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2021 Conference Officers

President	Debbie Bracewell
Vice President	Katy Wrona
Secretary	Debbie Bell
Treasurer	Jean Creswell
Communications	Open
Nominations	Peggy Cunningham
Chair	

Mission Coordinators

Spiritual Growth	Tutti Johnson
Social Action	Ora Gillespie
MN&O	Kristine Jones
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Webmaster	Anne Capps
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SEJ Chair of Nom.	Barbara Carroll
Nat. Board of Dir.	Betty Helms

Hope, Joy, Peace, Trust, and Power

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Jesus Christ had, so that, with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Romans 15: 5-6 [NIV]

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48th Annual Day

• hope | joy | peace | trust | power •

You are invited to the Alabama West Florida Conference (AWF) United Methodist Women's (UMW) one day virtual event, focusing on this year's theme: Hope, Joy, Peace, Trust, Power with Keynote Speaker: Celeste Eubanks, AWFUMC Director of Leadership Strategies. Register online at: awf-umw.org



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



It is with a joyous heart and mind I greet you as the new AWF-UMW President. I know the role will be challenging, but blessings will be abundant with those challenges. Last year was a shock to our system, but many of us worked to continue our activities as United Methodist Women. Thankfully, we were able to celebrate Annual Day in person; however, after the surprise of the pandemic shutdown eased, we found ways to regroup and continue our work. Several districts used Zoom for mission team meetings, Spiritual Day celebrations, mission studies, unit, and circle meetings. Our conference Spiritual Enrichment Retreat was experienced through video, and over 100 people viewed that event. Amazingly, our pledge to National was 101%! How does this happen? We don't give up; we continue to positively impact the lives of women, children, and youth around the world.

In a 2014 Winter **Alert**, Conference President Betty Helms reminded us, "Don't look back, we are not going that way!" She referenced Philippians 3:13-14, where Paul says, "But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." This is what we must do—envision what is ahead and work towards accomplishing as much as we can through United Methodist Women. Don't give up and don't give in—involve and invest in fulfilling our purpose as United Methodist Women.

As Betty Helms said, "Don't look back, we are not going that way!"

Debbie Bracewell

President

AWF-UMW

Have you joined in a **United Methodist Women Faith Talk**? Faith Talks are conversations hosted by United Methodist Women on mission, advocacy, and spiritual growth topics that members care about. Faith Talks are live conversations and also a podcast you can listen to anytime. Recent topics include Church and politics, faith in the midst of uncertainty, and caring for the body. Join in the live conversations and listen to past talks at unitedmethodistwomen.org/faithtalks and subscribe to the Faith Talks podcast wherever you get podcasts.





Hello everyone! If we haven't had a chance to meet or if you are new to UMW, my name is Katy Wrona and I serve as your AWF- UMW Conference Vice President. I am excited to be moving into 2021 with all of you and look forward to an amazing year.

As I began thinking about sharing an invitation to our 2021 Annual Day, I thought of one of my favorite scripture verses: "Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him." *Psalms* 34: 8 (NIV)

When I think about inviting someone to church, a community event, or a meeting for UMW, I think about this scripture verse. It is through community and fellowship that we are able to share what is most important to us. Today, I want to encourage you to invite others to come, taste, and see how the Lord is moving through UMW.

As with most of 2020, we continue to find ways to do ministry in spite of extreme circumstances. Our **2021 Annual Day Meeting** will be held as a one day virtual event on **March 6th**. We are blessed to have **Celeste Eubanks**, AWF Director of Leadership Strategies, be our keynote speaker. Please see the flyer below for more details and register today on the website!

I look forward to seeing each of you there on zoom!

Katy Wrona

AWF-UMW Vice President

Coming soon... 2021 AWF-UMW Annual Day

Registration will open on February 6 for the Virtual LIVE event to be held on **March 6, 2021**. Once you register, you will receive an email informing you of the link and how to participate.

FREE participation, but there will be a separate option button for donations and a survey afterwards.

From the AWF-UMW Conference Secretary

[Businesswoman Fabienne Fredrickson said, “The things that you are passionate about are not random, they are your calling.”]



So, you wanted to be the Secretary. You thought, “I think I can do this,” and you did help with taking “notes” at the Circle meeting . . . what could be different or maybe you even thought, “**HOW HARD COULD IT BE?!**”

If you are returning or new to the Secretary position of a district mission team, the Local Unit, or even a UMW Circle, please watch for the District training that should be scheduled in the coming weeks. I will be providing tips so that your term as Secretary can be successful. As the District/Local/Unit Secretary, you will need to know:

Essential Elements of Note Taking

Minutes do not contain opinions.

Minutes use the third person.

Minutes note all votes.

Minutes focus on big ideas and themes.

Minutes answer **who, what, when, why and where** (5 Ws).

Include the opening and closing time.

Include the attendance.

Capture all motions accurately, along with the name(s) of the movers. You can even ask for motions in writing to ensure completeness.

Meeting activities have specific verbs to describe the proceedings. Resignations are **accepted**. Bylaws, budgets and resolutions are **adopted**. Minutes are **approved**. Reports are **received**.

Before sending out the minutes, use the spelling and grammar check features of your word processing software.

Recordkeeping

Minutes. Keep the past 4 years (or longer if conference rules dictate) easily accessible. Keep them locally for this quadrennium, then send to archives.

Reports. Ensure year-end audited Treasurer's report is included with appropriate minutes.

Historical Records. Store any historical records that have not yet been sent to archives.

Contact Information and Directories. Keep the past 4 years (or longer if conference rules dictate) easily accessible.

Legal Documents. This includes, but is not limited to contracts, audits, and bank records.

Letters and Mailings. This includes incoming and outgoing correspondence. In some conferences, emails and postal mail may also be processed by other members of the leadership team, such as the Communications Coordinator or Vice President for program information.

Debbie Bell
AWF-UMW Secretary
Alabama-West Florida United Methodist Women
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REPORT OF THE AWF-UMW TREASURER

For the Year 2020				
MISSION GIVING (PLEDGE)	Pledge	Paid by Dis- tricts	Balance	% Paid
Bay Pines	14,000.00	10,854.94	3,145.06	77.5%
Demopolis	15,000.00	12,373.94	2,626.06	82.5%
Dothan	14,000.00	11,242.68	2,757.32	80.3%
Marianna/PC	11,000.00	11,091.44	-91.44	100.8%
Mobile	20,000.00	21,575.55	-1,575.55	107.9%
Montgomery-Opelika	8,000.00	6,744.41	1,255.59	84.3%
Montgomery-Prattville	11,000.00	8,713.62	2,286.38	79.2%
Pensacola	22,500.00	26,953.37	-4,453.37	119.8%
Events - Offering	2,700.00	2,096.00	604.00	77.6%
TOTALS FROM DISTRICTS	118,200.00	111,645.95	6,554.05	94.5%
Paid to Date to National	100,470.00	101,885.51	-1,415.51	101.4%

BEGINNING BALANCE CHECKING 1/1				10,116.00
INCOME				
Pledge from District via Local Units	94%		111,645.95	
Restricted to National			10,356.32	
Conference Specials - Agencies			7,588.88	
Conference Specials - Assembly			1,335.70	
Interest on Savings			276.75	131,203.60
EXPENSES:				
Conference A&MD paid out		2,580.89		
District Budget		2,804.55	5,385.44	
Sent to Agencies			7,588.88	
Sent to National - PLEDGE	101%		101,885.51	
Sent to National - Supplementary			10,356.32	
Savings Income			1,774.19	
TOTAL EXPENSES				(126,990.34)
TRANSFER TO/FROM SAVINGS				(4,354.26)
ENDING CK BALANCE				9,975.00
SAVINGS / CD (Restricted)	Beginning	Income	Transfers	Ending
SAVINGS / CD (Restricted)	55,368.33	492.63	4,354.26	60,215.22
TOTAL Checking and Savings				70,190.22
Prepared by	Jean R. Creswell, AWF-UMW Treasurer		12/31/2020	

For the Year 2021

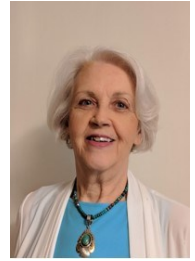
MISSION GIVING (PLEDGE)	Pledge	Budget
Bay Pines	14,000	2,283
Demopolis	14,000	2,150
Dothan	12,000	1,717
Marianna/PC	11,000	1,650
Mobile	20,000	3,539
Montgomery-Opelika	6,750	1,035
Montgomery-Prattville	10,000	1,579
Pensacola	20,000	3,000
Conference	2,700	24,019
TOTALS FROM DISTRICTS	110,450	40,972
Pledge to National	93,883	

*Thanks to all that helped
us exceed our 2020
Pledge to National. Nev-
er let it be said that
COVID-19 could keep us
down. Women, Children
& Youth continue to de-
pend on us in 2021.*



Mission Giving Makes Mission Possible

The five channels of undesignated, unrestricted annual Mission Giving make United Methodist Women's mission possible across the United States and around the world. The biblical example for women supporting mission giving can be found in the *Luke 8:1-3* story of women who supported Jesus' mission on earth. Renita Weems, in her book, *Just a Sister Away*, reflects on the women who followed Jesus. Weems suggests that those imagined as wealthy women may very well have simply been committed women giving all they had to a vision of a new kingdom. They were a community of women who supported the mission and sacrificed everything to follow Jesus. They did the cooking and the mending between teaching and recruiting other women. They donated their funds and time just like today's United Methodist Women.



Our challenge as Education & Interpretation coordinators is to help women catch a vision of how our pledge to mission continues the work of Jesus's community of women supporters and our founding sisters who, in 1869, responded with a weekly 2¢ and a prayer to meet the needs of women in India. With inflation, today that 2¢ is equivalent to 34¢, which just happens to be the cost of providing one second of the 2021 United Methodist Women's total program budget of \$10,632,704. The 2021 UMW projected national/international mission spending will cost \$20.23 per minute. The 2021 AWF-UMW Conference budget will fund about 4 days of mission. How many minutes at \$20.23 can each of us fund this year to make sure the vital work of United Methodist Women continues?

What does Our Mission Giving Support?

- Vital ministries with women, children and youth
- Regional missionaries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America
- National Mission Institutions across the United States
- The Reading Program
- Mission u
- Leadership Development for United Methodist Women
- Mission education resources such as; response magazine, mission studies, *Program Book*, *Prayer Calendar*, newsletter and other publications
- Advocacy work for the needs of women, children and youth
- Mission study books
- Grants and Scholarships

The National Website has been redesigned to make it easier to explain each mission area and to find resources to promote mission giving. Please contact me if you need additional resources or ideas on fundraising.

In His Service,

Joyce Genz

AWF-UMW Education and Interpretation Coordinator

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Dear Members,

Welcome to the 2021–2022 United Methodist Women Reading Program. The year 2020 was tumultuous and uncertain. A global pandemic highlighted the importance of connection, even (or especially) while social distancing. Reading books at home and sharing them with friends and family—through email, phone, or video calls—can be a way to relax and engage in the world without leaving home. In the “Overview” section, we’ll share ways to get the most out of the Reading Program, even if we are unable to participate in the same “real world” activities as in the past.



The year also marked a civil rights uprising. Black lives matter—and Americans are raising consciousness and moving the country towards great social, political and cultural change, opposing police brutality, systemic racism and anti-Blackness.

The Reading Program has always included books showcasing diverse characters and provoking critical thinking about many issues, including race and racism. We hope you’ll read at least one of these books that center stories around the Black experience and elevate our understanding of how to be anti-racist, including:

Sulwe, a picture book by Lupita Nyong’o about one girl’s journey towards loving her dark skin.

Anxious to Talk About It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully About Racism, a practical guide for having difficult conversations.

The Unstoppable Garrett Morgan, a charming, inspirational story of a Black businessperson and entrepreneur that is suitable for youth.

So You Want to Talk About Race, a book that appeared in last year’s Reading Program and is now available in Korean.

Rise!: From Caged Bird to Poet of the People, Maya Angelou, which has beautiful illustrations.

I’m so pleased you will be participating in this program which, for the first time, will span two years instead of one. The purpose of the Reading Program is to better understand and participate in God’s mission today, to increase sensitivity to all human beings, to explore contemporary issues, and to enhance and act on self-knowledge. Even when we’re apart, we’re together—and still working to deepen our understanding of the intersections of race, class, sex, religion and gender through books and discussion.

Andris Salter Operations Officer
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
READING PROGRAM

Nomination Committee Report



As we start our new year, I am sad to report that we do not have a Communications Coordinator. I think if 2020 had been different with our units being able to meet in person, we would have found someone who would be perfect for the job. Since that did not happen, I have Faith that someone will volunteer for that position. I would like to add that the *ALERT* (the conference newsletter), only goes out four times a year. Information for the *ALERT* comes from our conference officers, conference coordinators, our districts and unitedmethodistwomen.org. You can view copies of the *ALERT* on the conference website (www.awf-umw.org). If you enjoy desktop publishing, this may be a perfect match for you! Call me and we can discuss the position in more detail.

The Committee on Nominations includes Nettie Lang, Shirley Hodges, Desiree Clarke and Clara Ester.

I would like to welcome and say, "Thank You" to our NEW OFFICERS for 2021:

Debbie Bracewell.....President
 Debbie Bell.....Secretary
 Clara Ester.....Nomination Committee

A big Thank You for our RETURNING OFFICERS for 2021:

Joyce Genz.....E & I
 Ora Gillespie.....Social Action

In God's Love,

Peggy Cunningham,
 Nomination Chair
 251-752-1714

Spiritual Growth is an important aspect of United Methodist Women. The national website offers many worship service resources:

[Litany: An Affirmation of Faith](#)

[Commitment for Leading Together](#)

[Women Weaving One World](#)

[An Awesome Responsibility](#)

[Like A Butterfly](#)

[Circles and Acorns](#)

[Fill The World With Love](#)

[Hope for a Brighter Future](#)

[Corinthians](#)



Visit www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/worship to find more worship services to fit the needs of your group.



**THE LEGACY FUND
ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN**

United Methodist Women continues to build upon the foundation set forth by our founders almost 150 years ago. Yet the difficulties encountered by women, children and youth around the world continue to sustain separation from life affirming compassionate care and support that heals, restores and empowers. Imagine what is achievable, what is possible, if United Methodist Women had the resources to deepen and expand its mission to transform lives and ignite change in places near and far.

In 2014, the Board of Directors launched the Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign, setting a goal to raise \$60 million. To date, \$32,094,994 has been raised. The Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign is both historic and unprecedented, with the campaign's theme, *Together, we are building our legacy*, celebrating the **legacy** of the courageous women who founded this mission movement, as well as the **legacy** that today's members will leave for future generations of United Methodist women, to create their **legacy** to carry the mission of *faith, hope, love in action* forward in the world for years to come.

Betty Helms, past president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, reported that after paying all bills, sending all reimbursements to registered participants, sending the start up funds for incoming SEJ team, and paying for the audit, the SEJ had \$90,000 left in the checking account. The SEJ team voted to send that money to National earmarked for the Legacy Endowment Fund.

DAY OF GIVING—March 23, 2021 Visit www.unitedmethodistwomen.org for more details.

MEMBERSHIP NURTURE AND OUTREACH

NURTURE is so important when we are isolated and feeling anxious. What we can do to stay in touch with our UMW sisters?

- * Keep the leadership team informed about needs and concerns of membership;
- * Include time and space for women to share their concerns and experiences with one another at gatherings (online and in person) of United Methodist Women members;
- * Actively stay in touch with and support members through life's joys and struggles;
- * Organize ways to stay in touch through letters, phone calls, video calls, outside visits

Members
Make It
All Possible

Mission u 2021: There's Far More Here

So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without [God's] unfolding grace. [...] **There's far more here than meets the eye.** The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 The Message (MSG)



We have known and felt what it is like when “things are falling apart on us.” We have experienced a great unraveling that has shifted, quite literally, everything.

Could there be, as 2 Corinthians put it, “far more here than meets the eye?”

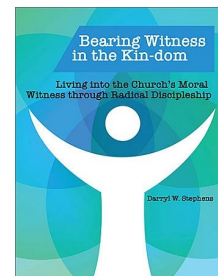
Mission u, like many activities in our lives, has moved online. While virtual, we are still creating spaces for spiritual community, lifelong friendships, lessons that change us and our communities, and spiritual practices that arrive when we need them most. In a time when it looks like things are falling apart on us, God's grace is still unfolding and life is being made new.

Indeed: There's far more here than meets the eye. Will you join us?

At our upcoming Mission u, we will examine anxiety, the culture of violence that impacts children in and out of schools, and how we as God's people can deepen our moral witness and respond faithfully.

Our 2021 Mission u will offer the following studies:

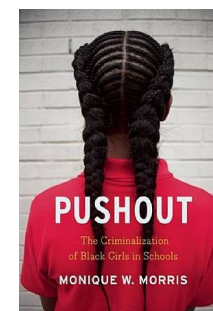
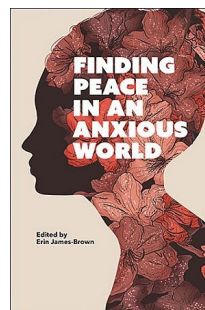
- *Finding Peace in an Anxious World*, edited by Erin James-Brown
- *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools* by Monique Morris
- *Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom: Living Into the Church's Moral Witness Through Radical Discipleship* by Darryl Stephens



Save the Date and Join us on July 23 & 24

Laurel Akin

Mission u Dean



2020 UNIT SURVEY (formerly Census)

Unit Presidents, the deadline for completing the survey is March 30, 2021. Go to www.unitedmethodistwomen.org and click on the orange box.

The survey is online and should take only a few minutes to complete.

Census
2020

Tech Tips for Beginners:

First, do not let the adage “too old to learn new tricks” fool you into thinking you are not capable of teaching yourself the essentials for learning technology. The word technology itself can keep people away. It is catered to those with IT degrees yet not limited to your three-year old grandchild, who seems to be preprogrammed at birth to know how to navigate through a smartphone. Do not fret, this beginner’s guide to Tech Tips will help you not only understand but feel confident in yourself and the ever-changing world of technology.



TECH TIPS

Power Cycling

In the tech world, if you have ever had to call a customer service hotline to help with your devices or internet service, you are probably already familiar with this all-to-often, but most important statement: “Have you *power cycled* your device?” What the representative is simply asking you is have you turned the device (i.e., computer, modem, printer, phone, etc.) OFF and then back ON? This is the first line of defense in solving certain tech issues. We will use your computer as an example. Your computer is like a whole pie. If you start to notice your computer slowing down or not performing well, it is because you are cutting away small pieces of that pie every day as you continue to work or play on your computer. To fix these problems, we need a new pie. To get that new pie you must shut down or power down your computer *every day*. Once you have turned off your computer and restarted it, viola, you have a new pie to start again.

Use Pen and Paper

In today’s world everything seems to be or feel as if it is in some *digital* form. Using basic pen and paper is something that many younger generations forget to utilize. When using email, shopping online, or social media, it is best to always keep a password sheet. Most websites require a secured password, and this can be hard to remember. Be patient with yourself when creating passwords online. Make sure they are memorable yet hard to break. Do not use common information like birthdays, names, anniversaries. Create a strong password that uses numbers, upper and lower case letters, and symbols. Write it down on good ole pen and paper.

Security

To my point above about the rise of identity theft online, make sure the websites you are using are in fact *secured!* When doing any transactions online that require your access to bank accounts, credit cards, etc., pay close attention to the address bar of the website. Most general websites start with HTTP:// - to be sure when doing said transactions online the address bar **should read HTTPS://**. This tiny detail lets you know as the consumer that the website it completely secured.

Anne Capps

AWF-UMW Webmaster



Charter for Racial Justice

The United States—a nation of many peoples of different races, nationalities, languages and cultures—is challenged to make the Charter for Racial Justice a charter for everyone. The Charter for Racial Justice was created and adopted by the Women's Division of the United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries in 1978. In 1980 the division successfully recommended adoption of the charter by the whole denomination. General Conference has consecutively readopted it, every eight years since, most recently in 2016. The charter continues United Methodist Women's urgent call for study and action on the principles and goals of its vision.

For Unit Enrichment:

- Display Charter for Racial Justice Policies AND lift up at least 1 issue at each unit meeting.
- Supply each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies.
- Purchase & discuss one United Methodist Women's Reading Program book about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial ethnic background.
- Study in depth a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice Policies.

You can find more suggestions for your units by consulting the Consolidated Report Forms (page 13) located on the Conference website—www.awf-umw.org/

Why United Methodist Women Engage in Social Action

For more than 150 years, Methodist women organized for mission have worked in the name of Jesus to take positions on social justice issues and change legislation, systems, structures and practices considered unjust and oppressive. These bold foremothers advocated to end lynching, improve women's health, raise women's status in society, organize for fair wages and benefits for workers and families and adopt the Charter for Racial Justice. Today, we continue to build on this foundation as we work to interrupt the school-to-prison pipeline and ensure energy that is just for all. As United Methodist Women of the 21st century, we are called to be bold in our witness, working to dismantle systems of oppression and build, together, a better world.

Social
Action

United Methodist Women national office staff are ready to support you as you move forward with one or more campaigns in your conference. Please keep us informed on how your local, district or conference units are engaging with any of the campaigns. Contact the campaign managers below:

Emily Jones: Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline, ejones@unitedmethodistwomen.org

Elizabeth Lee: Just Energy for All, elee@unitedmethodistwomen.org

Climate
Justice

Criminalization
of
Communities
of
Color & Mass
Incarceration

NEWS FROM NATIONAL . . .

Greetings United Methodist Women Sisters,

As we begin this new quadrennium and my term as a National Director for the Southeastern Jurisdiction, please accept my gratitude and humble thanks for electing me to represent you on this board.



At the national level, the organization of United Methodist Women is led by a board of directors with advisory input from the program advisory group. The work is guided by the PURPOSE and implemented by the staff. The board of directors sets the policy, secures funds from the members, and determines the budget that provides opportunities for women to connect within the United States and around the world. We (National Board) have met via zoom and began the process of planning for the next four years.

I have been assigned to the following areas: Governance Committee, 2022 Assembly Planning Committee, and the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women Board. The Governance committee will be meeting monthly as we determine official policies of the organization and how it will operate and conduct its work. It also handles nominations between organizational meetings and board self-evaluation. It is exciting to see, hear, and learn about this wonderful faith-based organization called United Methodist Women. As I move into this new area, I am coming to realize the Governance Committee plays a very large role in how our organization functions. I am most thankful to be a part of this committee.

This quadrennium our focus will be climate justice and the criminalization of communities of color. These two areas of critical, unrelenting need are areas in which United Methodist Women can have a great impact. Narrowing our focus to two areas helps us concentrate energy and resource to best do the work God calls us to do. Expect to hear much more about these two areas during the next four years.

Right now it seems everything is so uncertain, and a lot of us are not sure what it is that we need to do. I ask you to keep in mind the following three things: (1) God's love is constant, (2) God's protection is certain, and (3) God will provide. Always remember that God wants the best for each of us and for the mission work of United Methodist Women.

Betty Helms

2021 AWF-UMW Conference Calendar of Meetings and Events

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Jesus Christ had, so that, with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6

<h3>JANUARY</h3> <p>15-16—AWF-UMW Conference Executive Mission Team Meeting, ZOOM, includes conference executive mission team officers AND District Presidents. Officer reports due.</p> <p>28-30—Leadership Development Days (LDD), ZOOM—for all NEW Conference Officers</p>	<h3>FEBRUARY</h3> <p>10—Alert articles due</p>	<h3>MARCH</h3> <p>5-6—AWF-UMW Conference Annual Day, Virtual All invited!</p>	<h3>APRIL</h3> <p>4—EASTER</p>
<h3>MAY</h3> <p>10—Alert articles due</p>	<h3>JUNE</h3> <p>6-9—AWF UMC Annual Conference, Frazer United Methodist Church, Montgomery; In-person or virtual. Attendees: AWF-UMW Conference President & District Presidents Voting Delegates</p>	<h3>JULY</h3> <p>9-10—AWF-UMW Conference Executive Mission Team Meeting, Christ UMC, Mobile OR ZOOM. Includes conference executive mission team officers, District Presidents' and District Treasurers' attendance required. 10—Alert articles due 23-24—Mission u via Zoom</p>	<h3>AUGUST</h3>
<h3>SEPTEMBER</h3>	<h3>OCTOBER</h3> <p>8-9—AWF-UMW Conference Spiritual Enrichment Retreat (SER) and 2022 EX. Mission Team election & installation, Blue Lake Assembly Grounds</p>	<h3>NOVEMBER</h3> <p>6—President & Treasurer Conference Training for District Officers, 8:30-3:30, Location TBD 10—Alert articles due UMW Sunday Celebrations</p>	<h3>DECEMBER</h3>



TALENT BANK INFORMATION ON PROSPECTIVE LEADERSHIP

(To be completed by prospective leader - Send to District Nominations Chair)

Type or Print (attach additional sheets as necessary) **Date** _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone: **Home** _____ **Work** _____

Email _____

Local Church _____ **District** _____

Age: ____ 20's ____ 30's ____ 40's ____ 50's ____ 60's ____ 70's ____ 80's+

Languages Spoken _____ **Racial/Ethnic Group** _____

Professional skills, job experience _____

Office(s) held in United Methodist Women

	Office(s)	Dates of Service
Local	_____	_____
	_____	_____
District	_____	_____
	_____	_____
Conference	_____	_____
	_____	_____
Jurisdiction	_____	_____
	_____	_____

Additional Experience on the local, district, conference or general church level (other than United Methodist Women) or in the community

Special Talents or Skills:



Areas of Special Interest or Concern:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> secretarial | <input type="checkbox"/> recruiting members | <input type="checkbox"/> publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> communication | <input type="checkbox"/> social issues | <input type="checkbox"/> workshops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> computer | <input type="checkbox"/> creativity | <input type="checkbox"/> newsletters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> accounting/bookkeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> recording minutes | <input type="checkbox"/> retreats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> organization of details | <input type="checkbox"/> public policy | <input type="checkbox"/> music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> nominations | <input type="checkbox"/> public relations | <input type="checkbox"/> youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> program planning | <input type="checkbox"/> community building | <input type="checkbox"/> children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusiveness/pluralism | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) |

Which office(s) on the Conference United Methodist Women's Team would you most like to hold given the opportunity to serve?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> President | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Nurture & Outreach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Growth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chair of Nominations | <input type="checkbox"/> Communications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Interpretation | |

Why are you interested in this position and what qualifications do you feel you have for your office(s) of choice?

Would you be able to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen United Methodist Women through the PURPOSE of the organization? _____

Is it possible for you to be away from your home or employment for:

Full day _____ Weekend _____ Extended Time _____
Yes or No Yes or No Yes or No

_____ I am sorry but I am unable to accept an office this year. Please keep my name on file and contact me in _____.

Send the completed form to the Chair of your District or Conference Committee on Nominations.

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