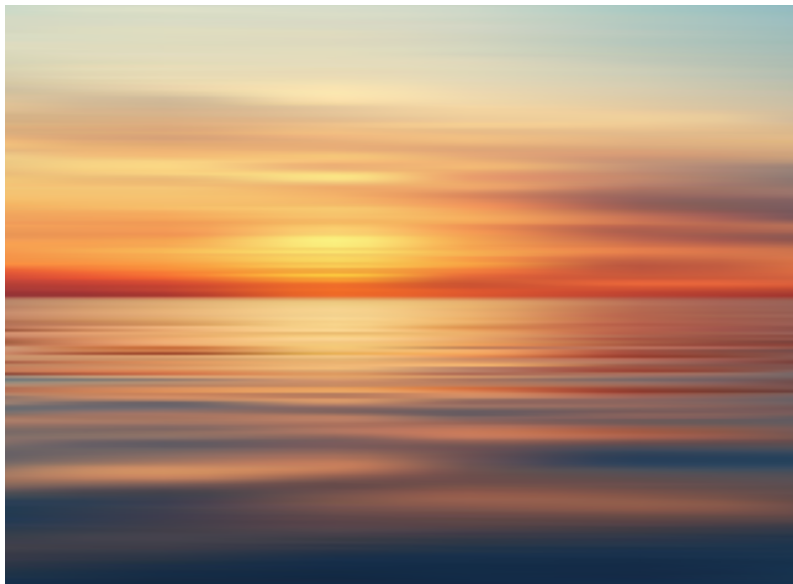




United Women in Faith

Western North Carolina

We believe love in action can change the world.



*Psalm 104:19
He made the moon to mark the seasons,
and the sun knows when to go down.*

Communications Upcoming Events At a Glance

Uwharrie District Events

Aug 15 Uwharrie District
Annual Celebration,

July 11 Uwharrie Movin for
Missions 5: 9-11 Randolph
Mall, Asheboro



**See Calendar on page
13 for more events
this year.**



**UWF
President
Sarah Lee**

We have had many wonderful experiences since our last newsletter. I hope that everyone that was able to go to Assembly had a wonderful time! We look forward to hearing from you all! Also the Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska has passed and I know this was spiritually fulfilling for all that went. Movin for Missions Walks have been going on with one at Denton UMC & one at Dan Nicholas Park along with a blessing of the animals—thank you Vickie Brown for organizing and carrying out that project. Reports from these walks and photos are listed in the Mission Education and Interpretation section.

The Prayer Breakfast was well attended at New London (with a wonderful breakfast), and Rev. Tammy Ingram & Catherine Ritch were great speakers. The fundraiser we used, which was also spiritually fulfilling, was the blessing basket in which each person put their most special blessing they had ever received & a monetary donation to show thankfulness for this blessing. We also had wonderful music from Rev. Evan Hill of New London UMC & Daniel Dickens. The Theme was Practicing Hope together, & we were all filled with much hope as we left the sanctuary. Thank you, Cindy Carter, Spiritual Growth Coordinator, for planning another wonderful prayer breakfast for Uwharrie District!

We are now heading into summer, and we can tell it's here with the hot temperatures & lack of rain. The summer, as sparklers glitter on birthday cakes and fireworks light up the night sky in honor of our nation's 250 years of independence, we are drawn to pause and reflect. Each flicker of light recalls the "rockets' red glare and bombs bursting in air," a vivid reminder of the courage and sacrifice required to secure liberty. Amid laughter and jubilation, we feel the weight of history—and the joy of living in a land made free. Yet, while there is much to celebrate, our hearts remember a freedom far greater. This country—The United States of America—was founded under God's providence, a place where His people could live and serve Him without restraint. For those who follow Christ, true liberty is never merely a right or privilege—it is a gift that shapes our hearts, guides our steps, and sustains our souls through every trial, every triumph, and every ordinary moment in between. In the glow of sparklers and the echo of celebration we are reminded that lasting freedom is found not in human hands, but in God's grace: ever-present, ever-faithful. (Life Beautiful: Faith for your Journey Summer 2026)

- June 27 – Movin for Missions Walk at Grimes Park, Lexington
- July 11 – Movin for Missions Walk at Randolph Mall, Asheboro
- August 15 – Uwharrie District Annual Celebration at Macedonia UMC, Southmont
 - Speaker: District Superintendent Rev. Dr. In-Yong Lee
 - Theme: How Sweet it is to Love Jesus
 - Featuring music from Macedonia's large children's choir
 - Hands-on mission project: Menstrual kits
 - Celebration of children's ministries
 - Recognition of the past 4 years of work
 - Children's Sabbath ideas
 - Installation of new officers for 2027

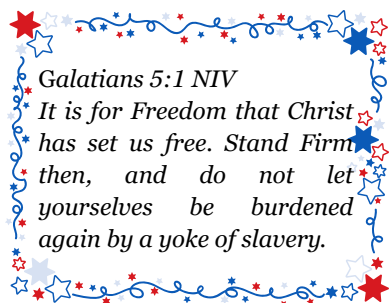
August 21-22 – Mission U at the Catholic Conference Center, Hickory

- Theme: Experiencing Emmanuel Through Every Part of our Lives
- Exploring faith, hope & love through joy and challenging times
- Fun, food, fellowship & spiritual growth — all in two days
- Starts with Friday lunch, ends Saturday afternoon
- All UWFaith members invited & encouraged to attend

Now in closing as we think of things we have done in the spring & look forward to activities & events coming in the summer let's pause to thank God with the following prayer. As we strive to fill our officer list for 2027 we need to pray for God's call to women in service. Please pray about taking a position or giving us ideas for women that would be good for positions and that are willing to make the world a better place & help us minister to women, children, & youth locally, nationally, & internationally.

Call to Action

- Pray for women called to serve in 2027 officer roles and consider volunteering
Let us pray:
Lord, we thank you that you see everyone, that you call people to service regardless of who we are in the eyes of others. We thank you for the ministry of all women—for their good examples—those we come to know in the Bible and those we meet along the way. Thank you for their willingness to serve you. We pray that you will continue to call women into service. Grant those whom you call the strength to say yes to the calling, to go out in service to you, and to make the world a little better for the people they meet, so that they may come to know you as their Lord and Savior. Help us all to continue discovering your greatness, love, care, and compassion in your Word, and to go out into our daily lives to live your message, to be hope for another person. In your name we pray, Amen
(Response Magazine May/June 2026)



Committee on Nominations

The Uwharrie District Nominations Committee is in the process of filling positions for 2027. The following vacancies are still available: to be filled. Please consider taking one of these positions. Uwharrie District is a wonderful team of women that all work together in a unified and Christian manner. There is always plenty of help as the team strives to provide the best events and education for the local units of Uwharrie District. Through our love for one another and our God we can accomplish our goals of helping women, children & youth locally, nationally, & internationally. A quote that is shared by Cindy Carter, Spiritual Growth Coordinator is as follows: *I have found that serving on the District Team has taught me a great deal about the organization, especially as a new president for my unit. Being on the board has kept me informed about what is going on and has encouraged me to invite my group to do more in support of our Mission.* Cindy Carter, Bethlehem (Waxhaw) UWFaith President and District Spiritual Growth Coordinator

We would love to have you join us! Please contact Cindy Carter, Krista Herold or Cindy Newport if you are interested in helping on the District Team for 2027.



Our prayer is the following:

Dear Lord, We thank you for the ministry of all women. Thank you for their willingness to serve you. We pray that you will continue to call women into service. Grant those whom you call the strength to say yes to the calling, to go out in service to you, and to make the world a little better for the people they meet, so that they may come to know you as their Lord and Savior. Help us all to continue discovering your greatness, love, care, and compassion in your Word, and to go out into our daily lives to live your message, to be hope for another person. In your name we pray, Amen

(Response Magazine May/June 2026)

Positions available for 2027:

Vice President

Treasurer

Spiritual Growth Coordinator

Membership, Nurture, & Outreach

Communications Coordinator

Nominations Committee member





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Church Center for the
United Nations
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New York, NY 10017
ATTN: DEVELOPMENT

Love Everlasting

If you have not already read the Everlasting Love article in the May/June 2026 response magazine, I strongly encourage you to do so. Deaconess Christi Campos shares details about the 1869 Society and the “Legacy of Love” event which was held on February 13, 2026. It was at this celebration that 57 estate planned women enjoyed an evening geared especially to thank them for their unselfish giving.

The article reminds us that the \$60 million goal is well within our reach if we all continue to do our part by promoting the Legacy Fund within our district, our units and our family and friends. There is no better way to honor or memorialize a special loved one. No amount of giving is too small and every penny counts!

Give! Give generously! Give generously for love everlasting!

Tonya Lanier

Uwharrie Legacy Fund Representative

Vickie Brown from Uwharrie District attended Assembly 2026 which meets every 4 years and this year it was in Indianapolis, Indiana May 15-17th. The theme was Dream it! Believe It! Do it!



Mission , Education, & Interpretation

Mission U is August 21-22nd at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory (1551 Trinity Lane Hickory NC 28602. All UWFaith members are invited and encouraged to attend this very meaningful study with the Theme of Experiencing Emmanuel Through Every Part of our Lives. It explores, “God With Us” through biblical times and in contemporary life; asking how to encounter God in times of both joy and challenging moments like anxiety or fear. It is designed to help participants discern faith, hope & love in action. If you have never been to a Mission U event you need to come experience it—you will not want to miss one after coming to the first!! It is a time of fun, wonderful food, fellowship, and spiritual growth all wrapped into two days. It starts with lunch on Friday & ends early afternoon on Saturday. Please don’t miss this wonderful experience on this beautiful campus as shown by the pictures.



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UWFaith Resource Center Update: FAQs

The Resource Center plans to close its online store by the end of June. Here are the answers to the most common questions.

Where can I purchase printed materials such as the Program Resource, Daily Prayer Guide, and Mission u curricula?

- All available print resources from 2025 or earlier are available at uwfaithresources.org until June 30, while supplies last.
- 2026 and future print resources are available on Amazon.

Where can I find digital resources?

- All paid resources, Program Resource, Daily Prayer Guide, Mission u curricula. Response magazine, will continue to be offered through uwfaith.org/digital.

Where can I access free downloads such as brochures and pasters?

- Free downloads previously on the e-store are now available on UWFaith Digital (uwfaith.org/digital). Log in or set up a free account, then look for "Free Resources" on the left sidebar.

Where can I find Unstoppable and United Women in Faith merchandise, such as T-shirts, boodies, and water bottles?

- Water bottles are available at uwfaithresources.org until June 30, while supplies last.
- Clothing merchandise is available for purchase and fundraising through bonfire.com/store/uwfaith.

What about Gift to Mission and Gift in Memory cards?

- Treasurers can continue to order the cards through the Treasurer's Office.

How can I order the president's and membership pins?

- Treasurers can continue to order these pins through the Treasurer's Office.

How can I order Special Mission Recognition pins?

- Treasurers can continue to order the pins through the Treasurer's Portal.

Resource Center: FAQs (continued)

Where can I find *Response* magazine?

- United Women in Faith's official magazine, *Response*, continues to be available in both print and digital formats. Visit uwfaith.org/response to subscribe.

Mapping Our Way Forward

Mapping Our Way Forward by Hannah Kardon, the primary program resource for Women in Faith, is available in both print and digital versions. It is very useful. Traditional groups may opt for the print version while the more tech savvy program resource leader may choose to use the digital version on a personal laptop.

Each month, the easy-to-follow lesson is divided into approximately six parts: Leader Notes, Welcome, Scripture Reading, Reflection, Activity, and Closing Reflection. Monthly themes connect participants with Women in Faith issues like Mission u (June), National Mission Institutions (July), and Soul Care (August).

For the Local Program Resource leader, the resource is user-friendly with a complete list of materials needed in the opening Leader Notes, a prepared script for each section, and an estimate of the time needed for each section.

Mapping Our Way Forward guides women through Scripture while also focusing on the history and missions of Women in Faith.

2026 Reading Program (uwf.org/read)

I hope you are still reading.....



In this book, the darkness of Auschwitz is brightened by Eddie Jaku's words of wisdom at the beginning of each chapter. They demonstrate the strength of character that made him a survivor.

Historian



Thank God for Response magazine. The magazine of women in mission does an excellent job at documenting the words and work of our sisterhood. When I flip through, I see smiling faces. I learn new and exciting things. I often get a history lesson of where we have been. Through these pages, I can travel to lands far away. All this is because someone is writing and submitting information that gets captured and shared. Let's do that on a local level.

Send me your pictures and events so that we can document great things happening in the Uwharrie District. I know our ladies are doing some awesome things. Snap a photo of your Woman's Day. Did you deliver goods to a school or organization? Snap that picture and share.

Did you help out at a community event or mission project?

Oh, did you read to your child or grandchild?

There are so many possibilities.

Grab that phone or camera and get to snapping.

Memories are waiting to be made. Did you say cheese?

Thanks,

Wanda Craven

Uwharrie District Historian

LET'S CELEBRATE



Western North Carolina Conference

United Women in Faith

53rd Annual Celebration

Celebrating 157 Years in Mission

Saturday, September 12, 2026
St. Luke's UMC, Hickory, NC



Mission Education

Interpretation

Donna Owens: Coordinator MEI

Hygiene Kits Collected at Prayer Breakfast on April 11 th, 2026, at New London UMC

- St. Stephen: 10
- First Asheboro: 5
- St. Luke: 2
- Bethlehem Waxhaw: 27
- Milford Hills: 1
- The Haven Church: 1
- Total: 46

Collected on June 12 th, 2026

- Milford Hills: 32 Menstrual Kits



Prayer Breakfast April, 2026



Spiritual Growth

Cindy Carter

When was the last time you participated as part of a Bible Study group? I agree with you if you said Sunday during Sunday School. My intent is to encourage you to take part in other groups as well. Hearing from others about how the scriptures have affected them, made a difference in their lives, or changed their lives can be a real blessing for you. And isn't it interesting how a scripture that you have read multiple times can have a new meaning for you depending on what's going on in your life?

Sometimes with a new pastor comes a new style of Bible Study. I have been blessed with experiencing meditative Bible Study. Try it! You'll like it! And next time you are offered a Bible Study, invite someone to join you and the group. What a great way to grow relationships!

Encouraging you to Bible Study
Cindy Carter, Spiritual Growth



Rev. Dr. In-Yong Lee

Our District Annual Celebration will be Aug. 15th at Macedonia UMC in Lexington. Our own District Superintendent for Uwharrie District will be our speaker, Rev. Dr. In-Yong Lee. Our theme will be "How Sweet it is to Love Jesus". which will focus on Children's Ministries; and Macedonia is blessed to have a large children's choir which will be singing for us. We will celebrate things our district has done in the past four years. We will install new officers for 2027. Registration cost is \$5 per person & the money & names need to be turned in to Jeanette Mixon our District Treasure by August 7th. (Registration form on page 11) The hands-on mission project is Menstrual kits which include \$2 to cover shipping & handling costs. You don't want to miss this time of celebrating our past and looking forward to new things in the future. There will be music, fun & fellowship as we celebrate children & our love for Jesus. Everyone will be given ideas for Children's Sabbath so that they can use these to celebrate their children in their own churches. We look forward to a lot of members coming from each unit on Aug. 15th!

Spiritual Growth Retreat June 2026



Left to right: Cindy Carter, Cheri Barker, Vickie Brown

TIME TO
Celebrate

Uwharrie District Annual Celebration August 15, 2026
Registration Form: Please complete and return to

Uwharrie District Treasurer: Jeanette Mixon 235 Woodbrier Drive, Lexington, NC 27292 Email: mixonjx@yahoo.com
by the registration deadline of **August 7, 2026**

Church Name:_____

Address_____

City_____ County_____ Zip Code_____

President of Local Unit_____ Phone_____

Number attending Prayer Breakfast_____

**Registration fee is \$5 per person. Please let us know how many will be attending by
August 7 th so we can plan accordingly for food preparation.**

Please list the names of attendees

Attendees_____

Hands on Mission Donation will be
Menstrual kits/Period Packs. \$2 is included with each bag to cover the cost of shipping & handling.

Kit Assembly Checklist:

If you are assembling the Period Packs, each one-gallon resealable bag must include:

- 2 bottles of hand sanitizer (2 oz.)
- 3 bathroom trash bags (4-gallon)
- 1 travel pack of wet ones/wet wipes
- 10 tampons (5 regular, 5 super, unscented)
- 10 sanitary napkins (long super ultra-thin, unscented)
- 1 bar of bath-size soap (3 oz. or larger, no Ivory or Jergens)
- 1 pack of flushable wipes (42 count, unscented)

6 laundry detergent sheets (must be placed inside a small plastic storage bag) [1]

For more detailed assembly and shipping instructions, refer to the official UMCOR Menstrual Hygiene Kit PDF.

\$\$\$ Notes from the Treasurer

Jeanette V. Mixon
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Greetings Uwharrie District United Women In Faith Local Unit Treasurers,
I hope you are all enjoying spring. It was SOOO good to see some of you in person at our District Mission Study and Prayer Breakfast events. I have enjoyed seeing everyone in person.
May 31 st is the end of the second quarter (Q2) of Mission giving. Your Q2 Remittance should be mailed by May 26 th, to be received by May 31 st. All money received after May 31 st will be applied to the third quarter. Please include where possible:

- ☐ Q2 Pledge to Mission
- ☐ Other mission giving (Special Mission Recognition (SMR), Gift to Mission (GTM), Gift in Memory (GIM), and World Thank offering
- ☐ Call to Prayer and Self-Denial gifts
- ☐ Any other gifts/collection such as Walk for Mission or Legacy Fund

Please remember that checks should be made payable to "Uwharrie District UWinFaith". Thanks to all Unit Treasurers who sent in their "2026 Pledge Form" remittances. If your unit has not mailed its 2026 Pledge Form, please send it to me as soon as possible. (This form helps me with planning and ensures I have the correct contact information.) Also, please remember that ALL 5 Channels of Undesignated Giving plus Walk for Missions funds will count towards a Unit's pledge.

The Uwharrie District's total giving for the 1st quarter was \$3,705.30. Of this amount, \$2,657.50 was Undesignated Giving, which counts towards our 2026 District pledge of \$30,000.

Please share a copy of this letter, with your Unit President.

Continue to lift up the Legacy Fund. The Legacy Fund is the future of United Women in Faith, but without current funds for Missions we have no future. Just like the Conference Love Offering, the Legacy Fund is a gift over and above the Pledge to Mission, not instead of Mission giving.

I appreciate all your hard work for Missions. I am unable to attend the Spiritual Growth Retreat this year.

I will be driving from San Diego, California, to Groton, Connecticut, between June 1st and June 5th. I will be able to see all 3 of my kids and all 7 grandkids during this time. I probably won't get back home until the middle of June. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. My contact information is at the top of this letter.

Blessings and health to you,
Jeanette V. Mixon

Additional forms can be found at www.wnccumw.org – go to the 'Mission Giving' tab and select 'Treasurer Forms' and scroll down to the Local Unit Treasurer forms section. (If you don't have internet access, please contact me for any forms you need.)



Movin for Missions: Uwharrie District Mission Walks

1. Central Denton: 10 walkers collected \$355
2. Dan Ncholas Park with Blessing of the Animals: 4 walkers collected \$225
3. Monroe Walk: total 8 walkers: Central Monroe: 6; Bethlehem Waxhaw: 2
Collected: total \$606 Central Monroe: \$241 Bethlehem Waxhaw: \$ 365

UWFaith WNCC Uwharrie District 2026 Calendar



July 11 Uwharrie Movin for Missions
5: 9-11 Randolph Mall, Asheboro
July 25 Uwharrie Team Meeting 10-12 (zoom)



Aug 15 Uwharrie District Annual Celebration,
Registration 9:30; Mtg: 10:15-12:15
Speaker: Rev. In-Yong Lee (Uwharrie District
Superintendent). Hands-on Project: Menstrual
kits. Macedonia UMC, 10890 NC Hwy 8
Lexington NC 27292
Aug 21-22 Mission U Catholic Conference
Center, Hickory : All UWFaith members



Sept 5 Deadline for District
newsletter articles 4th quarter
Sept 12 WNCC Annual UWFaith
Celebration Location: St. Luke UMC,
Hickory



Oct 3 Uwharrie Team Meeting; 10-12(zoom)
Oct 10,24 Ubuntu Days of Service
(various locations)
Oct 17 Leadership Development Day Location
TBD (Zoom)



Nov 7 Uwharrie District Training for
Local Unit Officers Registration 9:30;
training 10:15-12:15 1st Salisbury
217 S. Church St.Salisbury NC 28144
Uwharrie Team Meeting following
training.



Movin 4 Missions 2026
Uwharrie District Mission
Walks

* Donna Owens: June 27th:
Grimes Park: Lexington
*Jeanette Mixon: July 11th
Randolph Mall, Asheboro





Western North Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Conference Goals 2026

* Financial Goal: Each unit will make & meet their pledge to Mission

* Love Offering Dedication: A “Gift to Mission” in honor of those who are dreaming, believing, and doing on behalf of women, children, and youth around the world.

*Each unit adds 3 new members for 2026

Continue telling our story!



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5 levels of giving / Mission Information

Any of the Uwharrie District Team

Why is Maternal Child Health Important to United Women in Faith

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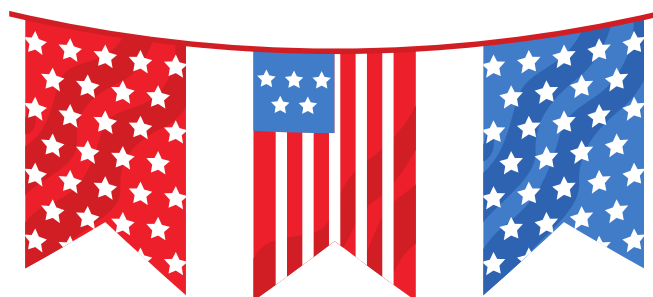
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Bethlehem, Waxhaw	47	Denise Henton	Cindy Carter	423-612-1421
Franklinville/Franklenville	12	Sharon Johnson	Sue Saunders	336-824-4439/336-301-0041
Rock Grove, Salisbury	0	Wanda Craven	New	
First, Salisbury	59	Cindy Newport	Brenda Loflin	704-798-6730
Oakboro, Oakboro	11	Cindy Newport	Deborah Bonilla	253-656-1465
New London, New London	10	Deborah Bonilla	Deborah Eudy	704-463-5721
Ansonville, Ansonville / Cedar Hill, Concord	0	Krista Herold	New	
Wingate, Wingate	12	Cindy Carter	Denise Henton	980-328-6103/704-289-8689
Central, Monroe	56	Cindy Carter	Cheri Barker	704-242-4851
Linwood, Linwood	10	Donna Owens	Carolyn Thompson	336-3026335
Marshville, Marshville/Anson	8	Denise Henton	Jane Ellickson	704-624-5468/704-292-7519
Providence, Salisbury	33	Jeanette Mixon	Barbara Howard	704-633-6675
Central, Denton	29	Jeanette Mixon	Cathy Ward	336-880-1057
Cotton Grove, Lexington	7	Lillian Marshall-Sally	Janie Sink	
First, Lexington	16	Donna Owens	Marsha Garwood	704-418-1947
Jordan Memorial, Ramseur	26	Jeanette Mixon	Betty Jo Armfield	336-963-2792
Gilboa, Marshville	8	Denise Henton	Beth Scheller	704-441-4539
First, Asheboro	84	Marsha Garwood	Helen Shore	336-963-0326
McCrory Chapel, Ramseur	10	Marsha Garwood	Brenda Goldston	
Memorial, Monroe	0	Deborah Bonilla		
Waxhaw, Waxhaw	0	new-Cindy Carter		
Milford Hills, Salisbury	71	Krista Herold	Betty Jo Hardy	704-636-6119
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Central, Albemarle	13	Deborah Bonilla	Millie Little	704-678-6628
First, Norwood	0	Lillian Marshall-Sally		
Badin, Badin	28	Donna Owens	Lynne Purvis	704-239-8217/704-638-9492
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First Wadesboro	7	Sharon Johnson	Betty Ratliff	704-254-1554
Morven, Morven	7	Krista Herold	Lois Cox	704-465-8346
Pleasant Hill, McFarlan	8	Sarah Lee	Amy Walters	980-521-1602
Oak Grove, China Grove	0	Sarah Lee		
*Royal Oaks, Kannapolis / South, China Grove	26	Tonya Lanier	Sherry O'Neil	336-239-9245
Macedonia, Lexington	25	Wanda Craven	Vanessa Brooks	336-301-6822
St. Luke, Asheboro	18	Tonya Lanier	Lois Harris	336-879-3362
Empire Charge UWFaith: Piney Ridge-Seagrove,	7	Tonya Lanier	Deborah Matthews	336-465-3104/336-879-2893
Pleasant Hill-Seagrove, Stout's Chapel-Ramseur	12	Wanda Craven	Carolyn Jones	336-859-4742
Pleasant Hill, (Empire Seagrove) Empire Circuit	24	Lillian Marshall-Sally	Wanda Craven	336-425-5105
Fairview, Denton				
St. Stephen, Lexington				

Marsha McCrary Garwood

Uwharrie District UWFaith
Social Concerns

United Women in Faith's Main Focuses from 2024-2028 are Environmental Justice which I shared in the 2nd Quarter Newsletter, and now I'll briefly outline the Campaign to Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline. People of color are incarcerated at a much higher rate than other ethnic groups. There are many reasons for this disparity. United Women in Faith's Focus is on interrupting the Pipeline of youth of color into the justice system. UWFaith has always focused on the needs of all children and youth since their founding in 1869. We believe all children/youth are sacred and deserving of a quality education. So many times, children/youth of color do not receive the educational support and the identification of behaviors such as ADHD, ADD, Autism, and Learning Disabilities. Listed below are resources from the Women's Division of United Women in Faith to educate locally, district, conference and nationally.

Quick Links:

Interrupt the School to Prison Pipeline handout
Police Free Schools handout
Bible Study: School to Prison Pipeline available in English, Spanish, Korean
Do Not Stop Them article
Never Give Up: Cynthia & Michelle's Faithful Fight Against Mass Incarceration video
Discussion Guide also Available
Deaconess Judith Pierre-Okerson on School to Prison Pipeline video
There's a lot of information but decreasing the number of youth of Color going into the prison system is vital to our country and an important mission of not only our churches but also United Women in Faith. Please get these documents from the United Women in Faith website and share with your local units. It's not a comfortable subject, but Social Concerns brings us in contact with non pleasant aspects of our society and our embrace of all God's children and youth calls us to act.
This focus needs not only our prayers, but monetary contributions as well. Consider donating to this focus through United Women in Faith.



United Women in Faith - Interrupting the School-to-Prison Pipeline Flyer D11297

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 [uwfaithresources.org /](http://uwfaithresources.org/)





Upcoming Events

- June 27: Movin for Missions Walk at Grimes Park, 25 Hege Drive; Lexington; 9-11 am
- July 11 th : Movin for Missions Walk at Randolph Mall, 1437 E. Dixie Dr., Asheboro; 9-11am
- August 15 th : Uwharrie District Annual Celebration: Registration 9:30; Meeting: 10- 12noon; Macedonia UMC Southmont; 10890 NC Hwy 8, Lexington, NC 27292
- August 21-22: Mission U at Catholic Conference Center, 1551 Trinity Lane, Hickory—all UWFaith Members invited. Begins Friday Lunch & ends early Saturday afternoon
- Sept. 12 th : Conference Annual Celebration; St. Luke's UMC, Hickory 52 16th Ave. NW Hickory NC 28601

Central UMC,
Denton
Cathy Ward,
President



Every year we do this event in the Spring usually right before Easter. We wrap up either a nice gift or a gag gift-like a bunch of used magazines. But mostly something cute. Each year the white elephant is wrapped up and whoever gets it is supposed to get good luck the rest of the year. They keep him displayed in their home and wrap it up next year for someone to get. Each gift is lifted up and bid on and the highest bidder gets the gift. We do not open until all are handed out and then we open and show others what we received. We have great refreshments and always end with a picture.



Blessing Basket

Mrs. Jane Staley with our Giving in Mission Snack Basket on behalf of the Women in Faith Empire Charge Piney Ridge, Pleasant Hill and Stout's Chapel.

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Membership, Nurture, & Outreach

Movin 4 missions is when groups raise money for missions while doing physical activities together—walking, running, dancing, chair exercising, Zumba, hiking, knitting, crafting, baking or any chosen activity.

Uwharrie District sponsors Walks for Missions as part of Movin 4 Missions: there are 2 left this year: June at Grimes Park, Lexington; & July: Asheboro Mall. You have no excuse to walk at the mall because it is the coolest walk that we have inside an air-conditioned building! The sponsor form in the back of the newsletter allows you to begin raising funds for the walk. 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 missions with women, children & youth around the world. Sponsors should make their checks payable to Uwharrie District United Women in Faith. You can participate by walking where you are! Walks can take place at churches, parks, fitness centers—be creative!

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Dan Nicholas Park
Movin for Missions Walk and
Blessing of the Animals—thank
you Vickie Brown for organizing and
carrying out that
project.

Gather your sponsors, collect the money and mail your form and sponsor money to your District Treasurer: Jeanette Mixon.

It's that easy & think of all the women, children, & Youth that you are helping as well as keeping yourself healthy through exercise!

Don't forget to invite one of the District team members to come do a program for you. It is not too late! They would love to come & do a program for you and see what all your unit has been doing throughout the year! There is a list of all the nurturing partners & which church they are assigned to so just find yours! If you can't find yours, contact Sarah Lee, District President & she will be glad to help you and get someone to do a program for you. Even if they don't do a program but just come & visit with your unit you can fulfill criterion #22 on the Mission Today form to help you be a gold, silver or bronze unit.

Last but not least, don't forget to nurture your members; work on volunteer activities together, do teas, birthday parties for Jesus, Advent by Candlelight, spiritual retreats, remember birthdays, secret sisters, free markets instead of flea markets where you have to price everything, community gardens, coffee & connects, muffins for Moms, & Donuts for Dads, sunshine baskets for your members when everything in the basket is "yellow" and much more!



Walk for Mission 2026
Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

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Unit Name _____

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(Make additional copies of this form as needed)

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Collect your money, and mail your form and sponsor money to your District Treasurer.



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