

# Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women



## 46th Annual Celebration

*Celebrating 150 Years in Mission*

**September 13-15, 2019**

Lake Junaluska, NC



United  
Methodist  
Women  
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION



## ARTICLE X: RULES OF ORDER

### Section 1: Rules Of Order For Annual Celebration Of The Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

#### A. General Information

1. Celebrations shall open and close at the times stipulated in the official program.
2. Members and guests shall wear nametags at all times to all functions to indicate delegate status.
3. During voting sessions (business sessions) delegates shall be seated within a designated voting bar.
4. Members and visitors not designated as delegates shall be seated elsewhere.

#### B. New Business

1. All new business that has not been considered by the Executive Committee of the Conference shall be presented in writing to the Secretary twenty-four (24) hours prior to being considered by the voting delegates.
2. Proposed Resolutions must be submitted in writing to the Conference President sixty (60) days prior to the beginning of the Conference Annual Celebration.

#### C. Motions

1. All motions except on matters of procedure shall be written and signed by the maker and furnished to the Chair before action is taken.
2. The Secretary, unless directed otherwise, shall not record motions ruled out of order, points of order on which no appeal is taken, or trivial matters of privilege.

#### D. Debate

1. In seeking recognition from the Chair, a member must stand to address the Chair and, upon being recognized, state his or her name before making comment or motion.
2. The maker of a motion in preference to any other delegate shall be entitled to the floor immediately after the motion is stated.
3. Debate shall be limited to fifteen (15) minutes per topic.
4. No delegate shall speak to a motion a second time until all others have been given the opportunity to speak.
5. No delegate shall speak more than twice on the same question on the same day, nor more than two (2) minutes at one time without consent of the body.
6. General consent shall be required if additional time is to be given.

#### E. Voting Membership

The voting body of the Conference organization shall be composed of the following persons:

1. One representative of each local unit of fifty (50) members or less, with one additional representative for each additional fifty (50) members in the unit.
2. All District officers and chairpersons of District Committees.
3. Past Presidents of the former Western North Carolina Conference Woman's and Women's Societies of Christian Service, Past Presidents of the former North Carolina-Virginia Conference Women's Society of Christian Service, former Secretaries of the Wesleyan Service Guild, and Conference Past Presidents of the United Methodist Women now living within the bounds of the Western North Carolina Conference (the Conference organization assumes no financial responsibility for this group).
4. District Presidents, as members of the Conference Executive Committee.
5. Conference officers and chairpersons of committees.
6. Any member of the United Methodist Women National Office or of the Jurisdiction organization residing within the bounds of the Conference.
7. The resident Bishop.
8. The President of the Jurisdiction Deaconess Association if residing within the bounds of the Conference.
9. All elected members-at-large.

#### F. Delegates For Quorum

A quorum shall be a simple majority of the delegates registered for the Celebration.

#### G. Parliamentary Authority

1. *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* shall be the parliamentary authority.
2. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates is required to suspend or amend these rules.



**46<sup>TH</sup> Annual Celebration  
United Methodist Women  
Western North Carolina Conference  
September 13, 14, and 15, 2019  
Lake Junaluska, North Carolina**

**Julia Willis, President**

**Joanie Strohm, Vice President, Chair of Program Committee**

**Hostess District—Uwharrie  
Cathy Ward, President**

**2019 Program Committee**

**Joanie Strohm, Julia Willis, Dianne Beam, Martha Efird, Linda Greer, Lynne Gilbert, Carolyn Payne, Renee Hayes,  
Lisa Bacon, Nancy Reigel, Sybil Long, Cathy Ward, Fran Jordan**

**Visit our Conference Web Site, [www.wnccumw.org](http://www.wnccumw.org)**

You can find lots of information at our conference web site. Conference event information, registration forms, Mission Today resources, the *Conference Gram*, and links to many resources available on the National Office web site are just a few of the things you can find there.



**Join Our Conference Email List!**

If you are interested in receiving email with Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist information, updates, the *Conference Gram*, go to the website and sign up. Also, find us at [www.facebook.com/wnccumw](http://www.facebook.com/wnccumw), and [www.twitter.com/wnccumw](http://www.twitter.com/wnccumw). Join now!

**\*\*\*Very Special Appreciation\*\*\***

The Program Committee would like to thank the following:

- ◆ All the United Methodist Women who joined us at Lake Junaluska this weekend
- ◆ Cathy Ward, Uwharrie District President, and her ladies who served as Hostesses & Pages
- ◆ Members of the Conference Executive Committee and volunteers from the District Teams
- ◆ Our National Office for providing our speaker, Christi Campos
- ◆ Rev. Dr. Mark Barden and Catherine Ritch for sharing their musical talents
- ◆ Dr. Belinda Forbes, missionary serving in Nicaragua, for sharing the Mission Message
- ◆ Martha Efird, Ellen Knoefel and Betty Durham for Showing Grace, Grit and Gratitude Saturday afternoon
- ◆ Those who enjoy singing and joined our UMW Choir
- ◆ Volunteers who hosted our special guests for lunch
- ◆ All the ladies who performed in skits and led exercises
- ◆ Harrell Center Display providers
- ◆ Bishop Paul Leeland for Greetings Friday evening, and Rev. Amy Coles for serving as our communion celebrant
- ◆ The Lake Junaluska Staff who have been so helpful in planning this event
- ◆ Tim Nelson of PIP in Asheboro for his help in the printing of this program book

**If using cell phones or tablets for scripture reading or note taking, please make sure your device is silenced.  
Thanks!**



150 Years Strong with  
Grace, Grit and Gratitude

## FRIDAY EVENING-Harrell Auditorium

*“Always love everyone. Is it hard? Sometimes. Is it necessary? Always!”*

**Gathering Music—6:45 P.M.**

Mark Barden and Catherine Ritch

**We Gather With Grace—7:00 P.M.**

**Call to Annual Celebration**

Julia Willis, President

**Greetings from Lake Junaluska**

Ken Howle, *Executive Director, Lake Junaluska  
Conference and Retreat Center*

**Greetings from Host District President**

Cathy Ward, Uwharrie President

**Greetings from Host District Superintendent**

Rev. Laura Auten

**Greetings from WNCC Bishop**

Bishop Paul L. Leeland

**Announcements, Presentation of Guests &  
Program Participants**

Joanie Strohm, Vice President

**Litany**

Carolyn Payne, Social Action Coordinator

**Leader:** To think of Grace as simply a benign gift from God is to deny the power and magnitude of its authority. Grace is more than Amazing...it is to have favor with God, it is to be among the beloved. Grace infuses the proprietor with a sense of justice, fairness, and concern. Those who possess Grace will find their purpose, discover their gifts and fulfill their destiny. It was Grace that brought eight women together on a stormy night in Boston and gave them a vision to advocate for women, children and youth. It was Grace that lifted them up from their own comfortable lives of unwitting acceptance of the status quo and opened their hearts to the fragile and disconcerting lives of the marginalized.

**All: Grace lifts us up.**

**Leader:** While Grace lifts us up, it's Grit that keeps us aloft. The word Grit is not found in our Purpose, but its presence is there nonetheless! We are servants of Jesus Christ through the ministry of United Methodist Women! Though we are diverse in ethnicity, socioeconomic and educational circumstances, we are sisters of like mind, steadfast in our determination to be a relevant part of community. We are free to recognize and appreciate the worth of all of God's children.

**All: Grit keeps us up.**

**Leader:** It is impossible to put into words how grateful we are for those who laid the foundation for United Methodist Women, it was not an undertaking for the 'faint of heart', however, the constructive results of their resolve are undeniable. It is impossible to know how many lives have been affected by their vision. Needless to say, those of us who continue the Legacy, are humbled and filled with gratitude as we proudly carry on the tradition for the next 150 Years!

**All: Gratitude fills us up!**

Written by Carolyn Payne

<b>*Theme Song</b> “Many Gifts, One Spirit”	UMH #114
<b>Prayer Calendar/Evening Prayer</b>	Cathy Ward
<b>Special Music</b> “In the Beauty of Holiness”	New Covenant UMW, Appalachian District
<b>Scripture</b> John 15:11 NRSV	Jean Carter, Northern Piedmont Vice President
<b>Introduction of Speaker</b>	Joanie Strohm, Vice President
<b>Message</b> “Celebrate Faith in Action”	Christi Campos
<b>Hymn</b> “Here I Am, Lord”	UMH #593
<b>*Benediction</b>	Tammy Long, Blue Ridge, Moore's Grove
<b>Postlude</b>	Hymns Written in 1869—arr. Ritch

Note: UMW Choir practice in Harrell Auditorium immediately following benediction.

\* Please stand, in body or in spirit

## SATURDAY MORNING-Harrell Auditorium

*“Grit is not a noun. Grit is an Attitude!”*

<b>Gathering Music—8:30 A.M.</b>	Mark Barden and Catherine Ritch
<b>We Gather with Grit—8:45 A.M.</b>	
<b>Hymn</b> “When Morning Gilds the Skies”	UMH #185
<b>Prayer Calendar/Opening Prayer</b>	Jeannette Byrd, Blue Ridge Mission Education & Interpretation Coordinator
<b>VOTING DELEGATES SHOULD SIT IN SECTIONS 1 and 2</b>	
<b>BUSINESS SESSION</b>	Julia Willis, President Dianne Beam, Secretary Jatana Royster, Parliamentarian
<b>“Stories of our Districts”</b>	Renee Hayes, Membership Nurture & Outreach Coordinator
<b>Musical Chairs</b>	LaDonna Butts, Mission u Business Manager

There will be a brief intermission

## SATURDAY MORNING-Harrell Auditorium

<b>Convener</b>		Linda Greer, Mission Education & Interpretation Coordinator
<b>Special Guests</b>	<b>Active &amp; Retired Mission Personnel, Church &amp; Community Workers, Deaconesses, Home Missioners and Other Special Mission Guests</b>	
<b>Hymn</b>	"We are Marching in the Light of God"	TFWS #2235
<b>Welcome of Guests</b>		Linda Greer
<b>Song:</b>	"150 Years"	(tune of Clementine)
<b>Skit: "A Legacy Carol"</b>		by Christi Campos, revised for WNC by Betty Durham
<b>Legacy 150</b>		Lynne Gilbert, Legacy Committee Chair
<b>Pledge Service</b>	<b>"Yes, the World Needs UMW"</b>	Nancy Reigel, Treasurer
<b>Love Offering</b>	<b>A Gift to Mission Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women in Mission</b>	Nancy Reigel
<b>Offertory Music</b>		"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"-Manz
<b>*Offertory Response</b>	<i>"Give Thanks"</i>	TFWS #2036
<b>Hymn</b>	"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"	UMH #344
<b>Scripture</b>	Matthew 24: 32-40	Connie Martin, Blue Ridge Membership Nurture & Outreach
<b>Mission Presentation</b>	<b>"Mission Empowers"</b>	Dr. Belinda Forbes, Missionary
<b>Recession of Guests</b>		"We All Are One In Mission" - Edwards

*You are invited to join our mission guests for lunch in the dining room of The Terrace . As you go to lunch, please help our guests by allowing them and their hostesses to go to the front of the line. Seats have been reserved for them. Please make these very special people feel welcomed!*

<b>Hymn</b>	"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"	UMH #569
<b>*Benediction</b>		Joyce Hill, Retired Missionary
<b>Postlude</b>		"Peace Like a River"— arr.Ritch

NOTE: 1:00 –1:45 P.M. UMW Choir Practice in Harrell Auditorium



# **SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS: “GROWING IN GRACE, GRIT AND GRATITUDE”**

**Session 1: 1:30-3:30 P.M. Room 201 Harrell Center**

## **Project Linus—Facilitated by Ellen Knoefel**

Ellen will explain what Project Linus is all about; how it got started, the mission, the success of the chapter in Western North Carolina and how you can find chapters in your area. We will make “no-sew” fleece blankets which we call “hugs” for the comfort that they give to a child. There will be three different finishes that you can choose from and all supplies will be provided. Come make a “hug” for a precious child!

**Session 2: 2:00-3:30 P.M. Terrace 316**

## **Prayer Shawls—Facilitated by Martha Efird, Linda Greer and Dianne Beam**

Learn and share about the blessings of prayer shawl ministries. Ladies of all knitting and crocheting levels are welcome—especially those that who have never knitted or crocheted before. Materials needed: (1) size 11 or 13 knitting needles or M, N or P crochet hook and (2) about 550-600 yards of slightly bulky yarn (knitting) or about 750-800 yards slightly bulky (crocheting). A limited supply of needles and yarn will be available for purchase if you cannot bring supplies with you. If you are experienced at knitting or crocheting, bring your work and join us for the fellowship, sharing, and caring of prayer shawl ministries. Ladies will learn to make prayer squares or begin a prayer shawl.

**Session 3: 2:00-4:00 Harrell Auditorium**

## **A Trip Down Memory Lane—Facilitated by Betty Durham**

This workshop will be a Living History where you will personally meet some of the missionaries that formed our organization. Names you may or may not know. It will be a fun way to experience our history. Knowing that our organization is 150 years old will make it hard to tell the entire story, but we will experience a small piece of it.

Come be a part of our history!

**Session 4: 2:00-3:00 Room 105 Harrell Center**

## **Conversation with Dr. Belinda Forbes**

Dr. Forbes will share about her ministry and missionary opportunities in Nicaragua. There will be time for questions to be answered about Dr. Forbes' work with Christian Medical Action which is an agency for transformation and committed to working with families in health education, farming and nutrition, disaster prevention, clean water and sanitation, women's health, and youth leadership. Come join in the conversation!

## SATURDAY EVENING-Harrell Auditorium

*“May Your Heart be Filled with Gratitude for God’s Love and Care”*

**Gathering Music—6:45 P.M.**

Mark Barden and Catherine Ritch

**A Time of Recognition & Honoring—7:00 P.M.**

**Evening Prayer**

Betty Hunt, Uwharrie Spiritual Growth

**Announcements & Reports**

Conference Officers

**Dedication of the Annual Report Book**

(see page 18 for nomination details)

Lorraine Burns, Dedication of Annual Report Book Chair

**Time of Appreciation-Honoring Outgoing Officers** Julia Willis and Nancy Reigel

**Installation of Officers**

Lynne Gilbert, Webmaster

**Hymn** “Hymn of Promise

UMH #707

**Scripture** James 1:19-27 NRSV

Esther Manchester, Smoky Mountain Membership Nurture and Outreach

**President’s Address**

Julia Willis

**“Understanding the CONCEPT through the Years”**

**Hymn** “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

UMH #117

**\*Benediction**

Martha Isenberg, Yadkin Valley President

**Postlude**

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”—Showalter

*\* Please stand, in body or in spirit*

## THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES...(Saturday Night Entertainment)

**“What’s Your Story?”**

**Immediately following the Saturday Evening Session until 10:30 P.M.**

**Renee Hayes, Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator**

**Harrell Center Auditorium—Ground Level**

*The Lake Junaluska shuttle service will run until 11:00 P.M.*





## SUNDAY MORNING-Harrell Auditorium

*“Live Life with an Abundance of Gratitude”*

**Gathering Music—8:45 A.M.**

Mark Barden and Catherine Ritch

**In Gratitude We Gather to Praise and Glorify God—9:00 A.M.**

**Announcements**

Joanie Strohm

**Hymn** “Lord of the Dance”

UMH #261

**Special Music**

UMW Choir

**Prayer Calendar/ Opening Prayer**

Valerie Prim, Yadkin Valley Mission Education  
& Interpretation

**Presentations**

Julia Willis and Nancy Reigel

**Hymn** “The Summons”

TFWS #2130

**Memorial Service “Called by Name”**

Martha Efird, Spiritual Growth

**Scripture** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19 NRSV

Sherry Summerlin, Appalachian  
Spiritual Growth

**Litany A Responsive Prayer for Mission**  
by Christi Campos

Gwen Harris, Blue Ridge Vice President

**Message “The Joy of Mission”**

Christi Campos

**Holy Communion**

Rev. Amy Coles, Celebrant  
Christi Campos, Celebrant Assistant

**Music Medley**

\* Please stand, in body or in spirit

**All: Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for each person who has given gifts to mission in honor of friends and family and for each one who has given gifts in memory of loved ones. We pray that the recipients of each card as well as the recipients of these gifts to mission and memory will feel the love that is sent with each gift. We dedicate these gifts to Your service to enrich the lives of women, youth and children both in our country and around Your world. Almighty Father, You know the prayers that are on our hearts and You have seen the written prayer requests. We humbly pray for Your answers for these prayers and for peace and for patience and understanding as we wait for your answers and for Your will to be done on Your schedule, not ours. We ask for continued Grace, Grit and Gratitude like that of our foremothers as we walk humbly with You while we boldly profess our faith and boldly work to eradicate injustices that we see around us. We pray this prayer of dedication in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen**

**\*Hymn**                      "Many Gifts, One Spirit                      UMH #114

**\*Blessing & Sending Forth**                      Julia Willis

**Postlude**                      "God of Grace and God of Glory"-Manz

\* Please stand, in body or in spirit



## Upcoming 2019 Events

**Ubuntu Day of Service (Bethlehem Centers: Charlotte & Winston-Salem, Brooks-Howell Home, Bennett College, Pfeiffer University & Mission Resource Center)**

October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

**Hinton Rural Life Center**, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

On-line registration through Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at [www.wnccumw.org](http://www.wnccumw.org) (no fee)

**Leadership Development Day (LDD)** for District Officers

*"Leading with Grace, Grit and Gratitude"*

Granite Falls United Methodist Church, Granite Falls

October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Registration/Program Resources 8:00 A.M.

Training 9:00 A.M.-12 Noon

Hands-on Project: Items for HOPE'S CLOSET in the Caldwell Pregnancy Center



## PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

### Keynote Speaker: Christi Campos

Executive for Development and Donor Relations

United Methodist Women National Office

Christi Campos serves as the Executive for Development and Donor Relations at United Methodist Women's National Office in New York City. Before coming to the National Office, Christi had over 25 years of development, public relations and management experience working for social service agencies in the Kansas City Metropolitan area. Past positions include Director of Development for Legal Aid of Western Missouri, and The Whole Person, and Executive Director of the Domestic Violence Network.

Christi is from the Missouri Conference, where she has served as Kansas City North District President, Conference Vice President and Nominations chair, South Central Jurisdiction Nominating Committee, and as a certified lay speaker.

She is also in the Deaconess Candidacy Program and will be consecrated at General Conference in 2020. Christi enjoys spending time with her three daughters and three grandchildren.



### Pianist: Catherine Ritch

Catherine Ritch is a published composer and author of inspirational fiction, non-fiction and children's books with 29 books currently in print. She is a frequent speaker/musician for national and international conferences in a variety of venues, and was selected the International Profile of the United Methodist Church for September 2009.

United Methodist Women will recognize her book titles, *Because He Lives* (2012 UMW Reading List) and *You Raise Me Up*, about Project AGAPE, a mission project of the Western

North Carolina Conference and the North Carolina Conference located in the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh. Photo of Catherine (above) was taken in Armenia delivering Christmas shoeboxes to the children.

It was said of Catherine, "Put Catherine on a piano, organ or keyboard and from Bach to Broadway to Boogie to the Best of Gospel, she'll have the audience enthralled with the rhythms of life."

Catherine, who lives in Stallings, NC, holds degrees in Church Music and Music Education, and a Master's degree in Christian Education. Her greatest joy, besides her family, is bringing hope, inspiration and laughter to those whom she meets in her travels and through her books. She has been introduced as an author, composer, comedienne, entertainer, historian, teacher, and musician but she prefers "friend."

## Report of Communications

The Conference Gram, our Conference newsletter, is published four times a year to highlight Conference events and share resource information for local units from our conference officers.

2018 newsletter costs were down \$3,341.73 from 2017 because of the reduction of printing and mailing expenses. We printed 9,275 copies in 2018 and the average cost per newsletter was 76 cents per copy.

This was my last year as Communications Coordinator. I have learned a lot and enjoyed every minute.

*Dianne Beam*, Conference Communications Coordinator



### **Southeastern Jurisdiction United Methodist Women Quadrennial Meeting**

**April 17-19, 2020**

**Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel**

**Mobile, AL**

Fifteen conferences across the Southeast gather every four years for Worship, Mission Opportunity, Bible Study, Election of members of the National Board of Directors for United Methodist Women, Focus Groups, and Holy Communion. More details coming soon on our website. There are plans for a Legacy 150 SEJ Cookbook. Send your recipes to Julia Willis, (jwillis1@aol.com) by Oct. 15th!

## Report of Membership Nurture & Outreach

The membership of the Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women for 2018 totaled 19,029. A total of 665 new members were added to our 626 units. Spring Walks for Mission raised \$15,876, an increase of over \$2,100 in 2017.

A new site was added to our Ubuntu Day of Service options in the fall of 2018—The Mission Response Center in Terrell, bringing our total number of sites to 6.

*Renee Hayes*, Mission Coordinator Membership Nurture and Outreach

## **Music Director: Rev. Dr. Mark Barden**



Mark Barden is no stranger to United Methodist Women. While serving on the conference staff as Director of Mission/Outreach and Director of Communications, he was staff liaison to the WNCC UMW. An avid supporter for UMW, Mark has served as song leader for several UMW conference events and taught several courses at the School of Christian Mission/Mission u.

Mark is no stranger to Methodist ministry. He was born into a parsonage family and moved throughout the Western NC Conference. After completing a Bachelor of Science degree in telecommunications at Oral Roberts University and a Master of Arts degree in radio-tv at the University of Mississippi, Mark taught at both Ole Miss and Murray State University (Kentucky). He left teaching in 1984 to pursue seminary at Duke Divinity School. Mark recently graduated from Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC, with a Doctor of Ministry degree in Arts and Theology. Currently, Mark serves as senior pastor of Central UMC in Shelby, NC. He previously served churches in Elkin, Winston-Salem, New London, Kernersville, Hickory and Reidsville. Mark is married to the Rev. Barbara Barden who recently retired from Myers Park UMC, Charlotte after 19 years of ministry.

## **Mission Speaker: Dr. Belinda Forbes**

Dr. Belinda Forbes is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) of the United Methodist Church serving in Managua, Nicaragua. Dr. Forbes is assigned to Accion Medica Cristiana (Christian Medical Action or AMC, a Nicaraguan, Christian ecumenical organization specializing in community health and development in impoverished regions of Nicaragua which are home to many indigenous and afro-descendent populations.



A dentist by profession, Dr. Forbes is AMC's Liaison for Ecumenical Relations and Cooperation in Community Health. Dr. Forbes serves God and the Church by contributing to a community dental health program, mentoring volunteers, and interfacing with AMC's international partner organizations, in particular local United Methodist churches, United Methodist Women and other United Methodist agencies.

Born in Northern Ireland, Dr. Forbes was raised in Massachusetts. She holds a B.A. in biology and Spanish from American International College in Springfield, MA, and a D.M.D. from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston, MA. Before her ministry in Nicaragua, Dr. Forbes was in private dental practice in Boston and participated in volunteer dental service. Dr. Forbes is a member of the New England Annual Conference. Dr. Forbes is married to Gerardo Gutierrez, M.D., MPH, a director of AMC, and together they dedicate their professions to serve others and the world. They have two children.

## Report of the Treasurer

Western North Carolina United Methodist Women continued our tradition of **Making Mission Happen** with TOTAL Mission Giving of \$802,341 during 2018. This includes all Love offerings and giving through the eight districts...Giving that turns faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

The 2018 giving report from the National Office indicates that Western North Carolina United Methodist Women led the nation in:

- Special Mission Recognition
- Gift to Mission
- Gift in Memory
- World Thank Offering
- Designated Gifts

Our 2018 Total Giving of \$656,293 was sent to United Methodist Women National Office. Even though we did not meet our Pledge and led the nation in fewer categories, this is still cause to celebrate because we are making mission possible!

### **The members of the WNCC UMW made the following happen for Mission in 2018**

<b>Total Giving</b> through the 8 districts from local units	<b>\$761,717</b>
<b>Conference Love Offering</b>	
“In Honor of Deaconesses and Home Missioners: Past, Present and Future”	<b>\$14,151</b>
<b>Walk for Mission</b>	<b>\$15,876*</b>
<b>Spiritual Growth Retreat Love Offering</b>	<b>\$5,681*</b>
<b>Mission u Love Offering</b>	<b>\$2,333*</b>
<b>Special Offerings from Conference Committee Meetings</b>	<b>\$565*</b>
<b>Undesignated Mission Giving</b> sent to UMW National Office ( <i>\$107,769 short of our 2018 Pledge of \$700,000</i> )	<b>\$590,231</b>
<b>Designated Giving</b> to UMW National Office (includes Call to Prayer & Self Denial, general, national, international & UMCOR)	<b>\$66,062</b>
Donations to <b>other</b> local projects	<b>\$5,773</b>

\* Indicates increase over previous year

Although these results are stated in terms of dollars, what they really represent is Mission...Mission YOU made happen and Mission in action around the world because of YOU.

*Nancy F. Reigel*, Conference Treasurer

## Report of Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee met on April 7, 2018 at Pfeiffer University and by conference call April 16, 2018. We interviewed five scholarship applicants and awarded \$20,850 to these five students.

Scholarships were awarded to four returning students: Yajaira Chavez (Brevard College), Hannah Dunlap (High Point University), April Martin (Pfeiffer University) and Cathy Morrison (Bennett College) and one new applicant: Rebecca Dyer (Pfeiffer University).

Scholarships are available to students that are attending one of the Methodist colleges or universities in our conference: Bennett College, Brevard College, Greensboro College, High Point University and Pfeiffer University. The Scholarship Committee meets every spring to interview applicants and determine the allocation of funds. Information on instructions for scholarship applying is on our web site.

*Cathy McCauley*, Scholarship Chair

## Report of Social Action

The goal of Social Action is to advocate for change in systems that keep people oppressed and marginalized; while it is a never-ending, intense ministry, it is also immensely rewarding work. To prepare for this daunting, doable mandate, we invest our time and energy in learning as much as possible about this ministry in vital training presented by the national office in an event called Leadership Development Day (LDD); this training is offered as far away as Tempe, AZ, or as close as Charlotte, NC. The training and learning continue through various activities offered through the national office, district and conference events such as:

- March 10, I attended Yadkin Valley mission study. The study was "Mission Conferences of the United Methodist Church" led by Daphine L. Strickland and Messie Locklear. I spoke about school shootings and the United Methodist Women's position on the issue.
- May 5, I attended Central UMC in Thomasville for their Day Apart service. The theme was "The Legacy of Faith in the Symbols of Bread and Water." Speaker was Julie Taylor.
- In May, more than 6,000 women from across the nation convened in Columbus, Ohio to participate in our organizations largest quadrennial event, Assembly. The theme was "The Power of Bold" and more than 2000 advocates for Social Action marched with area faith-based organizations and called for a living wage at a rally at the Ohio State House.
- July, 19-22, Mission U, the theme was "Embracing Wholeness." The display theme from Social Action was "Advocacy for Farm Workers."
- August 18, I attended Yadkin Valley Annual Meeting at Trinity UMC in King, NC. The theme was "Celebrating the Legacy," and the speaker was Julia Willis.
- The Executive Committee decided to reinstate the Social Action Award. I was proud to present a Special Recognition Pin to former Social Action Coordinator, Renee Hayes at Northern Piedmont's Annual Celebration, September 8. The speaker was Rev. Veranita Alvord.
- The Annual Celebration, October 12-14 display focused on "Interrupting the School to Prison Pipeline."
- LDD, October 20, held at First Morganton UMC. Social Action had three in attendance and one youth.
- October 27, The United Methodist Foundation sponsored "Social Action as Evangelism," held at University City UMC In Charlotte. The speaker was Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III.

*Carolyn Payne*, Mission Coordinator for Social Action

## Report of Program Resources

In 2018, 172 local units reported participation in the UMW Reading Program (27%), a decrease of 3%. There were a total of 611 readers reading in Plans 1-4. The total number of readers includes 23 individuals reading in Plan 4 and 46 children readers.

For 150 years, United Methodist Women have been involved in mission that includes prayer, study and action. The Reading Program is a study opportunity, but it should also lead to action. The purpose of the program is to encourage UMW members to: expand understanding of and participation in God's mission; increase sensitivity to all human beings; encourage critical thinking about issues facing humanity today; strengthen involvement in local and global Christian mission; and grow in the understanding of Scripture as it relates to Christian faith.

*Sibyl Long*, Secretary of Program Resources

## Report of Mission u

The Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Women held Mission u 2018 at Pfeiffer University July 19-22. There were 188 in attendance, including 116 full-time students, 67 one-day overview students, and 5 youth campers. There were 26 first-timers. Twenty-one participants applied for Advanced Lay Servant credit.

The spiritual growth study was **Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living**, the issue study was **What about Our Money? A Faith Response** and the repeat geographic study was **Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the United States**. The youth and children's studies featured the Money study.

We turned lemons into lemonade when only one "youth" registered by opening the "youth camp" to adult participants. Four adults chose to participate along with the one youth and the two Study Leaders. Youth campers toured Urban Ministries and the Levine Museum of the New South in Charlotte, volunteered in a hands-on project in Salisbury, and worked in the Pfeiffer community garden, among other activities.

Adult participants had three workshop opportunities on Friday and Saturday afternoons: Chair Aerobics, A Way Forward: UMW engaging in Conversation, and a Workshop for Leaders of Children's Studies. In addition, all of the Money participants had a combined session Saturday afternoon for a presentation by the Legacy Committee. A Saturday evening plenary on racial justice and economic justice was well-received.

Rev. Sherri Barnes (Associate Director for Church Relations) and Rev. Maegan Habich (University Chaplain and Director for Church Relations) went above and beyond to be of assistance. I would like to especially thank Patricia Moore, Sandy Letchworth, and LaDonna Butts for their tireless work and support.

*Lisa Bacon*, Dean, Mission u

## Report of Mission Education and Interpretation

Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women mission activities in 2018 included Mission Giving in all Five Channels of undesignated giving, attendance at Conference and District Mission Studies, meeting Mission Today criteria and participating in Hands-on mission activities in our communities, our districts, our conference, our nation and around the world. Participation in these mission activities has enhanced our lives as well as the lives of our neighbors.

The collective response from hands-on projects at conference and district events for 2018 are as follows:

UMCOR Kits from Conference Events:	Spiritual Growth Retreat	\$23,371.00
	Mission u	\$8,320.00
	Annual Celebration	\$3,564.50
	Leadership Development	\$702.00
Project AGAPE Christmas Shoe Boxes:	Spiritual Growth Retreat	\$70.00
	Mission u	\$400.00
	Annual Celebration	\$16,095.00
	Leadership Development	\$490.00
UMCOR Kits from District Events:		\$30,348.00
Project AGAPE Christmas Shoe Boxes:		\$4,386.00
Other collections at District Events:		\$13,135.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$100,881.50</b>



## Report of Mission Education and Interpretation (continued)

The various districts gave generously to organizations such as the Bethlehem Centers, Highland Community Food Pantry, Red Bird Mission and collections of supplies for local school students. The Mission Response Center continues to have an overload of Cleaning Buckets that need inspection and other kits. Groups are needed to come to the Mission Response Center to assist with those inspections. Dwaine Morgan, Church and Community Worker who manages the Mission Response Center, announced that he plans to retire at the end of 2019. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and support of projects that benefit and empower women, youth and children.

*Linda Greer*, Mission Coordinator of Education and Interpretation

## Report of Spiritual Growth

United Methodist Women from across the conference gathered at beautiful Lake Junaluska on June 15-16, 2018, for the annual Spiritual Growth Retreat. Reverend Dr. Suzanne G. Michael, senior pastor at Hope United Methodist Church in the Yadkin Valley District, delivered the messages during the three retreat sessions. Dr. Michael developed the retreat theme, *Glory Gifts*, through three messages: *Peace, Hesed Love, and Joy*. Dr. Michael served as the communion celebrant assisted by Deaconess Tracey Owens. Communion servers included Deaconesses, a Home Missioner, and ladies from various districts.

Stuart Auditorium was filled with music by musicians Justin Snyder, Music Director of Forest Hill UMC (Metro District) and Lindsay Megill. The music was an effective blend of hymns and contemporary pieces and incorporated songs learned at the 2018 UMW Assembly.

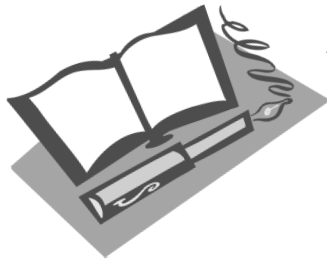
547 ladies were in attendance and many of them individually and on behalf of their local units contributed to the hands-on project by bringing UMCOR Kits whose value, including shipping funds, totaled \$23,371.00. Retreat bags-sewn with love-included the instructions for school kits and were to be filled with school kit supplies for UMCOR school kits and returned full at the 2018 Annual Celebration gathering.

The retreat Love Offering totaled \$5,682—an increase from the 2017 Love Offering for which attendance was higher. The funds were directed to undesignated Mission Giving to celebrate our Deaconesses and Home Missioners—Past, Present and Future.

The 2018 Spiritual Growth Committee consisted of Martha Efird (chairperson), Julia Willis, Joanie Strohm, Renee Hayes, Sibyl Long, Deborah Ray, Nancy Reigel, and Linda Greer. The Spiritual Growth Coordinators from the eight districts contributed significantly to the success of the retreat as well as Mission u and Annual Celebration.

The Spiritual Growth Committee and the District Spiritual Growth Coordinators “Team” participated in Mission u by providing morning praise, the altar scape and communion. During Annual Celebration the Team coordinated communion and was responsible for the memorial service to remember our Western North Carolina United Methodist Women members who joined the Lord in 2017.

*Martha Efird*, Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth



## Annual Report Dedication

Each year an Annual Report Book is created highlighting the activities of the conference and districts, officers, financial reports, etc. This book is dedicated to honor a United Methodist Women member from our conference.

The honored recipient is presented a diamond-studded Special Mission Recognition Pin and a \$1,000 donation is given in her honor to undesignated Mission Giving through the National Office by the conference. Often her family is invited to share in the presentation celebration. Upon completion of the Annual Report Book with her photo & dedication, she is given copies to share with friends and family.

A written nomination form is required along with reasons for the recommendation. See your district president or district and conference newsletters for an application form. A conference committee of five persons appointed by the president receives these written nominations by June 1<sup>st</sup> or other specified date.

Criteria for the nomination per Standing Rules Article V, Section 8, E (1)-(5):

- (a) Nominee shall have served on local, district & conference levels of UMW
- (b) Nominee must demonstrate leadership ability and work well with peers
- (c) Committee members may be considered
- (d) A person may receive this honor only once

Partial List of former recipients:

2017 Kim Eller  
2014 Dot Alvord  
2011 Patricia Wiseman  
2008 Sharon Smith  
2005 Amy Johnson  
2002 Dixie Liggett  
1999 Dori Thurman  
1996 Mildred Carter  
1993 Faye Cox  
1990 Sandra Galyean

2018 Lynne Gilbert  
2015 Bess Redmond  
2012 Tonya Lanier  
2009 Sandy Hieronymus  
2006 Kris Peurifoy  
2003 Elizabeth Holbrooks  
2000 Beth Griffin  
1997 Bishop Charlene Kammerer  
1994 Vada Beck  
1991 Linda Reep

2016 Martha Phillips  
2013 Julia Willis  
2010 Sherry Sink  
2007 Karen Wilkerson  
2004 Polly Pearson  
2001 Sara Williams  
1998 Janet Collins  
1995 Mildred Gibson  
1992 Mary Kizer

## *Dedication*

*Congratulations to this year's recipient.* \_\_\_\_\_

# THE LEGACY FUND

Celebrate United Methodist Women! 150 Years and Counting...



## Our Western North Carolina Every Member Legacy Fund Goal:

That every member of  
United Methodist Women  
make a gift to  
**The Legacy Fund**  
of at least **\$18.69 per year**,  
over and above her Pledge to Mission,  
for five years.

**March 23, 1869 ~ March 23, 2019**

150 Years in service of God's mission on behalf of women, children, and youth!



Across our conference this year, United Methodist Women have celebrated our 150th Anniversary in local, district and conference events. We have shared stories, celebrated our history, and looked toward our future by participating in the Day of Giving, and making gifts to the Legacy Fund. And, those celebrations of our 150th year continue!

- ◆ Haven't had a local celebration yet? It isn't too late to plan a birthday party, a special worship or prayer service, a festive luncheon, a fun-raiser...be creative!
- ◆ As we reach toward our goal to establish a significant endowment as a foundation for our next 150 years, challenge your members to "stretch" during 2019 and 2020 and make a gift to The Legacy Fund every month. Could you suggest \$18.69 per month, or \$20?

## Where can I get more information about The Legacy Fund?

Visit our website at: [wnccumw.org/legacyfund/](http://wnccumw.org/legacyfund/)

You can also contact any of our Legacy Campaign / 150th Anniversary Team members, your District President, or your District Treasurer.

### Information available on the website includes:

- ◆ Legacy/150 Campaign Commitment Form & FAQ
- ◆ How you can make your gift(s) to The Legacy Fund
- ◆ A **Let's Celebrate idea sheet** for planning celebrations
- ◆ Variety of Legacy videos & resources to use in your local unit
- ◆ Links to more information on the United Methodist Women National Office website at: [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/150/](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/150/)



## Our Conference Legacy Campaign / 150th Anniversary Team:

### Contact us!

We are happy to answer your questions,  
and to come visit and share information  
with your local unit!

Lynne Gilbert, Chairperson  
[lynnegilbert2@gmail.com](mailto:lynnegilbert2@gmail.com)  
336-207-3479

Barbara Campbell - [charlie585@msn.com](mailto:charlie585@msn.com)  
Mildred Carter - [mildredcarter@earthlink.net](mailto:mildredcarter@earthlink.net)  
Tonya Lanier - [sonshiners@lexcominc.net](mailto:sonshiners@lexcominc.net)  
Betty Letzig - [letzig@msn.com](mailto:letzig@msn.com)  
Dixie Liggett - [liliggett3@charter.net](mailto:liliggett3@charter.net)  
Martha Phillips - [mcwphillips@gmail.com](mailto:mcwphillips@gmail.com)  
Nancy Reigel - [nancy@reigelridge.com](mailto:nancy@reigelridge.com)  
Kim Shafer - [kimsmetroumw@att.net](mailto:kimsmetroumw@att.net)  
Julia Willis - [jawillis1@aol.com](mailto:jawillis1@aol.com)

### District "Energizers"

Appalachian - Beverlee Scott  
Blue Ridge - Dixie Liggett  
Metro - Kris Peurifoy  
Northern Piedmont - Betty Durham  
Smoky Mountain - Julie Leatherwood  
Uwharrie - Lissell Currie  
Yadkin Valley - Rhita Newcomb

## 2019 Conference Officers

President	Julia Willis
Vice President	Joanie Strohm
Secretary	Dianne Beam
Treasurer	Nancy Reigel
Secretary of Program Resources	Sibyl Long
Communications Coordinator	Lisa Bacon
Mission Coordinators:	
Social Action	Carolyn Payne
Spiritual Growth	Martha Efird
Education & Interpretation	Linda Greer
Membership Nurture & Outreach	Renee Hayes
Chair, Committee on Nominations	Martha Phillips (20)
Members, Committee on Nominations	Elizabeth Lookabill (19), Maureen Carr (19), Kathy Chadwell (19), Martha Phillips (20), Michelene Mathews (20), Velma Zeek (21), Sherrie Miller (22), Sandy Letchworth (22), Deborah Matthews (22)
Historian	Betty Durham
Parliamentarian	Jatana Royster
Chair, Scholarship Committee	Cathy McCauley
Webmaster/Legacy Team Liaison	Lynne Gilbert
Dean, Mission u	Patricia Moore
National Program Advisory Group	Dixie Liggett (2016-2020)
Resident Bishop	Bishop Paul L. Leeland

## 2019 Mission u Officers

Dean	Patricia Moore
Assistant Dean	Lynn Alexander
Housing Manager	Ginger Hightower
Business Manager	LaDonna Butts

## 2019 District Presidents

Appalachian	Lorraine Burns
Blue Ridge	Fran Jordan
Catawba Valley	Belinda Worsham
Metro	Lynda Morris
Northern Piedmont	Sandra Williamson
Smoky Mountain	Deborah Ray
Uwharrie	Cathy Ward
Yadkin Valley	Martha Isenberg

## Nominees for Conference Offices

### Nominees for a two-year term 2020-2021

President	Julia Willis * (NP)
Vice President	Joanie Strohm * (BR)
Treasurer	Nancy Reigel ** (AP)
Mission Coordinator of Membership Nurture & Outreach	Renee Hayes * (NP)
Mission Coordinator for Social Action	Carolyn Payne * (YV)
Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth	Darlene Gardner (YV)
Secretary for Program Resources	Kathy Chadwell (YV)

\*Indicates a second Two Year Term

\*\*indicates a third Two Year Term

### Nominees for Nominating Committee

Chair, Committee on Nominations	Sandy Letchworth (YV) 2020-2021
Member, Committee on Nominations	Stephania Cude (ME) Class of 2021
Member, Committee on Nominations	Ann Aldridge (CV) Class of 2023
Member, Committee on Nominations	Laquetta Barbee (NP) Class of 2023

### Nominees for National Director

Tonya Lanier  
Kim Eller  
Julie Leatherwood-alternate

### Nominees for Program Advisory Group

Sherry Sink  
Sandra Hieronymus  
Martha Efird  
Velma Zeek-alternate

### District Presidents

For information only-Elected by their District)

Appalachian, Sherry Summerlin  
Blue Ridge, Fran Jordan  
Catawba Valley, TBD  
Metro, Lynda Morris  
Smoky Mountain, TBD  
Yadkin Valley, Martha Isenberg

## 2020 Calendar of UMW Events

Jan 11	Presidents/Treasurers Workday (Monticello UMC, Statesville)...snow date Jan 25
Feb 15	Fin/SG/LDD/CON, Program Committees, Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville
Feb 16	Executive Committee, Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville
Mar. 28	Scholarship Committee; Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer
Apr. 17-19	Southeastern Jurisdiction UMW Quadrennial Meeting, Mobile, Al
May 16	Mission u/Program Committee Meeting
<b>Jun 12-14</b>	<b>Spiritual Growth—Lake Junaluska-all UMW Members</b>
Jun 19-21	WNCC UMC Annual Conference—Lake Junaluska
Jul 15-18	Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference, Lake Junaluska
<b>Jul 23-26</b>	<b>Mission u, Pfeiffer University-all UMW Members</b>
Aug 8	Finance/SG/LDD/Program Committees—Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville
Aug 9	Executive Committee—Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville
<b>Sept 11-13</b>	<b>Annual Celebration—Lake Junaluska-all UMW Members</b>
<b>Oct.10</b>	<b>Ubuntu Day of Service—Various locations—all UMW Members</b>
Oct 24	Leadership Development Day (LDD)— All District Officers, St. Luke's UMC, Hickory
Nov. 6	Orientation Session for new conference officers, Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville
Nov. 7-8	Con. Committee Meetings, Executive Committee Meeting, Brooks-Howell Home, Asheville



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE 2018 MISSION TODAY UNITS !

## Appalachian District

Barbara Heck  
Boone  
Broad Street  
Charity  
First Elkin  
First North Wilkesboro  
First Taylorsville  
Grace Chapel  
Hiddenite  
Hudson  
Littlejohn  
Monticello  
Mount Bethel  
Mount Herman  
New Covenant  
Sparta  
Stony Point  
Union Grove  
Wilkesboro

## Blue Ridge District

Abernethy  
Bald Creek  
Biltmore  
Black Mountain  
Central  
Columbus-Tryon  
East Marion  
First Marion  
Fletcher  
Gilkey  
Mills River  
Montmorenci  
Moore's Grove  
Oak Grove  
Oakley  
Piney Mountain  
Saluda  
Skyland  
St. Paul's  
Weaverville  
Windom

## Catawba Valley District

Asbury  
Bethlehem  
Boger City  
Brook's Chapel  
Christ-Drexel  
Covenant  
Denver  
Ebenezer-Belmont  
Ebenezer-Vale  
First Conover  
First Dallas  
First Hickory  
First Lincolnton  
First Morganton  
First Mount Holly  
First Valdese  
Friendship-Newton  
Knob Creek  
Laurel Hill  
Lawndale  
Marvin  
Maylo  
Messiah  
Mount Pleasant-Sherrills Ford  
Oak Hill  
Pisgah-Catawba  
Pleasant Grove  
Polkville  
Rock Hill  
Salem-Morganton  
South Point  
St. Paul's-Catawba  
Trinity

## Metro District

Asbury  
Bethpage  
Central-Charlotte  
Christ  
Cold Springs  
Epworth  
Forest Hill  
Grace-Charlotte  
Hickory Grove  
Matthews  
Memorial-Charlotte  
Mineral Springs  
Pineville  
Providence  
Rocky Mount  
Royal Oaks  
Simpson-Gillespie  
South Park  
St. Andrew  
St. Stephens  
Westford

## Smoky Mountain District

Andrews  
Canton Central  
Crabtree  
Clyde Central  
Elizabeth Chapel  
First Murphy  
First Waynesville  
Long's Chapel  
Maggie Valley  
Maple Grove  
Oak Forest  
Ranger  
Shady Grove  
Rockwood

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE 2018 MISSION TODAY UNITS!

### Northern Piedmont District

Archdale  
Bass Chapel  
Bethlehem-Climax  
Celia Phelps  
Christ Greensboro  
College Place  
Collins Grove  
Fairfield  
First High Point  
First Randleman  
Flat Rock  
Gideon Grove  
Hinshaw  
Hopewell  
Laughlin Memorial  
Lebanon  
Madison  
Mayodan  
Memorial-High Point  
Mt. Pisgah  
Muir's Chapel  
New Salem  
Newlyn Street  
Pleasant Union  
Prospect  
St. John's-Greensboro  
Stokesdale

### Uwharrie District

Bethany –Albemarle  
Bethlehem-Waxhaw  
Central-Denton  
Central-Monroe  
Empire Charge-Seagrove  
Jordan Memorial  
Milford Hills  
Mount Zion-Norwood  
Norwood  
Pisgah  
Pleasant Hill-EC  
Providence  
Shiloh-Granite Quarry  
St. Luke  
Wingate

### Yadkin Valley District

Antioch-Rural Hall  
Ardmore  
Baltimore  
Brooks Temple  
Bunker Hill  
Centenary-Clemmons  
Centenary-Winston Salem  
Center-Mocksville  
Center-Welcome  
Concord-Mocksville  
Dulin  
Fair Grove-Thomasville  
Fairview-Thomasville  
Faith  
Farmington  
First Mocksville  
First Thomasville  
Hardison  
Harmony Grove  
Hickory Ridge  
Level Cross  
Lewisville  
Liberty  
Love's  
Main Street  
Memorial  
Midway  
Mt. Carmel  
Mt. Zion  
New Hope-Winston Salem  
New Mt. Vernon  
Oak Forest  
Palmyra  
Pine Grove-Kernersville  
Pine Grove-Winston Salem  
Pinnacle  
Saint Andrews  
Saints Home  
Salem-Mocksville  
Salem-Mount Airy  
Sedge Garden  
Sharon  
Shoals  
St. James  
Tabernacle  
Trinity-King  
Trinity-Thomasville

Union  
Union Ridge  
Withers Chapel  
Woodleaf  
Yadkinville  
Yadkin College

## **Exciting News!**

### **Coming in 2020!**

**There will be three levels of Mission Today Units so every single unit can achieve Mission Today Status!**

- ◆ **Gold will require 12 criteria**
- ◆ **10 criteria for Silver**
- ◆ **8 criteria for Bronze**

## CELEBRATION REGISTRATION:

Friday: 2:00-7:00 PM Harrell Center HC 201 (street level)

Saturday: 7:30-8:30 AM Harrell Center HC 201

**PRAYER ROOM: Memorial Chapel (Open 8AM-6:00PM  
Friday and 8:00AM-10:00PM Saturday)**

**PROGRAM RESOURCES: Harrell Center HC 202 (street level)**

Friday: 2:00-6:30 PM

Saturday: 7:30-8:30 AM, 12:45-1:45 PM

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON: GROWING WITH GRACE, GRIT AND GRATITUDE**

1:30-3:30 PM "Project Linus" HC 201

2:00-3:30 PM Prayer Shawls Terrace 316

2:00-4:00 PM "A Trip Down Memory Lane" Harrell Center Auditorium

2:00-3:00 PM A Conversation with Dr. Belinda Forbes HC 202

**MISSION RESPONSE CENTER TRUCK: Beside Memorial Chapel**

Friday 2:00-5:30 PM; Saturday 7:30-8:30 AM, 1:15-1:45 PM

(staffed times may vary as intake will not be attended during meetings;  
leave kits on table under the tent; don't forget to bring your shipping money  
when truck is staffed or give to Linda Greer. Make checks payable to "WNCC  
UMW")

**MEAL SCHEDULE at The Terrace & Lambuth Inn:**

Please allow Program Participants, Pages & Program Committee members to  
break line since they have responsibilities that limit their time. They can be  
identified by the pink and purple ribbons underneath their name tags.

**BREAKFAST 7:00-8:30 A.M. LUNCH 11:45 A.M.-1:30 P.M. DINNER 5:30-7:00 P.M.**

**THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES.....**

Immediately following the Saturday evening session...until 10:30 P.M.

Harrell Center Auditorium (lower/ground level)



### **NAMETAG NOTATIONS:**

Members of units meeting the **MISSION TODAY** criteria in 2018 have  
smiley faces on their name tags. Congratulations!



Persons attending Annual Celebration for the first time have STARS on  
their name tags. We are glad that you are here!



Voting Delegates have HEARTS on their name tags.

