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Let's Celebrate 150 Years!

United Methodist Women around the world will celebrate on March 23rd, the advocacy and service of our foremothers. We will remember their toil and struggles as we continue the vision that was born so long ago.

We have a story to tell the nations. A story of faith hope love in action. I am a second-generation United Methodist Women member. For the past seventy-odd years, as a child and an adult, I have heard the stories, told the stories and shared my story. I know many of you are multiple-generation United Methodist Women members and have a rich legacy story to share. United Methodist Women are creating legacies which will take the next generations to levels we can only imagine.

What is your story? Are you a part of the 150-year legacy? Will you be a part of the next 150-year legacy? Go to the link below to see stories shared from across the nation:
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/150/stories>

Let's share stories about the United Methodist Women's Legacy!

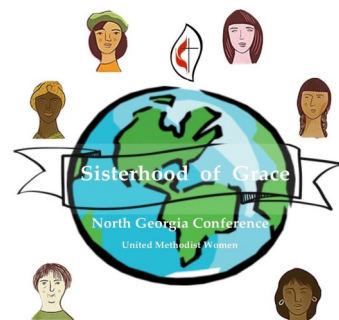
- ♦ **Mission Giving** - United Methodist Women's Pledge to Mission supports projects and organizations around the world. These partners address health, literacy, income generation, peace and many more issues that affect women, children and youth.
- ♦ **Transformation through Education** - United Methodist Women's Assembly is held every four years where women gather to learn, mobilize and act. Mission U Events are held annually which includes studies for spiritual growth and current issues impacting society.
- ♦ **National Outreach** - National Mission Institutions and local members reaching out in their communities to serve and advocate for women, children and youth.
- ♦ **Global Outreach** - Scholarships, regional missionaries, Ubuntu Journeys and project funding are some of the ways United Methodist Women make a difference globally.

Let's act!

March 23, 2019 - Let us honor our foremothers by giving to the Legacy Fund to ensure United Methodist Women can continue serving women, children and youth around the world for the next 150 years. Generous donors have already committed to matching a portion of our gifts received on the Day of Giving. Together, we are building our legacy! - "A Sisterhood of Grace"



Blessings,
Tryphenia



From the Vice President.....

Happy Birthday! This month, (March 23) **United Methodist Women** turn **150 years old**. Hard to believe that 150 years ago, a small group of women sent a woman doctor to India because there was a need. Today, there are over **800,000 members** supporting 300 missions all over the world.

This year, we will be celebrating our legacy in conjunction with our national mission emphasis; the school to prison pipeline. Please plan on joining us **May 3-4, 2019** for the **Spiritual Growth, Social Action Event at Rock Eagle** in Eatonton, GA. **Alisha Gordon**, National United Methodist Women Executive for Spiritual Growth will be leading us in worship and **Dr. Cleopatra Warren**, author, teacher, researcher and facilitator will lead a discussion on the book, **Pushout** by Monique Morris and **Pamela Perkins-Carn** will speak on behalf of **Ending Mass Incarceration in Georgia**. There are limited scholarships available for first time attendees and 18-26-year-olds. You can register on line or by mail. This promises to be a fun and informative weekend.

Please also plan to join us in Athens, Ga on **June 12th** for the **Annual United Methodist Women's breakfast**. We plan on having a United Methodist Woman share her experience at Annual Conference in St. Louis. Registration will be available in early May, but please put this on your calendar now.

Looking forward to celebrating with you this year!

Stephanie Dressler, Vice President

North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women

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The Treasurers Corner.....



THE LEGACY FUND ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

Honoring Our Foremothers' Legacy

On March 23, 1869, in Boston, Massachusetts, Clementina Butler and Lois Parker informed six women members of the Methodist Episcopal Church about the desperate healthcare and educational needs of women in India. Their Call to Action raised funds to send Isabella Thoburn, a teacher, and Clara Swain, a doctor, to India. The meeting in March led to the formation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the first of many Methodist women's mission organizations, to address the injustices imposed on women and girls in the 19th century. United Methodist Women is their successor, and this year we celebrate **150 years** of changing the lives of women, children and youth.

Together, We Make an Impact

Today, we lead the way in combating human trafficking, promoting fair food practices, interrupting the school-to-prison pipeline and working for living wages. Organized for mission, United Methodist Women operate from a biblically based understanding that equips laywomen to grow in their faith through prayer, study, fellowship and action, and to work for social justice to promote a more equitable, safe and healthy world for women, children and youth. This is what distinguishes United Methodist Women from other organizations, and attests to its longevity and relevance, today and especially in the years to come.

Building a Legacy

Our work is not done. By building a strong core endowment, United Methodist Women will secure long-term stability, while allowing us to continue vital programming that fulfills our mission. One of the beauties of an endowment is that it keeps benefitting an organization in perpetuity.

Ways to Give

Gifts received in the national office by March 23rd will be matched by an anonymous donor!

- Send checks to:
United Methodist Women, attn: LEGACY
475 Riverside Drive, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10115
Write: "**The Legacy Fund**" in the memo line
- To make an online donation go to unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund
- Text to Give: Text "41444" on your cell phone and enter "Legacy 150" in the message area
- To make a planned gift, stock, IRA distribution or annuity, call 212-870-3705 or e-mail Legacy150@unitedmethodistwomen.org.

L. Susan Stroup, Treasurer
North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women



Five Channels of Mission Giving.....

Through their generosity United Methodist Women members help empower and improve the lives of women, youth and children in the United States and around the world.

About 70 percent of Mission Giving funds from members go to programs and projects supporting women, children and youth. Around 20-30 percent stays with the local, district, and conference organizations of United Methodist Women for local mission. Only 9 percent covers administrative costs.

Pledge to Mission

An individual member's Pledge to Mission is the amount a woman gives to her local unit to help fulfill the Purpose of United Methodist Women.

The conference United Methodist Women pledges a specific amount to United Methodist Women's national office for mission with women, children and youth and retains a designated percent to be used for district and conference administration and membership development expenses.

World Thank Offering

Spontaneous additional gifts can be given out of gratitude for God's abundance and in celebration of the joys of life.

The World Thank Offering is an opportunity for individuals to respond to God's abundance and grace with spontaneous gifts of gratitude. The funds collected are used in the total program of mission carried on through United Methodist Women's national office in the United States and around the world.

Special Mission Recognition Pins and Certificates

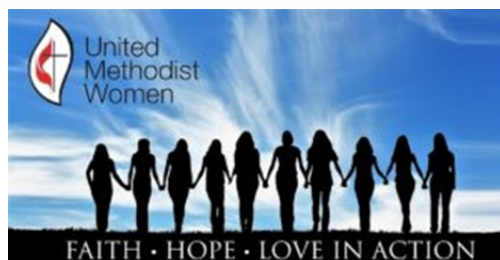
These pins offer a meaningful way to honor members who have dedicated so much time and effort to service. Gift amounts range from \$40 to \$2,000. Pins are purchased through a treasurer.

Gift to Mission

Make a gift in honor of someone and send a card to the honoree. The following cards are available: Congratulations, Thank You, A Baby, In the Service of Christ, A Special Day, Thinking of You, Happy Birthday and assorted Christmas cards.

Gift in Memory

Give a gift in memory of a member, a friend or anyone, in any amount of \$5 or more. Gift in Memory cards, available free, may be sent to the family of the deceased.



United Methodist Women: Turning Financial Gifts into Miracles for Women, Children and Youth

United Methodist Women is trusted with pledges and donations from individual members and local member organizations, as well as mission partners and anonymous donors who have a heart for mission.

We support programs in the United States and around the world that benefit women, children and youth - thereby impacting entire communities. As an agency of The United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women abides by the social principles and discipline as determined by General Conference, giving only to projects in accordance with those guidelines.



Carolyn Lee Wilson
North Georgia Conference
United Methodist Women
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Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS

May 3-4, 2019
Spiritual Growth/
Social Action Event at
Rock Eagle

Greetings from Your Spiritual Growth Coordinator

*In every thing give
thanks: for this is the
will of God in Christ
Jesus concerning you.*

1 Thessalonians 5:18
(King James Version)

As we read this beautiful verse from the Bible today, we are reminded to be thankful for United Methodist Women all around the world. During this milestone year, we are celebrating the beginnings of our organization which happened on March 23, 1869. We want to celebrate and to be thankful for all of the members of United Methodist Women, past, present and future.

We thank God for the lasting impact that has been made on the lives of women, children and youth over the past **150 years**. This is an inspiring time to plan toward our future as we give to our Legacy Fund. Together we are building our legacy to carry our mission of faith, hope and love in action forward into the years to come.

I want to extend a very special invitation to each of you! You are invited to our **Spiritual Growth/Social Action Event** on **May 3-4, 2019**, at **Rock Eagle 4H Camp** in **Eatonton, GA**. This will be a special time of praise, worship, discussion, fun, food and fellowship in our supportive community of women who love God. **Alisha Gordon** who is our National UMW Executive for Spiritual Growth is our special guest speaker. **Dr. Cleopatra Warren** will be our facilitator for a discussion of the book **Pushout**. We have other great speakers and leaders for this exciting event so don't miss out on the fun!

Please register as soon as possible for this event. Be sure that you bring several of your friends with you. You may register online at www.ngumw.org if you like. We look forward to seeing you at Rock Eagle on May 3-4!

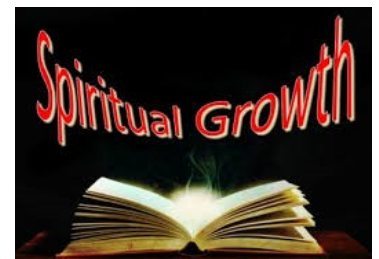
I thank God for each one of you. I want to lift you up to God as you seek to serve Him and to serve others through United Methodist Women.

May God bless each one of you as you serve Him every day.

To God Be the Glory!

Carolyn Lee Wilson

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The Mission Continues....

Hope you all had a great first quarter and one or two mission studies behind you towards your initial goals. I know we all have an action-packed year with our local church units, districts, and conference activities, but remember it's all in the name of "Sisterhood of Grace" and our UMW sister's working together doing mission work around the world for women, youth and children.

Our purpose of Mission Today is to fulfill the purpose of UMW by energizing United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study, and activism. We have levels of achievement for "Mission Today Unit," "Silver Mission Today Unit," and "Gold Mission Today Unit."

As United Methodist Women we continue to learn about ways that our mission giving makes a difference in the lives of women, children and youth around the world. I know you will continue to find ways to think out of the box around mission giving, our studies, activities, and learning about ways we can give back to society. Don't forget to order your Annual Sampler by April 2019. Please contact our Customer Service Department CS@UMWMISSIONRESOURCES.ORG or Call 800-305-9857.

Looking forward to seeing you at Mission u July 25th - 27th 2019.

Janice M. Walker

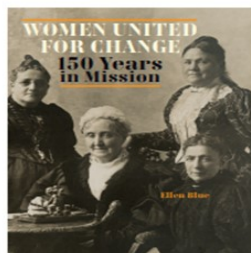
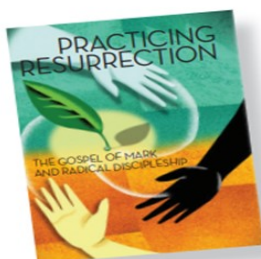
Education & Interpretation Coordinator
North Georgia Conference UMW



RADICAL DISCIPLESHIP—THEN AND NOW

Join United Methodist Women
at Mission u 2019!

Take a deep dive into the Gospel of Mark, the topic of money,
and the inspiring story of women organized for mission.



THIS YEAR, OUR STUDIES ARE:

Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship
by Janet Wolf (Additional studies on Mark for children and youth also available.)

Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission by Ellen Blue

What About Our Money? A Faith Response by Susan K. Taylor

Be inspired. Be challenged. Respond to God's call.
Continue the powerful legacy of compassionate service
and passionate advocacy.

All are welcome!



Jessica Godfrey
North Georgia Conference
United Methodist Women
Social Action Coordinator

Dear Sisters,

Our 2019 Intercept Human Trafficking campaign “Running Out the Clock” was successful because of you! Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way and in all ways. We could not have done this work without you. Please keep in mind that trafficking continues after the Super Bowl is over. It does not magically go away just because there’s not a big event going on; trafficking is prevalent 365 days a year. It is on all of us to continue the fight. Remain vigilant and attentive; continue to send tips to police and the trafficking hotline. Don’t let it be on us to lose a child... **See Something-Say Something-Do Something!** Find more at the NGUMW website, <http://ngumw.org>.

Dear God, give me ears to hear, eyes to see and a heart that obeys!

We must also remember our priority to become **INTERRUPTERS of the School to Prison Pipeline**. The school-to-prison pipeline is a term used to describe how children and youth of color are rerouted by systems and institutions; funneled away from educational success and towards the criminal justice system.

Did you know that Criminalization of Communities of Color and Mass Incarceration is a Racial Justice issue? The Racial Justice Symbol represents United Methodist Women’s commitment to work for racial justice. It symbolizes a world of racially and ethnically diverse peoples working together side by side to create a world in which every person has a voice, rights and opportunity for abundant life. Within the image are two hands joined together to work for justice for all God’s children.

Dear God, give me ears to hear, eyes to see and a heart that obeys! Let me be discerning of your command to serve and courageous enough to become an interrupter for the sake of your children. Amen!



Peace, love, joy

Jessica Godfrey

Social Action Coordinator

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P.S.--Be sure to attend the Spiritual Growth /Social Action Event in May for further discussion on interrupting the school-to-prison pipeline. Find additional information here: <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice>

P.P.S--Download the Interrupt-the-School-to Prison Pipeline poster: <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/what-we-do/service-and-advocacy/mission-focus-issues/racial-justice-and-mass-incarceration/schooltoprisonpipelineposter.pdf>



"Eradicating poverty by partnering with, and empowering, those in need."

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: Smart Lunch Smart Kid Spring Break Lunch Service

Action Ministries will be serving in three counties – Fulton, DeKalb & Gwinnett. We will need A LOT of hands to make this a success, with Smart Lunch Smart Kid our volunteers purchase, prepare and deliver meals directly into the communities we serve! This is a great volunteer opportunity for all ages and a wonderful way to serve with your family – please see the links below for sign-up and share with family, friends & colleagues!

Locations and more information are listed on the Persons Living in Poverty web page:
<https://www.ngumc.org/personslivinginpoverty>

Many blessings,

Pamela Perkins Carn

North Georgia Conference Persons Living In and With Poverty Representative



Bethel United Methodist Church
 1215 New Hope Road, SW
 Atlanta, GA 30331
 404-699-0468

Rev. Dr. A. Elaine Crawford
 Senior Pastor

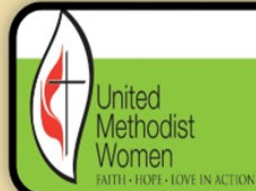
UMW

150th Anniversary Service
Sunday, March 24, 2019

Speaker

Sue Raymond

Officer, National Board of Directors
 United Methodist Women
 and
 North Georgia Conference
 United Methodist Women



ATLANTA COLLEGE PARK DISTRICT

Lenten Day Apart
and
150th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Laster Chapel United Methodist Church
 4790 Yates Road
 College Park, GA 30337

Theme: Sisterhood of Grace

*You are invited to wear white as the
 ACPK Sisterhood of Grace celebrates together.
 (This is optional! Please come!)*



Speaker: Rev. Yvette Massey
 Associate Director, Center for
 Congregational Excellence
 North Georgia Conference

Registration/Refreshments
(Don't miss the anniversary cake!)
 1:30 pm to 2:15 pm

Worship
 2:30 pm

Augusta District United Methodist Women....



And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. Revelation 19:8

"The Bride of Christ"

Armor Up & Paint

Saturday, March 23, 2019 10AM-1PM

Thomson First United Methodist Church - Family Life Center

Ladies, we are the Bride of Christ! Therefore, we must arm ourselves for our worldly struggles as well as our daily lives. Come hear a message that will enlighten your heart to Christ. Along with the message we will have an artist instructed painting party.

Special Guest Speaker: Tasha Daniel from Thomson, GA

Leading our painting session: Beth Jowers from Thomson, GA

For individual or group/ unit tickets:

Jennifer Cheely at (706) 361-8686 or jennifercheely@yahoo.com

Cost: \$15.00 Includes lunch, art supplies, and a donation to the UMW 150-year Legacy Fund. Childcare will be provided. Please advise need for care when purchasing ticket.

Deadline for ticket purchase: March 15 @ Noon

Sponsored by Augusta District United Methodist Women and Thomson FUMC

The **Northwest District** had a great year in 2018 with many of our local units working hard and taking *Bold* steps to make their communities better for the women, children and youth living among them. Several units worked together on Days for Girls Hygiene Kits to be sent around the world. Hopefully, many girls will no longer have to miss school or work because they do not have access to hygiene products.

What an exciting time for united Methodist Women as we Celebrate 150 years!

I am looking forward to an even better year for the District and our units in 2019!

We will be celebrating our 150th Birthday in Missions at each District Event we have this year and several churches are planning celebrations in their own churches, many during their UMW Sunday services.

We are looking forward to our **District Spiritual Growth Retreat** on **March 2 & 3** at the **Hinton Rural Life Center** in Hayesville, NC. This is a lovely retreat center in the mountains beside a beautiful lake. A perfect place to relax, refresh and renew our spirits. Next will be our **Lenten Day Apart Service** on **March 24th** at **Rock Spring UMC**. Our theme for this year, "**Sisterhood of Grace**" is a perfect theme for the UMW. We have also and will continue to be "Sisters" through our savior Jesus Christ. It is through this sisterhood that we find friends for life that we fellowship with and work tirelessly to fulfill our *PURPOSE*.

Janice Gallaher

Northwest District President

Griffin District News....

A momentous time for Griffin District in February

The Griffin District United Methodist Women celebrated two important events in February - the chartering of a new unit at Harvest Point UMC and hosting a joint Mission Study with the LaGrange District.

About 90 women attended the Mission Study at Griffin First UMC Feb. 23. The church's United Methodist Women's unit extended magnificent hospitality and served both breakfast and lunch, with the assistance of LaGrange women. Polly Flannigan, Griffin District education and interpretation chairperson, was in charge of activities for the day.



Susan Stroup leads the study on "What About Our Money?"

Two studies were offered, with close to 40 in each class. Susan Stroup, North Georgia Conference UMW treasurer, taught the study on "What About Our Money: A Faith Response" The spiritual growth study, "Embracing Wholeness - An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living," was led Faye Livingston, a member of Fayetteville First United Methodist Women who has had a varied professional career and who describes herself as a teacher at heart. She also is active in Square Foot Ministry, which repairs home for the elderly.



Faye Livingston leads the study on covenantal living.



Attendees brought items for the Five Loaves and Two Fish Food Pantry in Griffin.

Attendees also brought a huge number of items to be donated to the Five Loaves and Two Fish Food Pantry in Griffin, such as toilet paper, diapers and personal care items.



Susan King, right, serves Fiana Thacker with a bowl of homemade vegetable soup during lunch.



Mission study participants take a break for lunch.



Griffin District News (continued).....



The chartering of a new unit at **Harvest Point** was a high point for the district, which has not chartered a new unit in several years. Harvest Point is a relatively new church, less than 20 years old, but it has never had a United Methodist Women's unit -- until Teresa Wynn became a church member.

Teresa is well known in the North Georgia Conference as a former conference officers and a former president of the Griffin District who is now serving on the Southeastern Jurisdictional Leadership team. With a deep love for United Methodist Women in her heart, her great wish was to introduce her sister members at Harvest Point to the fellowship and mission of United Methodist Women.



The tables were decorated with Valentine goodies for Harvest Point's first UMW meeting.

The charter meeting was held Feb. 10 at the church's beautiful new church building in Henry County. About 25 women attended, representing a wide diversity in ages and ethnic identifies. Sitting at one table were two women from Aruba, one from Puerto Rico and one from Denmark.

Teresa gave her testimony of what United Methodist Women has meant to her in her life, including emotional, spiritual and financial support during difficult times of job loss and the death of her father. "That's the sisterhood of grace that God gives us," she declared.



At the closing of the Harvest Point charter meeting, Teresa Wynn, right, joins with Cynthia Jenkins, seated, Amy Zahn and Becca Smith in singing "Lean on Me."

Also attending the meeting were Tryphenia Speed, president of the North Georgia Conference UMW and two representatives from the Griffin District leadership team: Alice Smith, president, and Ann Jones, secretary. Tryphenia and Alice spoke about the history of United Methodist Women and its many avenues of service today.

PURPOSE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



The organized unit of 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.



United Methodist Women - 150 Years Strong: Our Living Legacy and Our Foremothers

Happy anniversary, United Methodist Women! We're celebrating our 150th anniversary in 2019. The oldest of our predecessor organizations was founded in 1869. Like anniversaries of a marriage or school or university graduation, this anniversary is an opportunity for us to celebrate, to renew connections, to marvel at what has been accomplished in a century and a half, and to make new commitments for the work ahead.

Our predecessors established a strong, vital mission organization and left that legacy for us. During the 150th anniversary era, our challenge is to leave our legacy for this organization we love and for the United Methodist Women members who'll come after us in 2019 and on into the future. Our challenge is making sure that the direct service, advocacy, education and leadership development we've been doing for our first 150 years continue for at least the next 150. We'll leave our legacy by permanently underwriting the vital mission work of United Methodist Women.

Check out the planned giving section of the United Methodist Women website: umwgift.org. Managing Our Money: Workbook on Women and Personal Finances by Joyce D. Sohl (Women's Division, General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church, 1984).

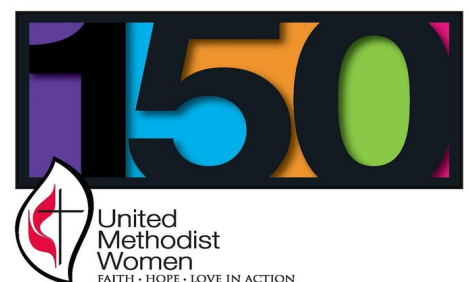
United Methodist Women Connection

From 2015 to 2019, all United Methodist Women members are invited to participate in an organization-wide campaign to grow the Legacy Fund, an endowed fund that already exists at the national office. When the campaign is finished, interest generated by the Legacy Fund will permanently support the work of United Methodist Women.

The three components of the Legacy Fund campaign are (1) an every-member annual challenge, (2) estate planning opportunities and (3) major gift opportunities. Various options exist for any woman who wants to create a thoughtful financial plan that distributes her assets the way she wants and leaves a legacy of love and caring for her family and for United Methodist Women.

Suggestions for Action

- ⇒ Collaborate with your conference Legacy Fund coordinator on fund-raising efforts.
- ⇒ Make gifts to the Legacy Fund in honor or in memory of United Methodist Women leaders.
- ⇒ Name United Methodist Women and the Legacy Fund in your estate plans.





SAVE THE DATE

Join us in celebrating the 150th anniversary of United Methodist Women with a special Day of Giving on Saturday March 23, 2019!

Day of Giving | March 23, 2019

unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund



United
Methodist
Women
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION



THE LEGACY FUND
ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **Online at:** unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund
- **By phone:** 800-278-7771 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, Monday-Friday and Saturday March 23).
- **Text:** 41444 and enter Legacy150 in the message area.
- **By check to:** United Methodist Women
Attn: Development, Legacy Fund
475 Riverside Drive, 15th Floor
New York, NY 10115
Write **"Day of Giving"** in the memo section.
- **On Day of Giving—March 23, 2019—** let us honor our foremothers by giving to the Legacy Fund to ensure United Methodist Women can continue serving women, children and youth around the world for the next 150 years. Generous donors have already committed to matching a portion of our gifts received on Day of Giving. **Together, we are building our legacy!**



Mission u 2019

July 26-27, 2019

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
Fayetteville, Georgia

Mission Studies 2019

- ⇒ **Spiritual Growth:** *Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship*
- ⇒ **Children's Study:** *Marked: A Mission Journey with Jesus in the Gospel of Mark*
- ⇒ **Youth Study:** *Who Do You Say That I Am? Meeting Jesus through the Eyes of Mark*

Special Publication:

Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission
Issue Study: What About Our Money

Spiritual Growth/Social Action Event 2019: May 3-4, 2019

REGISTER ONLINE <https://www.etches.com/SpiritualGrowthSocialAction2019>



"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor:
If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.
But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."
-Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NIV)

Rock Eagle 4H Camp, 350 Rock Eagle Rd, Eatonton, GA 31024

Featuring Alisha Gordon, National UMW Executive for Spiritual Growth
& Dr. Cleopatra Warren, author, teacher, researcher, and facilitator for Push Out.
Pamela Perkins-Carn on behalf of Ending Mass Incarceration in Georgia.



A limited number of scholarships for:
[] target age group 18-26
[] First-time attendees

All Attendees are encouraged to read
the book Push Out,
by Monique W. Morris
prior to the event.

REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY 4/17/19

PAPER REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY 4/17/19

Spiritual Growth/Social Action Event 2019: May 3-4, 2019REGISTER ONLINE <https://www.etches.com/SpiritualGrowthSocialAction2019>

FIRST NAME		LAST NAME	
EMAIL		PHONE	
CHURCH			
DISTRICT: Circle one Athens Elberton Atl College Park Atl Decatur Oxford Atl Emory Atl Marietta Atlanta Roswell Augusta Gainesville Griffin LaGrange Northwest Rome Carrollton			
Address, City, State, Zip:			
Emergency Contact Person Name & Phone:			
Age Group: 18-26** late 20's 30 40 50 60 70 80 90+ Child 5-12 Teen 13-17 ** Ages 18-26 * Applying for a scholarship? Y [] N []			
Are you a first-time attendee? No Yes * Applying for a scholarship? Y [] N [] I			
Childcare Needed? Y [] N []			
*Scholarships are limited and available on a first come first served basis.			
Optional activities available on Friday evening related to spiritual growth and incarcerated inmates.			
PARTICIPATION LEVEL		ADULT RATES	
Retreat Weekend: 4:00-6:00 Check In		<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Adults 18+ <input type="checkbox"/> require lower bunk <input type="checkbox"/> will accept upper bunk <input type="checkbox"/> need wheelchair accessibility	
Friday Only: Includes Dinner 5:30-7:00pm 7:00 – 8:00pm Praise & Worship Evening Activities 8:15pm		<input type="checkbox"/> \$45 Adults 18+	
Saturday Only: Check In 6:45 – 8:30am Includes Breakfast 7:00-8:00am Devotion- 8:30-9:00am Book Review & Discussion- 9:15-11:30 11:30-12:00 Free time/Check-out Lunch 12:00-1:30 Closing Worship 1:30-2:30		<input type="checkbox"/> \$55 Adults 18+	
<input type="checkbox"/> PAYING ONLINE - deadline is 4/18/19 <input type="checkbox"/> MAILING CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> GUEST OF NGC UMW (= Conference Officers, District Presidents, Speakers, Presenters)		Make checks PAYABLE to: NGC UMW Mail to: M Emerson, Registrar 1045 Chatham Rd Buford GA 30518 Please post mark by 4/17/19	
Special Needs/Limitations: Hearing Assistance Mobility Other:			
Dietary Restrictions: Gluten Free Vegetarian Other:			
Rock Eagle 4H Camp, 350 Rock Eagle Rd, Eatonton, GA 31024			



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**Running Out
the Clock**

**ON HUMAN
TRAFFICKING**

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Previous years, the National Organization of United Methodist Women has sponsored an event to "Intercept the Trafficker," in each city where the Super Bowl takes place. In as much as Super Bowl LIII took place in Atlanta, Georgia on February 3, 2019, the event was hosted by the North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women. Jessica Godfrey, North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women Social Actions Coordinator chaired this event. The theme, "Running Out the Clock on Human Trafficking" was used. The two-day event was held on January 25-26, 2019 at Hoosier Memorial United Methodist Church. Approximately 200- 250 persons from various churches around the conference were in attendance as well as representatives from the South Georgia Conference. Over 250 persons attended the tailgating event on Friday evening followed by an inspiring worship service. Over 200 persons were in attendance for the speakers on Saturday followed by distribution of flyers and signage identifying and/or reporting human traffickers.



We were honored to have greetings from our North Georgia Conference UMW President Tryphenia Speed, Sue Raymond (*UMW Board of Directors*), Yvette Kim Richards, Co-chair of Intercept the Trafficker Event (*former National President*) and Susie Johnson (*UMW Washington Office Public Policy*). Special music was provided by Amarylis J. Sueing and Heather Petero. Liturgical dancers and spoken word was provided by Ben Hill United Methodist Church (*Word Made Flesh*); Diana Nicole (*Warren Memorial United Methodist Church*) and Central United Methodist Church Liturgical Dancers. In addition to the message on Friday evening by Minister Sonja Natasha Brown greetings were given by Rev. Dr. Bernice Kirkland (*Atlanta-College Park District Superintendent*) and Jessica Godfrey, Chair Running Out the Clock on Human Trafficking event (*North Georgia UMW Social Action Coordinator*). Tailgating music and dance moves were provided by Therrell High School Drumline and cheer-leaders as well as Zeta Phi Beta Sorors and others.



The Saturday morning session began with a continental breakfast, courtesy of the Metro Atlanta Chapters Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. Individuals were encouraged during this time to visit the Partner Tables to find out about the resources related to eliminating human trafficking. Partners included North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women, North Georgia United Methodist Church Board of Connectional Ministries, Murphy Harpst Children's Center, Tapestry, 4Sarah, Paine College, Men Stopping Violence, Covenant House, Georgia Cares, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Clark Atlanta University and Paine College. Speakers included State Senator Donzella James (*currently working on legislature*), Dalia Racine (*Assistant District Attorney, DeKalb County*), Detective Rosalyn Byrd (*Internet Crimes Against Children, DeKalb County*), David Lester (*Civil Lawyers Against Sex Slavery - CLAWS*) and Pamela Perkins-Carn (*Human Trafficking 101/Advocacy and Action*).



Special thanks to Rev. Gary Dean (*Senior Pastor, Hoosier United Methodist Church*); the men and women of Hoosier United Methodist Church that assisted with parking and food logistics; Tony Taylor (*Pianist Hoosier United Methodist Church*) North Georgia Conference Board of Connectional Ministries; Murphy Harpst Children's Center, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.; Robin Dacus (*Fuse Graphics*); Rufus Johnson (*photographer*); San's Complete Event Planning & Catering; Daniel McLaughlin (*Therrell High School*); Shelly H. Powell (*Principal*) and Tory F. Smart (*Director of Bands*).

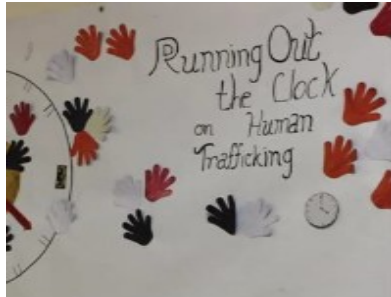


The Running Out the Clock Team Members:

National Team Members: Susie Johnson and Yvette Kim Richards

North Georgia Conference Team Members: Deloris Carhee, Edith Hollis, Linda Brown, Jackie Sykes, Jessica Godfrey, Pamela Perkins-Carn, Patricia Bell, Stephanie Dressler, Sue Raymond, Tamara Askew, Tonya Lawrence Miles, Tonya Murphy, Mary Stamper-Murray and Tryphenia Speed.

(**please note: posted are a few of the hundreds of snapshots taken during the event, additional photos are available on the UMW website.)



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you



Our 2019 Annual Conference project will provide an opportunity to assist UMCOR in their ongoing humanitarian relief projects by providing school kits to children in some countries that don't have books or school supplies. Many have no schoolrooms; classes are held in inadequate or half-destroyed buildings, tents, or even the open air. School kits may be these children's only educational resources.

School Kit Assembly & Shipping Instructions

School Kit Materials (School Kit Value: \$11 per kit)

- ⇒ **One pair blunt scissors**
 - ◇ Round tip only
 - ◇ No plastic scissors
- ⇒ **One box of 24 crayons**
 - ◇ Only 24-count boxes are accepted
- ⇒ **Three one-subject notebooks**
 - ◇ No marble composition books
 - ◇ No 3 or 5-subject notebooks
- ⇒ **One pack of loose-leaf paper**
 - ◇ 100-200 page packets are acceptable
 - ◇ Wide or college rule accepted
- ⇒ **One hand-held pencil sharpener**
 - ◇ 1-inch or longer
 - ◇ Remove from packaging
- ⇒ **One ruler**
 - ◇ 12 inches or 30 centimeters long
 - ◇ Sturdy or flexible material accepted
- ⇒ **Six unsharpened pencils**
- ⇒ **One eraser**
 - ◇ Two inches or larger
- ⇒ **One two-gallon re-sealable plastic bag**

Assembly Directions

- ⇒ Stack all paper items on top of each other.
- ⇒ Place all loose items on top of paper. (Small loose items may be placed in a smaller re-sealable bag.)
- ⇒ Place kit inside of re-sealable bag and seal.

Important Notes

- ⇒ Homemade or purchased cloth tote bags are no longer being accepted.
- ⇒ All items must be new.
- ⇒ Please do not include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits.
- ⇒ Contents of kits or the containers of kits should not be imprinted with cartoon characters, advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols.

Packing Instructions

- ⇒ Packed box should not exceed 70 pounds.
- ⇒ School kit item can be packaged inside of the large plastic re-sealable bag.
- ⇒ Complete two packing lists, one for the box and one for your records.
- ⇒ Attach the shipping label/packing list on the outside of each box.
- ⇒ Please send a check for the total number of school kits times \$1 per kit for the cost of shipping to Sager Brown. One check may be written for the entire donation.

North Georgia Conference United Methodist Women Calendar 2019-2020

Event	2019	Location	2020
Program/CON Executive-Overnight	Jan 11-12	Collinswood at Aldergate Buckhead, GA	Jan 11
Finance/ E & I/Historians	Mar 2	TBD	Feb 15
Faith, Fun, Everyone	N/A	N/A	Mar 7
Program/CON Executive	Apr 13	Dunwoody UMC AROS District	April 11
Spiritual Growth Event/Social Action	May 3-4	Rock Eagle Eatonton, GA	N/A
NGC Annual Conference	Jun 11-14	Classic Center Athens GA	Jun
UMW Breakfast	Jun 12	Classic Center	Jun
Limitless Event	Jul	TBD	
CON/ Program Executive	Jul 13	TBD	Jul 11
Mission u	Jul 26-27	Fayetteville First UMC	Jul
Annual Meeting	Oct 5	Dunwoody UMC AROS District	Oct 3
Program Committee	Oct 11	Teleconference	Oct 16
Leadership Development/ Executive Meeting	Nov 2	Sandy Springs UMC AROS District	Nov 7
District President's Annual Reports	Aug. 1		Aug 1
2020 District Officers & Dates	Nov. 1		Nov 1

Ubuntu Day of Service

Date and Time: To be determined by each District

PURPOSE

OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



The organized unit
of 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.

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