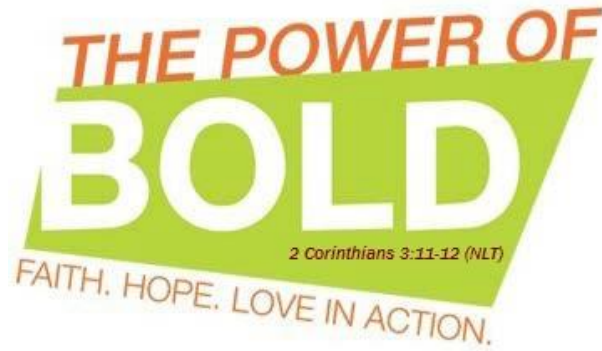




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Hello Ladies!

Welcome to 2018! At the top of this page you will find the new logo for the North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women.

"¹¹ So if the old way, which has been replaced, was glorious, how much more glorious is the new, which remains forever! ¹² Since this new way gives us such confidence, we can be very bold."

This logo is shared with the 2018 Assembly. Look inside for more information on this fabulous event. Be sure to check out the calendar enclosed for all District and Conference activities! Put them on your calendar now, and **SAVE THE DATE!**

You will find lots of other great information in the pages of this newsletter. We will be collecting UMCOR hygiene kits this year for Annual Conference. You will find the instructions inside. We are also planning a District mission trip to work at the UMCOR warehouse in Decatur, Alabama. Be sure to check out the information about that also! And, the Banquet is back!

Check out the Mission Today Unit checklist. Start planning today how your local unit can be recognized as either a regular, silver, or gold unit!

If you are connected on Facebook, be sure to find and like the **Rome Carrollton United Methodist Women's** page! Lots of good information and reminders can be found there!

Looking forward to a great year!

Blessings!

Cindi Hicks

Save The Date!!

Rome - Carrollton Leadership Development - Kresge UMC	Jan. 6
Executive Team - Kresge UMC	Jan. 20
Executive Team - Kresge UMC	March 3
Rome - Carrollton District Banquet - Rome First	April 2
Ubuntu Service Project - Workday at UMCOR warehouse	March 23-24
Executive Team	May 12
North Georgia Annual Conference - Athens	June 12-14
United Methodist Women Conference Breakfast - Athens	June 13
Mission u	July 26-28
Executive Team	August 4
Rome - Carrollton Spiritual Growth Event	TBA
Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting	Oct. 6
Executive Team	Oct. 13
Conference Leadership Development	Nov. 3
Rome - Carrollton Annual Meeting/Leadership Development	Nov. 17





L to R: Betty Kuhn, Margie DeShon, Winnie Holland, Cindi Hicks, and Ellen Hester

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I M P O R T A N T I N F O

- **Assembly 2018! The Power of Bold!** This is the gathering of the world wide United Methodist Women that happens only every 4 years. It happens **this year** on **May 18 – 20** in **Columbus, Ohio!** Check out what its all about at umwassembly.org.
- Be sure to check out the registration for Conference Faith, Fun, and Everyone event! The speaker will be Shannon Priddy! She is the **NATIONAL** United Methodist Women president! Get your registration in because there will not be any on-site registration. You can mail the form on page 10 or register at ngumw.org.
- Our Spiritual growth event this year will be a district - wide mission study. This will help your unit meet #6 on the Mission Today checklist for your unit. If at least 2 people from your unit attend, you can count it!
- We would love to visit your unit! Feel free to invite us anytime! That will also help you meet #17 on the Mission Today checklist.
- If your church would be willing to host any District events or would be willing to host a future Conference event, please let us know! We would love to share our District with the ladies within it as well as the whole Conference!
- If you, or someone you know, would be willing to serve the District in any position, please just send Winnie Holland, Nominations Chair, an email.
- We will go back to combining Annual Meeting and Leadership Development this year. The date is Saturday Nov. 17 and we will be meeting at Douglasville First UMC. Go ahead and mark the date on your calendar!
- If you have been wondering if United Methodist Women are continuing the fight against human trafficking... the answer is YES, the fight continues! Super Bowl 2018 will be played on February 4, and we invite you and your units to **STAND IN THE RED ZONE!** Send us a picture of your unit dressed in red, holding something red, on a red carpet, whatever you can come up with to show solidarity in this fight! More information available at unitedmethodistwomen.org!

Hygiene Kit Materials

- **1 hand towel**
 - 15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches
 - Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable
- **1 washcloth**
- **1 comb**
 - Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long
 - No pocket combs or picks please
 - Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth
- **1 metal nail file or nail clippers**
 - No emery boards, please
- **1 bath-size soap**
 - 3 oz. and larger sizes only
 - No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content
 - Do not remove from original packaging
- **1 toothbrush**
 - Adult size only
 - Do not remove from original packaging
- **6 adhesive bandages**
 - ¾ inch to 1 inch-size
 - Common household Band-Aids
- **1 plastic bag**
 - One-gallon size sealable bag only
- **\$1.00 to purchase toothpaste**
- **Processing & Shipping Costs:** Please enclose an envelope containing at least \$1 for each kit you send. This donation enables kits to be sent to areas in need.

Assembly Directions

Set the \$1.00 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal the bag.

Important Notes

- All items must be new.
- Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.
- Please remove all packaging, unless otherwise specified.
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Due to the fact that strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items, nothing more.
- Do not include any personal notes, money, or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.
- **UMCOR is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to Hygiene Kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent.** Do not put single dollar bills in each kit. **Collect all money for toothpaste and shipping, then place it in a separate envelope and send along with the kit donations.**

(Each unit should include a \$2.00 donation per hygiene kit you donate. That is \$1.00 for toothpaste and \$1.00 for shipping.)



Membership Census

Local Presidents:

The census is a gathering of important information, which is vital to the life of the organization. Each census gives the District, Conference and National office a total of picture of where we are in communities throughout the nation. This year we want to make capturing membership information easier and faster.

The Census Form is to be completed by each local unit president and captures the membership numbers as of December 31, 2017.

It is also important that we as the Rome - Carrollton District have 100% participation in this endeavor.

- You can access the census form by going to the United Methodist Women site: <http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org> and click the purple 2017 Census box. You should be able to access this via any website browser. **This needs to be done by each local president.**

Please make sure you complete all the boxes (use the zip code of the church, not your home), some will auto populate for you and when finished, click submit. When you submit, you will be sent to another screen and a link will appear that is to be sent to members, so they can enter in their information and receive a new membership card. You can assure them that United Methodist Women will never share contact information without express permission. There is also a YouTube tutorial available that you might want to watch prior to completing the form.

The deadline for completion of the census is March 30, 2018.

If you need help with entering this information, just let us know. We are here to help!

Thank you in advance for your participation!

*In case you need this:

Local Unit name: Church name (one report per church, not circle, if multiple)

District: Rome - Carrollton

Conference: North Georgia

Jurisdiction: Southeastern

Mission Today Unit Requirements

Requirements for a unit with a membership of 14 or less:

Mission Today Unit—Complete 5 items, 3 must be asterisk items.

Silver Mission Today Unit—Complete 6 items, 3 must be asterisk items.

Gold Mission Today Unit—Complete 9 items, 5 must be asterisk items

Requirements for a unit with a membership of 15 or more:

Mission Today Unit—Complete 10 items, 5 must be asterisk items.

Silver Mission Today Unit—Complete 12 items, 5 must be asterisk items.

Gold Mission Today Unit—Complete all 17 items.

___*1. Use the Prayer Calendar at each general meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and our mission work with women, children, and youth.

___*2. The unit will make and meet its pledge to mission.

___*3. The unit add at least two new members to its roll.

___*4. The unit will have at least two members subscribing to Response magazine.

___*5. The unit will have at least two programs from the program book during the year.

___*6. The unit, circle or subgroup will conduct or attend at least one 4-hour mission u approved mission study a year.

___*7. The unit will implement the charter for racial justice policies in at least two ways during the year. Some suggested plans of action: Plan a joint meeting with a unit of difference racial/ethnic background using programs from the program book. Develop a bi-racial/cultural or multi-racial/cultural Koinonia groups. Hold a joint VBS. Hold pulpit exchanges. Share joint worship services on special occasions. Encourage the church to sponsor a refugee family.

___8. At least one member of the unit (other than Conference or District officers) will attend the Conference or District Mission u.

___9. At least two members (other the Conference or District officers) attend the District or Conference Annual Meeting.

___10. The unit will have at least one person join the United Methodist's Women's Action Network to receive and respond to legislative information.

___11. Members shall write to five people listed in the prayer calendar at least twice a year.

___12. The unit will support the Interfaith Children's Movement. Some suggestions: Attend meetings or events; Attend the Day at the Capitol; Write to legislators concerning issues that affect children and youth; Invite a speaker; Mentor or tutor a child.

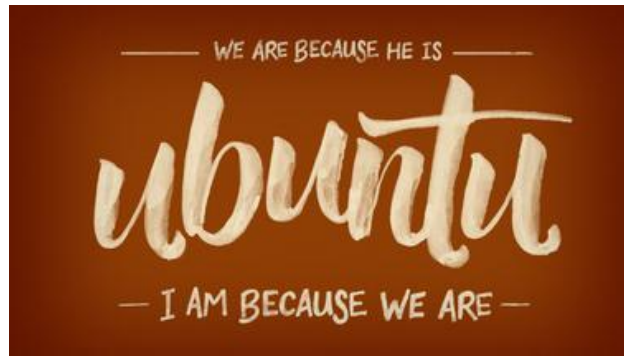
___13. The unit will be a 5-star unit contributing to all 5 channels of undesignated giving.

___14. The unit will contribute to a mission project, such as UMCOR, American Pathways, or other United Methodist Women National Mission Institutions.

___15. Each unit, circle or subgroup meeting will include a "Response Moment" where an article from the Response magazine will be lifted up as a way to tell the mission story.

___16. At least two members complete one of the Reading Program plans and report on one of the books. Encourage all members to complete Plan One.

___17. The unit will invite a District or Conference officer, other than a member of that unit, to one or more of the unit meeting during the year or host a Conference or District event.



SIGN ME UP!

Who: All Rome - Carrollton District United Methodist Women

What: Ubuntu service project

When: March 23-24, 2018

Where: UMCOR warehouse, Decatur, AL

Why: "to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."

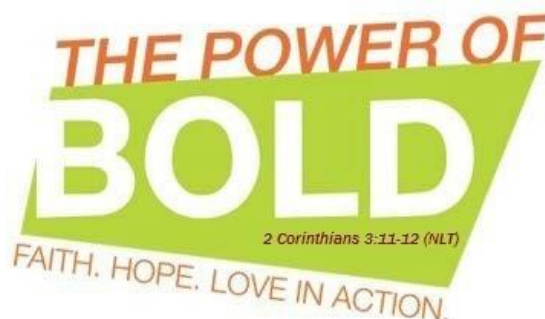
How: We will meet at the hotel on Friday night for games and fellowship. We will then work at the UMCOR warehouse on Saturday. There are jobs for all ages and ability levels. You need follow this link: [Rome-Carrollton Women's Group March 2018](#), or call the Holiday Inn Express in Decatur at [256-822-1042](#) and reserve a room for Friday, March 23 from our block of rooms. Be sure if you call to ask for our group of rooms to get our rate of \$114.00. You will be responsible to pay for your own room, so you can book alone or share a room with others from you unit (or other units). **Deadline to book at this rate is March 8.** Breakfast Saturday will be at the hotel and you be responsible for lunch. Once you have made your reservation, just let me know by phone, text, or email so we can keep track of how many people to expect.



Rome- Carrollton United Methodist Women



Spring Banquet



Who: All Rome—Carrollton United Methodist Women

When: Monday, April 2, 2018

Time: Registration and Resources at 6:00 PM, dinner at 6:30PM

Where: Rome First UMC

Cost: \$15.00 a person

Speaker: Sue Raymond, National United Methodist Women Board member

Bring: UMCOR hygiene kits

Please return this reservation form by March 26, 2018

Name of Church: _____

Number of tickets @ \$15 each _____ Amount enclosed _____

(all checks payable to ROCA District United Methodist Women)

Contact person _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Names of persons attending



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2 Corinthians 3:11-12 (NLT).

NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE UMW MEMBERSHIP, NURTURE & OUTREACH PRESENTS:

FAITH ~ FUN ~ EVERYONE > THE POWER OF BOLD

Saturday, March 10, 2018 @ Bethany UMC (LACY HALL)

760 Hurt Rd, Smyrna GA 30082 <http://www.bethanyumc.net>

Featuring Keynote Speaker ~ Shannon Priddy ~ National UMW President

REGISTER ONLINE @ <https://http://ngumw.org>

SORRY, NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION OR WALK-INS FOR THIS LIMITED CAPACITY EVENT

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
EMAIL	PHONE
CHURCH	UMC
DISTRICT: Athens Elberton Atlanta College Park Atl Decatur Oxford Atlanta Emory Atlanta Marietta	
Atlanta Roswell Augusta Gainesville Griffin LaGrange Northwest Rome Carrollton	
Address, City, State, Zip:	

Age Group: Teen | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90+

District Challenge: Contribution to Legacy Fund to Honor District with most 20-30-40's present

Are you a first-time attendee? Yes | No

Free Childcare if Registered by 2/24/2018: Name(s) & Age(s)

Emergency Contact Person Name & Phone:

List Special Needs/Limitations: e.g. Hearing Assistance | Mobility | Other:

Registration Check-In 8am* | Gathering Music, Welcome & Intro 9:15am | Key Note Speaker 9:25 | Workshops 10:45 | Lunch Noon | Closing with Key Note 12:45 |

*Visit the PRAYER LABYRINTH then check out our National Mission Institution displays | Free UMW Resources will be available with an opportunity to purchase 2018 Prayer Calendars, Program Books, & Handbooks

PICK ONE WORKSHOP SESSION: MARK YOUR FAVORITES: 1ST & 2ND CHOICE

☐ Chair Yoga – Seated adaptations for traditional poses

☐ Mission Minded Crafts- Handmade cards, Origami Cross Necklaces, Prayer Squares

☐ Beginner Pilates (bring your own mat) - Stretch for Flexibility & Strength

☐ Legislative Update | Healthcare

☐ Continuing Disaster Assistance – After The Limelight Fades

☐ Nutrition - Eating Well At Any Age

☐ Identify Theft – How To Protect Your Identity

☐ UMW Topic led by Shannon Priddy

☐ Having A Faith that Overcomes

EVENT COST: Only \$10, includes a light breakfast, lunch and workshop.

Must Register & Pay by Saturday, February 24, 2018

Payment Options:

☐ MAILING

CHECK →

☐ PAY BY CREDIT CARD

☐ Guest of Conference or NGCUWM Officer

Make checks payable to: NGC UMW

Mail checks to:

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**United Methodist Women:
Faith • Hope • Love in Action**

We are women with a Purpose!

"United Methodist Women 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 concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."