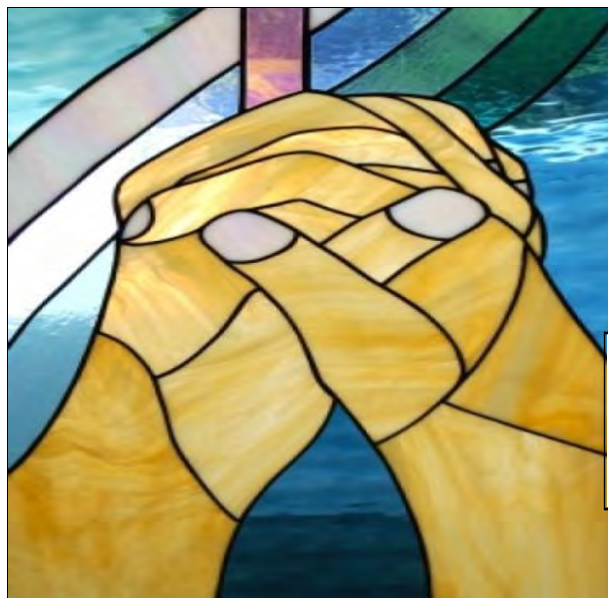




Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women's 2020 Annual Meeting

Moving Beyond 150 Years through Celebration

Webinar on August 31, 2020
7PM



**In memory of our
Blue Ridge
District President
Mrs. Fran Jordan**

In our efforts to care for the safety and well-being of all of our members, we are planning **virtual Conference and District Annual Celebrations for 2020**. We will be using Zoom Webinar, on wnccumw.org.

We all look forward to the day when we can again gather safely in person, and experience the joy of that wonderful supportive community of United Methodist Women that is a part of every Annual Celebration

The love offering is:
A Gift to Mission Honoring and Affirming Clergywomen:
Past, Present, and Future



The Purpose of 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.

2019 Blue Ridge District President's Annual Report
Theme for 2019 "Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women"

Our year started on a sad note when the District received word that we lost Frances Womack Yelton, 95 years of age, on February 11 at her home in Rutherfordton, NC. Frances was a life long member of Gilboa United Methodist Church and became the sole member of the local unit there at Gilboa, making her pledge and contributing to other channels of giving. Mrs. Yelton's dedication and example of what service one person could accomplish was discussed at the March 2, 2019 District Executive meeting. We voted to name the Blue Ridge District Scholarship to the Conference Annual Meeting "The Frances Yelton Scholarship" in honor of this remarkable lady.

On a happier note, birthday cakes and celebrations of our 150 Years of United Methodist Women were held throughout the District this year. I had the pleasure of being invited to many and will never tell all the calories I consumed.

"Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women through Prayer" was the theme of the District Prayer Breakfast held at Central United Methodist Church in Asheville March 23, 2019. Central UMW went above and beyond providing extras that made the commemorative Prayer Breakfast successful. Wonderful hostesses and a wonderful breakfast. Over 200 were in attendance. Deaconess Tracey Owens was the guest speaker. Her topic: "Pray Without Ceasing." The Love Offering was A Gift to Mission Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women in Mission.

"Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women Through Study" was the theme of the District Mission Study held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Asheville May 11, 2019. Study Leader was Lay Missioner Steve Taylor. Study was "What about Our Money? A Faith Response." The Love Offering was a gift to Mission Giving in honor of Steve Taylor. Thanks to St. Paul's UMW for serving as hostesses and providing a wonderful lunch and morning refreshments.

"Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women Through Faith, Hope and Love in Action" was the theme of the District Annual Meeting held at East Marion United Methodist Church in Marion August 24, 2019. Deaconess Barbara E. Campbell was the speaker. Her topic was "Celebrating 150 Years of United Methodist Women." The Love Offering went to Ministries for Women, Children and Youth Around the World. The East Marion UMW and men of the church provided a wonderful breakfast.

"Celebrating 150 years of United Methodist Women Through Leadership and Advocacy" was the theme of the District Leadership training held at Fletcher United Methodist Church in Fletcher November 2, 2019. Barbara E Campbell led a segment entitled "Easy Programs for Busy People" and Jeanette Byrd demonstrated how to correctly prepare UMCOR kits. The Fletcher UMW were wonderful hostesses and provided delicious morning refreshments.

The District saw a new circle formed at Givens Gerber Park, part of Skyland UMW and Ebenezer United Methodist Church's UMW re-united. Hendersonville First combined three circles into one for strength.

The Blue Ridge District exceeded the Pledge to Mission goal of \$82,000.00 to almost \$92,000.00. What an achievement to each of you. Thank you for your hard work making a difference in the lives of women, children and youth all over the world. You are "Amazing United Methodist Women."

Fran Jordan, Blue Ridge District President

United Methodist Women
 WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
 THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

___ Blue Ridge ___ DISTRICT

PROPOSED BUDGET

2021

PLEDGE TO MISSION \$ 82,100

ADMINISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (A & M D)

OFFICER EXPENSES:

Postage	\$	<u>700</u>	
Supplies		<u>600</u>	
Telephone		<u> </u>	
Travel (mileage)		<u>1600</u>	
Printing (letters, handouts, etc.)		<u>200</u>	
Total Officer Expenses			\$ <u>3100</u>

MEETING EXPENSES:

District Annual Meeting	\$	<u>600</u>	
District Spiritual Enrichment		<u>500</u>	
District Officer Training		<u>400</u>	
Other District Events		<u>200</u>	
Total Meeting Expenses			\$ <u>1700</u>

OTHER EXPENSES:

Newsletter 1) Printing	\$	<u>2500</u>	
Newsletter 2) Postage		<u>300</u>	
Resources and Literature		<u>300</u>	
SMR, GTM, & GIM		<u>500</u>	
Local Women Stipend (2)		<u>450</u>	
<small>3 first-timers to Spiritual Growth Retreat, Conference Mission u or Annual Celebration)</small>		<u> </u>	
Miscellaneous		<u>300</u>	
Total Other Expenses			\$ <u>4350</u>

TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES – A & M D \$ 9150

DO NOT ADD OR CHANGE ANY CATEGORIES TO THE ABOVE LIST

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
SUMMARY OF GIVING - ANNUAL
 District: Blue Ridge

YEAR: 2019

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7a	7b	7c	7d	7e	7f	8 & 9	Amount Sent to Conference Treasurer	
Unit Name	Pledge Paid	Special Mission Recognition	Gift to Mission	Gift in Memory	World Thank Offering	Walk for Mission / Other Undesignated Giving	Call to Prayer	A Brighter Future	Assembly Offering	Scarritt-Bennett Center	World Communi on Scholarsh ips	Magazine Fund	National, Inter-national & UMCOR	The Legacy Fund / Other	
1 Abernethy	1,400.00	80.00	130.00	50.00	150.00	187.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2,317.00	
2 Acton	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3 Addles Chapel	825.00	45.00	75.00	75.00	85.00	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	186.90	1,336.90	
4 Alexander (Forest City)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5 Alexander Chapel (Asheville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6 Antioch (Hot Springs)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7 Asbury Memorial	477.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	477.00	
8 Avery's Creek	300.00	40.00	0.00	50.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00	
9 Avondale (Forest City)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
10 Bakersville	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
11 Bald Creek	300.00	40.00	5.00	10.00	223.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	718.00	
12 Balfour	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	
13 Barnardsville	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
14 Barry Temple (Asheville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
15 Bethany (Fairview)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
16 Bethel (Asheville)	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	
17 Bethel (Old Fort)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
18 Bethesda (Asheville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
19 Bethlehem (Mill Spring)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
20 Big Sandy (Leicester)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
21 Bithmore	1,624.00	0.00	150.00	410.00	447.40	115.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	149.52	3,233.92	
22 Black Mountain	1,250.00	40.00	70.00	10.00	462.00	230.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	2,137.00	
23 Bright Hope / Laurel (Mars Hill)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
24 Brown's View / Candler	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
25 Caroleen	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
26 Cedar Grove (Bostic)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
27 Celc (Burnsville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
28 Centennial	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
29 Central (Asheville)	7,180.00	200.00	165.00	75.00	1,780.41	819.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	806.07	11,075.48	
30 Christ (Weaverville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
31 Clark's Chapel / Alexander	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	
32 Cliffside (Morresboro)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
33 Clinchfield (Marion)	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00	
34 Columbus/Tryon	400.00	120.00	0.00	25.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	615.00	
35 Concord (Marion)	600.00	0.00	30.00	35.00	115.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	780.00	
36 Covenant Community (Asheville)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
37 Cross (Marion)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
38 Cummings Memorial (Mills River)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
39 Dana (Dana)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
40 Davis Chapel (Candler)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
41 Dayton Bend (Green Mountain)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
42 Dix Creek	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
43 East Asheville	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
44 East Marion	1,400.00	120.00	215.00	365.00	820.00	189.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	3,159.00	

Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women

2019

Units Contributing in Five Channels of Giving

Addie's Chapel
Bald Creek
Black Mountain
Central (Asheville)
East Marion
First Marion
Fletcher
Mills River
Moore's Grove (Hendersonville)
Mt. Hebron
Oak Grove
Oakley
Piney Mountain
Pleasant Hill (Marion)
Reeve's Chapel
Saluda
Skyland
Snow Hill (Morganton)
St. Paul's
Thermal City (Union Mills)
Weaverville
Windom (Burnsville)

PROPOSED BLUE RIDGE DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

2021 OFFICERS

New officers, officers taking a different position, or officers taking a new two-year term are in **Bold**.

Officers whose names are starred are serving an extended term.

<p><u>President:</u> Gwen Harris (Windom) 215 Grand View Lane Burnsville, NC 28714 (828) 682-4589 gwenaharris68@gmail.com</p>	<p><u>Vice President:</u> Lucy Earls (Oak Grove) 913 Race Path Church Rd. Ellenboro, NC 28040 (828) 453-8566 lpearls@att.net</p>	<p><u>Secretary:</u> Jo Pyatt (East Marion) PO Box 1621 Marion, NC 28752 (828) 652-2530 pyattjo@gmail.com</p>	<p><u>Treasurer:</u> Linda Johns (Skyland) 22 North Oak Terrace Arden, NC 28704 H: (828) 684-9366 C: (828) 712-9266 lljturtle58@gmail.com</p>
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<p><u>Historian:</u> Barbara E. Campbell (St. Paul's) 266 Merrimon Ave. Asheville, NC 28801 (828) 225-0414 charlie585@msn.com</p>			
<u>Committee On Nominations</u>			
<p><u>Chairperson:</u> Thelma McGraw (Skyland UMC) 90 White Pine Drive Fletcher, NC 28732 (828) 684-7106 vtmcgraw@broadriverrehab.com Class of 2022</p>	<p>Vennie Abrams (Tryon Comm. Interdenominational Church) 630 Blackwood Road Columbus, NC 28722 (828) 863-4274 aluvenia@yahoo.com Class of 2021</p>	<p>Bess Redmond (Biltmore UMC) 19 Wright's Cove Trail Fairview, NC 28730 (828) 231-7625 missbess@charter.net Class of 2021</p>	
<p>Donna Anderson (Central UMC) 7 Duncannon Street Weaverville, NC 28787 danderson45@charter.net Class of 2022</p>	<p>Dorothy Johnson (Addie's Chapel) 63 Tomahawk Trail Marion, NC 28752 (828) 738-8148 (828) 460-3778 dot.johnson47@gmail.com Class of 2023</p>	<p>Leith Tate (Black Mtn. UMC) PO Box 208 Montreat, NC 28757 (828) 669-5564 tateleith@gmail.com Class of 2023</p>	
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Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women

2019

Mission Today Units

Abernethy

Addie's Chapel

Bald Creek

Biltmore

Black Mountain

Central

Columbus/Tryon

Concord

East Marion

Fletcher

Gilkey

Groce

Hendersonville First

Mills River

Moore's Grove

Oak Grove

Oakley

Piney Mountain

Saluda

Skyland

St. Paul's

Weaverville

Windom

Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women

2019

Reading Program Participants

Church	Plan I	Plan II	Plan III	Plan IV	Children & Youth
Abernethy	4				
Bald Creek	1				
East Marion	1	2			
Fletcher	4				
Montmorenci	2				
Moore's Grove	6				
Oak Grove	3				
Skyland	2				
St. Paul's	3	1	2	1	
Weaverville	2				
Totals	28	3	2	1	



Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women

2019

Justice Today Report

Gold Unit signifies the unit met 6 or more of the Justice Today actions.

Silver Unit signifies the unit met 4 or more of the Justice Today actions.

Bronze Unit signifies the unit met 2 or more of the Justice Today actions.

<i>Gold Units</i>	<i>Silver Units</i>	<i>Bronze Units</i>
Bald Creek Biltmore Moore's Grove Oak Grove St. Paul's Weaverville	Addie's Chapel Black Mountain Pleasant Grove Windom	Avery's Creek Balfour Central Columbus/Tryon East Marion First Rutherfordton Oakley Piney Mountain Saluda



Blue Ridge District United Methodist Women

2019

Mission Study Report

The following units participated in mission studies:

Church	Study	Type	Attendance
Addie's Chapel	Mission u	SCM	4
Avery's Creek	Mission Study	U	6
Bald Creek	Mission Study	D	1
Biltmore	Mission Study	D	4
Biltmore	Mission u	SCM	2
Black Mountain	Mission Study	D	3
Central	Mission Study	D	2
East Marion	Mission u	SCM	2
Marion First	Mission Study	D	1
Marion First	Mission u	SCM	1
Oak Grove	Mission Study	D	1
Oakley	Mission Study	D	2
Piney Mountain	Mission Study	D	4
Saluda	Mission Study	D	2
St. Paul's	Mission Study	D	3
St. Paul's	Mission u	SCM	3
St. Paul's	Mission Study	U	12
Weaverville	Mission Study	D	1
Weaverville	Mission u	SCM	2
Total Churches	14	Total Attendance	56

SCM: School of Christian Mission, D: District, U: Unit, C: Church

Important Dates for 2020

Blue Ridge District UMW Events for 2020

October 10 Ubuntu Day of Service - various locations
November 14 District Leadership Development Day - Groce UMC

Western North Carolina Conference UMW Events for 2020

September 26-27 2020 Virtual Annual Celebration
October 24 Leadership Development Day - St. Luke's UMC, Hickory
TBA 2020 Virtual Mission u (Study Book - Finding Peace in an
Anxious World)

Legacy Fund

The Legacy Fund, as everyone surely knows by now, is an endowment fund whose aim is to assure the continuation of ministries with women, children, and youth, worldwide, in the next 150 years.

Our Conference and the Blue Ridge District have been Legacy Fund leaders, a tradition we need to continue because the future of United Methodist Women must continue. Below are all the ways you can contribute:

- Make a gift to the Legacy Fund **through your local unit United Methodist Women treasurer.**
- Use our **Western North Carolina Legacy Fund Commitment Form**
- **Online** on the national office website at **unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund**
- **By phone:** 800-278-7771 (8 am-6pm EST, M-F)
- **Text** Legacy150 to 41444
- **By check:** note "Legacy Fund" in memo and mail to:
United Methodist Women, Treasurer's Office 15th
Floor, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115
- **Other methods** include gifts of stock, life insurance, bequests, and other forms of planned giving. If you are interested in making a gift like this, contact the national office at 800-278-7771.

