups
- United Methodist Reporter (unitedmethodistreporter.com)

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