

## CAPITOL AREA SOUTH UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Weekly update for event status and information sharing



Dear Sisters in Christ,

It is so good to be with all my Sisters in Christ throughout Capitol Area South District on this cold, but sunny morning. As our CAS UMW Leadership Team continues to connect with all our shepherdess churches to complete our National UMW census and list of local officers, I have heard comments of thanks for staying in touch with all of you.

We so appreciate the efforts each local president is doing to email this message on to all her local UMW members. What a blessing all of you are! Thank you so very much.

I received an email from one of my brothers and from UMC. I have asked Becky to include it with this email. It includes UM voices from around the United States singing "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!" What a blessing it was to me since my local church did not include this song in our Easter Celebration Service. Please join in and be a member of this virtual UM choir singing with joy!

We pray that you all are safe and staying home, protecting yourselves. We know some of you are sewing face masks for others; it looks like this will be part of our attire for a while.

This week we will focus on mission sites in Texas, Mongolia, Latin America, Jamaica, Cambodia, and Haiti serving children, youth, and women in the areas of cancer care, health guidance, church outreach, Christian education, and stewardship. UMW are making a difference in this world!

We have another Church and Community Worker in West Ohio Conference celebrating a birthday this next week. Soraya De Arco's birthday is April 25; please lift Soraya up in prayer and send your greetings to her via UPS or an email. Her information is on the Prayer Calendar sheet.

May you continue to focus on the words of the Serenity Prayer as we walk together through this pandemic time:

God, Grant me the Serenity
To accept the things I cannot change
Courage to change the things I can
And the Wisdom to know the difference

Blessings to you all,

Linda Miller, Capitol Area South United Methodist Women President, and the entire CAS UMW Leadership Team

## United Methodist Women Prayer Calendar Prayer requests for April 19-25, 2020

Let's include the prayer requests from the UMW's Prayer Calendar in our daily prayers! Each week there is a Mission Witness of our missionary work and institutions throughout the world. Each day we are asked to pray for a mission partner of UMW and also for birthdays of mission staff and mission personnel.

## **Mission Witness:**

What has 21 years of being a Global Ministries missionary taught me? We must be prepared to be on a lifelong journey to listen, ask questions, set aside our values, and judgment, and change the telling of the mission story; from "helping those poor people" to authentic partnership in building God's realm together and so let our light "shine like the dawn". Belinda Forbes Global Missionary from Massachusetts serving in Nicaragua.

## Mission Focus and Birthdays:

- April 19: Holding Institute Community Center, Laredo, Texas. Rosa Linda Guadarrama, Kimberly King, Juanita Rodriguez, Elizabeth Tapia.
- **April 20**: Mongolia. Grace Ministries. Providing medical and palliative care to all who seek assistance with cancer care. Chantilly Mers, Vickie Sigmon, Lynda Sylvain.
- April 21: Latin America. Hesperian Foundation. Supporting the publication, distribution and promotion of health guides. Emma Samson.
- **April 22**: Jamaica. PAPA's Ministries (Pastors and Priests Available for Service). Equipping local church with leadership development and mission training for sustainable outreach. Karen Cheek, Anthony R. Trueheart.
- **April 23**: Cambodia. Christian Education and Curriculum Development. Training church school teachers and pastors and developing curriculum for children.
- **April 24**: Haiti. Christian Education and Evangelism in Haiti. Striving toward a church strong in faith and faithful to its call to stewardship. Allison Francesco.
- **April 25**: Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas. **Soraya De Arco**, Ruth Pierre Jean Pieree.

Soraya De Arco is a Church and Community Worker in West Ohio Conference. Please send Soraya a birthday card: 4424 Pond Meadows Ct., Mason, OH 45040 or email smontano@umcmission.org.