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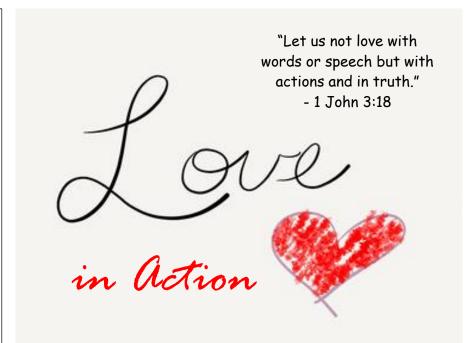
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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

As the time approaches for our conference "mission u" gathering in Pensacola, FL at St. Luke UMC, I'd like to share this about Educating For Mission. Mission education is important to deepen spiritual growth and our understanding of how God is presently at work in the world. Mission education also challenges us to respond to God's invitation to engage in mission through compassionate service and justice advocacy. With this in mind, United Methodist Women provides many opportunities for mission education through events, programs and personal study. Mission u (Schools of Christian Mission / Cooperative Mission u) "Learning Together for the Transformation of the World"

<u>Mission u</u> is a unique learning experience where attendees gain insight into local and global issues through engaging study, community building, and dynamic worship. Mission u brings together women, men, youth and children to explore the implications of our Christian faith in today's contexts.

Participants engage with topics related to spiritual growth, a geographic area and a current issue, leaving each Mission u better equipped to set faith into action and to lead the mission studies themselves in local or district settings.

Mission u continues the legacy of Schools of Christian Mission began by the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the mid-1930s. The conference organizations of United Methodist Women now carries forth the important work of planning and implementing this dynamic mission education experience for the whole church. For locations of conference Mission u events and a listing of current study topics, please visit the United Methodist Women website at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-u.

Reading Program. For nearly 150 years, members of United Methodist Women and predecessor organizations have been involved in mission that includes prayer, study and action. The Reading Program is a study opportunity that promotes action. Every year, the United Methodist Women national organization recommends a diverse range of books to broaden exposure to a variety of concepts. Books are organized into the following categories:

- •Education for Mission
- •Nurturing for Community 14
- Social Action
- •Spiritual Growth
- •Leadership Development

Lists of books for the reading program and more information are available on the United Methodist Women's website: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram.

Spiritual Growth. Spiritual growth and theological development are at the core of United Methodist Women. Studies on specific spiritual growth topics are available through Mission u. Resources such as the United Methodist Women Bible, Bible studies in response magazine, Prayer Calendar and the Program Book provide resources so that members can create opportunities for spiritual nourishment. Reflections and materials for annual observances are also available online at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/spiritual-growth.

The woman at the well went outside of her comfort zone to invite others to meet Jesus. We, too, can reach outside of our comfortable groups of friends to invite others to join United Methodist Women--a place to nurture faith, experience community and engage in mission. Any of these educating for mission opportunities mentioned above and more *is*.."Mission u"

Visit our conference UMW website for Mission u registration information. http://www.awf-umw.org



He is risen,

Debbie Bell, President (2019-2020) Alabama-West Florida United Methodist Women <u>mawbel36575@yahoo.com</u>

Continue to visit our conference UMW website for current news and information.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S WORDS

Your executive team will meet in July in Pine Hill, Al. The program committee meets on Saturday to share information and your comments on the 2019 Annual Day evaluations. We take your suggestions seriously and work to address each and come up with solutions to ensure we move in the right direction in 2020. Our recommendations will be presented to the whole team for approval.

At the program committee meeting Tutti Johnson will present plans for our Spiritual Enrichment Retreat in October 11-13, 2019 at Blue Lake. Different duties are assigned to volunteers to ensure everything is ready for SER. Rest assured Tutti will have the program well under control. You will hear more from her in this issue of Alert.

In July we will be at Cooperative Mission u, July 12-13, 2019 at St Luke UMC in Pensacola, Fl. We look forward not only for the studies presented but for being with friends from all over the conference. What a blessing to be part of United Methodist Women and the Purpose we support. See you at Mission u and Blue Lake in October.

All District and Local Unit Vice Presidents, please contact me with any questions about your "vice-president" leadership role. The district officer training sessions you attended are where you learned about planning programs for annual day or spiritual enrichment, you may even be asked to organize a mission study or a workshop.

Psalms 33:1 How very good and pleasant it is when "sisters" live together in unity.



In His Service,

Joan Simmons, Vice President

Message from the Conference Secretary

Please help to keep the Alabama-West Florida Conference United Methodist Women Directory up-to-date by sending any changes in contact information to me at<u>cathy3163@hotmail.com</u>.



Cathy Givan, Conference Secretary

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Southeastern Juridiction Meeting 2020



SAVE THE DATE:

- April 17 19, 2020
- Mobile, AL
- Renaissance Riverview Hotel
- Registration details to come!

Betty Helms has been nominated to the National United Methodist Women's Board of Directors.



Committee on Nominations

The Committee on Nominations will always have copies of talent bank forms at all our conference events. Please stop and complete a form or mail to Zan Jones, 1800 Witherspoon Circle, Mobile, Al 36618 or email me at Mahogany84@hotmail.com to request a form or let me know if you're willing to serve. We thank you in advance for your willingness to be a part of a winning team of the Alabama-West Florida Conference United Methodist Women.



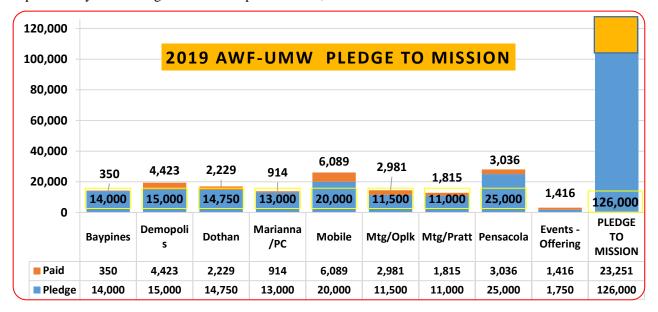
Yours in Faith, Hope, Love & Action

Zan M. Jones, Chair-CON

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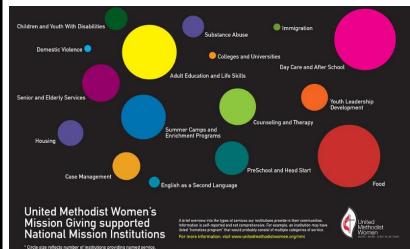
From your Conference Treasurer

We are well into 2019, with one-third of it already gone. Where are we today on our Pledge to Mission; only 19% has been paid. Can you as a single member help? Of course, where else would it come from?



Each member of each local unit should be helping meet the pledge of first her local unit, which then in return goes to her district pledge listed above. The combined eight districts make our total pledge from the Alabama West Florida Conference of \$126,000......

Don't wait until the end of the year. Pledges can be paid through-out the year. The needs of our missions which support our purpose needs money all year long.



Where does your money from pledge giving go after it leaves the local unit? It first is sent to your district treasurer who monthly sends it to the conference treasurer. The Conference Treasurer sends it to National after deducting necessary funds to pay the district and conference expenses that have been voted on by your district and conference officers.

National uses the money to support ninety-six different agencies throughout the U.S. and many agencies and projects around the globe. We train women to be leaders, provide literature to educate our members, and advocate for women, children and youth through various summits and campaigns, and by interrupting a system of

injustice and poverty through education. Maternal Health, a cleaner environment, and prison reform are just a few topics that are supported.



Don't put off until later, give your pledge this month, next month and every month to your local treasurer and urge her to send in at least a quarterly payment on the pledge to your district treasurer. United Methodist Women is funded solely by you and others just like you.

Jean Creswell, AWF-UMW Conference Treasurer

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Program Resources

Hope everyone has had a good year so far and are enjoying the beautiful weather. It is a perfect time to get some new reading material to enjoy this summer and here are some suggestions for you to consider. Remember, all of these will count toward your Reading Program for 2019. Enjoy!

EDUCATION FOR MISSION: "<u>Escape from the Green Mansion</u>" by Christine Taylor (Kindle). Please note this title was changed by the author and the title is now "<u>The Devil Came Down to Chinatown</u>". This is a true story. In the late 1800s thousands of Chinese women sailed to America's West Coast. Many of them were enslaved as soon as they stepped off the freighters and were forced into years of prostitution - the "green mansion". Many lost hope, many died. But a few of them began to whisper about the "Jesus women". Read about these women and learn about the Methodist legacy and Methodist mission institution Gum Moon House in San Francisco.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT: "Who Is My Neighbor" by Joyce Carrasco, MTS, et al. (Kindle). Learning Spanish as church hospitality. Teacher and student manuals. English speaking congregations and churches can use this resource to learn basic Spanish speaking skills to provide a welcoming atmosphere to the Hispanic communities surrounding them. This resource covers basic conversational Spanish and simple, easy to follow worship material that can be implemented in a program of hospitality by congregations of any size.

NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY: "Better - Waking Up to Who We Could Be" by Melvin Bray. What if we could change the world by telling better stories? What if the world we have - with its "ism's", religious hatred and ecological disregard - is exactly the world we have spun into existence through the stories we have told? "Better" offers a spiritual path for people who question many assumptions about God and the world, so they can continue to hold onto their faith, while joining others of goodwill in seeking sustainable, cooperative and courageous answers to the persistent problems of our time.

SOCIAL ACTION: "We Are All Fast-Food Workers Now" - The Global Uprising Against Poverty Wages - by Annelise Orleck. This book traces the evolution of a new global labor movement sparked and sustained by low-wage workers from Manila to Manhattan, Baja California to Bangladesh, and from Cape Town to Cambodia. This is an upclose and personal look at globalization and its costs as seen through the eyes, and told through the words, of the workers themselves: the berry-pickers and small farmers, fast-food servers, retail cashiers, garment and airline workers, hotel housekeepers, home healthcare aides and adjunct professors all fighting for respect, safety and a living wage. These are stories of resistance and rebellion, and they reflect on hope and change as it rises from the bottom up.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: "*What We Need is Here*" - Practicing the Heart of Christian Spirituality - by L. Roger Owens (Kindle). What happens when you stop reading about God and open yourself to an ever-deepening relationship with God? Return to the heart of Christian spirituality with Roger Owens. It is simple, yet complex: Jesus is enough. Jesus offers everything you need to flourish in your life with God.

Whether you are sitting in your den, on your deck or at the beach, a good book makes the time more enjoyable and a great way to spend your time this summer. Don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions, or I can be of any assistance.

God Bless You All,

Sally Ozan, AWF-UMW Secretary of Program Resources sallyozan@gmail.com

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Education and Interpretation

When I attended the Leadership Development Days (LDD) in Tempe in February, I learned that the Mission Today forms and awards that we use are conference specific. They are designed and revised by each conference to meet their individual needs. If you have any suggestions to revise the current criteria, please send them to me. I will compile the suggestions for the conference team to consider for next year. The Mission Today form is a tool to energize United Methodist Women local units to expand concepts of mission, including social justice. I especially like the Mission Today Criteria worksheet that has a planning section to assign responsibility of each criteria, what will be done, and what was done. This is a good tool for local units for planning the yearly calendar of events. However, it is not our only responsibility. At LDD, it was emphasized that our main task is to educate our members on the need to support mission giving and involvement in mission activities.

Cooperative Mission u will be here soon. It is time to register and start reading your study guides. I received my books very quickly after I registered. You can find the registration forms on the www.awf-umw.org website and additional information about the studies on the national website (www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-studies). New this year are Book Talks by the study authors. The first talk was with author Ellen Blue on her book www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-studies). New this year are Book Talks by the study authors. The first talk was with author Ellen Blue on her book www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-studies). New this year are Book Talks by the study authors. The first talk was with author Ellen Blue on her book www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-studies). New this year are Book Talks are available on the United Methodist Women website at the web address above. Just click on the study name to go to a study specific page. The Book talk is on the right side of the page above or under the cover photo. After listening to the talks, I'm very excited about the studies and inspired to dive into my study guides. I'm looking forward to seeing you at St. Luke UMC in Pensacola on July 19-20.

Blessings on the journey,

Joyce Genz

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Membership, Nurture, & Outreach

The Nell Chance Award deadline has come and gone <u>June 1, 2019</u>. The award is open to all ages who are currently active in United Methodist Women. A brief letter should be submitted by individuals or mission teams giving biographical information and explanation of how this person has demonstrated the standards set by Nell Chance. A photo of the nominee, if available, included with the letter will be most helpful. Please keep this in mind for next year.

"Priddy Pal" nominees are also being accepted through October 1, 2019. A "Priddy Pal" is a woman age 16-39, she may be a member of UMW or not, and she is someone who is being mentored by a woman currently in UMW. "Mentored" means she is being involved in UMW and its events by her member-mentor(s). Included with the nomination:

- 1) Picture of the nominee (if possible)
- 2) Paragraph about the "Priddy Pal" and her involvement in UMW written by her mentor(s)
- 3) Paragraph about UMW and her service to it written by the nominee herself. I would like to have at least 1 nominee from EACH District.

We also have a fun project to work on with a deadline of <u>November 1</u>. The Southeastern Jurisdiction is putting together a recipe book!!! All the proceeds will go to the Legacy Fund. It will be on sale at the Southeastern Jurisdictional Meeting in Mobile (April 17-19, 2020). I would LOVE it if you each could get <u>2-5 recipes</u> from ladies in your district. Please have her/his name, recipe, district, and conference. All that information will go in the recipe book.

Please send all nominations and recipes to KristineUMW@gmail.com

Warmly,

Kristine Jones



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Social Action

Greetings to the United Methodist Women of the Alabama-West Florida Conference! We are called to be doers of the word and not hearers only (James 1:22). Our four national campaigns now and until 2020 are listed as follows and web sites for gathering information:

- 1.) Just Energy for All Clean Air Task Force, Gasping for Breath, www.catf.us/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/CATF_Pub_GaspingForBreath.pdf. Other sites are listed on your Campaign poster. You can work with companies who are contributors to climate change in your area (heat, electricity, transportation). We are stewards of God's Creation and it is time to pitch in, do our part and make it better. TAKE ACTION: unitedmethodistwomen.org/climate-justice
- 2.) End Maternal Mortality The Maternal Mortality rate in the United States has increased to 26.4 % since 2000. The U.S. has the worst rate of maternal death in the developed world, NPR, May 12,2017, https://www.npr.org/2017/05/12/527806002/focus-on-infants-during-childbirth-leaves-u-s-moms-in-danger. Many women are unable to have access to proper health care prior to, throughout and after pregnancy especially the African American women. TAKE ACTION: https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mchealth
- 3.) Living Wage for All Economic Inequality surface from Advocates for municipal and state legislation that builds the base for a living wage for everyone. For example, a living wage is what amount would it take for a family to meet the basic living needs day to day, week to week, and month to month. A family of 4, \$15/hr on minimum wage, cannot support that family. Workers of color are more likely be paid poverty wages than white workers. TAKE ACTION: https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/news/ohioassemblyaction
- 4.) Interrupt the School -to -Prison Pipeline We need to move local decision makers to address the criminalization of children and youth of color and reduce racial disparities in school discipline. Incarceration in the United States over the last 40 years has increased 500%. African American Boys, 31%, experiencing school-based arrests and enforcement referrals make up only 15% of total school enrollment. Native American/Alaska Native students make up 1% of enrollment in schools and 2% of school-based arrest and referrals to law enforcement. TAKE ACTION: https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice

If you need to find additional information on any of the campaigns, call, text, or e-mail me. 334-202-9245 cell or oragillespie@aol.com

I have attended workshops on Equal Pay for Women, COT Program, National Prisoner's Family Conference (May is the month for local and regional events humanizing justice) and Human Trafficking.



Faith, Hope and Love in Action

Ora A. Gillespie

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Spiritual Growth

Work has already begun on this year's SER which will be October 11-13, 2019. The Rev. Reba Wiley will be our speaker this year and we are looking at other things we hope will bring you as participants into a closer walk with God.

Blessings!

Tutti



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Communications Coordinator

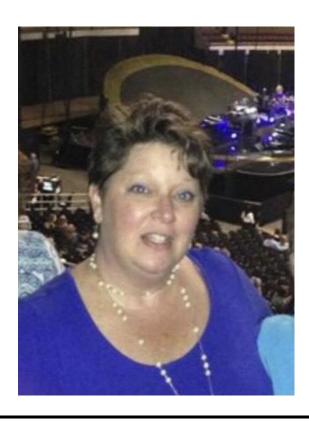
Electronic media such as email, text message, and Facebook are being used by everyone." With electronic media we must remember as United Methodist Women we are not anonymous. Anything submitted electronically is a permanent form of communication that can be traced back "(page 68 United Methodist Handbook 2017-2020).

When we as United Methodist Women want to show our support for some event or some person, we must ask ourselves, does this support the United Methodist Women purpose? If the local, district, or conference United Methodist Woman use social media please be sure the post is respectful to women, children, and youth. There are groups using social media that might look legitimate however they might not be so please do some research before you support them. If you are not sure you can reach out to the national office.

But avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness.... 2Timothy 2:16

Michele Smith

Communication coordinator



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THIS YEAR, OUR STUDIES ARE:

SPIRITUAL GROWTH STUDY PRACTICING RESURRECTION: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship

In Mark and Radial Discipleship, author Janet Wolf explores what it means to live a life of radical discipleship today using the Gospel of Mark as the foundation. Wolf explores the timeless issues of poverty, gender, justice, liberation, equality, and others using Mark as a guide. The stories of the women in Mark are a particular focus in this study and how, although often unnamed, they are prominent among Jesus' followers and in Mark's recounting of the gospel story.

SPECIAL PUBLICATION WOMEN UNITED FOR CHANGE: 150 Years in Mission

United for Change by Ellen Blue is the first in a two-year study commemorating United Methodist Women's 150 anniversary in 2019. It will provide a historical survey of United Methodist Women and its predecessor organizations and amplify the voices that shaped the work through an overarching story of United Methodist Women changing the fact of mission. This study is about women who established vibrant societies to support

missions. First organized in the United States, those societies sent missionaries overseas and later engaged in mission at home. Each was a heroine who was willing to stand over and against what her culture--and sometimes even her church - expected of her. Learning about the early female leaders who created what would become today's United Methodist Women can help us understand who they truly were beyond who we expected them *to* have been.

ISSUE MISSION STUDY WHAT ABOUT OUR MONEY: A Faith Response

This study explores how we relates to money within the context of our faith. Through this connection between our faith and our money, our readers discover how to live closer to God and God's people, even in our North American culture that is so deeply defined by money. She explores the biblical foundation of abundance (sufficiency), which stands in opposition to the scarcity narrative our cultures tells us from the time we are very young.

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SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED:

Scholarships are available for adults to attend the 2019 school

- **DON BRILL:** for clergy during the first five years of their ministry and who have never attended a Cooperative Mission u Event.
- LIB CLARIDY: for lay persons who have never attended a Cooperative Mission u Event
- **NELL CHANCE:** for NEW United Methodist Women who have never attended a Cooperative Mission u

*For application form, contact:

Margaret Larson, Dean at email address: bluelakemaggie@gmail,com

- or -

Laurel Akin, Assistant Dean at email address: laurel36330@gmail.com

EDUCATE TO TRANSFORM

Each year, United Methodist Women and others prepare for faithful living and action by studying mission studies. Mission studies are offered each year - a geographical, topical and spiritual growth study. These studies motivate, inform, and enrich our commitment to global ministry.

Leaders are trained to lead one of the three mission studies through the organization's Mission u program offered around the country. Those leaders, in tum, are able to lead mission studies in their local and district groups.

Every church and local unit of United Methodist Women is strongly encouraged to participate in what are timely studies.

LODGING: A block of rooms has been reserved at: (special rate ends June 17, 2019) Courtyard Marriott

 451 Creighton Road, Pensacola, FL

Reservations: 850.857.7744

Check in after 3 p.m. - checkout 12 noon

- Standard/King: \$165 + taxes
- Breakfast Buffet included

SCHOOL SCHEDULE:

FRIDAY

7:30 a.m. - Registration/Check-in

8:00 a.m. - Opening Plenary/Orientation

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Study Sessions

12:00 p.m. - Lunch

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Study

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4:30p.m. - Dinner

5:30 p.m. - Closing Plenary

SATURDAY

7:30 a.m. - Registration/Check-in

8:00 a.m. - Opening Plenary/Orientation

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Study Sessions

12:00 p.m. - Lunch

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Study Sessions

MAIL COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO AWFC -

MISSION u to: Betty Helms, Registrar 3043 Headland Ave. Dothan, AL 36303

Phone: 334-790-8962

email: beay194159@ou tlook.com

MEET OUR STUDY LEADERS:

Spiritual Growth Study Leaders: Sylvia McCaskill and Tutti Johnson Willlead the Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship study on Friday and Saturday. Sylvia is from the Mobile District and Tutti is from the Demopolis District. They both invite you to come and be a part of this mission study.

Special Publication Study Leaders:

Debbie Bracewell and Ruth Ann Powers will lead the Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission study on Friday and Saturday. Debbie is from the Dothan District and Ruth Ann is from the Montgomery/ Opelika District. Come and be a part of hearing and learning all about the mission of United Methodist Women and the history surrounding that mission with women, children and youth.

Issue Study Leader: Angie Woodward will lead the study What About Our Money on Friday. Angie is from the Pensacola District. This is the second year for this study. Don't miss it this year.

BE INSPIRED. BE CHALLENGED. RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL.

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2019 Alabama West Florida Conference Cooperative Mission u Event Registration Form

Date: July 19-20, 2019 - St. Luke United Methodist Church - Pensacola, Florida

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2019 HEALTH FORM AUTORIZATION

FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

Name:	DOB:
Physician's Name:	
Health Insurance Company:	
Allergies to medications:	
In the event of an emergency, contact: Name:	
Relation:	Phone #:
In the event emergency medical aid/treatment is requithe Mission u Event, I authorize the ALWF Mission u to	
 Secure and retain medical treatment and transp Release my health information to the authorized emergency treatment. 	
I hold harmless the ALWF Conference Mission u, the ACHURCH, and/or the owners of the facility for which the act during a medical emergency.	
Consent Signature:	Date:
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