

THE VOICE

Building a community of women who are committed to mission

God's Love for Us – Expressed through the beauty of CHANGE

How many of you have heard the expression, "Change is the only constant in life"? I think we all have a love-hate relationship with change! And yet at this time of year, change is all around us - as schools start, as we watch in awe as the seasons change from the hot, humid days of summer to crisp, cool and colorful days of fall. God's infinite wisdom and love helps us to change too as we learn and experience more about our community and world. And that is what I love about being a part of United Methodist Women. Whether in our own local UMW community or experiencing something new by attending Mission u, serving in UMW leadership or volunteering at one of our district mission sites, we can grow and experience the joy of God's transforming love by allowing ourselves to embrace that dreaded six letter word "change"! So spread your wings a little more this fall, take on something new and experience "Faith, Hope and Love in Action".

In Mission with you Miami Valley UMW

MIAMI VALLEY DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN 2019 LEAD TEAM

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Miami Valley UMW Dates to Remember – 2019 & 2020

September 28, 2019 – MV Annual Gathering; Rev. Rachel Billups at Sulphur Grove UMC

April 18, 2020 – Spring Mission Day

September 26 – Miami Valley Fall Annual Celebration

West Ohio UMW Conference Dates to Remember – 2019 & 2020

October 26, 2019 – West Ohio UMW Annual Celebration at Ginghamburg UMC

July 16-19, 2020 - Mission u at Otterbein University, Westerville Ohio



UMW 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.

Miami Valley, West Ohio, National UMW Websites & Social Media

Miami Valley District UMW website
www.westohioumw.org/miami-valley-1

Miami Valley UMW on FaceBook
www.facebook.com/MVDUMW

West Ohio Conference UMW
www.westohioumw.org

National United Methodist Women
www.unitedmethodistwomen.org

UMW Mission RESOURCES
www.missionresourcescenter.org

800-305-9857

AS OF JULY 31, 2019 - MIAMI VALLEY DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN GIVING SUMMARY

“All members praying; all members giving; together we can make it happen!”

MISSION GIVING*	\$24,854.28	(31% of our pledge Of \$80,000)
CALL TO PRAYER & SELF DENIAL & OTHER GIFTS	<u>4,188.40</u>	
TOTAL SENT TO WOC UMW	\$29,940.78	

**Includes Pledges, Special Mission Recognition, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory and World Thank Offering.*

FRIENDS OF WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTER	\$ 744.00
CAMPERSHIPS	\$ 5,202.00

Honor out-going officers or other women in your unit with a Special Mission Recognition and encourage women to purchase UMW's exclusive Mission Cards for \$5 that goes 100% towards Mission Giving. Cards will be available at our Fall Annual Gathering. Thank you for your continued gifts to support the mission and ministries of United Methodist Women!

Kathy McGrath, MV UMW Treasurer contact at 937-462-7200 or e-mail: kmcgrath8488@gmail.com;
Mail remits to: 10700 S. Charleston Pike; S. Charleston, OH 45368

United Methodist Women of the Miami Valley present . . .

2019 ANNUAL FALL GATHERING

Saturday, September 28, 2019

9am to 12:30pm

Sulphur Grove UMC

7505 Taylorsville Rd., Dayton, OH 45424

Radical Discipleship: Then and Now



With



Rev. Rachel Billups

LEAD PASTOR OF GINGHAMSBURG UMC

AND

AUTHOR OF *BE BOLD: FINDING YOUR FIERCE*

Schedule: Doors open at 8:30am—8:45am Brunch—Program begins promptly at 9:30am

Cost: \$15 includes brunch and program (\$20 each after the September 20 deadline)

****SPECIAL PRICING!** Bring **THREE** or more from your local UMW and the price will be just \$12 each!

(Registrations must be sent together in one envelope postmarked before September 20 to get this special price!)

In place of collecting material items, we are asking for sacrificial offerings to be given for the World Thank Offering, Miami Valley Mission Sites, and Gift to Mission.

Facility is handicap accessible. Be green by bringing your own reusable drink containers & carpooling.

PLEASE bring a recent and a historical group picture (if possible) of your local UMW so we can celebrate **ALL** Miami Valley UMW units!

**Send this portion in with your payment postmarked by Sept. 20
for special pricing all registrations must be in the same envelope**

Name _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Local Unit/Church _____

Dietary Restrictions or other special needs _____

Make checks payable to MVDUMW and send registration to: **Kathy McGrath, 10700 S. Charleston Pike,
South Charleston, OH 45368**

Gifts In Honor and In Memory

A Living Memorial through your Mission Giving "Become All Flame"

Aldersgate - John Britt, Ernestine Rice, James Gamble

Aley - Norma Baer-Gammel, Kathy Childers, Fred Dorsten, Juanita Parks

Arcanum Faith - Ruth Altshire

Asbury - Bud Baker, Barbara Lehman Keller, Helen Curry, Woody Sherick,
Max Wisler, Bob Goodfellow

Bethel - Richard Robinson

Casstown - Ruth Buirley, Bob Buirley, Marian Goodin, Fred Evans

Concord-Englewood - Bonnie Tipton, Eva Woolery

Fairview - Beth Hinkley, Phyllis Gould, Betty Jackson

Grace Ithaca - Dixie Magee, Shirley Bryson

Mechanicsburg - Larry Bumgarner, Jay Bogard, Mary Catherine Tullis, Buck Davis, Martha Eckurd

Normandy - Rosemary Collins, Elyse Kindles, Judy Brinkman, Sarah Koogler,
David Miller, Lydann Spinola

Phillipsburg - Wayne Ward

St. Andrew - Marilyn Hackett, Edith Leonard

South Charleston - Joe Goodbar, Robin Rea

South Park - Jean Moore (correction from last year)

Sulphur Grove - Myrna Romine, Ila Laney, Helen Honaker, Golden Peters

Troy First - Jane Estes, Cindy Snipes, Joyce Ward, Linda Karnes

Ware's Chapel - Jeanette Hapner, Susan Hora

West Carrollton Memorial - Jan Kinningham

MV UMW Leadership Team - Marilyn Ferdleman (Kathy Fellow's Mother)

*Note: As hard as we try, we do miss things. If your unit has sent in a Gift to Mission/Gift in Memory along with names to honor/remember and they are not listed above, please let our treasurer, Kathy McGrath know. We will print these names again in the Annual Gathering program book. It is important that we don't forget anyone.

Has your address or e-mail address changed lately?

Or will it change soon? If so, please let us know!

Please send ANY street address or e-mail address changes to MV UMW Secretary, Evelyn West at ewest0345@gmail.com or phone 631-455-7392. We want to keep you informed and up to date on all national, conference and district UMW news and information! **YOU are IMPORTANT TO US!**

What is 5 STAR MISSION GIVING?

Many of our units are well on their way to earning 5 Star Giving Recognition for 2019 and will be recognized at Spring Mission Day 2020! This includes a gift in each of the following 5 areas:

1. **Pledge to Mission** - The amount a member gives to her local unit to help fulfill the Purpose of United Methodist Women that supports developing resources for local units, our National Mission Institutions (like Wesley Center) and International Ministries.
2. **Special Mission Recognition** - These pins honor members who have dedicated so much time and effort to service. Gift amounts range from \$40 to \$2,000.
3. **Gift to Mission** - Make a gift in honor of someone and send a card to the honoree. The following cards are available: Congratulations, A Baby, In the Service of Christ, A Special Day, Thinking of You, Happy Birthday and assorted Christmas cards. Be sure to specify the card(s) needed on the remit form.
4. **Gift in Memory** - Give a gift in memory of a member, a friend or anyone, in any amount of \$5 or more. Again, specify if you would like a Gift in Memory card to send to the family of the deceased.
5. **World Thank Offering** – Individuals may keep a blessing jar to deposit money during the year in appreciation of God's abundance, grace and celebration of life.

Thank you for sending mission giving funds early in the calendar year! Funds should be received by November 30th in order to guarantee they will be applied to the 2019 calendar year. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy McGrath, MV UMW Treasurer at 937-462-7200 or e-mail: kmcgrath8488@gmail.com

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NEW MISSION SITES!

During this year, the Miami Valley District UMW Leadership team added two new mission sites that serve women and children in the Preble County area. As mission coordinator, I along with the lead team visited both sites and believe like all of the other sites we support in the Miami Valley these are great places that serve and provide for women and children. Here are a few facts about each site.

Sojourners for Women: A shelter and recovery center that can host 16 women recovering from heroine and meth addiction and in addition helps families to stabilize the family structure. They specializes in treating the whole woman through physical, behavioral and spiritual health.

Jacobs Ladder: This outreach is a way to "Pay It Forward" by providing backpacks filled with food for children over the weekend. Their mission is to eliminate hunger one child and one family at a time with hope and give dignity to all Preble County residents.

I will be sharing more about these two sites at our fall district meeting. I will see you there!

Teresa Nuzum, Mission Coordinator



Miami Valley United Methodist Women “CAMPERSHIPS”

How can your local UMW organization make a difference in the lives of the children and youth in the Miami Valley District? Contribute to the Miami Valley United Methodist Women Campership Fund. Provide youth with the opportunity to enjoy a great summer experience that will last

a lifetime! **In 2019, over 40 children and youth attended Mission u or UMC Camps and your contributions of \$5,202.00 made that happen. But we now need to replenish this fund and your help is needed.**

What you need to know:

- **100%** of what you, your unit and churches contribute go directly to fund scholarships to **Mission u** or to a **UMC camp** for the children and youth of the Miami Valley District.
- Contributions can come from your UMW budgets, from individuals, or a special project.
NO AMOUNT IS TOO SMALL!
- We take contributions all year long not just during camping season.

Send gifts to the Miami Valley UMW District Treasurer (payable to MVDUMW Community Care Fund with Camperships on the memo line): Kathy McGrath, 10700 S. Charleston Pike, South Charleston, OH 45368.

For further information go to:

www.westohioumw.org/miami-valley-1

and click on the “Camp Scholarship Info” button

From our Leadership Team to yours . . .

For our local and district UMW work it is vital to have up to date information and to be transparent in sharing our blessings, challenges and accomplishments. To make this as simple and as easy as possible, we have used the next few pages of this newsletter to have the *copies of those reports that are especially needed by the district team to keep everything up to date.* Please return these to the district officer indicated and by the due date on the form. Thank you so very much for completing these so that we can recognize your UMW accomplishments at our district Spring Mission Celebration! The forms are: 1) Local Unit Membership Report; 2) Reading Program Participation Report (optional) 3) Mission Today Reporting Form 4) 2020 Leadership and Nomination Report. All of these blank report forms are also on our website: <https://www.westohioumw.org/miami-valley-1>

The Miami Valley District UMW will have a brief business meeting at our Fall Gathering at Sulphur Grove UMC in Huber Heights on September 28. The items we will approve are the UMW Miami Valley District 2020 Budget, Standing Rules changes, and Nominations Report. All of these are available on our website (see above) and will be in our program book at the Fall Gathering.

One LAST item! The national UMW Mission Resource store no longer sends out program books or prayer calendars on consignment for us to sell at our district meetings. BUT on the next page you will see that there is a **2020 Annual Sampler package** that allows you to order five key resources just once a year and receive them as they become available. This money-saving package includes five resources—all yours for \$30 (a \$5.50 savings), **plus free shipping** and they can be ordered by mail, on the mission resource website or you can call and order toll free!

2020 Annual Sampler

Offer ends April 2020

Please sign me up for the 2020 Annual Sampler!

Order the print subscription today for \$30 and save \$5.50.

The Annual Sampler[†] includes:

- 2020 Spiritual Growth study (\$10).
- 2020-21 Program Book (\$10).
- 2020 Prayer Calendar (\$14).
- 2020 Date Book (\$1.50).

[†]2020 Issue study: *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools* by Monique Morris, New York: New Press, 2016. Available in stores, online and libraries. Free downloadable Leader's Guide (PDF) available online at unitedmethodistwomen.org.

The studies and Prayer Calendar will ship in December 2019. The Program Book and Date Book will ship in the summer of 2020.

☐ Please sign me up for the 2020 Annual Sampler.

NAME

CONFERENCE

SHIPPING ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

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CITY

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Miami Valley District United Methodist Women (UMW)
2019 Local Organization (Unit) Membership Report

Name and address of your Local UMW Unit: _____

President or contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the one that best applies:

- ☐ We are an active local organization (unit) in the Miami Valley District UMW
- ☐ We have a women's group but are not an active local organization of UMW

Number of members reported in December 2018: _____

Number of members added in 2019: _____

Number of members removed in 2019 by death or choice: _____

Number of members as of December 2019: _____

Reading Program Participation Report (optional)

The United Methodist Women's Reading Program encourages members to expand their understanding and participation in God's mission through reading and/or study of books that have been chosen by the Reading Program Committee of the UMW's national organization. Please use this form to report your local organization's participation in the program for more information visit:
www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/members-leaders/readingprogram/plans

Member Name	Reading Plan (1,2,3,4,5)
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Please send this form to Marcia Florkey, 3318 Northfield Rd., Dayton, Ohio 45415 or EMAIL her this form at mlbflorkey@gmail.com, put Membership Report on the subject line.

DUE DATE: January 15, 2020

2019 MISSION TODAY REPORTING FORM

UMW/Church
Name of Person Reporting

Address
Phone/Email

To qualify as a Mission of Hope Organization the organization must complete any seven (7) items. Those organizations completing a minimum of eight (8) items, 4 of which are starred items will be recognized as a Mission Today Organization. Organizations completing ten (10) items, 4 of which are starred items, will be recognized as a Silver Organization. Those completing fifteen (15) items will be recognized as a Gold Organization.

Our organization has completed _____ of the 19 items and is eligible to be recognized as:

_____ Mission of Hope _____ Mission Today _____ Silver _____ Gold

Check those items completed by your organization between January 1—December 31, 2019. Please add any additional information requested. If more space is required, attach a separate sheet of paper.

- | | YES | NO |
|--|-------|-------|
| *1. Fulfilled the organization's Pledge to Mission. | _____ | _____ |
| *2. Prayed for persons in mission and projects listed in the <i>Prayer Calendar</i> at organizations meetings. | _____ | _____ |
| 3. As a organization, corresponded with five persons listed in the <i>Prayer Calendar</i> . | _____ | _____ |
| *4. Supported two of the following West Ohio Conference National Missions: | _____ | _____ |
| a. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to Friendly Center. | | |
| b. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to Community Development for All People. | | |
| c. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to Wesley Community Center. | | |
| d. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to Wesley Education Center. | | |
| *5. Had at least 1 member of the local organization, other than conference or district officers, attend conference or district Mission u. Number attended _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Conducted at least 1 Mission u study in the organization in the past year. | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Had at least 2 members of the organization other than conference or district officers attend the district or conference Annual Meeting.
attending district _____ # attending conference _____ | _____ | _____ |
| *8. Used at least 2 programs from the United Methodist Women's <i>Program Book</i> during the year. | _____ | _____ |

	YES	NO
*9. Had at least 1 member join the United Methodist Women's <i>Action Network</i> to receive and respond to legislative information.	_____	_____
10. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice in at least one way during the year.	_____	_____
*11. Co-sponsored with your local church, a Children's Sabbath.	_____	_____
*12. Be a five star organization, contributing through all five channels of Mission Giving.	_____	_____
13. Included a "response moment" in meetings to highlight one article in <i>response</i> magazine.	_____	_____
*14. Had at least 2 members subscribe to <i>response</i> magazine.	_____	_____
*15. Recruited at least 2 new members to the organization.	_____	_____
16. Had someone from organization, other than district or conference officer, attend a district or conference prayer breakfast, day apart, or spiritual growth retreat.	_____	_____
17. Two members of organization completed Plan 1 of the Reading Program.	_____	_____
18. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the organization, to one of the organization's meeting during the year.	_____	_____
19. Supported 2 of the following mission projects: (Please check letter and give name or project below.)	_____	_____
a. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to a UMW supported national mission outside of Ohio.		
b. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to a UMW supported international mission.		
c. _____ Gave a monetary or material donation to another United Methodist national or international mission.		
d. _____ Gave monetary or material donation to a local mission project.		

Name of the Mission:

a. _____	b. _____
c. _____	d. _____

Send to: Marcia Florkey
MV UMW President
3318 Northfield Rd
Dayton, OH 45415

OR scan & e-mail to: mlbflorkey@gmail.com
 please put **Mission Today form** on e-mail subject line

PLEASE send by JANUARY 15, 2020

Updated 7/2019

***Miami Valley District United Methodist Women (UMW)
2020 Local Unit Leadership and Nomination Report***

Every year our Miami Valley District UMW Secretary updates our district Directory and mailing lists so that we can communicate and serve each other in the best way possible. To assist our secretary with this very important task, please list below ALL of your officers for 2020 with their updated information so that we can send out e-mails and newsletters to current, correct addresses. Returned paper newsletters cost us money! If you don't have elected officers, please list a contact person.

Please return by December 10, 2019 to:
Evelyn West, MVD UMW Secretary, 532 Armand Drive, Troy, OH 45373
or by e-mail to: ewest0345@gmail.com

Name of your Local UMW Unit: _____

Name	Street address City, State, Zip	E-mail	Phone	Office held

The Avenue @ Ginghamburg UMC – 6759 S. Co Rd 25A, Tipp City OH 45371

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019 - 9AM – 1:30PM

Cost: \$15 includes lunch



ORDER OF THE DAY

8:30am Doors Open

9:00am Welcome/Business Meeting

9:45am Program

12:15pm Lunch

1:00pm Worship/Communion

**At the Intersection of
Faith and Economic Equality**

“Protect the rights of the poor and needy.” Proverbs 31:9



Keynote Speaker: Carol Barton

**Executive for Community Action
for the national office of United
Methodist Women**

Facility is handicapped accessible. Help us be green by bringing your own reusable drink container and carpooling with others. We invite you to bring completed hygiene kits for UMCOR

Register Online at: <https://www.westohioumw.org/events-1/annual-celebration>

Make checks payable to WOCUMW and send registration to Connie Hook, 623 Neil Ave. #822, Columbus OH 43215; chook2747@aol.com; 614-804-1763

Name _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Local Unit/District _____ Dietary Restrictions _____

Miami Valley District UMW

United Methodist Women

Miami Valley District

3318 Northfield Rd.

Dayton OH 45415

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

