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UMW Gatherings	6	Mission work is not just for a select few or those who are "called", it is an opportunity for each of us to support the work of our church all over the world through our time, our talent and our treasure. Here are some ways you can be involved:
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Special Points of Interest: • September Monthly Meetings, Back Page • September Birthdays and Anniversaries included with Calendar Administrative Assistant Office Hours Beginning Sept. 10 Mon. through Thurs. 9:00 am to 12:30 pm Fri. 9:00 am to Noon		The main way we support the ministries of the church is through our apportioned funds, a method of giving that proportionally allocates the church wide budget to conferences and local churches. For United Methodists this method of giving has become a strong, generous tradition. Together, through our connected congregations, we accomplish what no single church, district or annual conference ever could hope to do alone. In this way, each individual, each family, each congregation gives a fair share for the church's work. We combine our prayers, presence, gifts and service to make a significant difference in the lives of God's people. The general funds include:
		A. World Service Fund The World Service Fund is the essential core of our global outreach ministry, under- writing Christian mission around the world. By giving to World Service we empower United Methodist evangelistic effortsstimulate Bible study and spiritual commit- mentencourage church growth and discipleshipand help God's children every- where.
		 B. Ministerial Education Fund Men and women choose the ministry because God calls them. The Ministerial Educa- tion Fund is our way of helping them answer that divine call. Our United Methodist seminaries lead the effort to proclaim God's word in a world desperately in need of that message. C. Episcopal Fund Bishops have always had a very special role in our churchelected and consecrated to speak to the churchand from the church. The apostle Paul called it "a noble task," but it is practical, too, since our bishops oversee and promote the church's spiritual and temporal interests as well. D. Black College Fund
		 The 11 U.S. historically Black colleges and universities supported by The United Methodist Church have played a unique role in U.S. higher education. Their graduates—teachers and doctors, ministers and bishops, judges, artists and entrepreneurs—are leaders in the African-American community and in a rapidly changing, more diverse United States. E. Interdenominational Cooperation Fund We United Methodists acknowledge that we are but a small part of the worldwide Christian church—the living body of Jesus Christ. Our unity with other Christian communions is affirmed as we witness to a common Christian faith, meet human suffering and advocate for peace and justice all over the world. (Continued on page 4)

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Prayer Requests

Remember our church members & friends who are less mobile and are unable to join us as often as they would like, including:

Colony Court Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

Latham Place: George and Lucille Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Karen Keiper (from Texas), Gary and Linda Taylor, Leona Quast, Russ and Shirley Dahnert and their family, Dylan Fredrickson, Jeremy and Jolene Zill, Isaiah, Fire Fighters and the Victims of the Western fires, Margaret Hasslen, Linda and Jerry Rutledge, Shelley King, the Sahlstrom Family, Jon and Nikki Schultz.

Administrative Assistant Hours

Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on Wednesday, Sept. 5 and Friday, Sept. 7.

Beginning September 10, Stacy will be working the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to Noon on Friday.

Faith Crafters & Stitchers

Faith Crafters & Stitchers will meet **Thursday**, **September 13** from **1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. You may bring a project of your own to work on or ideas for Bazaar 2018! If you have not been to crafters and stitchers in the past, come check us out! Coffee and treats provided. Call Sandy Voshell at 835-4122 with questions.

Thank You

First, just a note to say thank you for all the cards, emails and food during these last few months. Your thoughtfulness was very appreciated.

Secondly, I wanted to let you all know I will no longer be playing for the Sunday Services or any of the church functions. You need someone that is reliable and my health issues do not allow me that luxury. I have enjoyed the times I have been able to provide music to glorify God and all of you. Your appreciation of my music has always been appreciated. And third, thank you to Barb for her confidence in my playing as well as her ability to fill-in. She is truly amazing. The church is very fortunate to have her talents available weekly.

Continue to support all the musical activities in the church. All are essential to a worshipful service. Thanks again.

— Marlys Garness

Jonah Bible Study

There will be a 6 week study on the Old Testament book Jonah held on Tuesday mornings in the Lake View room from 10:30 - 11:30 beginning Sept. 11 led by Duane Griffin. There will be no student book to purchase but please bring a Bible.



Fellowship Events

August - On the 19th we had Mission Sunday. Sherry Scholljegerdes had a display and we were able to see a lot of the missions that UMW sponsors or ones that they participate in. Karen Norby also had a display about Food at Faith and it was interesting to see the money value of a grocery cart (\$181.00) full of groceries that was available to people for \$25.00 on Saturday August 18 at Food at Faith.

September - Kids are back in school. What a great time to think about OUR school days. On **September 30**th we would like everyone in the congregation to bring a picture of themselves when they were in grade school. Put your identification on the back of the picture. It can be any size. Take your picture down to the fellowship hall either on Saturday or before church on Sunday.

October - The artist Paul Detlefsen was born on October 3, 1899, in Copenhagen, Denmark. To celebrate his birth month there will be a display of his paintings and we will get to know about him and his talent. He produced well-known paintings, but few people recognize his name! The event has not been scheduled yet but the date will be in the October newsletter.

Soap Box Derby

On **September 1**st Faith will be furnishing water at the end of the Soap Box Derby which is sponsored by the Masonic Temple during the city sesquicentennial celebration.

Faith Rocks

A rock painting party was held on Monday, July 24th at 4:00. We were happy to have some new painters. Another party will be scheduled sometime soon, keep a lookout for a poster or note in the bulletin.

Hospitality Team

Hospitality Team will be meeting **Monday**, **Sept 10th at 10:00am**. We meet in the Lakeview Room and would like to encourage people to attend. You can see what we do and you may have some suggestions or ideas on how to continue to have Faith church being a welcoming church.

Trustees Meeting

Trustees will meet on Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lakeview Room.

Church Picnic

The Church Picnic was held Wednesday, August 8th at Clear Lake Park and attended by 40 people. Those that were present appeared to enjoy themselves. There was a slight breeze which was appreciated by all. Some tried their skill at table games as well as ladder golf. The food, of course, was plentiful and good. Bob Stephan and Jarod True entertained the group with their music and voices. The dance floor was not crowed but there were a few people who enjoyed dancing to the tunes.



We Call All Be Involved In Missions

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F. Africa University Fund

This vital fund supports the only United Methodist-related, degree-granting university on the continent of Africa—serving students from 21 countries, all across the continent of Africa. Africa University provides higher education of excellent quality, enriched with Christian values, for both men and women, developing visionary leaders of tomorrow.

G. General Administration Fund

This fund underwrites and finances general church activities that are administrative in nature, rather than program-related—like General Conference, the legislative branch of the church. General Council on Finance and Administration coordinates and administers the finances of the church, receives, disburses and accounts for the church's general funds, safeguards the denomination's legal interests and rights, compiles and publishes denominational statistics and maintains the church's records.

II. PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT

Here are some ways you can be personally involved in missions.

A. UMVIM

United Methodist Volunteers In Mission (UMVIM) is a grassroots movement within The United Methodist Church designed to provide an official channel whereby Christians, both lay and clergy, may offer their skills and talents for Christian service at home and around the world on short term assignments at their own expense.

Their work includes construction and renewing of mission facilities, teaching, witnessing, conducting medical clinics, conducting Bible study or Bible School for children, and serving in disaster relief efforts around the world.

B. Mission Volunteers

Your life can be changed by becoming a long-term Mission Volunteer (MV)! The opportunities for individuals or couples (ages 18 and up) are diverse, including such positions as engaging with refugees, children or youth, or serving as teachers, pastors, camp directors or in health care. The length of service is a minimum of two months and can extend to two years or more.

458 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE Atlanta, Georgia 30308 Phone: 404-942-4015 Email: mv@umcmission.org

C. UMCOR

Volunteer

Volunteers help UMCOR respond whenever and wherever the need arises. Volunteers are always welcome at an UMCOR relief supply depot on a scheduled basis. If you want to be involved with relief efforts on the ground, you can also be trained to be part of an Early Response Team. Disaster response volunteers travel to the site of a disaster to help organize and distribute aid. During the first few weeks or months after a disaster, only specially trained Early Response Teams can enter the area due to health concerns and infrastructure limitations.

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Depot Volunteers

UMCOR's relief supply depots are located in Baldwin, Louisiana, and Salt Lake City, Utah. Volunteers assemble, verify, and pack relief-supply kits so that they can be sent to the areas where they are needed most. They also help with outreach programs in the depots' local communities. Sager Brown and Depot West volunteer registration for 2019 begins January 10, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. Reservation requests will be taken both through email and telephone in a first come, first serve manner. For more information about volunteering at a supply depot, contact:

UMCOR Sager Brown at volunteers@sagerbrown.org or 1-800-814-8765;UMCOR West at westdepot@umcor.org or 1-801-973-7250.

Disaster Response Volunteers

Disaster response volunteers travel to the site of a disaster to help organize and distribute aid. During the first few weeks or months after a disaster, only specially trained Early Response Teams can enter the area, due to health concerns and infrastructure limitations. UMCOR provides training for Early Response Teams; however, United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) coordinates these volunteers. If you're interested in participating in a short-term volunteer team, please contact your jurisdictional or conference UMVIM coordinator.

ADVANCE GIVING

When disasters happen, it is local churches that provide the first response to their communities. This basic understanding—that disaster response is local—forms the foundation for UMCOR's U.S. disaster training and response. When responding to a disaster in the United States, UMCOR works with the conference disaster response ministries to provide the following:

• Financial Assistance. Emergency grants may be sent when a bishop of the affected conference contacts UMCOR.

• Expertise. UMCOR's disaster-response experience and knowledge are made available to those in need.

• Networking. Connections with NGOs, volunteers, experts, local government, and other organizations can help communities recover from disaster.

Visit our Staff Contacts page to be in touch about any of these opportunities.

Support this work with your gift to US Disaster Response, Advance #901670.

Prayerfully consider how you might be involved in missions.

Pastor Victor

Faith United Methodist Church UMW Executive Board Meeting Monday, August 13, 2018

Sherry Scholljegerdes chaired the meeting in Shirley Hansen's absence.

Those present were: Barbara Friedl, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Karen Ferch and Linda Griffin.

Linda Griffin read the secretary's minutes. Sandy Voshell then gave the treasurer's report with an ending balance of \$2,929.74.

The UMW's Unit Meeting will be held on Monday, August 20th at 2:00 p.m. Shirley Hansen will present the program with the help of others. Sherry Scholljegerdes will read the devotion and then Linda Griffin will give a report on Mission U Too, held on August 4th in Rosemount. The day's topic was 'What about the Money?"

We have been asked to use paper straws instead of plastic straws to help prevent environmental waste.

Our UMW's Guest Night at Faith United Methodist Church will be held on Thursday, August 23 at 7:00 p.m. Our speaker will be Heidi Becker from Austin, MN who will speak about her life with a dying son and the Warrior Wagons, Inc. program. There will be a free will offering and snacks after the presentation.

The Southern Prairie District Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 15th at the United Methodist Church in Marshall, MN.

Karen Ferch closed the meeting with prayer.

Secretary,

Linda Griffin

UMW Gatherings

The Southern Prairie District UMW Fall Gathering is scheduled for **Saturday, September 15** at Cornerstone UMC, Marshall, MN. The registration deadline for this event is **September 10**.

The Minnesota Conference United Methodist Women Annual Gathering is scheduled for **Saturday**, **October 6** at St. Phillip's Lutheran Church, Hastings, MN. The registration deadline for this event is **September 17**.

If you are interested in registering for either of these events, please contact Sandy Voshell at 835-4122.



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Elizabeth Circle MONTHLY MEET-UPS: Elizabeth Circle UMW Elizabeth Circle will meet Wednesday,
September 19 at 2:00 p.m. in the Lakeview
Room. Mary Stauffer will be our hostess with
Shirley Hansen sharing devotions. Guests
and visitors welcome. MW Ruth Circle September meeting is to
be announced.