

The Network News

Anderson District United Methodist Women

South Carolina Conference

July 2013



Hello Ladies, did you keep your flame burning? Remember “It only takes a spark to get a fire going, and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing. That’s how it is with God’s love once you’ve experienced it; you spread his love to everyone; you want to pass it on.”

“Day Apart” was held April 13th at the Hospice of the Upstate in Anderson. The theme was “Stir The Flame.” The United Men’s Choir of Easley started the sparks and Reverend Brenda Washington, pastor of Minus Chapel UMC and New Beginnings Mission in Greenville, ignited it into a flame. Reverend Susan Leonard-Ray, District Superintendent, stirred the flame with the beautiful communion service. What a day! Thank you, Sara Jones, Anderson District Spiritual Growth Coordinator, for a job well done. Thank you, Crystal Lewis, for your vision of the Hospice House as a place for Day Apart. We had 158 in attendance: 5 first timers and 4 under forty.

Spiritual Growth Retreat was held at Lake Junaluska in May. It was awesome. The theme was “A Woman’s Place.” The speaker was the Reverend Dr. Arnetta Beverly, Senior Minister, St. Matthews UMC in N.C. Anderson District had 40 UMW in attendance: five first timers, one under 40, and First UMC of Easley had 20 attending the retreat. Congratulations First!!!

The Executive Committee Meeting was held May 6th at John Wesley UMC in Easley. We had a delicious meal. Thank you Rev. Velma Haywood, pastor; Bernetha Orr, president, and the local unit members for hosting our meeting.

“Come Together, Be Together” was held in Orangeburg, May 18th, at Edisto Fork UMC. The theme was “Living the Heart of God.” Reverend Susan Leonard-Ray, our DS, was the speaker and I had the opportunity to introduce her. She was excellent. Thank you, Cathy Ford, for an excellent well-organized event. We had 17 UMW from Anderson District in attendance.

Reminders:

- Every unit should have a Children’s Sabbath Sunday in November. I will e-mail the material and have some available at the annual meeting.
- Annual Meeting will be October 5, 2013, at Emmanuel UMC in Anderson.
- Each unit is asked to give \$10.00 to Sandy Hurricane Relief.
- Each unit member is asked to give \$1.00 extra to Mission 2 to be divided among our 5 Mission Projects.

Your Sister-In-Christ,

Jane Hallums



Upcoming Events & Deadlines



August 5	Executive Committee Meeting-Robinson Chapel UMC-6 E Main St., Liberty, SC — 6:30 P.M.
By August 31	Mail forms — Planning Guide, Charter for Racial Justice, & Mission Today — all forms and information this newsletter
October 5	Anderson District Annual Meeting — Emmanuel UMC-2901 Dobbins Bridge Rd., Anderson, SC
October 25-26	South Carolina Conference Annual Meeting — Bethel UMC — 245 South Church St., Spartanburg, SC — all forms and information this newsletter



News from Clemson UMW



Clemson UMW made 200 dresses for children in Liberia. They also sent 200 pairs of underwear. Chris Heman, missionary in Liberia, assisted the women. It took about three weeks to make the dresses. They were shipped the first of June. Hats off to the UMW of Clemson and their president Cherie Isely.

IT'S ALL ABOUT MISSIONS -PART 2



Our Conference Education and Interpretation Committee presented a skit about Mission giving at our 2012 Conference Annual Meeting. Since then, we have been sharing “Our Dream and God’s Vision” of how to honor our Missions and their Executive Directors at our 2013 Conference Annual Meeting. The purpose for this plan comes from Matthew 25:40
“Inasmuch as you have done it to the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto Me.”

To walk in the footsteps of Christ, we are asking you to give a “second mile” gift of an additional \$1.00 per member in each local organization of UMW to be divided among our five Missions. We are over 14,600 plus members in South Carolina. Just think what that amount alone would do for the women, children and youth we have pledged to serve. By doing this random “act of kindness” we are honoring our PURPOSE and then some. I’ve heard that some of you have graciously given more than a dollar. To those who have already contributed, thank you. It is not too late for others to participate. We welcome your support.

John Wesley was right when he said, “Warmed hearts require helping hands.” So often we serve silently unnoticed but this time let’s open our hearts and joyfully celebrate as the Executive Directors “see” what has been given to them in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for helping His women, children, and youth. This Celebration Day will be a “day to remember” because we became a part of “God’s Mission” giving just for the pure joy of sharing with others.

We are asking each local organization to send their contributions to their District Treasurer. She will send the monies on to our Conference Treasurer. For you, the deadline to contribute is the last day of August. Please honor this request. You will want to be present when this Celebration takes place. If not, you will also miss a “special surprise.”

From Sarah H. Jones, state Education & Interpretation



Officers’ Training

Arial UMC

Easley



**41ST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

OCTOBER 25-26, 2013

BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

245 SOUTH CHURCH STREET, SPARTANBURG, SC 29306

FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION CONTACT JAN FLEMING, REGISTRAR AT (864) 921-2354 OR EMAIL: JANNERBF@AOL.COM

THEME: **WITH GOD, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE** KEYNOTE SPEAKER: **REV. TIFFANY KNOWLIN**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

PHONE: _____ OTHER PHONE: _____

DISTRICT: _____ CHURCH: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

WILL YOU BE AT DINNER ON FRIDAY NIGHT 5:30-6:30 PM? _____ WILL YOU BE AT LUNCH ON SATURDAY? _____

PLEASE NOTE: MEALS REQUIRE A MEAL TICKET. YOU MUST RESPOND TO THE ABOVE QUESTION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A MEAL TICKET
WITH YOUR REGISTRATION PACKET.

CHECK ALL OF THE FOLLOWING THAT APPLY:

_____ FIRST TIME	_____ CONFERENCE OFFICER	_____ PAST CONFERENCE PRESIDENT
_____ UNDER 40	_____ DISTRICT OFFICER	_____ UNIT PRESIDENT
_____ YOUTH AGES 12-14	_____ VOTING DELEGATE	_____ MISSIONARY/DEACONESS
_____ NURSERY NEEDED - NUMBER OF CHILDREN/AGES _____/_____	_____ CLERGY	_____ MISSION DIRECTOR

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE CONTACT _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

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~ ~ FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 ~ ~ REGISTRATION FROM 2:30 TO 5:00 PM LOCATION: FELLOWSHIP HALL

(Anyone arriving after 5:00 may still register prior to Session I. No meal tickets will be available unless pre-registered)

3:30 - 5:00 PM OPTIONAL PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE

CONFERENCE MISSION DISPLAYS; AUDIO VISUAL FILMS; RESOURCE ROOM; SELF GUIDED TOURS

5:30 - 6:30 PM DINNER MEAL TICKET REQUIRED

7:00 - 8:00 PM SESSION 1: WORSHIP SERVICE & HOLY COMMUNION IN THE SANCTUARY

8:00 - 9:15 PM WORKSHOPS (TBA)

9:30- 10:00 PM AFTERGLOW FELLOWSHIP - FELLOWSHIP HALL

~ ~ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 ~ ~

REGISTRATION 8:00 - 9:00AM FELLOWSHIP HALL (for those attending only the Saturday sessions)

9:00 AM - 10:00AM BIBLE STUDY

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM SESSION 2: GENERAL BUSINESS IN SANCTUARY

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM LUNCH MEAL TICKET REQUIRED

1:45 PM - 3:00 PM SESSION 3: GENERAL BUSINESS IN SANCTUARY/ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

SEND REGISTRATION ALONG WITH \$25.00 FEE (PAYABLE TO SCCUMW) TO:

JAN FLEMING

411 WILLOWBROOK DRIVE

SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA 29301

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 11, 2013 ANY REGISTRATIONS POSTMARKED AFTER OCT. 11, 2013 AND ANY ON-SITE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE \$35

The hotels listed below have blocks of rooms available for Oct. 25, 2013.

Please ask for the South Carolina United Methodist Women block to reserve your room. If you have questions, contact Beth Addis, 864-512-1253 or baddis1108@yahoo.com.

Comfort Inn & Suites Spartanburg 154 Candlenut Lane Spartanburg, SC 29316 864-814-2001 (deadline Oct. 4) Free breakfast (off I-85, exit 75)	\$69.95 + tax/ regular room Suites have not been re- served
Comfort Suites at WestGate Mall 458 Blackstock Road Spartanburg, SC 29301 864-699-6700 (deadline Oct. 4) Free breakfast (off I-26, exit 21)	\$98 + tax – 2 queen beds; \$88 + tax – 1 king bed
Hampton Inn & Suites 801 Spartan Boulevard Spartanburg, SC 29301 1-800-HAMPTON; local number: 864-699-2222 (deadline Oct. 4) Free breakfast (off I-26, exit 21)	\$104 + tax – 2 queen beds; \$100 + tax – 1 king bed
Sleep Inn Spartanburg 501 Blackstock Road Spartanburg, SC 29301 864-595-4040 (deadline Oct. 4) Free continental breakfast (off I-26, exit 22)	\$66.34 in- cluding tax



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South Carolina's Missions

Columbia Bethlehem Community Center

PO Box 4186
Columbia, SC 29204
803-931-8023

Bethlehem Community Center, Spartanburg

397 Highland Avenue
Spartanburg, SC 29306
864-582-7158

Killingsworth, Inc.

1831 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201
803-771-6359

Rural Mission, Inc.

3429 Camp Care Road
PO Box 235
Johns Island, SC 29455
843-768-1720

Wallace Family Life Center

PO Box 367
Bennettsville, SC 29512
843-479-7991

Campaign for Children

The Campaign for Children continues United Methodist Women's 135 plus-year legacy of strong advocacy for the rights and needs of children. Launched in 1988-1993, this first phase of the campaign charged local United Methodist Women groups with hands-on efforts to improve the lives of children in their immediate communities. Phase II of the campaign, 1994-1999, focused United Methodist Women's efforts on the theme "Making the World Safe for Children and Youth in the 21st Century."

Campaign for Children Phase III: Public Education, begun in 2002, calls on United Methodist Women members to be get involved in public education as advocates before legislators, volunteers in local schools and mentors for students

Mission Giving

- **PLEDGE TO MISSION** - Pledge to Mission giving is the foundation for mission work through United Methodist Women. An individual Pledge to Mission is the amount each member decides is her share of the local unit's total budget.
- **SPECIAL MISSION RECOGNITION** - A Special Mission Recognition is an undesignated gift for mission work that honors the recipient. Special Mission Recognitions may be given by any individual, or circle, or unit, in honor of any person, female or male. It is not necessary that the recipient be a member of United Methodist Women. There are several categories of Special Mission Recognitions, each representing a different amount of money for mission. The basic \$40 Special Mission Recognition is a small gold oval lapel pin with a cross and a white certificate. The other categories are \$60 (set with small sapphire), \$100 (pearl), \$200 (emerald), \$500 (ruby), \$1,000 (diamond), and \$2,000 (double diamond).
- **GIFT TO MISSION** - A Gift to Mission is a way to honor someone with an undesignated gift in her or his name of at least \$5.00. There are eight different Gift to Mission cards: Thank You, Congratulations, Thinking of You, A Special Day, A Baby, Happy Birthday, Peace, and In the Service of Christ. And, there are five special Christmas card designs. Each card has a message indicating that a gift to mission through United Methodist Women has been made in the recipient's honor.
- **GIFT IN MEMORY** - A Gift in Memory honors the memory of a much-loved family member or friend by making possible additional mission work in the United States and around the world. Gift in Memory cards represent a gift of a minimum of \$5.00. The cards can be obtained for free, so that they are readily available when needed. The person making the gift sends the card to the family of the deceased person, and then sends their gift money to the local UMW treasurer along with the tear-off stub indicating the name of the deceased person.
- **WORLD THANK OFFERING** - The World Thank Offering is an opportunity for individuals to respond to God's abundance and grace with spontaneous gifts of gratitude. Individuals or families collect such gifts in special boxes or labeled containers. Gifts are usually brought together in the unit once a year.



Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit Award



Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Units

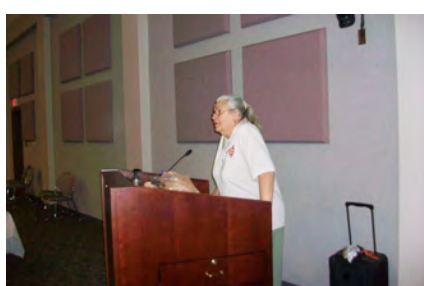
The Diamond Unit certificate is awarded at each District Annual Meeting to each unit that completes three or more activities from the list below that demonstrates the unit's commitment to the ideals in the Charter for Racial Justice. At least one of the diamond-marked activities must be included. You are to send a copy of this completed form to your District Social Action Coordinator before **August 31st** in order to be recognized at your district annual meeting and receive the Diamond Unit certificate. Please get them in early to **Judith Polson – 116 James L. Orr Dr., Anderson, SC 29621** or e-mail jpolson2961@yahoo.com

Unit President _____ Date _____

Unit _____ No. of Women in Unit _____

1. _____ 1. Watch a video related to the Charter for Racial Justice
2. _____ 2. Give a book report on a Reading Program Book selected from the Social Action area
3. _____ 3. Share articles from *Response* and *New World Outlook* or *UMW Action Alerts* relating to racism
4. _____ 4. Supply each member with a copy of the *Charter for Racial Justice*
5. _____ 5. Present a program using the Charter for Racial Justice
6. _____ 6. Use a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book
7. _____ 7. Participate in a UMW Social Action/Human Rights Mission Study
8. _____ 8. Give a report to the unit about an experience of attending a musical or theatrical performance by person(s) of a different race, culture, or ethnic background
9. _____ 9. Send at least one member to Capital Day
10. _____ 10. Participate in postcard-writing which encourages legislation favorable to the economically deprived or challenged
11. _____ 11. Experience worship, Bible study, or UMW unit program/activity with an ethnic group different from your own
12. _____ 12. Attend or host an international tasting party, culture fair, or other international event
13. _____ 13. Participate in a Bible Study on Racism
14. _____ 14. Celebrate Black History Month in February
15. _____ 15. Suggest and plan with your pastor a pulpit exchange with a pastor of another race
16. _____ 16. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (a celebration, worship, Vacation Bible School, etc.
17. _____ 17. Other _____

Day Apart



Come Together — Be Together



Lake Junaluska



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.

From left: \$40 -plain gold pin; \$60 -pin with sapphire; \$100 -pin with pearl; \$200 -pin with emerald; \$500 -pin with ruby; \$1,000 -pin with diamond; or \$2,000 -pin with two diamonds.

Special Mission Recognition certificates and pins are ordered by the local or district unit treasurer through the district's treasurer, using the spaces provided on the treasurer's remittance form. The district treasurer sends the order to the conference treasurer, who sends it to United Methodist Women's national office. The Special Mission Recognition is sent from the national office to the honoree or to the person whose name and address were given on the original order.





Planning Guide for 2013

Please complete all throughout the year. When completed, mail to
Jane Hallums- 321 Mary Ann Street – Easley, S.C. 29640 or email
janehallums@bellsouth.net

LOCAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR ANNUAL MEETING 2013 REPORT

For Period September 1, 2012 – August 31, 2013 - Due August 31, 2013

UNIT NAME _____ PRESIDENT _____

1. MEMBERSHIP:

Total number of members pledging \$5 a year for Wallace Family Center: _____

Number of members in local organization: _____

2. CONTRIBUTIONS:

Five Star Requirements: (Money, not √)

Five-Mission Requirements (Gold Seal)

\$	Pledge to Mission	\$	Bethlehem Center- Columbia
	Special Mission Recognition (\$40)		Bethlehem Center - Spartanburg
	Gift to Mission (\$5/card)		Killingsworth
	Gift in Memory (\$5/card)		Rural Mission - John's Island
	World Thank Offering (\$5/card)		Wallace Family Life Center
\$	Total Amount Paid	\$	Total Amount Paid
	Rainbow Women (Extra Giving)		Call to Prayer & Self Denial

Total Amount Actually Paid \$ _____

3. PARTICIPATION (Since September 1, 2012)

Anderson District Events (Number of persons from your unit attending each event)

Annual Meeting 2012		Officers' Training 2013	
Day Apart 2013		Under "40" 2013	
Youth Explosion 2012			

SCCUMW Events: (Number of persons from your unit attending each event)

Annual Meeting 2012		Officers' Training 2012	
Legislative Day 2013		Spiritual Growth Retreat 2013	
Come Together, Be Together 2013		Mission u 2013	
Events for 5 Mission Project 2013		Killingsworth (Gala) 2013	

4. MISSION EDUCATION/MISSION TODAY

Number of Reading Program participants: _____ Send list of names to Doris Robinson –
4003 Dobbins Bridge Rd. – Anderson, S.C. 29626

Number of Subscriptions to Response: _____ **Program Book:** How many times used? _____

Prayer Calendar: How many times used? _____ How was it used? _____

Charter for Racial Justice: Are you a Diamond Unit? _____ Send Diamond list to Judith
Polson - 116 James L. Orr Dr., Anderson, SC 29621 or e-mail ipolson29621@yahoo.com

Are you a Mission Today Unit? _____ Send Mission Today Units to Henrietta Sanders
125 Old School House Rd. Liberty, SC 29657- e-mail retta3656@yahoo.com

5. DECEASED MEMBERS: _____ Send list of names to Sara Jones-106 Tarcus Ct. Anderson, SC 29626 (864-556-1479)

6. In what public school district is your unit located? _____

Support of Campaign for Children: Yes _____ No _____

7. OTHER: List other projects/activities on the back or attach another paper.

MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Unit President: _____ Date: _____

Unit: _____ No. of Women in Unit: _____

Units are encouraged to complete as many criteria as possible. Units of 10 members or less must complete at least 5. Units of 15 members or less must complete at least 7. Units of 16 or more must complete at least 10 of the criteria.

All units must complete criteria "number 1."

1. ____ *Your unit will make and meet its pledge to mission.
2. ____ Use the Prayer Calendar at each general meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children and youth.
3. ____ Your unit will add at least one or more members to its roll.
4. ____ Your unit will have at least two members subscribing to Response Magazine. Units under 10 will have at least one member subscribing to Response.
5. ____ Your unit will use at least two (2) programs from the Program Book during the year.
6. ____ Your unit, circle, subgroup will participate in at least one Mission Study a year.
7. ____ Your unit will implement the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two (2) ways during the year.
8. ____ At least one (1) member of your unit (other than a conference or district officer) will attend the District or Conference School of Christian Mission.
9. ____ At least (1) member (other than a conference or district officer) will attend the district or conference annual meeting.
10. ____ Members shall write to five people listed in the Prayer Calendar at least once a year. You may choose to write to the person listed on your birthday.
11. ____ Your unit will participate in the Campaign for Children.
12. ____ Your unit will be a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of MISSION GIVING.
13. ____ Your unit, circle, or subgroup will include a Response moment where an article from the Response Magazine will be lifted up as a way to tell the mission story. New World Outlook Magazine provides another good way to tell the mission story.
14. ____ Have at least two people from your unit, circle, or subgroup complete one of the Reading Program Plans and report on one of the books read. Encourage all members to complete Plan One. Have a book review program.
15. ____ Your unit will invite a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit to one of the unit meetings during the year.

Mail OR email completed form by August 31, 2013 to: Henrietta Sanders- 125 Old School House Road- Liberty, SC 29657 - retta3656@yahoo.com



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