



4th Quarter Issue 2021

Metro Media

The voice for the United Methodist Women of the Metro District,
Western North Carolina Conference.

As we come to the last quarter of 2021, thank you all for continuing to come up with ways to stay socially distanced while still working to fulfill the mission of United Methodist Women—for a second year. We are using technology for virtual meetings and more recently may have found ways to hold small in-person meetings while still staying safe.

The end of my tenure as your president is quickly approaching. It has been a privilege and honor to serve in this capacity. I have visited many local units and met many of my UMW sisters—and everywhere I have seen women in mission addressing the needs of women, children, and youth. You make me immensely proud.

However, our year is not over yet. Opportunities are still available during the next few months:

Ubuntu (see page 5)—The Alliance Center for Education (formerly Bethlehem Center Charlotte) needs help creating the Holiday Stars on October 9. To participate: contact Lynda Morris lfmorrisap@aol.com. You may alternatively choose to volunteer at the Mission Response Center on October 9. Contact Linda Greer at jacklindagreer@bellsouth.net for more info. If you hold your own event, please notify Renee Hayes, WNCC UMW ME&I, at Renee.hayes1956@gmail.com, and tell her where you volunteered and how many participated.

Metro District UMW Leadership Development Day—All local officers are invited to participate in a Zoom meeting Saturday, November 20 at 10:00 a.m. This is a time of sharing new information with local officers and for local officers to share concerns and suggestions with each other. All Metro District UMW local officers, except Treasurers who will be meeting separately, will meet jointly to hear about every office. Whether you are new or “seasoned”, we encourage you to attend. There is no long distance to travel—only to your computer, laptop, notepad, or phone. Hope to “see” you there. Please register today at: <https://wnccumw.org/districts/lddlocalunitofficers2021/>

End of Year Reports: You will find all the EOY Reports included in this newsletter. Also included is the form for your 2022 officer information. Officers, please complete all relevant forms for your unit and return them to **Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079 or email to nward001@carolina.rr.com by December 15.** It has been another difficult year, but you have persevered and may surprise yourselves with what you have been able to accomplish. Forms will also be emailed and will be able to be downloaded from www.wnccumw.org.

Thank you for your support over the past 4 years! Please continue to support your district and conference. Together we can continue to live out our mission of Faith, Hope, and Love in Action!

Blessings to you all! Take care and stay safe!

Lynda Morris, President

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Social Action

Women of Faith, you can interrupt the school-to-prison pipeline by putting your Faith, Hope and Love into action for Children and Youth by encouraging your Federal Representatives to support the following two pieces of legislation.

Counseling Not Criminalization in Schools Act (H.R.4011/S.2125) which shifts federal funding away from school-based policing to student counseling using evidence-based, age-appropriate and trauma informed practices.

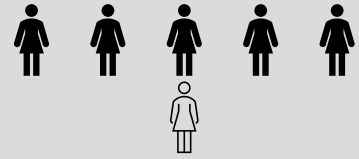
Ending Pushout Act (H.R.2248) creates a \$2.5 billion fund to incentivize schools and states to abandon unfair and discriminatory disciplinary policies and practices that push children of color out of the classroom; strengthens civil right monitoring and enforcement; and establishes a task force to address school pushout, with particular attention to the needs of girls of color.

You can be a part of the solution by spreading the word about these opportunities to interrupt the school-to-prison pipeline: Support The Ending PUSHOUT Act and The Counseling Not Criminalization in Schools Act by clicking this link: <https://p2a.co/TWPTXvS>

Thank You,

Sylvia Sekle-Dueh
Social Action
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African American girls are
6x more likely to be
suspended from school
than white girls.



For African American boys,
it is 3x



31% of children and youth experiencing
school-based arrests and law enforcement referrals
are African Americans, though they make up only
15% of total enrollment



Metro UMW & WNCC UMW Calendar Please save these dates

October 9

UBUNTU

Mission Response Center 8973 Greenwood Rd., Terrell, NC 28682

Two sessions: 9:00 am or 12 noon

Alliance Center for Education 6450 Tuckaseegee Rd, Charlotte 10:00 am

November 20

Metro District Leadership Development Day

Virtual Meeting

10:00 am

Vice President

Opportunities to Faithfully Meet Challenges continue to present themselves!! Metro District United Methodist Women (UMW) held its first virtual Annual Celebration in August and we are grateful to the St Stephen United Methodist Church Administrative Staff and UMW President; the Western North Carolina Conference Administrative and Technical Teams, Reverend Holly Cobb McKim, Hudson United Methodist Church, and the Metro District Mission Team for graciously facilitating eleventh-hour changes to ensure a meaningful celebration while maintaining COVID safety.

The event was blessed with an expert tech team, beautiful music, a streamlined officer presentation, voting, and officer installation and special recognitions reaffirming our diversity and purpose. We also reviewed our contribution to mission, both local and global, and heard an inspiring, timely message highlighting United Methodist Women's adaptability to challenges. The 2020 Reports were evidence of the determination, commitment, and resourcefulness of United Methodist Women to uphold the work for women, children, and youth during unprecedented times. We encourage you to continue online meetings and, when appropriate, in-person meetings to stay connected with your United Methodist Women Sisters.

Prayfully consider becoming the Metro District Vice President for 2022-2023. The 2022 Metro District Annual Celebration has been confirmed for August 27, 2022, at Harrisburg United Methodist Church in Harrisburg, NC.

Blessings for a safe and healthy fall and holiday season,
Nancy Ward, Vice President



FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

Metro District Annual Celebration: *Faithfully Meeting Challenges* August 28, 2021 ***Evaluation***

One new thing I learned from the program and one new thing I will share with others:

I understood the message of our speakers : Yes ___ No ___
This is my first Metro District Annual Celebration: Yes ___ No ___
Age: ___ Under 30 ___ 31 - 49 ___ 50 - 65 ___ Over 65
My UMW unit would be interested in hosting a Metro District UMW event: If 'Yes,' identify Church Name and Event(s): Mission Study, Prayer Breakfast, Annual Celebration

What about this year's Metro District Annual Celebration did you most enjoy?

What can we improve upon for our next Metro District Annual Celebration?

Additional comments for our Metro District Leadership Team

Please return your completed survey to: nward001@carolina.rr.com or print and mail to: Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079.

Treasurer

Peace in Christ to you all. THANK YOU all for your faithful support of the United Methodist Women's mission work. Through your commitment and generosity, we have submitted the funds for our third quarter 2021 Metro District remittances per this table.

In addition to giving spiritually to the United Methodist Women, you are encouraged to support the United Methodist Women Legacy Fund to keep our organization strong and viable for the next 150 years. As a permanently invested endowment, The Legacy Endowment Fund will forever be a source of income for United Methodist Women, providing the assurance that United Methodist Women can provide the life-affirming, compassionate care and support that heals, restores, and empowers populations of women, children, and youth for years and decades to come. To be a part of this mission, use the Western North Carolina Conference Legacy Commitment form, available on our conference site www.wnccumw.org/legacyfund

We take great pride in being fiscally responsible and being a volunteer community of Women in Christ.

Pledge to Mission	\$ 8,838.00
Special Mission Recognition	800.00
Gift to Mission	1,779.60
Gift in Memory	845.00
World Thank Offering	50.00
Call to Prayer and Self-Denial	406.00
The Legacy Fund	808.39
TOTAL	\$13,526.99

Together in Missions,

Kim Shafer

Treasurer

kimshafermetroumw@outlook.com

Turn It Up!



Photo by Paul Jeffery

Assembly 2022 is only eight months away! Join us in Orlando May 20-22, 2022, for this inspirational event that happens only once every four years. Care for your spirit through deep worship experiences, be inspired by dynamic speakers, connect with women leaders in workshops and town halls, organize for justice by action and service, and bond with our sisterhood while dancing for joy.

There is nothing like Assembly! Early registration is open. Visit Assembly2022.org to learn more, register to attend, sign up for updates and help spread the word!



UBUNTU Day of Service

Saturday, October 9, 2021

In 2021, the Metro District offers three ways to be a part of UBUNTU. Join a planned event at either the Mission Response Center or at the Alliance Center for Education events or hold your own Do-It-Yourself UBUNTU at the Unit or small group level. Please note that no standing or lifting is required for either of the planned events. If you hold your own event, please notify Renee Hayes, WNCC UMW ME&I, at Renee.hayes1956@gmail.com, and tell her where you volunteered and how many participated.

Mission Response Center

8973 Greenwood Road, Terrell, NC 28682 (near Mooresville)



Two sessions:

- 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Lunch 11:00– 12:00 noon
(Bring your own or visit a nearby restaurant.)
- 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.

You may choose to work one session or both sessions.

Due to COVID Protocol, masks are required and the number of workers per session is limited to 20. Contact Linda Greer if you plan to participate or have questions: 828-244-2251 or jacklindagreer@bellsouth.net



Alliance Center for Education

Holiday Stars



The Alliance Center for Education event will be held at the AC4Ed Mulberry Center at 6450 Tuckaseegee Rd, in Charlotte beginning at 10:00 am. The activity is to prepare the Holiday Stars for distribution to the local units.

Please bring your own scissors and a mask to wear while you are there. Registration is required and there is a limit of 25 participants.

Register by emailing Lynda Morris at lfmorrisap@aol.com or calling 704-847-2521



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Vice President (2021-2022)

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New Officers for 2022

President (2022-2023)

Nancy Ward
Matthews

Vice President (2022-2023)

Open

ME&I (2022-2023)

Sylvia Sekle-Dueh
Hickory Grove

Spiritual Growth

Jo T Boyd
Simpson-Gillespie

Social Action (2022-2023)

Loretta Wilson
Hickory Grove

Historian

To be Appointed

Nominations (2025)

Susan McDonald
Williamson's Chapel

Conference Advisor

To be Appointed

2021 Metro District UMW Nurturing Partners

Church	Partner	Church	Partner
Aldersgate	Debbie Eudy	Mill Grove (Indian Trail)	Nancy Ward
Assurance	Kim Shafer	Morrows Chapel	Judy Cline
Bethpage	Judy Cline	Mount Mitchell	Nancy Litton
Broad Street	Lynda Morris	Mount Olivet	Martha Hyler
Calvary	Kelly McKinnon	Mount Pleasant	Lynda Morris
Centenary	Sylvia Sekle-Dueh	Myers Park	Sylvia Sekle-Dueh
Center	Kay Jones	North Davidson	Linda Davidson
Central (Charlotte)	Sylvia Sekle-Dueh	North Kannapolis	Judy Cline
Central (Concord)	Jatana Royster	Oak Grove (Char)	Donna Varner
Central (Mooresville)	Kim Shafer	Oak Grove (CG)	Kim Shafer
Christ	Kim Shafer	Pineville	Nancy Ward
Cokesbury	Sylvia Sekle-Dueh	Pleasant Grove	Donna Varner
Cold Springs	Martha Hyler	Providence	Lynda Morris
Commonwealth	Debbie Eudy	Roberta	Jatana Royster
Covenant	Donna Varner	Rock Grove	Jamie Stirewalt
Davidson	Lynda Morris	Rocky Mount	Kim Shafer
Dilworth	Delta Sonderman	Rocky Ridge	Kay Jones
Epworth	Nancy Litton	Royal Oaks	Martha Hyler
Fair View	Lynda Morris	Simpson-Gillespie	Kelly McKinnon
Faith (Mooresville)	Jamie Stirewalt	South Tryon	Sylvia Casey
First (China Grove)	Jamie Stirewalt	SouthPark	Donna Varner
First Hmong	Kim Shafer	St Andrews	Debbie Eudy
Forest Hill	Kay Jones	St Francis	Delta Sonderman
Friendship	Martha Hyler	St Marks	Sylvia Casey
Harrisburg	Nancy Ward	St Paul (Mooresville)	Lynda Morris
Hickory Grove	Linda Davidson	St Stephen	Debbie Eudy
Hunters Chapel	Linda Davidson	Thrift	Debbie Eudy
Huntersville	Linda Davidson	Trinity (Charlotte)	Donna Varner
Indian Trail	Nancy Ward	Trinity (Kannapolis)	Jamie Stirewalt
Jackson Park	Judy Cline	Vanderburg	Lynda Morris
Matthews	Delta Sonderman	Westford	Kay Jones
Memorial (Charlotte)	Delta Sonderman	Williamsons Chapel	Kim Shafer
Memorial (Kannapolis)	Jamie Stirewalt	Woodlawn Community	Delta Sonderman
Midway	Nancy Litton	Zion	Nancy Ward

Your Metro Nurturing Partners are here to help. Please welcome them when they call or visit, and feel free to contact your Partner, or any of the Metro Officers with your questions, ideas, or concerns.

Metro District United Methodist Women
2022 LOCAL UNIT OFFICERS
Please type or print clearly

Unit Name: _____ Submitted by: _____

Church Address: _____ Church Phone: _____

Church City: _____ Church Zip: _____

(Place an asterisk * next to the address or email to indicate how newsletters should be sent.)

Office	Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Email
President					
Vice President					
Secretary					
Treasurer					
Nominations Chair					
Spiritual Growth					
Mission Education & Interpretation					
Social Action					

Membership Nurture & Outreach					
Program Resources					
Communications					
Historian					
Parliamentarian					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Pastor					

**Metro District United Methodist Women
2021 Membership Form**

Please review and complete the information below regarding membership in your unit. This form must be returned to the address below by **December 15, 2021**:

Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079, or nward001@carolina.rr.com

Church/Unit Name: _____

Church Address: _____

Unit President First and Last Name: _____

Unit President Phone and email: _____

Number of members (as of 1/1/2021)	
Number of NEW members added this year	
Number of members lost by death or other reasons	
Final number of members (as of 12/2021)	

Name of person reporting this data: _____

Position of person reporting the data: _____

Phone and email: _____

Each Local Unit is asked to complete the Census questions as they relate to your unit on the national website at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org

If you have questions or need help, please feel free to contact Nancy Ward.

BELOW, PLEASE PRINT THE NAMES OF ANY UMW MEMBERS WHO DIED IN 2021:



Metro District United Methodist Women 2021 Mission Today Report

Name of Unit _____ District _____

Name of Person Reporting _____ Position _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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 (*).

Highlighted items were changed for 2021 due to COVID-19.

Report activities conducted between January 1-December 31, 2021; Mission Today units will be recognized at Annual Celebrations in 2022.

Please check all the activities your unit completed in 2021 and return this form to Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079, or nward001@carolina.rr.com

Put a check next to the criteria to your unit COMPLETED in 2021. If unsure of your giving, you may contact your District Treasurer who has these records on file.

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: Tools for UMW Leaders" handbook. (Available on our conference website on the "Downloads Available", and on the "Mission Today" pages.)
 - e. Write to elected representatives to support legislation affecting issues such as immigration, affirmative action, low-income programs, civil rights, etc.
- _____ *7. The unit will have a program and/or complete an action addressing one of the Issue Priorities for 2021-2024. These are 1. Climate Justice and 2. Criminalization of Communities of Color and Mass Incarceration. Find information at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/service-adocacy.

- ___ *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.
- ___ *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.
- ___ 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 Celebration 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. Email: csad@unitedmethodistwomen.com) Attach to Mission Today report the action that was taken and to which issue.
- ___ 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 website.
- ___ 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. If checked, explain what you did at bottom of page.**
- ___ 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 2021 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.

List Local Project(s) here: You may attach an additional page if necessary.

Metro District United Methodist Women
2021 Justice Today Report
(Charter for Racial Justice)



Unit/City _____ Submitted by: _____

Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079, or nward001@carolina.rr.com

Unit Status

- _____ **Gold Unit** having completed 6 or more of the following actions
- _____ **Silver Unit** having completed 4 or more of the following actions
- _____ **Bronze Unit** having completed 2 or more of the following actions

Unit Programming

- _____ Devoted a meeting to studying and discussing the Charter for Racial Justice Policies
- _____ Used a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book and/or "Resources for Racial Justice: Tools for UMW Leaders" handbook
- _____ Participated in a bible study on racism
- _____ Watched the video "Charter for Racial Justice", copy available in each District. (study guide available)
- _____ Gave a book report on a Reading Program book selected from the Social Action area
- _____ Invited an International guest to come and speak about their home country
- _____ Regularly shared local newspaper articles relating to racism (both positive and negative)
- _____ Regularly shared articles from **response** relating to racism

Unit Enrichment:

- _____ Displayed Charter for Racial Justice Policies AND lifted-up at least one issue at each unit meeting
- _____ Supplied each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies
- _____ Purchased and discussed two UMW Reading Program books about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial or ethnic background
- _____ Participated in a qualifying UMW Social Action Mission Study
- _____ Studied in-depth a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice Policies, i.e., racism, immigration rights, voting rights, racial/ethnic profiling
- _____ Attended as a unit OR an individual gave a report to the unit about the experience of attendance to a music program, theatre performance by person(s) of a different culture, race or ethnic background

Beyond the Local Unit:

- _____ Gave a Special Mission Recognition pin to someone who works to promote racial justice
- _____ Sent one (1) member to Mission U to take the social action study
- _____ Held a postcard writing party encouraging legislation favorable to the economically deprived or challenged
- _____ Experienced worship with a church of an ethnic background different from your own.
- _____ Hosted an international tasting party, cultural fair or other event
- _____ Planned a worship experience for your unit or church with an emphasis on racial justice, i.e., UMW Sunday

Metro District United Methodist Women 2021 Mission Study Report

District__ Metro_____ Unit Name _____

Report Completed by _____ Office in UMW _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Virtual Mission u

Name of Study	# Attended
Attendees must have attended all 4 1-hour sessions to count.	
Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom: Living Into the Church's Moral Witness through Radical Discipleship (4 hours)	_____
Pushout (4 hours)	_____

Metro District Mission Study

Name of Study	
Finding Peace in an Anxious World (virtual/4 hours)	_____

(Local) Sub-Groups, Circles, Fellowship Reports *

Name of study	# Attended	#Hours
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Children or Youth Mission Study Report*

Name of study	# Attended	#Hours
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

****Remember that to count as a Mission Study, programs must be National Mission Study Topics and be a minimum of 4 hours.***

Return this form to Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079, or
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Metro District United Methodist Women 2021 Reading Program Report

Name of Local Unit and City: _____

Total Unit Membership _____

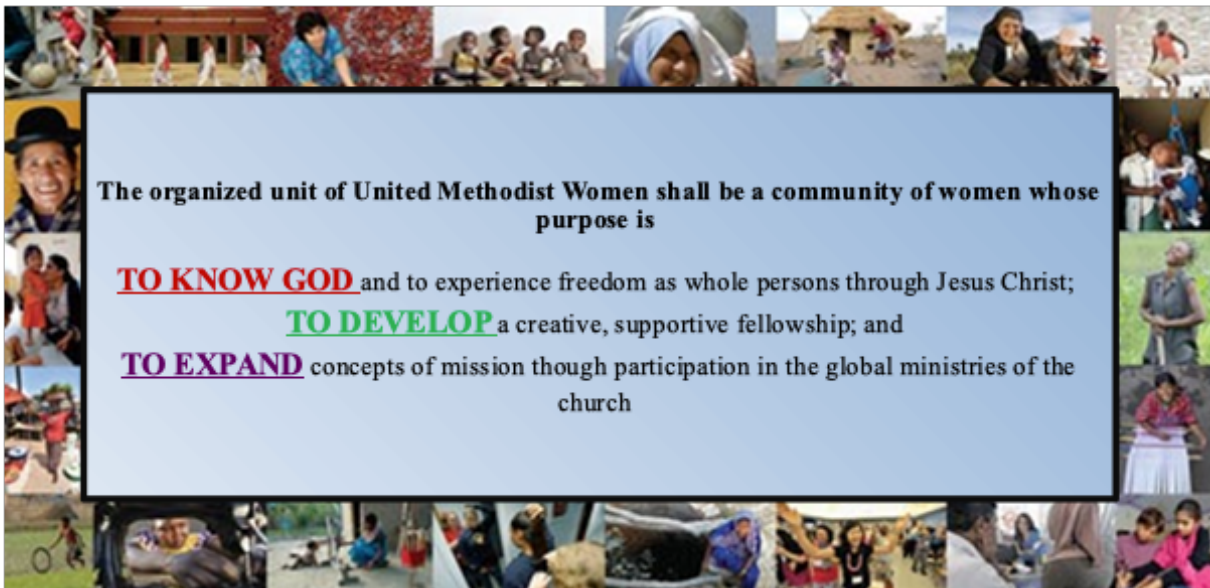
Return this form to Nancy Ward, 4003 Colton Ridge Dr., Indian Trail, NC 28079, or
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NAME of PERSON READING	Participants PLAN I	Participants PLAN II	Participants PLAN III	Participants PLAN IV	Participants CHILDREN
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
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9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
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19.					
20.					
Total Number of Readers in each Plan					

United Methodist Women
Metro District of the UMC
(WNCC)
2539 Winterbrooke Dr.
Matthews, NC 28105



WORDS OF WISDOM: **Know God!** **Develop** relationships! **Expand** your vision!
United Methodist Women make it our **PURPOSE!**



ASSEMBLY 2022: Turn It UP!

May 20 - 22, 2022 - Orlando, Florida

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
ORLANDO...TURN IT UP!

BUS TRIP RESERVATION FORM

Bus Departure Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2022
Bus Return Date: Monday, May 23, 2022



BUS TRIP ITINERARY: (Deluxe Chartered Bus Transportation by HOLIDAY TOURS)

Tues., May 17	Morning departures from pick-up points across the conference; Lunch on the road; Dinner and overnight in Savannah, Georgia.
Wed., May 18	Early afternoon arrival at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando, FL. Lunch on the road; Dinner on your own.
Thurs., May 19	On your own in Orlando. You might choose to pre-register & participate in the Ubuntu Day of Service (See Assembly registration information). Check in at the Assembly Registration desks.
Fri., May 20	Opening Community Gathering is expected to be at 9:00am. Workshops and the Experience Hall will fill your day, with another Community Gathering in the evening.
Sun., May 22	Meeting ends around 12:00 Noon; Departure immediately following meeting conclusion; Lunch on the road; Dinner & overnight in Savannah, Georgia.
Mon., May 23	Return home to pick-up points across the Western NC Conference

Bus Package Prices (Per Person)	
\$ 1,180	Double Room
\$ 990	Triple Room
\$ 900	Quad Room
\$ 1,740	Single Room

The bus trip package price includes: Deluxe bus transportation provided by Holiday Tours, six nights lodging (Tuesday night May 17th thru Sunday night May 22nd), certain meals while traveling (4 lunches, 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts). **Important note:** The trip price includes 4 hotel nights in Orlando during the Assembly at the Rosen Plaza Hotel and 2 hotel nights while traveling at the Holiday Inn Express Savannah Historic District. Passengers do not need to make any separate hotel reservations. ALL nights are included in the bus package price.

The bus trip package price **DOES NOT** include the Assembly Registration Fee. **Register for the Assembly ONLINE** at www.assembly2022.org. The Assembly 2022 registration fee is \$330.00 per person if you register ONLINE on or before November 30, 2021. After that date, the registration fee goes up \$30. Register early to take advantage of the discount! If you need assistance with online registration, contact Lynne Gilbert or Sara Williams for assistance. Note: Two lunches are included in the Assembly registration fee. Links to Assembly online registration & other information are also available on our website at: www.wnccumw.org.

COVID-19 Information: We will be following COVID-19 safety protocols, as will Holiday Tours. **Proof of vaccinations** will be required to travel on the bus and **must be submitted with your reservation on our COVID-19 Information form.**

Complete and return the form below, along with a \$500 deposit, by November 10, 2021.

(A separate form and \$500 deposit is required for each person making a reservation.)

Make your reservations early! Bus reservations will be accepted in the order they are received until seating capacity is reached.

Payment of the balance will be due by February 15, 2022.

There will be no refunds for cancellations after March 15, 2022 (unless it becomes necessary for WNCC-UMW to cancel the trip).

TOUR COORDINATORS: Questions? Contact one of the tour coordinators.	Lynne Gilbert	(C) 336-207-3479	lynnegilbert2@gmail.com
	Sara Williams	(C) 336-469-1344	saramwilliams6@gmail.com

Name (For Nametag): _____ Please Print Clearly Home Phone #: _____

Address: _____ Street Address City State Zip Code

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Lodging for Tuesday Night, May 17th thru Sunday Night, May 22nd. (Please check one, and fill in roommates as appropriate)

- Double Room \$ 1,180.00/person **Make \$500 deposit check payable to: Treasurer, WNCC-UMW**
- Triple Room \$ 990.00/person Roommate(s): _____ Please send all
- Quad Room \$ 900.00/person _____ roommate forms
- Single Room \$ 1,740.00/person _____ together.

Mail this form and your deposit check to: Lynne Gilbert, PO Box 4523, Greensboro, NC 27404-4523

Complete and return this form no later than November 10, 2021.

Assembly 2022

Turn It Up!

Orlando Convention Center
Orlando, Florida
May 20 - 22, 2022

(With pre-conference events May 19)



United Methodist Women assemble every four years to celebrate, to lift up, to learn, and to return to their communities better equipped for mission.

United Methodist Women Assembly 2022 is a time for fellowship, it is also an opportunity to empower faithful women to be stronger discipleship leaders in their communities. Now more than ever, women need to come together to reflect on today's challenges and find comfort and strength to move forward finding ways for faith-filled women to make a difference in the world. At Assembly 2022 we will TURN IT UP for spiritual healing and renewal. We will TURN IT UP for rebirth in a new time. We will TURN IT UP for women leaders. We will TURN IT UP for justice for women, children and youth.

It is an exciting experience to be part of this large gathering of United Methodist Women. Make plans to join us in Orlando!

Learn more about
Assembly 2022 at:
www.assembly2022.org

Look there for:

Registration Information
Assembly Schedule
Worship & Experience Hall
Pre-conference Events
Promotional Resources to
share with your local unit
YouTube Videos...And More!

Travel Information for the Western North Carolina Conference



Chartered Bus Trip:
Orlando...Turn It Up!
May 17 - May 23, 2022

Mark your calendar and plan to go with us!
Exciting Details and Reservation Form on the Reverse!!

Registration for Assembly 2022

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Orlando Hotel Reservations - Non-Bus Passengers

We have arranged a protected block of rooms for Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women at the Rosen Plaza Hotel next door to the Orlando Convention Center. The room rate is \$178.00 (including tax) per night, plus a one-time \$7.00 handling fee.

Persons not travelling on the bus trip should contact Lynne Gilbert (336-207-3479) or Sara Williams (336-469-1344) to reserve rooms in our Western North Carolina block. **DO NOT contact the Rosen Plaza Hotel.** Reservations for these block rooms must be made by November 10, 2021, and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$185.00 per room. The balance for remaining room charges will be due by February 15, 2022. Checks should be made payable to Treasurer, WNCC-UMW. Mail payments to Lynne Gilbert, PO Box 4523, Greensboro, NC 27404-4523.

Watch for Additional Information on our Conference Website
(Bus trip information and the reservation form are available on the website)
Web Address: www.wnccumw.org

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WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
Assembly 2022 / Orlando ... Turn It Up!
May 17-23, 2022**

RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR BUS TRIP RESERVATION

COVID-19 & INDEMNIFICATION INFORMATION

NAME (Please Print) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBERS: Home: _____ Work: _____

Cell: _____ Other: _____

We will be following COVID-19 health safety protocols, as will Holiday Tours. **Proof of vaccinations is required to travel on the bus and must be submitted with your Bus Trip Reservation Form by November 10, 2021. If booster vaccination guidelines are announced, proof of booster vaccinations will also be required.**

Commitment / Covenant for all Passengers: I covenant and agree to the following with regard to travel to Orlando on the Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Assembly bus trip:

- I am providing a valid copy of my COVID-19 vaccination record.
- I will not travel if I have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the 14 days prior to departure. I will not travel if I have had a fever of 100.4 or more in the last 48 hours prior to departure, or if I am experiencing cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell in last 14 days, or vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours.
- I will check my temperature within 24 hours of departure and I will not travel unless it is below 100.4 degrees.

Indemnification: I understand that I am travelling at my own risk. I agree to release, indemnify, hold harmless, and covenant not to sue Lynne Gilbert, Sara Williams, or Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women and its agents, volunteers, representatives, or any other person involved either directly or indirectly, from all claims, suits, expenses, attorney fees and demands of any nature (including negligence) caused by, deriving from, or associated with my travel. I make these covenants, release and waivers knowingly and voluntarily. It is further understood and agreed that this travel assumption of risk, release and indemnity agreement is to be binding on my heirs and assigns and I am signing of my own free will.

Holiday Tours Protocols for Infectious Diseases: *On behalf of all passengers, the Group Leader/Lessee recognizes and acknowledges that there are certain inherit risks associated with infectious diseases, including COVID-19, and accepts full responsibility for personal injury to themselves or others in their party. Group Leader/Lessee understands and agrees that if, after boarding, or even if a Passenger has fully complied with all wellness policies and procedures, if a Passenger tests positive for an infectious disease or exhibits signs or symptoms, Holiday may remove said passenger, refuse reboarding, and remove the Passenger as well as members of the Passenger's travelling party, or take other steps which Holiday determines, in its sole discretion, are necessary under the circumstances to protect the health and well-being of others. Each such Passenger is responsible for all other related costs and fines, including without limitation travel expenses. Under no circumstance shall Holiday be liable to any such Passenger for any costs, damages, or expenses whatsoever incurred by any Passengers.*

Check this box:

A valid copy of my COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (CDC Official Card) is attached to this form.
(Copies of vaccination card and all other health information will be kept confidential and destroyed following our trip.)

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Return this with your reservation form to: Lynne Gilbert, PO Box 4523, Greensboro, NC 27404-4523