

North Central Connection



United
Women
in Faith

Presidents Message

It's hard to believe that summer is winding down and school is starting. I hope it has been a great summer for you and your family.

The Fall District meeting is just around the corner Saturday, September 17th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Registration begins at 12:30. Noblesville First UMC has agreed to host the fall meeting and I hope you all will plan to attend. We have been fortunate this year to meet in person but always feel free to wear a mask and use hand sanitizer to stay safe.

I know this time of the year is very busy for all our UWF units as you gear up to have bazaars, bake sales and other fundraisers. We will want to hear all about your projects and enjoy the fellowship together in September. Be sure to check out all the executive officers' articles in the newsletter. There are items that you will need to provide for the births and deaths of those within your units. Our business meeting will consist of approval of the district budget and Pledge to Mission and nomination and approval of the 2023 Slate of District Officers. Our speaker for the meeting will be (tba)

Connie Pearson, president
NC District UWF

North Central District Spring Meeting

Saturday, September 17, 2022

1:00 to 3:00 pm

Registration begins at 12:30 am

Noblesville First UMC

2051 Monument Street, Noblesville, IN 46060

Rita Gaither-Grant from the Conference Offices
will be speaking about the Legacy Fund

R.S.V.P. by September 14, 2022

To: Anita Beck—317-773-1430 OR anitajbeck@comcast.net

Please be sure to indicate if you need Childcare when you R.S.V.P.

Social Action Report

In 2022 the United Methodist Women became United Women in Faith, a change we are to embrace. The Indiana President, Kathie Clemenz states, "a change is never easy but God offers us an opportunity to serve Him in a new and refreshing way. We are to commit ourselves to a new thing with our love of God."

Fowlerton Women in Faith led by President, Pat Ford, invited the District President, Connie Pearson and District Treasurer and Lucille Raines Representative, Sally Lindenmayer as well as the Ladies of Fowlerton church, a local Bible Study Group and our local Home Economics club and Pastor Glen of Willow Branch, Indiana to attend a Salad Supper. Ella Nickles opened with prayer and a devotion, twenty guests attended.

Sally Lindenmayer shared our mission of support of Lucille Raines Resident Home in the upkeep of the building and support for the Residents.

What a way to embrace social action in a small community and share God with others. Prayer was offered and then a question, "when can we do this again?" God truly blessed that evening!

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Member Nurture and Outreach Coordinator

As I write this article for the newsletter, we only have 19 days to complete the 2021 Unit Survey! I know that some of the Units have already been online and filled out the survey, Thanks So Much! I have sent emails and links to unit contacts lately and hope you have access to a computer, or you may call me, and I will be happy to submit your unit's information for you. Others that didn't have an email I have sent a hard copy with the questions listed in the survey and will be happy to help anyone with their report too. Remember AUGUST 30TH IS THE LAST DAY TO SUBMIT THE 2021 UNIT SURVEY!

Connie Pearson, MNO Coordinator

Program Resources Coordinator

Are you enjoying the variety of books in the Reading Program? Don't forget that *Faith Talks* on podcasts, as well as select movies, count towards the program. Complete lists of the books, podcasts, and movies can be found on the United Women in Faith website. Podcasts are a great opportunity when we don't have time to sit down and read that book.

Of course, we know that these have been unique years; 2021 and 2022 will be combined for reading recognition. So, there is still time to expand your knowledge and also catch up with current topics and concerns before the end of the year. Don't forget to send me your lists at the end of the year.

The following women were recognized for their 2021 reading participation with certificates at our spring meeting.

Anderson First UMW
Francie Seybert
Plan IV

Ford Street UMW
Phyllis Hackler
Plan IV

Noblesville First UMW - all Plan I
Carol Brost
Paula Elliott
Marianne Jacobi

St. Mark's Carmel
Plan 1
Lydia Fourman
Fran Hageboeck
Kathy Lentz
Barbara Schmenner
Emily Stahl
Jane VanDyne
Plan II
Mary Etta Yoho

Kokomo Grace UMW
Terry Grotenhuis
Plan I

Happy reading!

Terry Grotenhuis, Secretary of Program Resources
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From the Treasurer

WWJD. Remember those letters on the elastic bead bracelets that were so popular a few years ago?

What Would Jesus Do? I thought of those recently as I picked beans. I had all I wanted. Should I finish picking the row and share or quit? Historically United Women in Faith have been generous with their resources—time, talent, finances, yes, and even vegetables. Of course, as treasurer, I am obligated to write about finances. With nearly two-thirds of the year behind us, I've received less than 25% of our \$15,000 NC District pledge. I have great confidence that we will meet our pledge commitment; however mission need does not wait until the end of the year. To those units who have sent their pledges and conference askings quarterly or semi-annually, thank you. For those who have not, please look at your treasury balance. If there is a little extra in it, consider sending a portion of your unit pledge now and complete it later as you have fall fund raisers. Let us share as we are able. FYI, I picked the rest of those beans and gave them away.

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"Rebuilding Lives-
Committed to Addiction Recovery"

LUCILLE RAINES RESIDENCE

We are nearly 50% of our way through the "Love Lifted Me" accessibility campaign to raise funds for replacing and relocating the

elevator at LRR. The goal is to make the facility totally handicap accessible. It is not a goal that can be met by United Women in Faith alone. It requires outside help. At the onset of the campaign in March, four flyers with a QR Code addressed to various positions within the church including the minister were sent to every United Methodist church in the Indiana Conference. Did your unit receive one? Has this campaign been mentioned from the pulpit? **This campaign must be taken to our entire United Methodist congregation!** Perhaps there is a church mission fund from which a special contribution can be made. Perhaps there are individuals to whom this needs speaks personally. Perhaps the church could organize a dedicated fund raiser. Perhaps you belong to a secular community organization which would be interested in helping. The Lucille Raines Residence belongs to us. It's our responsibility. The initiative is ours. Take it and run with it!

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District Secretary's Report

*This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.
Psalms 118:24*

This verse is laying heavy on my heart the last few days. With school starting back, I hope all teachers, staff and children are happy to be back together. With see friends, playing time together, eating together and learning together, we certainly have a great reason to rejoice and be glad in the day.

Many students may now have someone to watch over them Monday through Friday and are assured of one to two meals. Teachers & staff are overwhelmed with the start of school, but students come first.

May we rejoice and be glad in each day the Lord hath made us apart of and may we help children, teachers and staff and share Christ's love in many ways this school year and follow our PURPOSE!

Pat Ford Secretary

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Spiritual Growth

Spiritual Growth leader coordinates devotional times at District Board Meetings and Spring and Fall District meetings.

She conducts at time for honoring deceased members and new births to unit at the Fall District meeting.

She promotes special times and events for worship, prayer and meditation. (Such as Call to Prayer, ecumenical worship and retreats.

Incorporates language and images into worship that are inclusive of and affirming to women, people of color, and people with disabilities and thoughtful toward native peoples and social climates.

Encourages the use of issues of the Response Magazine, Program Book, Prayer Calendar and Reading Program for unit meetings.

Attends all District Leadership, District Fall and Spring meetings, and State Leadership development, Mission U, and Fall State meetings.

District Spiritual Growth Chairman serves as the contact person for all unit Spiritual Growth chairs.

Please send me a listing of all births and deaths during 2022 so we may honor them at the Fall District Meeting September 17 at Noblesville UMC.

Hope to see you there and I will be glad to answer and questions about this position.

Marilyn Chittick, District Spiritual Growth Chairman

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Nomination Request

Please consider volunteering for a position on the District Team. All of our current members have actually exceeded or are at the end of their term. Specifically the North Central District is in need of a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, a Spiritual Growth Coordinator and a Chairperson of Nominations. We have made several requests of our UWF members, but no one has stepped forward. In the Spring newsletter we each provided job descriptions as we understood them.

Please search your heart, and during your quiet time with God, ask Him what His role for you is in the North Central District United Women in Faith. We look forward to your call.

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Nominating Committee

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ALL STAR UNITS 2021

The following United Women in Faith units were recognized at the NC District spring meeting on April 30. They completed all five areas of Mission Giving plus the three Indiana Conference askings.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Ford Street, Lapel
Fowlerton
Grace, Kokomo
Noblesville First
Saint Matthew, Frankfort
Sheridan First
Shiloh, Kokomo

Please type or print clearly, the information and return to your District Secretary and the Conference Directory Coordinator by December 1, 2022. Due to post office mailing regulations, we do need your 9-digit zip code! Check your utility bills for these.

District			
Church			
Mailing Address			
City/State/Zip+4			
Phone		Email	

President

Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	

Vice-President

Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	

Secretary

Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	

Treasurer

Name			
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Phone		Email	
Membership Nurture & Outreach			
Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	
Program Resource Coordinator			
Name			
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Phone		Email	
Chairperson for Committee on Nominations			
Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	
Communications Coordinator			
Name			
Mailing address		City/ Zip+4	
Phone		Email	

Upon completion of this form, PLEASE send a copy to your District Secretary and the Conference Directory Coordinator:

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Please send via e-mail if possible, but USPS is greatly appreciated and accepted as well.

Without these names and addresses, your district and conference teams don't know who should receive newsletters, fliers, and special e-alerts. Thanks to all of you for your help in making our Conference Directory as

2022 MISSION TODAY	
REPORT LOCAL ORGANIZATION	
United Methodist Women of Indiana	
United Methodist Women demonstrate their commitment to the PURPOSE through their Prayers, Presence, Participation, Gifts and Service.	
PRAYERS	
	Used the Prayer Guide at each meeting to pray for mission personnel and projects. *
	Communicated with at least 5 persons listed in the Prayer Guide during the year.
	Held a mini-Spiritual Growth Retreat.
PRESENCE	
	At least two members were added to the membership roll.
	At least one member (not a conference or district officer) attended Mission U.
	At least two members (not a conference or district officer) attended a district or conference annual meeting. This could include attendance to districts/conference events such as: district spiritual enrichment day, district Mini Mission u, district officer training, or conference annual spiritual growth retreat., etc.
PARTICIPATION	
	At least two members subscribed to and/or read <i>Response</i> magazine (including online articles). *
	Used at least two programs from a UMW Program Book during the year. *
	Conducted at least one Mission u study during the year. *
	At least one member is a member of the UMW's Action Network to receive Action Alerts and share with members.
	Told a mission story at meetings through sharing "member support" articles (identified by the Mission Giving logo—see other side) from <i>response</i> .
	Included a book review/report on a Reading Program book during a meeting.
	At least two members completed one of the Reading Program Plans.
	Initiated a new or expanded an already-existing Local Ministry Program which benefits women, children and/or youth. *
	At least two members watch or listen to at least 2 "Faith Talks" or "Voices from the Field", live or recorded on UMW website.
	Attended a "Tour-Talk-Lunch" ("TTL") at Lucille Raines Residence or gave in-kind or monetary support beyond the conference asking. *
GIFTS	
	Made and met its Pledge to Mission. *
	Remitted the Conference Asking of \$15 per member. *
	Received Five Star recognition by contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving by unit and/or member(s).
	Legacy Fund donation made by unit and/or member(s).
SERVICE	
	Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice in at least one way during the year. *
	Invited a district or conference officer (not a member) to one meeting during the year.
	Pledged to care for God's creation by becoming a "Green" local organization.
	Participated in at least two events/activities during the year which focused on Current Justice issues.

<p>WHY? The purpose of Mission Today is to fulfill the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women by: Energizing United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study and action; Increasing contacts between local organizations and mission personnel and projects enabling a better understanding of where Mission Giving dollars go; Encouraging the use of a variety of mission resources; Expanding concepts of mission, including social justice as mission.</p>			
<p>WHO? Every local organization is encouraged to strive for Mission Today status by completing 8 or more suggested criteria as noted to the right. Find suggestions and ideas for activities below.</p>	CATEGORY	NUMBER OF ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED	
	Bronze	8 (including 4 asterisked items)	
	Silver	12 (including 6 asterisked items)	
	Gold	16 (including 6 asterisked items)	
 <p>Mission Giving Logo</p>	<p>Read <i>response</i>, the magazine for Women in Mission, through a subscription or online: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/response or http://responsemagazine.wordpress.com. The Mission Giving logo found in <i>response</i> identifies a program and/or person supported by United Methodist Women's Mission Giving.</p>	<p>Find the Charter for Racial Justice online: http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjusticecharter</p>	 <p>Racial Justice Logo</p>
	<p>Current Justice Issues may be found online: http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice</p>	<p>Go to www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/environment for <i>13 Steps to Sustainability</i>; Ideas for Be Just. Be Green.; and other ways to get involved in UMW's environmental work.</p>	
<p>WHEN? Receive recognition for 2022, by returning your completed checklist by January 15, 2023 to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Your District's Mission Coordinator for Education & Interpretation</p>			
<p>Return completed form (front & back) to:</p>			
<p>Deadline for reporting: January 15, 2023</p>			
Local Organization		District:	
Reporting Officer Name & Position:			
Email or postal address:		Phone:	

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
THE REMITTANCE FORM
FOR ALL TREASURERS (Indiana Conference)

Local Unit: _____ District: _____
 Conference: Indiana Period From: _____ To: _____

MISSION GIVING	TOTAL
1. Pledge to Mission	
2. Special Mission Recognition	
3. Gift to Mission	
4. Gift in Memory	
5. World Thank Offering	
TOTAL MISSION GIVING (Lines 1 thru 5):	\$ -

DESIGNATED GIFTS	AMOUNT	
6. A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial		
7. Supplementary Gifts		
A Brighter Future for Children and Youth		
Assembly Offering		
Scarritt-Bennett Center		
Magazine Fund		
National, International, & UMCOR Projects (if additional pages are needed, please complete the Supplementary Gifts - Details Form)		
NAME OF PROJECT	ADDRESS and/or PROJECT ID NUMBER	
Total from additional page—Supplementary Gifts—Details Form		
SUBTOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY GIFTS (Line 7 only):	\$ -	

8. Bequest (Please attach a copy of the Will or excerpt of the Will)

9. Other Designated Gifts

TOTAL DESIGNATED GIFTS (Lines 6 thru 9): \$ -

CONFERENCE MISSIONS		
Lucife Raines Residence (requested \$12 per member)		
Raines Special For: _____ Given by: _____		
Mission u (requested \$2 per member)		
Youth & Young Adult Service Scholarship (requested \$1 per member)		
Special Outreach		
Total Conference Askings	\$ -	

MEMO TOTAL - TOTAL GIVING FOR MONTH (Including Special Mission Recognition Orders) \$ -

Less: SMRs (and other as applicable) remitted previously (Enter as a positive number)

TOTAL REMITTANCE Check #: _____ **TOTAL:** \$ -

Treasurer: _____ Address: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 E-mail address: _____ Date: _____



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North Central Connection



United
Methodist
Women
FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

Our Purpose

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

2022 Dates to Remember:

Conference:

October 7-8—Annual Celebration—St. Lukes UMC, Indianapolis IN

October 21-23—Silent Retreat

(Friday 8pm to Sunday 1 pm) St. Joseph Retreat Center

November 5—Leadership Development & Training
Virtual

District:

Saturday, September 17, 2022—North Central District Meeting—Noblesville First UMC, Noblesville IN