



United  
Women  
in Faith

Western North Carolina Conference

## *Uwharrie District Newsletter*

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024

### *Thoughts from your President*



As we begin the Spring season, we just finished our Mission Study on the Lord's Prayer. It was a very spiritual and enriching time together with all 33 that were in attendance. We are very thankful to our mission leaders LaDonna Butts & Kim Martin who did a wonderful job leading us in making prayer beads, studying scriptures and various translations of the Lord's Prayer & singing the song by Matt Maher: "**The Lord's Prayer: It's All Yours**".

We are now getting ready for our next District Event: **Annual Prayer Breakfast**

on **April 13<sup>th</sup>**. I hope all of you will join us for that very special time together. **I encourage each of you as you grow closer to Christ in this Lenten Season to use the following 5 Lenten Spiritual Practices as described by Bishop Carter.** All of these Spiritual Practices are important. But Dr. King's sermon is one of the most important!!! Please listen to Dr. King's sermon: "**A Knock at Midnight**". Things he is addressing are very similar to what we are experiencing in our world today. He stresses the **importance of persistent prayer**. We are facing midnight today as well as then in social order, psychological order & moral order. We are searching for **3 loaves of spiritual Bread: Bread of Faith, Bread of Hope, & Bread of Love**. Morning will come no matter how dark it is. We have to do justice, love mercy, & walk

*Lenten*  
Spiritual Practices

1. Read the Gospel of Mark
2. Pray the Prayer of Humble Access (United Methodist Hymnal page 30)
3. Read & study the MLK, Jr. Sermon "A Knock at Midnight"
  - a. [Video Link](#)
  - b. [Text Link](#)
4. Respond to food insecurity of college students by taking up an offering
  - a. [Offering Link](#)
5. Have a meal with a spiritual companion, mentor, covenant group, etc. & talk about your spiritual journey

humbly with our God! We have the Bread of Life & we need to keep it fresh & ready for those coming by knocking.

May you fast & become closer to God this Lenten Season & may you feast on His spiritual blessings & the gift of the Resurrection & Life Everlasting!

If you need any help in any of your local units with programs, questions, fund raisers, mission giving, growing by recruiting new members & nurturing the ones you have, starting new circles in new ways with younger women, teens, women in nursing facilities and more, do not hesitate to call any of the Western North Carolina (WNCC) Uwharrie District team members or myself. We will be happy to reach out and help you in any way that we can.

Peace, love, & blessings,

Sarah Lee, United Women in Faith (UWFaith) President of WNCC Uwharrie District

## *Nominations Committee*

During this Lenten Journey, we are growing in our faith. Each of us is an empty vessel which is a person that is **receptive and ready** to be filled by the Spirit and Power of God.

Do you feel like you are an empty pot waiting on God to use you? Do you feel like you have nothing to offer?



God can use empty vessels! We have to be willing to walk in faith with God with our arms outstretched!

**Are you looking for ways to serve God and others? You can do both as a member of the Uwharrie District Team? Some of the positions we now have available are: Vice-President, Communications Coordinator, Mission, Education & Interpretation Coordinator, Nominations Committee member and others. Each of these positions would allow you to grow spiritually and to serve God through your work in this mission organization of United Women in Faith.**

If you would please consider one of these positions, call Linda Beddingfield, (336-672-0014) Nominations Chair or Betty Hunt, co-chair and they would be very happy to discuss the positions with you to help you determine where you would be better able to serve. This is an opportunity for God to use you and fill you with His Spirit as you work with a wonderful team of women serving God through missions for women, children, & youth around the world.

Linda Beddingfield & Betty Hunt,

UWFaith Co-Chair Nominations of WNCC Uwharrie District

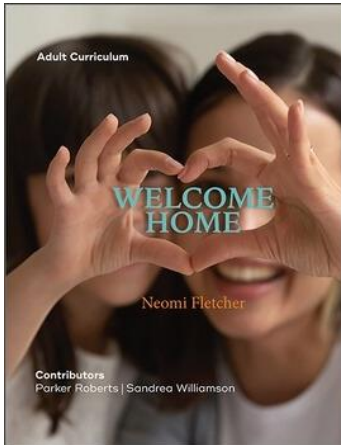
# Mission u 2024 – Aug. 2-3, 2024

*Passionate about mission? Love to learn?*

*Want to engage with others who are?*

**Then Mission u is right for you!**

**Online registration opens In June!**

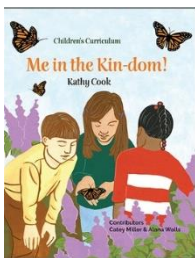
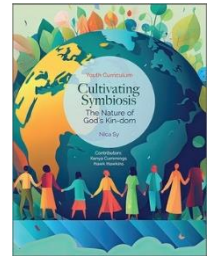


## **Our 2024 Adult Mission Study**

Welcome Home is an adult curriculum that explores how we can know God as an intimate friend who welcomes us. Abiding in God's safety and dwelling in God's provision, allows us to open our hearts to a fuller embrace of the power and presence of God so that we may find our home in God. Participants are invited to dig deeper into what it means to live in the kin-dom of God and how this helps us to develop practices for building and existing in healthier communities.

## **Resources for Children and Youth**

*Cultivating Symbiosis: The Nature of God's Kin-dom* is a youth curriculum that uses the idea of symbiosis to explore relationships with others and with God. Youth will examine different kinds of relationships and understand them as an ongoing journey toward the kin-dom. There is a symbiosis between our relationships to each other as humans and our relationship to God. By drawing closer to one another, we can draw closer to the kin-dom. By drawing closer to one another, we can collectively move, step by step, toward creating God's kin-dom on earth as it is in heaven.



***Me in the Kin-dom!*** is a children's curriculum that helps children explore the kin-dom of God through the lens of the Lord's Prayer. Children will experience how they are unique members of God's kin-dom and learn they are also part of a larger community that welcomes all of God's children. Children will explore many Scriptures that will help them to learn to see, hear, and love as Christ teaches. This enables us to accept each other as God created us to be. Each session includes Scripture study,

discussion, music, artistic expression, and even some opportunities for children to participate in outreach to others.

## *Spiritual Growth*

Happy Spring, Happy Easter, and Happy Renewal.

Thirty-three participants certainly had a great time, great fellowship, and great study at the Uwharrie District Mission Study of The Lord's Prayer. La Donna Butts and Kim Martin gave us plenty of food for thought for when we pray.

Your District Team has been working very hard to put together a very memorable and inspirational Uwharrie District Prayer Breakfast and Service on April 13th hosted by Flag Springs in Asheboro. The theme is "**Bringing Light into a Darkened World**". Reverend Norma Hickman de Villagrana is officiating.

Our sisters who have gone before us during 2023 will be named during the service. We will be celebrating communion by intinction and anointing with oil will also be part of the service.



A Love Offering will NOT be received during the service because you are given an opportunity to take part in an example of a mission fund raiser. **Each \$5 gift for mission may be given in honor or in memory of your choice and you will be provided with a card to represent each gift.** Send your gifts to Jeanette when you mail in your registration by April 5. You may also do so when you sign in on April 13. **For each \$5 gift for mission, a special candle will stay lit for one minute during the service.** Hopefully we will have enough gifts for mission for the candle to remain lit for the entire service! We are looking forward to seeing you on April 13th.



My name is Norma Villagrana, and I was born and raised in Torreon, Coahuila, Mexico.

In 1992, I graduated from the School of Law and moved to the US in 2002. I served as a missionary and local pastor in the Missouri Conference of the UMC for 15 years. During my service, I received my call into ordained ministry. In 2017, I was ordained as an Elder in Full Connection at the Missouri Conference. In 2016, my family and I moved to North Carolina, and in 2018, I became a member of the Western North Carolina Conference of the UMC.

I am currently appointed as the Senior Pastor at Waxhaw UMC. I love the Gospel and the Great Commission, and I have a deep desire in my heart to see all people come to know Christ. "*For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes*" (Romans 1:16).

I feel blessed to have a beautiful family, which includes my husband Hugo, and my daughter Mariana. I enjoy spending quality time with them, such as having picnics, hiking, and traveling together.

Serving in Christ, Cindy Carter, UWFaith Spiritual Growth of WNCC Uwharrie District

**Prayer Breakfast Registration/Networking 9:30 am to 10am Service: 10am-12pm**

**Location: Flag Springs UMC, 5852 Zoo Parkway, Asheboro, NC 27205**



(If you want to participate or cannot attend and want to be a part of this undesignated mission giving, send a \$5 mission gift for each person you are Honoring or Remembering to the District Treasurer.)

**REGISTRATION FORM - Please complete registration form By April 5th.**

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING Prayer Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE INDICATE NAMES OF ATTENDEES

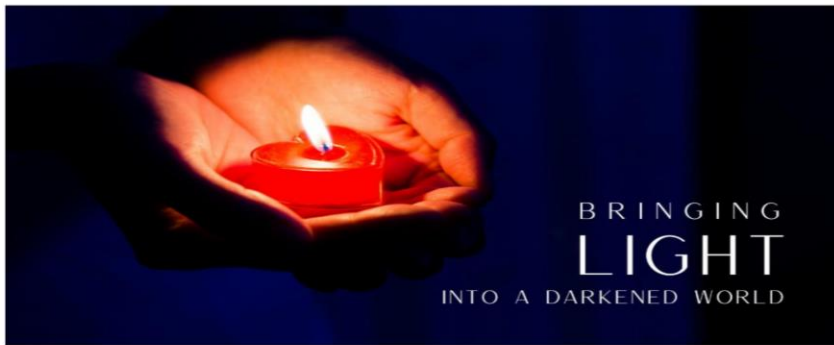
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Name/s of Deceased Sisters of your unit in 2023

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**Mail registration form to Jeanette Mixon (Uwharrie District Treasurer)  
235 Woodbrier Drive, Lexington, NC 27292**





**Spiritual Growth Retreat 2024**  
 June 13-15, 2024 (Thursday - Saturday)  
 Lake Junaluska

Theme: **Bringing Light into a Darkened World**

Retreat Leader: Rev. Marilyn Weiler  
 Music Leader: Rev. Dr. Mark Barden  
 Music Leader: Catherine Ritch

[More retreat details and a registration link are available on our website!](#)

Retreat Registration Opens TODAY! Click the red button below to go directly to our online registration:

Click to Register for the Spiritual Growth Retreat



Rev. Marilyn Weiler  
Retreat Leader



Rev. Dr. Mark Barden  
Music Leader



Catherine Ritch  
Music Leader

**Lake Junaluska Housing Reservations**  
 Open TODAY, March 6, 2024



Reservations for housing at Lake Junaluska must be made separately from our retreat registration. **Important note:** The prices for **The Terrace** and **Lambuth Inn** that you will get on a phone call reservation, or through the online reservations system DO INCLUDE the room rates, the required five meal package, plus taxes and fees. For the **Lake Junaluska Apartments**, all prices include taxes and fees, but the meal package is optional.

**To book Lake Junaluska lodging for the Spiritual Growth Retreat:**

- Reservations can be made by phone, or online. **Our suggestion** is that unless you are very comfortable doing online reservations, you should **use the 800 number** to call and make your retreat reservations.
- Beginning today, **call the Lake Junaluska reservations department at 1-800-222-4930**. Then the Reservations Department, and the next available agent will be glad to assist you. Tell the agent that you are making reservations for the Western North Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Spiritual Growth Retreat. The Lake Junaluska reservations team is on duty from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
- Beginning today, reservations can also be made online through the Lake Junaluska website. [Click this link to access that online reservations system.](#)

**Reminder:** Registration for the Retreat, and Lake Junaluska housing reservations are **SEPARATE things**. All participants must register for the retreat, and separately make reservations for housing at Lake Junaluska.

Lake Junaluska Accommodations Reservations open March 5, 2024. Call 800-222-4930.  
 (Prices below are per room, per night and do not include tax.)  
 (Meal package price does not include tax or service fee)  
 (Meal package includes Thursday Dinner, Friday B/L/D, Saturday Breakfast)

Hotel Lodging	Single	Double	Triple	Quad	Meal Pkg/Person (5 meals)
Terrace Hotel	\$ 142.00	\$ 142.00	\$ 162.00	\$ 182.00	\$ 89.00
Lambuth Inn	\$ 142.00	\$ 142.00	\$ 157.00	\$ 172.00	\$ 89.00
Lake Junaluska Apartments	\$ 129.00	\$ 129.00	\$ 139.00	\$ 149.00	Not included

**Our Purpose**

*United Women in Faith 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 the concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.*

**The Five**  
**Channels of**  
**Mission**  
**Giving**

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*Pledge to  
Mission*

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*Special  
Recognition*

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*Gift to  
Mission*

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*Gift to  
Memory*

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*World  
Thank  
Offering*

**To: All United Women in Faith Sisters across the WNCC Conference,**

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all that you do in your church, your community, and especially through your participation in United Women in Faith. We have a challenge ahead of us. We all are aware of the effects of disaffiliation throughout our conference. Last year our Mission Giving was the lowest that I can remember. Our Mission Giving in 2023 was \$336, 727 to the National Office compared to \$410,968 the previous year. This is a 18% decrease. Our financial goal for 2024 is for each unit to increase their giving to the 2019 (pre-pandemic) level. If your unit is already doing that, I challenge you to do even more.

According to the Membership, Nurture, and Outreach report from the 2023 Annual Celebration, we have a membership of 14,915 members in 425 units (recent numbers at the end of 2023 are not yet available.)

What if:

Every member gave up One Starbucks coffee once a month . . .

(this is as cheap as you can get at Starbucks)  $14,915 \times 12 \times \$2.50 = \$447,450$

What if:

Every member sent just ONE Gift to Mission Card . . .  $14,915 \times \$5.00 = \$74,575$

Every unit gave ONE additional Gift to Mission Card . . .  $425 \times \$5.00 = \$2,125$

What if:

Every unit purchased just ONE plain gold Special Mission Recognition Pin . . .

$425 \times \$40.00 = \$17,000$

(Check with your district treasurer about other pins that are available)

What if:

Every member sent three (3) Gift in Memory cards in lieu of a sympathy card . . .

$14,915 \times \$15.00 = \$223,725$

What if:

Every unit asked their local congregation to help with the World Thank Offering. . .

$425 \times \$250.00 = \$106,250$

**GRAND Total OVER \$800,000 IMAGINE!**

The most important thing that we can do is invite other women to join us in our mission to help women, children, and youth at home and across the world. **Please tell our mission story!**

Yours in Christ, Bess Redmond, WNCC-UW Faith Treasurer

**We Believe Love in Action Can Change the World!**

## *\$\$\$ Notes from the District Treasurer*

Our Q1 remittance will be sent to the conference this week. Year-to-date, we have paid \$5,462.80 against our Pledge to Mission so far, which is 15.6%. This is behind where we were hoping to be by this point, but we will count our blessings. Year-to-date Mission giving paid to Western North Carolina Conference, including designated gifts is \$8,363.18. We have also paid \$37.38 to National for Legacy Fund. In addition, we have given \$2,149 cash for our hygiene kits through our Mission Study held on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Uwharrie District, on behalf of all the women, youth and children you are helping!

You can give on-line on the WNCC UWFAITH website. It can be found on the very top line on the Home Page "GIVE NOW" or at <https://wnccUWfaith.org/online-mission-giving/>. These online gifts WILL be credited back to your Unit. Or, anyone can send a check directly to me towards their Unit's giving. Just note your Unit on your check. (Of course, if your unit is meeting, you can give through the normal quarterly remittance process.)

Local Treasurers, your Q2 Remittances are due in by May 31st. You will be receiving a letter from me in early May with additional information.

*Jeanette Mixon, UWFaith Treasurer of WNCC Uwharrie District*

## **DAY OF GIVING - Mar 23 2024**



The Legacy Fund was created to ensure that ministry for women, youth and children would continue. When eight women founded our organization in 1869, they saved pennies to begin building schools and missions. I look back to those beginnings, and what those women sacrificed so that United Women in Faith could be in mission around the world. With the same boldness, fortitude and faith of those founding

women, we can give to the Legacy Fund to make certain our mission of caring for the least of our brothers and sisters will go on for another 150 years. I want to ensure that we will serve the women of the future and that we continue to empower women, children and youth.

**Why I Give** - That speaks to the general reasoning behind giving. But everybody has a personal story, and mine is closely connected to the story of United Women in Faith. My Granny introduced me to serving others when I went with her to circle meetings. My parents taught me through their actions to be concerned for the least of our brothers and sisters. When I was in high school, my mother provided a house and helped mentor a family from China that came to my hometown seeking a better life. I chose to become an educator because of my love for children.

Now it is my duty to care for others. I chose to be active and have been in leadership positions for 40 years. I choose to support United Women in Faith and the Legacy Fund through planned giving because I have been blessed by God's abundance. It is my duty to be faithful and abundant to others. I want to be an example for present and future leaders of the organization. Please join me in giving to the Legacy Fund.

Jane Ellickson, UWFaith Legacy Fund Representative of WNCC Uwharrie District



## *Historian*

### **Women's History Month**

March is Women's History Month, and the United Methodist Church has built a rich tapestry of women's leadership like Anna Howard Shaw (1847-1919) was a suffragist, physician and one of the first women to be ordained in the United Methodist tradition. This tapestry has also set the stage for new leaders to thrive.

*"Each time a woman stands up for herself, without knowing it possibly, without claiming it, she stands up for all women."*—Maya Angelou

During March, we remembered and celebrated the women who have been outstanding in their fields of science, arts, and medicine to name a few. We are familiar with this type of history, but we also celebrated those women who are making a difference today. There is a very short quiz to check your knowledge of women in the field of United Methodism. Just click on or type in this link:

[www.umc.org/en/content/united-methodist-womens-quiz](http://www.umc.org/en/content/united-methodist-womens-quiz)

Most of us are familiar with the adage "We are the hands and feet of God". To this we could add " We are reflections of God's love and care." Help us all remember that reflections are often the only glimpse some get of God's creations. May we live a "history" of smiles and hope! Let the son/sun shine in. History is unfolding now. Have a blessed spring!

Cheri Barker, UWFaith Historian of WNCC Uwharrie District

### ***Program Resources***

UWFaith zoom event (UWFaith Digital portal **Read Together**) had A Special Reading Program **Author Talk** with Rev. Dr. Erin Beasley and Rev. Dr. Tori C. Butler. Their book, *I'm Black. I'm Christian. I'm Methodist.* is a [2024 Reading Program](#) featured Bonus Book selection. In *I'm Black. I'm Christian. I'm Methodist*, ten Black women and men explore life through the lens of compelling, personal accounts. They are leaders whose lives are tangible demonstrations of the power of a divine purpose and evidence of what grace really means in face of hardship, disappointment, and determination. "The confluence of the everyday indignities of being Black in America; the outrageous, egregious, legalized lynching of George Floyd; and the unforgivable disparities exposed once again by COVID-19 have conspired together to create a seminal moment in America and in The United Methodist Church in which we must find the courage to say unambiguously 'Black Lives Matter.' To stumble or choke on those words is beneath the gospel," says Bishop Gregory Palmer, who wrote the foreword to the collection.

Edited by Rudy Rasmus – Senior Pastor with his wife, Juanita, at St. John's Downtown Church in Houston, Texas – the essays in this collection each begin with the central identities of Black, Christian, and Methodist, but they also represent different journeys of confronting centuries of White supremacy in our religious and secular institutions. Weaving together autobiography and spiritual formation, together they represent a significant contribution to our theological understanding of racism.

## **The next Read Together: This Here Flesh Discussion is** May 6, 2024 07:00 PM

Join United Women in Faith members and friends for a Read Together small group discussion of **This Here Flesh: Spirituality, Liberation, and the Stories That Makes Us** by Cole Arthur Riley. This book appears in United Women in Faith's 2024 Reading Program as a spiritual growth selection. Please note that \*pre-reading of the book is required. \* This is an interactive small group book discussion that requires all participants to have read the book prior to attending. Please do not register if you are not able to read the book before discussion. Space is very limited and registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. This event is hosted by United Women in Faith. There is no cost to participate. All are welcome.

Jane Ellickson, UWFAith Secretary of Program Resources of WNCC Uwharrie District

## *Mission Today*

Being a Mission Today unit is important for having educational and missional activities. We have not included the current Mission Today Criteria in this Newsletter issue since it is pending changes by the Conference Mission Education & Interpretation committee. We will be providing the updated version soon and will distribute accordingly.

### **The purpose of promoting a Mission Today Unit is to:**

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

### **What is a Unit?**

A unit is any organized group of United Women in Faith 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) UWFAITH units must complete a number of the criteria listed.

For example by doing 6 (outlined by Bronze requirement) out of the 27 listed your unit can receive recognition as a Bronze unit. The 6 may be:

You or with the help from your nurturing partner have **Pledge Service** for Mission. At your meetings, reciting **UWFAITH Purpose**, reading the **Prayer Calendar** and giving a **Response moment** at your meetings. The new **Program Book** has more than two programs requirement. Your unit contributing to each of the **Five Channels of Mission Giving**.

If you have two (or more) attending the upcoming Uwharrie District Prayer Breakfast it will count as one criteria activity completed for a mission today unit.

## *Membership Nurture and Outreach*

In the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2024 Newsletter the challenge for the all inclusive “Move for Mission” was introduced for groups to move by walking, running, dancing, chair exercising, doing Zumba, hiking, knitting, reading, or any other activity that they decide to do together raising undesignated funds.

The previous fundraising contest of presenting a Special Mission Recognition (SMR) pin to a unit was based on the unit with the largest number of walkers on each of the scheduled walks.

Those unit names were put into a bowl and one drawn for a SMR pin. Now those units with members that

are not able to Walk for Mission that raise \$200 or more in a “Move for Mission” activity raising undesignated funds will have their names added to the drawing bowl (this year there is a new SMR design – Our new Logo).



No matter the activity you choose, please send your information to me of how you are Moving for Mission so I can share your accomplishments. All “Move for Mission” funds raised that are not collected at the Mission Walks should be sent to Jeanette Mixon, our UWFaith Uwharrie District Treasurer, before the end of the year.

I am looking forward to the Spring weather and being with all who come to the below scheduled walks. If you prefer to walk individually or with a group from your unit on a different day that would be great. Just have your treasurer turn the money in to Jeanette Mixon so she can record on the quarterly remittance the amount and the number of walkers who participated.

For those who want to Move for Mission by walking, choose one of the below dates:

- May 25<sup>th</sup>     **Uwharrie Walk for Mission 1:** 9-11 Central Denton
- June 1<sup>st</sup>     **Uwharrie Walk for Mission 2:** 9-11 Dan Nicholas Park, Salisbury
- June 8<sup>th</sup>     **Uwharrie Walk for Mission 3:** 9-11 Belk-Tawanda Park, Monroe
- June 29<sup>th</sup>    **Uwharrie Walk for Mission 4:** 9-11 Grimes Park, Lexington
- July 20<sup>th</sup>    **Uwharrie Walk for Mission 5:** 9-11 Randolph Mall, Asheboro

## *United Women In Faith Unit Fundraisers for Mission*

Just a reminder, we would like to help get the word out regarding each unit’s fundraisers for Mission by posting in the Uwharrie District quarterly newsletter. Please provide your information to me prior to the month before each quarter so that we can include in the next quarter’s newsletter.

Patricia Dance, UWFaith Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator Of WNCC Uwharrie District



United Women in Faith

## Uwharrie District

# Move for Mission 2024

### Where Your Dollars Go

- United Women in Faith organization’s purpose is to foster spiritual growth, develop leaders and advocate for justice. Members raise funds each year for programs and projects related to women, children, and youth in the United States and in more than 100 countries around the world.
- Every dollar raised in the Uwharrie District Movement for Mission will be used to support the mission and ministries of United Women in Faith
- Thank you for your support!

### Membership, Nurture & Membership

### Move for Mission Details

- Moving for mission is a way to have FUN together so that each individual can participate as a group or individually in any type of movement, i.e. walking, biking (stationary or on a path), rock-a-thon, aerobics, roller blading, pickleball, chair exercise, yoga, knitting, gardening, dog walking, reading to children, etc. Be Creative!
- You can participate by movement where you are! Movement can take place at churches, parks, fitness centers. Use this as a Mission Education moment.
- This sponsor form allows you to begin raising funds for the Movement for Mission. Please use it to sign up sponsors! Ask friends, neighbors, and co-workers to sponsor you.
- Ask your sponsors to pay when they pledge. This will ensure the most money for mission with women, children and youth around the world. Sponsors should make their checks payable to: **Uwharrie District Treasurer.**
- Gather your sponsors, collect the money, and mail your form and sponsor money to **Uwharrie District Treasurer.**

United Women in Faith

# faith

At our heart and in our soul, we are a faith-driven organization. Our beliefs bring us together. And our spirituality pushes us to do more.

Join us to boldly live your faith and connect to something bigger.

United Women in Faith

# action

Our actions have always spoken as loud as our words. Acts of love. Acts of faith. Acts of change. For more than 150 years, our members have been showing up and getting things done. Together, we're making the world a better place: locally, globally, fearlessly.

United Women in Faith

# sisterhood

Welcome to our sisterhood. Connecting together as community leaders, justice champions, and brave changemakers, we are women with more than a cause. We are on a mission to boldly act and transform communities, and we hope you'll join us.



# United Women in Faith

## WNCC Uwharrie District Move for Mission 2024

(Please print all information)

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_

*Office Use Only – Do Not Write in These Spaces*  
 Total Pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Of Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_  
 Initial \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Make additional copies of this form as needed)

SPONSOR'S NAME (Please Print)	STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS	\$ PLEDGED	\$ PAID
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Collect your money, and mail your form and sponsor money to Uwharrie District Treasure

## Communication Coordinator

Response magazine can be received in print and/or digital. Want a taste of response? Check out our [free digital samplers](#) – select stories from each issue.

[All Access Membership](#), offers an opportunity for individuals to join nearby and district groups and check out UWFaith resources. There are many ways for you to be a part of our sisterhood and make an impact!

Contact [membership@uwfaith.org](mailto:membership@uwfaith.org) to learn more.

### Ways to get involved:

- **Subscribe and listen to** podcasts like Faith Talks and the response podcast.
- **Join Voices from the Field webinars** to learn about Mission Giving firsthand from program leaders.
- **Participate in SOUL Care**, a holistic weekend of self-care and rejuvenation.
- Read our **Charter for Racial Justice**.
- Join our **Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline** campaign.

**Advocacy**—Our ongoing work for gender and racial justice and for oppressed and dispossessed communities, with special attention to the needs of women, children and youth. Our current justice campaigns **Just Energy 4 All** and **Ending Mass Incarceration**

### FIND UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH ONLINE

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Patricia Dance, UWFaith Interim Communications Coordinator of WNCC Uwharrie District

## *Mission, Education and Interpretation Report*

The mission study was an exceptional experience. LaDonna Butts and Kim Martin did a great job of teaching us a new way to look at the "The Lord's Prayer. We were also able to make beautiful prayer beads.



In addition to 45 Hygiene kits received from units, the monetary donations was \$2,149 making the total Hygiene Kit value \$2,734.00. We also collected the following for missions: 3 Blankets, and 1 Household item (bowls). Also, Fundraiser ideas were on display for "Host a dessert auction", "Penny and a Prayer", "Mission Giving Quest", "Mother's Day Booklet" that the attendees viewed throughout the day.

Gay Smith & Donna Owens, UWFaith Interim Co-Chair for Mission, Education and Interpretation Coordinator of WNCC Uwharrie District.



[Soul Care](#)



We continue healing prayers for our sisters in Christ: Sarah Lee and Gay Smith.



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### **Upcoming UWFaith, WNCC & Uwharrie District 2024 Events**

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| <b>March 23</b>      | <b>Annual UWFaith Anniversary Day of Giving</b>            |
| <b>April 13</b>      | <b>Uwharrie Prayer Breakfast</b>                           |
| <b>April 19-21</b>   | <b>SEJ event, Chattanooga, TN</b>                          |
| <b>June 13-15</b>    | <b>WNCC Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska</b>       |
| <b>Aug. 2-3</b>      | <b>WNCC Mission u, Catholic Conference Center</b>          |
| <b>Aug. 17</b>       | <b>Uwharrie Annual Celebration</b>                         |
| <b>Sept. 6-8</b>     | <b>WNCC Annual Celebration, Lake Junaluska</b>             |
| <b>Oct. 5,19, 26</b> | <b>WNCC Ubuntu Days of Service (various locations)</b>     |
| <b>Oct. 19</b>       | <b>Leadership Development Day</b>                          |
| <b>Nov. 9</b>        | <b>Uwharrie District Training for Local Unit Officer's</b> |