



United  
Women  
in Faith

## *Greetings Yadkin Valley United Women in Faith!*

Yadkin Valley United Women in Faith have much to be thankful for as we celebrate all the spirit filled events our district team and our conference team planned for us as we expanded our knowledge and celebrated our achievements. You are an amazing group of women ready to tackle the issues that affect women, children, and youth around the world. I am honored to serve as your president, and I look forward to another exciting year!

Thank you for your generous donations of crockpots that we collected at our Prayer Breakfast; we collected over 25 crock pots along with recipes. The Faith and Food Connection Middle School Camp was an enormous success. Check out the link for more information and you will see some of our United Women in Faith. <https://www.wnccumc.org/newsdetail/faith-and-food-connections-middle-school-camp-18562700>.

Our mission study Welcome Home invited us to dig deeper into what it means to live in the kingdom of God and how to develop practices for building and existing in healthier communities at Mission u held on August 2-3, 2024, at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC.

Thanks to all who were able to attend our District Annual Celebration, "Our Response to Missions" on August 17, 2024, at Oak Forest UMC, Winston-Salem, as we celebrated your 2023 achievements. We were honored to have our District Superintendent, Rev Sam Moore who brought our innovation and Deborah Forrest, The Bethlehem Community Center Director as our guest speaker! I would like to thank Debra and her committee for planning a wonderful and meaningful event. Debra made scripture cookies and provided everyone with the recipe and a wooden spoon and towel for making cookies and sharing and inviting others to join you in our missions.

We celebrated our 51st Western North Carolina Conference Annual Celebration at Lake Junaluska, September 6-8, 2024, celebrating 155 years in Mission, our theme was "Get Together". Those attending were inspired by our keynote speaker Tara Barnes, Director of Denominational Relations for United Women in Faith and our Mission Speaker Rev. Veranita Alvord daughter of Dot and Alec Alvord, she currently serves as the first female Lead Pastor at Brevard First UMC, Brevard, NC. We were blessed to have the missionaries with us for lunch on Saturday and breakout sessions, late night fun, and a beautiful memorial service.

Our Ubuntu day of service was October 12, 2024, at The Bethlehem Community Center, 520 N. Cleveland Ave., Winston-Salem, NC 27101. We were small in numbers, but we were able to wash windows, plant mums and pansies and cut out letters and other educational materials for the teachers. I would like to thank the ladies that participated in our Ubuntu Day of Service, you made a difference in the lives of the children at The Bethlehem Community Center.

Ubuntu refers to behaving well towards others or acting in ways that benefit the community.

Please support your district team that work hard for you in making one of the most important meetings designed to help equip and strengthen you as leaders. We decided to call our Leadership Development Day, our EEE Program, Energize, Enlighten, and Educate it will be held on November 2, 2024 at Ardmore UMC Winston-Salem with registration beginning at 9:00AM.

You will find attached the Year End Reports for 2024, I enjoy reading all the ways you share your faith as you serve women, children, and youth locally, nationally, and globally. These reports are very important for our district, conference, and national offices. If you need assistance, please contact me or your nurturing partner.

Thanks, doesn't seem enough for all you do in serving and sharing your faith but **THANK YOU** from the bottom of my heart. Blessings for a joyful and peaceful holiday season!

Love and Prayers, Rhita

May you be given more and more of God's kindness, peace, and love!



*Walk by Faith Devotional*

Greetings Women in Faith,

Thank you, ladies, for a great Annual Celebration. It was good to see everyone there. We had 57 people in attendance. Our special guests were Rev. Sam Moore, Yadkin Valley District Superintendent, Rev. Duane Corle, pastor Trinity UMC of King, and Deborah Forrest, Program Director, Bethlehem Center, INC. We missed those who could not attend. The business meeting was led by our president, Rhita Newcomb. Our officers for 2025 were installed. We then had light refreshments and time for fellowship and sharing. Deborah Forrest gave an interesting history of the Bethlehem Center in Winston-Salem. She also shared success stories for the support given to children. We then had communion led by Rev. Duane Corle and he also sang while we received and partook of communion at our tables. We received school supplies enough for every county who attended and the Bethlehem Center. I would like to thank Oak Forest United Women in Faith who hosted the event. I would like to thank Gil Hill for being our sound technician. I would like to thank my committee and district officers who helped make the event possible Thank you to all who attended and brought school supplies for children in the different counties in the district. I know our teachers will be very thankful for your generosity. A very special thank you to Alliance Architecture of the Triad, PC for printing our program booklets.

Ladies keep up the good work. I was glad to see and hear some of the projects your units were doing. Looking forward to another year to celebrate the Yadkin Valley District United Women in Faith.

Just as a note. Please be sure to send your annual reports for 2024 as early as possible to Rhita Newcomb. This will help facilitate the compiling of the Program Booklet for next year.

Love in Christ,

Debra Lawson

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I would like to thank everyone that made the Wear a Hat Bring a hat tea in June, it was a big success. Many cancer patients will have a hat. I have enjoyed working with a great team of women . Remember to help the chair of the committee in 2025. Keep up the good work. If I can help in any way please let me know.

Polly Caudle



I would like to share a poem the late Luci Swindoll shared at a "Women of Faith" conference. It made a deep impact on my faith journey and still does today.

"It was spring, but it was Summer I wanted; the warm days and the great outdoors; and then it was Summer!

But it was Fall I wanted; the colorful leaves and the cool dry air— it was Fall!

But it was Winter I wanted; the beautiful snow and the holiday season— then it was Winter!

But it was spring I wanted it the warmth and the blossoming of nature!

It was a child, but it was adulthood I wanted, the freedom and respect!

I was 20, but it was 30 I wanted; to be more mature and sophisticated!

Then I was Middle Age, but it was 20 I wanted it, youth in the free spirit!

I was Retired, but it was middle-aged. I wanted that presence of mind without limitations!

CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT— and that's how some of us live!

I don't want that to happen to me and I don't want that to happen to you! Always wanting something else, something different, something more! "

Lucy looked at herself and she said look at this. Are you kidding me Lord this is me are you kidding?

Then she asked us, how often have you looked in the mirror and thought," You taking that out on the street today, and it's you-because you always want something else!

I read this poem, and I think, "What Has happened to our souls?"

We sing the lyrics "We don't want to gain the whole world, but lose our soul", But we will do that if we're always wanting something else, something different, something more.

She then pointed to herself again and said instead

Of this! Rethink and respond it's fabulous, Its mine, it's my breath. It's my life it's today so be happy!

So be happy, be bold, be courageous as you work hard changing the lives of women, children, and youth here and all over the world.

Prayers and blessings,  
Valerie Prim

\$\$\$ Notes from the Treasurer

Greetings! Thank you for your first three quarters of giving! We now need to finish the race to raise money for Missions. Remember that all undesignated giving provides much needed help to women, children, and youth throughout the world. With the cooler weather, now would be a good time to hold a Walk for Mission. You can walk, run, dance, rock in a rocking chair, or any other activity you choose to raise money for your Walk to Mission. Invite your entire congregation. Let the community know. Involve the children and youth. Make it in honor or memory of someone. Make it FUN!! Make it for Missions!!

Our Love Offering at the Annual Meeting was \$406.25. Total Mission Giving paid to WNCC in Q3 was \$13,132.50.

Local Treasurers, your Q4 Remittances are due in by November 23rd. You will be receiving a letter from me in early November with additional information. I enjoyed meeting some of you at the District Annual Meeting on August 17th!

Blessings

Ashley Perdue - Treasurer

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Hello Ladies, as I come to the end of my term as the communication coordinator, I want to thank you all for the support you provided me . Starting something new can be exciting and scary but with the help of the United Women in Faith , things become easier. I will be stepping into a new role as the Spiritual Growth Coordinator so again I will need your support and help. Thank you, for all that you do.

Love,

Berthina Thomas-Communication Coordinator



Happy Fall Greetings Ladies

Hasn't 2024 been a wonderful year for our United Methodist Women of Faith? Our District Meetings have been outstanding and our Conference Meetings have been GREAT! We are truly blessed with many talented women in our WNCC United Women of Faith. Our last District event for this year will be held on November 2, 2024. The theme is ENERGIZE, ENLIGHTEN, and EDUCATE. Our speaker will be Dawn Lewis from Ardmore UMC. She will be speaking on CREATION CARE. We all need to be conscious of the things we can do better to preserve our world for the next people to come. Hopefully our great -great grandchildren will live better lives because of our efforts.

Registration and a light breakfast will begin at 9 am. Our meeting will begin at 9:30

OPENING	President Rhita Newcomb
DEVOTIONS	Valerie Prim
CREATION CARE	Dawn Lewis
CLASS BREAKOUT	President Rhita Newcomb
ENERGIZING SITTERSIZE	Valerie Prim
<u>OTHER WORDS FOR HOME</u>	Book review by Kathy Chadwell

Everyone is welcome. You do not need to be an officer of the UWF to enjoy this meeting. If you have questions about your job in the UWF, please fill out a form found at registration and we will try to answer those questions for you.

Hope to see you all at Ardmore UMC.

Glenda Beauchamp  
Leadership Development Chair



YADKIN VALLEY UNITED WOMEN.....YOU ARE AWESOME! The nominating committee needed to fill some positions for the year 2025. Spiritual Growth, Social Action, and Membership, Nurture and Outreach. You have stepped up and responded to the need. As I and other team members have repeatedly said.....you are not alone in your position, we are a team and we work together to get our jobs done. Jean Wall and Berthina Thomas will be switching positions. Jean had been a great partner and help in the planning and working on the Prayer Breakfast with Valerie Prim for this year. We were trying to convince Jean to assume the roll as Spiritual Growth Coordinator, but she and Berthina decided they would like to change things up....so Jean will be our Communications person, and Berthina will use her talents in planning the Prayer Breakfast. Leslie Porter will step into the position of Membership, Nurture and Outreach and work toward our fun event of Wear a Hat, Bring a Hat Tea. Social Action will be handled by Anton Thomas, taking Sandy Steel's place. We need ladies to step into the roll of nominations for the coming year to help fill positions that will need to be filled in 2025. As I have said before....Fresh Faces, and New and Fresh Ideas make our events fun and exciting. We hope to encourage attendance to our quarterly events. We are a great group, with a purpose that goes back over 150 years, and we must do all we can to let other women know of the great mission works we do, young and old, no matter what their affiliation with church, be it United Methodist, or Global, or any other denomination or how your church identifies. The goal is to work for women and children and youth to make their lives as good as we can possibly can make them. We carry on the work started many,, many years ago. It is a work that has meaning and fulfillment. And we must share our mission areas and educate other women of their presence here in our own conference and around the world. Our sisters in Christ need us and we are here to do what we can as often as we can. I appreciate all our officers and the great fellowship we have. President Rhita, Vice President Debra, Missions Coordinator Brenda will be continuing their positions and we look forward to what their ideas and leadership will be next year.

I don't want to leave out our awesome Ashley as treasurer, Secretary, Nancy, Program Resources person, Montessa, Leadership lady Glenda, Historian Janet, and Parliamentarian Jean. (Historian and Parliamentarian positions will be appointed for the new year. Nominations committee now includes Barbara, Mary Jo, Gail, Amy, Vickie....but there needs to be more ladies to step up and assist in this area. WON'T YOU STEP UP? Hoping to hear from some ladies who will join in this vital area. Blessing to all of our UW in Faith of the YV District.

Barbara Crotts





Greetings Sisters in Christ,

In our May/June 2024 response magazine, Joyce Hill was interviewed by Christi Campos – Joyce resides at Brooks-Howell Home in Asheville, NC, she was a missionary and a World Division staff member. I was honored to meet Joyce at our WNCC Annual Celebration, September 7, 2024 and thanked her for her service and the article in our response magazine. She believes in faith that leads to outward acts of love and justice that is why she supports the Legacy Endowment. Her quote “What was started in 1869 must continue for the sake of women, children and youth. By giving in support of the future of United Women in Faith we can all be in God’s service together!!! We are all in God’s service together let’s make sure the future of United Women in Faith will continue into the future for the sake of women, children and youth

Every single gift to the Legacy Endowment Fund of any size makes a difference, there are many ways to give to the Legacy Fund. At Mission u I shared that 155 years ago our foremothers asked for 2 cents a prayer, I used the CPI calculator to see what the value of .02 would be today and today it is .46 so I am asking you for .46 a day and prayer.  $.46 \times 30$  days would be 13.80 you can round up so why not round that up to \$18.69 and become a Legacy Builder. A Legacy Builder makes a monthly gift of \$18.69 or more to the Legacy Endowment Campaign. For more information visit [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/donate/legacybuilder](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/donate/legacybuilder). This is one of the ways I like to donate and give in honor of the women I serve with and to give in memory of a loved one.

The Western North Carolina Conference of United Women in Faith were honored at the SEJ meeting with a Leadership Award, we are the second largest giver in the nation to The Legacy Endowment Fund, that is something to celebrate. We are over halfway to our goal of \$60 million.

**Thank you, YOU are building our Legacy!**

## Ways to Give to the Legacy Fund

- Make a gift to the Legacy Fund **through your local unit - United Women in Faith treasurer.**

Use our [Western North Carolina Legacy Fund Commitment Form](#)

**Online** on the national office website at [uwfaith.org/give/legacy-fund/](http://uwfaith.org/give/legacy-fund/)

- **By phone:** 800-278-7771 (8 am-6pm EST, M-F)
- **Text** “FUTURE” to 20503
- **By check:** note “Legacy Fund” in memo and mail to: United Women in Faith, Attn: Legacy, Church

Center for the United Nations, 777 United Nations Plaza, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017

**Other methods** include gifts of stock, life insurance, bequests, and other forms of planned giving. If you are interested in making a gift like this, contact the national office at 212-870-3705.

**We are 155 years strong!! Together, we are building our legacy.** Blessings. Rhita

# District Leadership Development Day

**Energize, Enlighten and Educate**



**November 2, 2024**

**Ardmore United Methodist Church  
630 South Hawthorne rd.  
Winston-Salem NC**

**Program: Creation Care**

**Speaker: Dawn Lawn**



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## 2024 Yadkin Valley District United Women in Faith Nurturing Partners

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Bethel, King Debra Lawson	Mt. Camel Cathy Smith
Boonville	Mt. Pleasant, Booneville Gail Caudle
Brooks Temple Cathy Smith	Mt. Tabor Mary Jo Brewer
Brookstown Janet Sizemore	NewBeginnings Rhita Newcomb
Bunker Hill Pat Cunningham	New Home Janet Sizemore
Canaan Cathy Smith	Oak Forest Montessa Thomas
Centenary, WS Mary Jo Brewer	Oak Grove Barabara Crotts
Centenary, Clemmons Ashley Perdue	Pine Grove, WS Glenda Beauchamp
Central Terrace Polly Caudle	Pisgah Berthina Thomas
Central, Mt. Airy Rhita Newcomb	Saint Home Nancy Norton
Central, Thomasville Ashley Perdue	Salem, Mt. Airy Berthina Thomas
Cherry Street Pat Cunningham	Sedge Garden Pat Cunningham
Concord, Mocksville Montessa Thomas	Shady Grove Cathy Smith
Concord, Lewisville Glenda Beauchamp	Sharon Polly Caudle
Dobson Berthina Thomas	Shiloh Debra Lawson
Dulin Barbara Crotts	Shiloh, Lexington Ashley Perdue
East Bend	St. Andrews
Fair Grove, Thomasville Rhita Newcomb	St. James Gail Caudle
Faith, Rhita Newcomb	St. Mark Ashley Perdue
First, Mocksville Pat Cunningham	St. Paul, WS Berthina Thomas
First, Pilot Mountain Gail Caudle	Stokesburg Debra Lawson
Friendship Ashley Perdue	Stony Knoll
Harmony Grove Glenda Beauchamp	Trinity, King Rhita Newcomb
Hickory Ridge Jean Wall	Union Polly Caudle
Johnsontown Rhita Newcomb	Union Ridge Jean Wall
Konnoak Hills Nancy Norton	Wesley Chapel
Lewis Polly Caudle	Wesley Memorial Mary Brewer
Level Cross Montessa Thomas	Whitaker's Chapel Montessa Thomas
Liberty Barbara Crotts	Woodleah Barbara Crotts
Longtown Aton Thomas	Yadkin College Ashley Perdue
Main Street Rhita Newcomb	Yadkinville Berthina Thomas
Memorial Janet Sizemore	
Mitchell's Chapel Janet Sizemore	



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**United Women in Faith**  
**Western North Carolina Conference**  
**The United Methodist Church**  
**Yadkin Valley DISTRICT**

September 12, 2024

TO: Yadkin Valley District Local Unit Presidents

RE: 2024 Year End Reports

A very special "Thank You" for the awesome leadership you have given your unit. It is the dedicated work of leaders like you that makes and keeps our organization so strong with arms of love reaching around the world. **ALL** that you do makes a tremendous difference in the lives of so many children, women, and youth.

In order to complete our work for the year and to evaluate how well we have done in 2024, we need the following reports to be completed and returned to me by December 15, 2024. **Please mail me an original report and keep a copy for your files.**

1. Membership (For January numbers, report the number you reported for December in last December's 2023 report.)
2. Mission Studies
3. Mission Today
4. Reading Program
5. Justice Today
6. 2025 Local Unit Officers

It is not your responsibility to complete all the reports, but it is your responsibility to make sure they are completed and returned. I suggest that you work with your Executive Committee to complete the reports. That's especially true if your unit has more than one circle, so you get input from all circle leaders.

Please let me or your nurturing partner know if you have any questions or concerns about any of these forms. We want this information for our records, but more importantly, we want to celebrate with you the accomplishments of your unit in 2024 in the summer of 2025 at our district annual celebration.

May God continue to bless you and yours as you give so freely of your time and talents serving Him as you fulfill your accepted responsibility in United Women in Faith.

Blessings,

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# United Women in Faith

## WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

### Year End Reports for all United Women in Faith Local Units

A very special "Thank You" for helping us continue the legacy that has been passed to us through The United Women in Faith! It is the dedicated work of leaders like you that make and keep our organization so strong with arms of love reaching out each year.

We need for the following reports to be completed and returned to your

District President by **December 15<sup>th</sup> each year.**

Please complete the forms regarding your unit's:

1. Membership
2. Mission Studies
3. Mission Today
4. Reading Program
5. Justice Today
6. Legacy
7. 2025 Local Unit Officers

District:	
District President:	
Address:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number	

Please let your District President know if you have any questions or concerns about any of these forms. We want this information for our records, but more importantly, we want to celebrate with you the accomplishments of your unit each year.

Remember that you have until the end of November to submit monies to be counted toward current year Mission Giving. Also, remember The United Women in Faith Handbook states that "A local group should keep in its treasury only the minimum amount necessary to carry it into the first few months of the next year". Should you have additional monies in your treasury consider making an additional pledge to Mission Giving --The lifeblood of our organization! -- or why not give a donation to the Legacy Fund on someone's behalf?

Together we are making a difference for women, youth and children in our communities, country and around the world. Thank you for your part in making The United Women in Faith all that we are today.

May God continue to bless you and yours as you give so freely of your time and talents serving Him as you fulfill your accepted responsibility in United Women in Faith.

Enclosures



**WNCC UNITED WOMEN in FAITH \_\_\_\_\_ District**

**Membership Form for the Year \_\_\_\_\_**

**Please print clearly or type**

Please review and complete the information below regarding membership in your unit.  
 This form must be returned to your District President by **December 15<sup>th</sup>**:

Church/Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit President First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit President Phone and email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members (as of January 1st)	
Number of NEW Members added this year	
Number of Members lost by death or other reasons	
Final number of Members (as of December 15th)	

Name of person reporting this data: \_\_\_\_\_

Position of person reporting the data: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and email: \_\_\_\_\_

**BELOW, PLEASE LIST THE NAMES OF ANY UWFaith MEMBERS WHO DIED this year:**

\_\_\_\_\_

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**How can your District or Conference Leadership support you in your efforts during the year?**

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# WNCC UNITED WOMEN in FAITH \_\_\_\_\_ District

## Local Unit Mission Study Report for Year \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

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

Report Completed by \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Office held in UW Faith \_\_\_\_\_

### Mission U

Name of Study	# Attended

Attendees must have attended all 4 of the 1-hour sessions to count.

District Mission Study: Only fill out if another district's study was attended

Name of Study

Indicate what district was attended

### (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 your District President by December 15<sup>th</sup>.**



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Mission Today for the Year \_\_\_\_\_

### Western North Carolina Conference

Name of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Reporting \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) Include Area Code: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Night \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**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 (\*).

Report activities conducted between January 1-December 31, 2024; Mission Today units will be recognized at Annual Celebrations in 2025. Please check all the activities your unit completed in 2024 and return this form to your **District President by December 15<sup>th</sup> each year.**

**Putting a check in the blank next to a criteria states that your unit HAS COMPLETED that particular criteria in 2024. If unsure of your giving, you may contact your District Treasurer who has these records on file. Check blank in front of number of criteria completed in 2024:**

#### CRITERIA:

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

\_\_\_\_ \*2. The unit will use the Daily Prayer Guide 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 Daily Prayer Guide 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:

- Have members read and discuss books and articles about other races and cultures;
- Sponsor or attend an interethnic event between two or more units;
- Intentionally recruit women of other ethnic groups to be members and officers of the unit;
- Use the "Resources for Racial Justice: Tools for United Women in Faith Leaders" handbook. (Available on our conference website on the "Downloads Available" page.)
- 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 2016-2024.

These are 1. Just Energy 4 All/Climate Justice; 2. Ending Mass Incarceration; and 3. Criminalization of Communities of Color. Find information at <https://wfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate>.

- \_\_\_\_\*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 2017-2021.
- \_\_\_\_\*10. The unit will contribute to all Five Channels of Mission Giving.
- \_\_\_\_\*11. The United Women in Faith 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. Members will correspond with five persons listed in the Daily Prayer Guide at least once a year.
- \_\_\_\_16. 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 Women In Faith National Office and the Council of Bishops support this effort. Children's Sabbath materials are on our website.
- \_\_\_\_17. 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.
- \_\_\_\_18. 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.
- \_\_\_\_19. 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.
- \_\_\_\_20. 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.
- \_\_\_\_21. 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.
- \_\_\_\_22. 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 Women in Faith Sunday. This Qualifies as a Local Unit Visit.
- \_\_\_\_23. 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.
- \_\_\_\_24. 100% of the unit's active members will make a gift of at least \$18.69 to the Legacy Fund.
- \_\_\_\_25. The 2024 Conference Financial Goal is: Each unit will increase Mission Giving to the 2019 level. The unit will help accomplish the goal by increasing giving back to their giving level in 2019.
- \_\_\_\_26. 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.

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



# WNCC UNITED WOMEN in FAITH \_\_\_\_\_ District READING PROGRAM REPORT for the Year \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Local Unit/City: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Unit Membership \_\_\_\_\_

This form must be returned to your District President by December 15<sup>th</sup> each year

NAME of PERSON READING	Participants PLAN I	Participants PLAN II	Participants PLAN III	Participants PLAN IV	Participants CHILDREN
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.					
16.					
17.					
18.					
19.					
20.					
<b>Total Number of Readers in each Plan</b>					

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## JUSTICE TODAY REPORT for the Year \_\_\_\_\_

*(Charter for Racial Justice)*

Unit/City \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

This form must be returned to your District President by **December 15<sup>th</sup>** each year.

### 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 United Women in Faith Circles Program Resource book and/or "Resources for Racial Justice: Tools for United Women in Faith 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 United Women in Faith Reading Program books about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial or ethnic background

\_\_\_\_ Participated in a qualifying United Women in Faith 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 mission 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., United Women in Faith Sunday

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**LEGACY 150 COMMITMENTS for the Year \_\_\_\_**

Name of Local Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Reporting: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your commitment to the Legacy 150 Fund! Gifts to the Legacy Fund endowment will lay the financial foundation for future generations of United Women in Faith. We make mission possible with our undesignated giving and our Legacy Giving.

While some have made donations through the District and Conference, others have made donations directly to the National Office. So that we can try to track and express gratitude to everyone who makes a gift to the Legacy Fund, we would like you to help us by keeping a yearly account for your local unit.

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NAME <i>(can be individual or unit commitment)</i>	ONE TIME COMMITMENT	RECCURING COMMITMENT		150 PIN RECEIVED
		FIRST TIME <i>(monthly, yearly, or quarterly)</i>	CONTINUING	
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**1969-2024 LEGACY 150...SECURING OUR FINANCIAL FUTURE**

\_\_\_\_\_ District UNITED WOMEN in FAITH

## LOCAL UNIT OFFICERS for the Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please type or print clearly

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Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Church City: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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



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# LOCAL UNIT OFFICERS cont'd for the Year \_\_\_\_\_

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

Office	Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Email
Membership Nurture & Outreach					
Program Resources					
Communications					
Historian					
Parliamentarian					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Circle Chair					
Pastor					

**Berthina Thomas**

**YV District UW Faith Communication**

**4745 Rockwell Pl. Drive**

**Tobaccoville NC 27050**

**United Women In Faith**

**Faith. Hope. Love In Action**

**We are Women with a Purpose !**

The organized unit of United Women in Faith shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole person through Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

**UPCOMING DISTRICT UW FAITH DATES**

**Leadership Development– November 2, 2024**

**Ardmore United Methodist Church**

**Yadkin Valley Ubuntu Day– October 26, 2024**



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in Faith**