

TREASURERS' BASICS

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Receive, disburse, and account for all funds of the local unit.
- Develop a plan for receiving circle funds.
- Send all funds except those designated for local missions and A&MD funds to District Treasurer. This should be at least 60% of your Local Unit Budget.
- **Remit reports to District Treasurer each quarter by the following dates:
March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1. Any funds sent to District Treasurer after December 1 will be credited to first quarter of the following year.**
- Special Mission Recognition pins (SMR's) – Order any time, but order 2 months in advance of the date pin is to be presented. Any pins ordered after December 1 will not be processed until January.
- Gift to Mission cards – Order any time from District Treasurer. Minimum amount for each card is \$5.00; however, an amount above that may be sent. Any number of cards may be ordered and in any combination.
- Gift in Memory cards – Order any time from the District Treasurer or from the Mission Resource Center. When card is used, remit a minimum of \$5 per card to the District Treasurer. Do not send the stub from the card to the District Treasurer.
- Report regularly to the local unit.
- Develop local unit budget with Finance Committee/Executive Committee and get approved by local unit.
- Pledge Service – Lead or arrange each year.
- Advise District Treasurer of next year's Pledge to Mission amount as well as name and address of President and Treasurer – include with 4th quarter report.
- Send list of Special Mission Recognition and Gift to Mission recipients as well as a list of persons for whom Gifts in Memory were donated to District Treasurer with 4th quarter report.
- Ensure that canceled checks and bank statements are kept for a minimum of seven years.

GUIDELINES

- Checking account in name of United Methodist Women.
- Do not deposit UMW funds in personal or local church account.
- Ledger – record all deposits and disbursements.
- Pledge Cards – maintain a file of all signed pledge cards for year.
- Balance the books and reconcile the bank statement monthly.
- Empty the Treasury at end of year – except for the minimum amount necessary to carry the unit into the first few months of the year.
- Have books audited at year end with church audit.

The treasurer will be informed concerning the financial responsibility of the unit and the program and responsibilities of the United Methodist Women National Organization.

She will:

1. Receive and disperse funds on order of the unit, account for all funds of the unit and work with the leadership team to develop a plan for receiving funds from individuals or subgroups on a regular basis.
2. Remit all funds, except those designated for mission locally and for local administration and membership development, to the district treasurer. These remittances will be made monthly or quarterly as the conference and/or district organization may direct.
3. Make itemized reports to the unit at regularly scheduled meetings and annual reports to the unit, submit the local unit's books annually to the audit committee of the local church and send an annual itemized statement of all funds to the district treasurer.
4. Chair the Committee on Finance where one exists or, if there is no separate committee, chair the leadership team when dealing with matters related to finance.
5. Serve on the leadership team and other committees when dealing with financial matters.

Western North Carolina UMW website – www.wnccumw.org

United Methodist Women website – www.unitedmethodistwomen.org

Mission Resource Center: 1-800-305-9857 - www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/store

Local Treasurer

Thank you for serving as a local treasurer!

Submit this remittance form with your check to your district conference treasurer.

You may submit the remittance form in several ways:

- Complete the Remittance Form. (To save time, you may fill in the non-changeable items, photocopy the form and then complete that copied form each time.) Photocopy the completed form and mail to your district treasurer
- Download and then mail or e-mail the completed form. The downloadable form is available at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/give/forms, or use carbonless copies forms (#5111, free).

• How to Complete the Remittance Form •

MISSION GIVING—Five Channels of Giving

1. Pledge to Mission: This includes Pledge to Mission and supplementary gifts collected on special occasions.
2. Special Mission Recognition: Insert total from Special Mission Recognition order form. This form may be sent on its own or attached. On the form, indicate the amount (\$40, \$60, \$100, \$200, \$500, \$1,000, or \$2,000) for each order.
3. Gift to Mission: Insert total from Gift to Mission order form. You may order cards from your district treasurer using the Gift to Mission order form. This form may be sent on its own or attached. Cards can be ordered singly (\$5) or in packs of 10 (\$50). Christmas cards are in packs of 5 (\$25).
4. Gift in Memory.
5. World Thank Offering.

SUPPLEMENTARY GIFTS

6. A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial
7. Designated Gifts: A Brighter Future for Children and Youth; Assembly Offering; Scarritt-Bennett Center; Magazine Fund; national, international and UMCOR projects—please provide the names, addresses and amounts. If additional lines are needed, please complete the Supplementary Gifts Details Form.
8. Bequest—please attach a copy of the will or excerpt of the will.

TOTAL REMITTANCE

Fill in check number and insert the total of all items.

Local treasurers: Write a check in the amount shown on the “total remittance” line made payable to the district treasurer. Always put your name and address in the space provided. Keep a copy for your records.



Western North Carolina Conference Glossary of United Methodist Women Terms

So, that's what it means....

- **Action Alerts** – Notices that keep interested individuals informed about important legislation and policies regarding issues of particular concern for United Methodist Women. Sign up to receive Action Alerts at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/act/alerts.
- **A Call to Prayer and Self Denial** – Annual observance which gives local units a chance to study and reflect on a particular theme each year and designate funds for ministries related to that theme.
- **Charge or Cluster Group** – A United Methodist Women group formed by women from more than one church when the number of women from a single church is too small to organize with a basic structure.
- **Charter for Racial Justice** – Based on our belief that all people are created by God and are part of God's family and that each person's value deserves respect and nurture, United Methodist Women are committed to the elimination of institutional racism of all kinds and supports and participates in the worldwide struggle for liberation of all individuals in our churches and communities. This is a global United Methodist Women initiative.
- **Conference** – The organization of United Methodist Women within the bounds of an annual conference of the United Methodist Church. We are part of the Western North Carolina Conference.
- **Deaconess and Home Missioner** – Lay people who have responded to the call of God in their lives and have been commissioned by The United Methodist Church in a lifetime relationship to full-time ministries of love, justice and service.
- **District Unit** – A group formed by women from different churches who choose to meet in locations other than a local church, such as a college or university campus, in a retirement community or local business area.
- **District Member** – A woman who does not have a local or district organization to which she can belong. Upon approval by the district executive committee, she becomes a district member. Through the district, she learns about the events and resources of United Methodist Women and makes her Pledge to Mission.
- **Executive Committee** – The executive committee works as a mission team and is the administrative body of the United Methodist Women on a local, district and conference levels. It facilitates program planning, financial functions and membership development.

Glossary of United Methodist Women Terms Continued

- **Five Channels of Giving** – There are five main ways to financially support the work of United Methodist Women. (Give a minimum of \$5 in each of these channels and your unit will have given in all Five Channels of Giving. Individuals may also give in all five channels.)
 1. **Pledge to Mission:** What we feel led to give from our hearts to make a difference in the lives of women, children and youth each year. This is not considered “dues.” There is no set amount and it is hoped that each year our members will be able to increase their pledge to mission. All of our dollars add up to make mission possible!
 2. **World Thank Offering:** This offering is an opportunity for us to respond to God's abundance and grace with spontaneous gifts of gratitude. These offerings are usually collected during a special service or program.
 3. **Special Mission Recognition:** By giving to this channel, a local unit or an individual is able to honor someone. The gift amounts for pins range from \$40 to \$2,000. However, if a unit does not have \$40 in their budget, it may donate \$5 to this channel and it will have given in this channel of mission giving. (There will not be a pin, but the money will go to mission.) Anyone can be recognized in this way: woman, man, member, non-member, United Methodist or other denomination.
 4. **Gift to Mission:** Make a gift of \$5 or more in honor of a member, friend, family member or anyone. The following cards are available to send to the person you are honoring: Thank-You, A New Baby, In the Service of Christ, A Special Day, Thinking of You, Peace, Happy Birthday, Congratulations and assortment of Christmas cards. These cards can be purchased from local treasurers or at district and conference events.
 5. **Gift in Memory:** Give a gift in memory of a member, friend, family member or anyone. You may get these cards from local treasurers and at district and conference events for free. Then turn in a minimum gift of \$5 for each card when you send one to the family of the deceased. You can use these not only when someone dies, but to remember someone on Mother's Day, Father's Day, etc.
- **International Ministries** – In 2013 Mission Giving funds supported 121 programs carried out by 107 organizations in more than 110 countries.
- **Justice Today** – Our conference initiative to promote study and implementation of the Charter for Racial Justice.
- **Leadership Development** – Elected officers of local units, districts and conferences of United Methodist Women are expected to participate each year in continuing training for their particular responsibilities. These events are sponsored by the districts and conferences.
- **LUV Visit** – LUV stands for Local Unit Visitation. (Some districts call these Nurturing Partner Visits.) This is an opportunity for district and conference officers to come to local units and share information and hear from the local units. No unit is too small for a visit! Officers welcome the chance to do a program or just enjoy fellowship.
- **Mission Giving** – Pledges are given by members to support the mission program of United Methodist Women. With “no strings attached,” these funds are available for use in any part of the mission program of United Methodist Women. (See Five Channels of Giving)
- **Mission Studies** – United Methodist Women equips members for reflection and informed action through educational opportunities and resources. Each year, United Methodist Women members prepare through mission studies on geographical, topical and spiritual topics. These are offered on a district level as well as in local units.

Glossary of United Methodist Women Terms Continued

- **Mission Today** – The purpose of Mission Today is to energize United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study and action. It also seeks to increase contacts between units and mission personnel and mission projects so the United Methodist Women understand where their money goes. It encourages the use of mission resources through United Methodist Women and expands concepts of mission, including social justice as mission. There is a list of options that units can complete to become a Mission Today unit.
- **Mission u** – A mission education initiative held annually (July in the Western North Carolina Conference) using the mission studies produced by the United Methodist Women National Office.
- **National Mission Institutions** – These institutions provide much needed services to their communities, and many have historical relationships with United Methodist Women. Nearly 100 institutions are located across the United States, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. They are community centers, schools, colleges, health care facilities and women's residents offering a variety of services. United Methodist Women locally and through their gifts to mission support National Mission Institutions.
- **Nurturing Partner** – A district officer that is teamed up with a local unit with the intention of forming a relationship. This partnership makes communication easier and allows for flow of information to and from the local unit.
- **Prayer Calendar** – The Prayer Calendar features illustrations created by children who work with projects that are supported by United Methodist Women's Mission Giving. It also includes personal reflections from missionaries, deaconesses and other mission personnel. Missionaries, deaconesses, other missional personnel and staff members are listed on their birthdays so they may be lifted in prayer. Also included daily are names of International and National Mission Institutions.
- **Program Book** – This features a collection of programs for use in local units and circles that inspire peace, encourage us to care for the environment, teach about reconciliation, restorative justice, current events etc. Included is the Call to Prayer and Self-Denial program and Pledge Service.
- **Reading Program** – A program of the United Methodist Women that encourages members to expand their understanding of and participation in God's mission through the reading and/or study of books that are selected each year. There are five categories of books. More information is available from your Secretary of Program Resources on a local, district or conference level.
- **response Magazine** – The official magazine of United Methodist Women produced eleven times a year. It is the voice of women in mission and is intended for every member of the organization. See the conference website for subscription information (www.wnccumw.org).
- **Scholarships** – The Scholarship Program is funded by the General Scholarship Fund and seven endowed scholarships. Scholarships assist members of the United Methodist Church who live in the bounds of the Western North Carolina Conference obtaining an undergraduate degree. Most scholarships require that the recipient pursue an academic course leading to a church-related vocation such as Christian Educator. Recipients must attend one of the five United Methodist-related colleges or universities located in the Western North Carolina Conference.
- **Ubuntu Journeys** – Ubuntu is an African word and proverb meaning, "I am human because you are human." Ubuntu Journeys are short-term mission service opportunities for women.
 - In the Western North Carolina Conference we have an Ubuntu Day of service. We serve at the five National Mission Institutions located in our conference: Bennett College, Bethlehem Center Charlotte, Bethlehem Center Winston-Salem, Brooks-Howell Home and Pfeiffer University.

Glossary of United Methodist Women Terms Continued

- **United Methodist Women National Office** – United Methodist Women, Inc. is the official title of what was formerly known as Women's Division. The National Office provides support and structure for the mission of United Methodist Women at all levels of the organization.
- **United Methodist Women News** – This is a quarterly newspaper written by members and for members sharing their stories in mission. Read how faith, hope and love are put into action!

Many questions can be answered on our website, www.wnccumw.org or the national website, www.unitedmethodistwomen.org or by contacting a district or conference officer. See your district and conference newsletters for a complete list of officers.

Local Unit → District → Conference → National Office

8 Western North Carolina Conference Districts:

Appalachian
Blue Ridge
Catawba Valley
Metro
Northern Piedmont
Smoky Mountain
Uwharrie
Yadkin Valley

Adapted from *United Methodist Women Handbook 2013 - 2016*

August 2015

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION ABOUT UMW MONEY

Why shouldn't a local or district unit give to the church?

Monies raised under the banner of United Methodist Women should be used for mission with women, children and youth.

As a reminder – the local unit's budget consists of three main categories: Pledge to Mission, Administration and Membership Development (A&MD) and Mission Locally.

There is no "right" proportion of the budget for each of these categories. Traditionally, 60 percent of the budget is for the Pledge to Mission. Some units find this percentage too small, while others find it too large. The final decision rests with the local unit itself.

Most Pleasant United Methodist Women

Sample Budget

Yearly Budget

Pledge to Mission	1,935.00
Special Mission Recognitions	150.00
Gift to Mission Cards	50.00
Gifts in Memory	50.00
World Thank Offering	78.00
Call to Prayer & Self Denial	65.00
A Brighter Future for Children & Youth	75.00
Faith Meets Life	25.00
Conference General Scholarship Fund	50.00
Conference Love Offering	90.00
District Love Offering	90.00
Conference Annual Meeting - Delegate (President)	100.00
Conference Annual Meeting - First Timer	100.00
Spiritual Enrichment Retreat - First Timer	75.00
School of Christian Mission - Mission Education and Interpretation Coordinator	75.00
School of Christian Mission - First Timer	75.00
UMW Sunday/Member Friend Banquet	150.00
Reading Program Books	125.00
Flowers, fruit baskets, etc.	50.00
Migrant Students School Bags	100.00
Mission Studies	100.00
Hands-On Mission Project (postage)	100.00
Program Resources	125.00
Babysitting	100.00
Miscellaneous (stamps, etc)	50.00
Total	<u>3,983.00</u>

(Suggested items that may be on a Local Unit Budget)

UMW UNIT PLEDGE FORM
YEAR: 2021

Please return with your 2020 4th Quarter Remittance
or as soon as available.

To: Margaret Hepler
Northern Piedmont UMW District Treasurer
2161 Orchard Trail
Thomasville, NC 27360
(336) 472-6180
mlandcbh@northstate.net

Unit Name _____ Unit Address _____

2021 Pledge to Mission \$ _____ (To be paid by December 1, 2021)

(2021) Local President's Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

New _____ or Continuing _____ President (check one)

(2021) Local Unit Treasurer's Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

New _____ or Continuing _____ Treasurer (check one)



Photo: Francois Omenyondo

Mission Giving Pledge Card

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Pledge: _____

For the coming year, I pledge \$ _____

to be paid: monthly quarterly other

UMW MEMBER: Please fill out and return this card to your unit treasurer.

As a member of United Methodist Women, I celebrate and commit to supporting United Methodist Women's local, national and global outreach.

Mission Giving Makes Mission Happen!



Photo: Laurel Akin

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Mission Giving Makes Mission Happen!



GIFT TO MISSION ORDER FORM FOR LOCAL AND DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Local treasurers order Gift to Mission cards from district treasurers singly or in packs of 10 cards. \$5 per card or \$50 per pack of 10 cards. Christmas cards can be ordered in packs of 5 cards. Minimum \$25 per pack of 5 cards.

Local Unit: _____	District: _____
Conference: _____	Period from: _____ To: _____

TYPE OF CARD	No. Cards	No. Packs	SENDER ADDRESS	AMOUNT
 New baby (10) M7007				
 Congratulations (10) M7003				
 Peace (10) M7006				
 In the service of Christ (10) M7005				
 On your special day (10) M7008				
 Thank you! (10) M7004				
 Thinking of you (10) M7002				
 NEW Thinking of you (10) M7011				
 NEW Happy birthday variety pack (5) M7009				
 NEW Christmas variety pack (5) M7010				

Local treasurers: Send form to your district treasurer.	Total amount of order: \$ _____
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Keep a copy for your records. Always put your name and address in the space provided.

Treasurer: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

E-mail: _____ **Date:** _____

THE LEGACY FUND

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



United Methodist Women has a rich legacy as a mission movement since 1869, and we are building for the next 150 years of service in God's mission on behalf of women, children and youth in communities down the street and around the world.

Make your Legacy Fund gift today!

Please retain for your records
**Western North Carolina Conference
United Methodist Women**



My/Our Legacy Fund gift:

Every member is encouraged to make a gift to The Legacy Fund of at least \$18.69 per year, over and above her Pledge to Mission, for five years. And, every local unit is challenged to make a gift to The Legacy Fund of \$186.90 per year, for five years, in addition to individual member gifts.

- \$1,869 \$500 \$300 \$200 \$186.90 \$50 \$18.69 Other _____
 monthly annually beginning _____20____ (month/year)

Turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action since 1869.

All donations tax-deductible. Give your Legacy Fund commitment form and your gift to your local United Methodist Women treasurer.

Cut along dotted line / Keep top portion

Yes! I want to celebrate United Methodist Women's 150th anniversary and help ensure we continue to put faith, hope and love into action for another 150 years.

Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

My/Our Legacy Fund gift:

- \$1,869 \$500 \$300 \$200 \$186.90 \$50 \$18.69 Other _____
 enclosed monthly annually beginning _____20____

In honor / memory of _____

Please contact me about including United Methodist Women in my **estate planning**.

Please contact me about the **major gift program**.

Name: _____ Local Church Name/City: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Conference: *Western North Carolina Conference* District: _____

Give your Legacy Fund commitment form and your gift to your local United Methodist Women treasurer.

Frequently Asked Questions about The Legacy Fund / 150th Anniversary Celebration:



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.

Our Western North Carolina Every Local Unit Legacy Fund Goal:

That every local unit of
United Methodist Women
make a gift to
The Legacy Fund
of at least
\$186.90 per year,
for five years,
in addition to
individual member gifts.

How do I get a Legacy 150 pin?

When you turn in a Commitment
Card, you will receive a pin at
your district annual meeting.

What is The Legacy Fund?

- A key element of the 150th Anniversary celebration in 2019.
- A designated fund (endowment) of the national office of United Methodist Women. (Only interest can be expended.)

What is the purpose of The Legacy Fund?

- To assure the continuation of ministries with women, children and youth, worldwide, into the next 150 years.
- To enable United Methodist Women to respond more adequately to new and emerging needs.
- To minimize the risk of severe budget fluctuation in years of recession, regional financial crisis, or change in giving by the membership.

How will the funds be used?

- The total program of United Methodist Women is mission. Interest from The Legacy Fund will be added to Mission Giving funds to formulate the national budget of United Methodist Women. (Mission Giving is the largest source of that budget which includes grants to National Mission Institutions such as the Bethlehem Centers in Charlotte and Winston-Salem, international programs and projects, program resource production, training, and more.)

Why should I give to The Legacy Fund?

- The Legacy Fund is OUR special anniversary gift to future United Methodist Women members and ministries.
- To “pass on” the legacy we have inherited. “To stake out our legacy for future generations.” (January 2015 response, page 3). Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India, is an outgrowth of the work of the first missionary of our organization. The College motto is: “We Receive to Give.”
- Because we believe in the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women and want our daughters, granddaughters, nieces and friends to share our sense of meaningful “sisterhood.”
- To be part of the joyous celebration in 2019 culminating 150 years of ministry.

How does the money get to the National Office?

- Gifts are given to the local treasurer who sends the Legacy Fund money and commitment cards to the District treasurer following regular procedures. There is a line on the local treasurer Remittance form for The Legacy Fund.

Does a Legacy Fund gift count for the individual or Unit Pledge to Mission Giving?

- No. This is a special additional gift to celebrate the 150th anniversary. In fact, it is critical that we sustain and even increase our Pledge to Mission Giving during this five year campaign; the needs have never been greater.

How do we give? Annually? All at once? What about non-cash gifts?

- Each person can determine her schedule of giving; any schedule is appropriate.
- Non-cash gifts of stock, property, life insurance, etc., can be given through the United Methodist Women National Office. Contact the Treasurer’s office at 212-870-3740.



For more information visit:

Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women - www.wnccumw.org/legacyfund
United Methodist Women National Office - www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/give



Western North Carolina Conference
2021 LOVE OFFERING & FINANCIAL GOAL

Love Offering

**A Gift to Mission in honor of our members' Faithful Commitment to Mission Giving,
through good times and pandemic times**

Financial Goal

**Each unit will make at least one Gift to Mission of at least \$5.00, using any cards they
have, in honor of one person in Mission listed in either the Prayer Calendar or a
response magazine article.**

Ideas for Interpretation:

- Any unit can do...at least \$5.00 Gift to Mission to treasurer
- Main Concept...Participation in Gift to Mission channel
- Use any greeting card they have (of course including Gift to Mission cards), and give at least \$5.00 to their treasurer / to district treasurer
- Includes using e-giving for Gift to Mission / Email any kind of e-card & make a Gift to Mission
- Interpretation to say Gift to Mission cards are important...still encourage use, but the Gift is the most important thing. In absence of availability of cards, especially in a pandemic, alternative way to do Gift to Mission

Sincerely,

Your WNCC UMW Team



Mission Today 2020 – Revised due to COVID-19

United Methodist Women Western North Carolina Conference

MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Become a Mission Today Unit!!

NEW IN 2020: (Changes are highlighted in yellow.)

Mission Today Gold – Complete 10 criteria: 6 with asterisks (*) and 4 other.**

Mission Today Silver - Complete 8 criteria: 4 with asterisks (*) and 4 other.**

Mission Today Bronze - Complete 6 criteria: 4 with asterisks (*) and 2 other.**

**Note: "Other" may also include items with asterisks (*).

The purpose of promoting a Mission Today Unit is to:

Energize United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study and action. Increase contacts between units and mission personnel and mission projects so the United Methodist Women understand where their money goes. Encourage the use of mission resources through United Methodist Women. Expand concepts of mission, including social justice as mission.

What is a Unit?

A unit is any organized group of United Methodist Women within a church or district. Some units are composed of several circles, which periodically get together for a unit meeting.

How Do We Become a Mission Today Unit?

In order to be recognized as a Mission Today Unit, (Gold, Silver or Bronze) UMW units must complete a number of the following criteria as indicated above. Activities conducted between January 1-December 31, 2020, will be recognized at annual meetings in 2021. This is an ongoing program, so strive to become a Mission Today Unit!

CRITERIA:

***1. The Unit will make a Pledge to Mission.**

- *2. The unit will use the Prayer Calendar at each general meeting or circle meeting of the unit to pray for persons in mission and our mission work with women, children and youth. A new Prayer Calendar is printed each year and may be ordered from the Mission Resource Center.
- *3. The unit will use at least two programs from the Program Book during the year. A new Program Book is printed every year and may be ordered from the Mission Resource Center.
- *4. The unit or circle will conduct or participate in at least one mission study each year. Contact your district or conference Mission Coordinator for Education & Interpretation to learn what the studies are for each year. (If members of your unit attend the conference Mission u or your District Mission Study and your unit takes an action growing out of the study, Gift to Mission, ministry related to the study, etc., your unit will meet this criteria.)
- *5. The unit will have at least two members subscribing to *response* (1 member subscribing with units less than 15 members; Local unit subscription may count as one.) Order information is printed at bottom of page 2. \$24.00 for a one-year print subscription (includes digital subscription); \$20 for a one-year digital only subscription.
- *6. The unit will implement the Charter for Racial Justice in at least two ways during the year. Possibilities are:
 - a. Have members read and discuss books and articles about other races and cultures;
 - b. Sponsor or attend an interethnic event between two or more units;
 - c. Intentionally recruit women of other ethnic groups to be members and officers of the unit;
 - d. Use the Resources for Racial Justice Available on our conference website on the "Downloads Available" page under "Mission Resources."
 - e. Write to elected representatives to support legislation affecting issues such as immigration, affirmative action, low-income programs, civil rights, etc.If you are a "Justice Today" unit, you have met this criteria. See "Downloads Available" on conference website.
- *7. The unit will have a program and/or complete an action addressing one of the Issue Priorities for 2016-2020. These are 1. Climate Justice; 2. Maternal and Child Health, 3. Criminalization of Communities of Color and Mass Incarceration; and 4. Economic Inequality. Find information at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/general-conference/issuepriorities2016-20
- *8. The unit will add at least two new members (one member for units with less than 15 members) to its roll.

- *9. The unit will have one program from the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church 2017-2020. Available at www.Cokesbury.com for \$3.99 plus tax and shipping.
- *10. The unit will contribute to all Five Channels of Mission Giving.
- *11. The UMW Purpose will be recited at each general and/or circle meeting.
- *12. The unit will contribute \$186.90 or more to the Legacy Fund in 2020.
- 13. At least one member of the unit will attend Mission u and report back to the unit on classes and events they experienced. **Virtual participation qualifies as attending.**
- 14. At least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) will attend the district or conference annual meeting and report back to the unit about the event and what they experienced. **Virtual participation qualifies.**
- 15. The unit will have at least one person joining the United Methodist Women's Action Network to receive and respond to legislative information at least three (3) times a year. To join, contact the United Methodist Women Washington Office, 100 Maryland Avenue NE, Room 100, Washington, DC 20002. Phone #: 202-488-5660 or Visit: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/action Attach the issue and action that was taken to Mission Today report.
- 16. Members will correspond with five persons listed in the Prayer Calendar at least once a year.
- 17. The unit will co-sponsor, with the local church, a Children's Sabbath. (This is a worship service highlighting the needs of children.) The United Methodist Women National Office and the Council of Bishops support this effort. Children's Sabbath materials are on our national website: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org Type "Children's Sabbath" in the search box.
- 18. Each unit or circle meeting will include a "**response** Moment" where an item from **response** magazine will be lifted up as a way to tell the mission story.
- 19. The unit will sponsor one teen member (ages 12 to 17) and/or one young woman member (ages 18 to 39) to at least one conference event during the year.
- 20. At least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) will attend a district Prayer Breakfast, district Day Apart, conference Spiritual Growth Retreat, or any other special district or conference event other than Ubuntu Day. **Virtual participation in any of these events qualify as attending.**
- 21. At least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) will participate in an Ubuntu Day Event. **Units may develop their own UBUNTU event in their communities.**
- 22. At least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) will complete Plan 1 of the Reading Program and give a report to the unit on one of the books read.
- 23. The unit will invite a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one of the unit meetings during the year and/or for their United Methodist Women's Sunday. This Qualifies as a Local Unit Visit (LUV).
- 24. The unit will add one new teen (ages 12 to 17) and/or one young woman (ages 18 to 39) circle during the year, or one new teen member (ages 12 to 17) or one new young woman member (ages 18 to 39) during the year.
- 25. 100% of the unit's active members will make a gift of at least \$18.69 to the Legacy Fund
- 26. The 2020 Conference Financial Goal is: To increase unit pledge giving by at least \$5.00 per member. The unit will help accomplish the goal by increasing giving in this channel by at least \$5.00 per member over 2019.
- 27. Each unit will be responsible for supporting at least one local mission project and participate in one Conference Hands-on Mission Project during the year. The local project should be listed on your Mission Today report.

Be a Mission Today Unit!

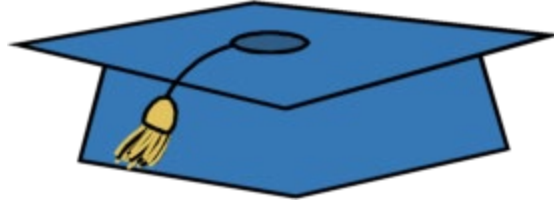
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SUPPORT THE WNCUMW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Do you know a student that is a member of one of the WNC United Methodist Churches?

Will they attend one of our conference institutions (Bennett College, Brevard College, Greensboro College, High Point University, Pfeiffer University) for the fall semester 2021?

Then they are eligible to apply for a WNCUMW scholarship!

Applications should be requested by contacting the scholarship committee chairperson:

Cathy McCauley
6835-A Farmingdale Drive
Charlotte NC 28212

Phone: 704-965-6566

Email: cathymc855@yahoo.com

Applications are due to the committee by March 1, 2021. Interviews will be conducted on Saturday March 20, 2021.

YOU can support our scholarship program by:

Referring students.

Praying for our students and conference institutions.

Contributing to the general scholarship fund as districts, units, circles and individuals.

Please contact me if you need additional information.

Blessings,
Cathy McCauley
Scholarship Committee Chairperson

SCHOLARSHIPS

For Northern Piedmont UM Women

2021 APPLICATION

Three scholarships of \$150 each to conference Spiritual Growth Retreat, Mission u, or conference Annual Celebration to a member of United Methodist Women who has not previously attended the event for which she is selected will be given this year by our district. Each unit is encouraged to submit a name(s) from their local unit of someone who will be a first-time attendee. Three members from the same unit may apply. Young women ages 12-15 are also eligible. Complete this form and attach a short biographical sketch including why you want to attend. The scholarships are for \$150 per person and this should cover most of the expenses per event.

Please return to the District President or District Treasurer by August 15, 2021.

Name: _____ Church: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Adult: _____ Youth: _____

Please check which scholarship you are applying for:

_____ Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska June 11-13, 2021

_____ Mission "u", Pfeiffer University July 15-18, 2021

_____ Conference Annual Meeting September 10-12, 2021
Lake Junaluska

Mail to: Sandrea Williamson, President 336-681-7258
 6024 Tammanary Dr.
 Greensboro, NC 27455 stbw1948@gmail.com

Or to: Margaret Hepler, Treasurer 336-472-6180
 2161 Orchard Trail
 Thomasville, NC 27360 mlandcbh@northstate.net

Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women
2021 Calendar for Local Treasurers

January	February	March	April
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Send Names and Contact Information for Unit's 2021 President and Treasurer and 2021 Pledge if that was not done in 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> If Unit has several Circles, arrange process for collecting Circle Pledge, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory and Special Mission Recognition orders and monies <input type="checkbox"/> Begin collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1st Quarter Letter due from District Treasurer with instructions for 1st Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mid Month begin preparing 1st Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mail 1st Quarter Remittance forms and check to arrive to District Treasurer by March 1. See instruction letter for what to include. <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> 28th End of First Quarter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account
May	June	July	August
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd Quarter Letter due from District Treasurer with instructions for 2nd Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> 5-15 General Conference , Minneapolis, MN <input type="checkbox"/> Mid Month begin preparing 2nd Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mail 2nd Quarter Remittance forms and check to arrive to District Treasurer by June 1. See instruction letter for what to include. <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> 31st End of Second Quarter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 11th-13th - Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska <input type="checkbox"/> 17th – 20th UMC Annual Conference, Lake Junaluska <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 15th – 18th Mission u Pfeiffer University <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd Quarter Letter due from District Treasurer with instructions for 3rd Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mid Month begin preparing 3rd Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mail 3rd Quarter Remittance forms and check to arrive to District Treasurer by September 1. See instruction letter for what to include. <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> 29th – Sept. 7 UMC General Conference – Minneapolis, MN <input type="checkbox"/> 31st End of Third Quarter
September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 10th-12th - Conference Annual Meeting, Lake Junaluska <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 2 & 9th Ubuntu Day of Service <input type="checkbox"/> Continue collecting Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> Gather information for and Begin Developing 2020 Unit Budget. <input type="checkbox"/> Present and get approval for 2020 Unit Budget in October or November. <input type="checkbox"/> Along with other Unit officers or members, prepare to attend the Local Leader Development Day sponsored by the District Officers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 4th Quarter Letter due from District Treasurer with instructions for 4th Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize collection of Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> Mid Month begin preparing 4th Quarter Remittance <input type="checkbox"/> Mail 4th Quarter Remittance forms and check to arrive to District Treasurer by December 1. See instruction letter for what to include. <input type="checkbox"/> Include Name and Contact information of 2020 President and Treasurer and 2020 Pledge. <input type="checkbox"/> 30th End of Fourth Quarter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize 2020 Treasurer Records. If Unit has new incoming President or Treasurer, change signatory information on checking account. Both Treasurer and President must be signatories. <input type="checkbox"/> Begin Collecting 2021 Pledge and other monies and deposit in Unit UMW Checking Account

Throughout the year, as requested by unit or individual members, remit SMR orders with payments to District Treasurer.