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EMBRACING WHOLENESS

What About Our Money?

Money Matters!

Mission u 2018

Camp Sumatanga: July 26-28

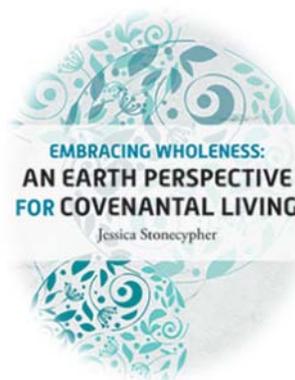
2018 Mission u is here! What an exciting time to learn together. As we focus on embracing wholeness, money seems to be a piece that is not talked about in the spiritual realm. Susan Taylor the author of the adult study says, “Most of us would rather talk about politics or death or pretty much anything else before we talk about money.” Money is part of our daily living and sometimes it is difficult to talk about it in the faith arena. 2018 Mission u will help you with that connection. Do not miss the opportunity of learning this summer. We have an exciting learning opportunity for everyone.

Spiritual Growth Study: *Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living*

Adult Study: *What About Our Money? A Faith response.*

Children Study: *Money Matters.*

Registration forms for both adults and children are available in this newsletter and at www.nacumw.org. Please register by **July 14, 2018**.



Mission u is for everyone – men, women, children and youth, clergy and laity. The cost is \$175.00 including meals and accommodation. Individuals, local churches, or districts can sponsor a child/children to attend Mission u Children's Camp. Let money not be a hindrance to the spiritual growth of our young ones.

Our offering this year will go towards our pledges in memory of our beloved sisters Tracy Conner and Maria Eason. Their work with the UMW has been greatly appreciated. Thursday would be a great day to wear your favorite tie dye shirt in honor of Tracy for her wonderful work with the children's arts and crafts.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Camp Sumatanga in July. Thursday night will be the opening plenary and fellowship, so that we can give an opportunity for those working to start classes with others Friday morning. We have a wonderful group of Study Leaders. Get ready for an exciting learning journey!

Adlene Kufarimai- Dean
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Mission u, Children's Mission Camp and Children's One Day Event Registration Forms inside!

A Word from the President



The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.
Psalm 24-1

Dear Members,

We hope that you are experiencing God's love in all you do to be in mission at home and abroad as part of our global church. As we go forward, remember God's love is never ending.

The words of David from Psalms 24:1 remind us of the intimate relationship we have with creation. David reminds us that all the earth is the Lord's, all of us are stewards or caretakers. God has called us to use our gifts, talents and money to further his kingdom. As women in mission, we work with joy in our hearts as we share our time and gifts to make mission come alive around the world. Thanks for your continued support that allows this conference organization to remain steadfast in fulfilling our Purpose.

We come with joy and excitement about our mission studies this year. We hope to see many of you at our Mission u Event planned for July 26-28, 2018. Our studies this year are Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living, What About Our Money, and the Children's study is Money Matters.

The Spiritual Growth Study, **Embracing Wholeness** is the second in a two part series about covenantal living. Last year we took Part 1, Living as a Covenant Community which explores the scriptural definitions of "covenant" and the application and implications for the modern church. **Embracing Wholeness** explores ways God has called us to live in a covenantal relationship with all of creation and challenges readers to work toward stronger and healthier relationships with creation, their communities,

themselves and God. Each chapter explores both personal and corporate responsibilities to those around us and addresses current issues such as climate change, social responsibility, and justice concerns.

Our Adult Issue Study, **What About Our Money** a faith response that explores how we understand money within the context of our faith. This discussion and our own awareness of how we relate to money can actually help free us from many of the financial dilemmas we face. The focus of this study is both personal and communal. We will explore our own relationship with money, the money choices available to us, and how we individually and collectively respond to economic inequalities in light of our faith.

The Children Study, **Money Matters** teaches children about the concept of money, the importance of generosity, and how God intends for us to use money as an expression of love for others. Children will learn through biblical examples how to be responsible custodians of money and how they can use their resourced to be a part of God's plan.

Mission u prepares us to meet the challenges to be in mission locally and around the world. As we continue together to respond to God's call for us as United Methodist Women in Mission, won't you join us for this time of learning and sharing? We look forward to seeing each of you at our event, July 26-28, 2018 at Sumatanga Camp and Conference Center, Gallant, AL.

Olene H. McGowen
 President
 North Alabama Conference
 United Methodist Women

**GREETINGS TO ALL
PROGRAM RESOURCE SECRETARIES**

Here is hoping that all of you are looking forward to a wonderful Summer. I am also hoping that all of you have been talking to the units in your area about the Reading Program. The books for 2018 were all very interesting and hopefully some of you have read some of those books. It is time now for all of you to make certain that you are getting in touch with all of the units in your District and making certain that you are getting their Reading Program lists. It is very important to have these lists which means that you may have to contact the different units more than once. in order for me to have the certificates ready for Conference Annual meeting i must have all of these lists by the end of August. If you have already sent me names of persons participating in the Reading Program please make certain that you have contacted all units in your District. I have received some reports with only two names and I am hoping that there are

more from that District. i know that getting all of this information takes time and i appreciate all that each one of you do in order to get the information to me. I look forward to seeing all of you at Conference Mission u in July and i will have the study books available at that time. As a reminder reading each of the study books for Mission u counts in your Reading Program. Also, you can use the 2013 Reading Program list through the end of 2018. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Each of you please remember that "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10)

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In Memory

In the past few months, the North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women lost two members of our Conference team. While we are still grieving, we are also celebrating at the light and love they always brought to our team events. Offering during Mission u will be given in their memory to our 2018 Pledge. Both Tracy and Maria leave a legacy for United Methodist Women not only in our conference, but world wide.



Tracy G. Conner
Conference Education & Interpretation
Children's Mission Camp



Maria Eason
President, Mountain Lakes District

MISSION U

2018 Studies & Leaders

Spiritual Growth Study

Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living

Embracing Wholeness is designed to build on this work it explores the ways God has called us to live in covenantal relationship with all of creation and challenges readers to work toward stronger and healthier relationships with creation, their communities, themselves, and God.



Study Leader:



REV. KIKI WOOD TERRY

Rev. Kiki Wood-Terry was born to the late Rev. Charles Wood and Maudie C. Wood of Lineville, Al. Rev. Terry was educated in the Clay County School System, attending Lineville High School as a member of the graduating class of 1993. She joined the US Marines Corps Summer of 1993 and graduated from Marine Corps Recruit Training Depot, Parris Island in 1993. She faithfully served until the end of her contract in 2001. Rev. Terry also served in the Army National Guard from 2004 until 2009 as a Supply Specialist and Recruiter. Rev. Terry answered the call from God accepting the invitation to ministry in 2003 and entered the candidacy process. She is currently the Pastor of Pleasant Grove UMC in Colony, Al. Rev. Terry is the widow of the late Sgt. Sean C. Terry of Brooklyn, NY. She currently resides in Gardendale, Al., and is

employed by the North Alabama Conference

Adult Study

What About Our Money? A Faith Response

This 2018 study explores how we relate to money within the context of our faith. Through this connection between our faith and our money, readers discover how to live closer to God and God’s people, even in our North American culture that is so deeply defined by money.



Study Leaders:

STEVE KILGORE



Steve Kilgore is a semi-retired math teacher who still teaches adjunct at a local community college. Steve and his wife Gail have two daughters and will soon celebrate their 46th wedding anniversary. In 2000, Steve became involved in a small network of individuals and churches that had established a connection with a missionary in north central Honduras. For the next 7 years they recruited and organized teams and lead 9 trips to the country, providing medical, dental, eye glasses, construction and spiritual nurturing to the people of Honduras. Currently, Steve is experiencing a call on his life to reconnect the community he resides in and himself to God’s love and grace.

TERESA FRANKLIN WOOD



Teresa Franklin Wood is serving as District UMW President for the South Central District. She attends Trinity West Homewood, Oakmont Campus UMC. Teresa has served for eight years on the South Central District Team. Teresa has led several Small Group Studies at her church and is looking forward to leading this

Study at Camp Sumatanga in July.

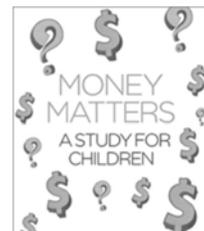
MISSION U

2018 Studies & Leaders

Children's Study

Money Matters! Issue Mission Study for Children

Money Matters teaches children about the concept of money, the importance of generosity, and how God intends for us to use money as an expression of love for others. Over the course of the four sessions, children will learn through biblical examples how to be responsible custodians of money and how they can use their resources to be a part of God's plan.



Study Leader:



PATRICIA LANE

Patricia Lane works as the administrative assistant and media specialist at New Market United Methodist Church, where she also teaches Sunday school to elementary students. She is the director of VBS and volunteers with the children's group on Wednesday night. She is the Secretary of Program Resources for the Northeast District of United Methodist Women in Alabama. Patricia graduated with honors from Athens State University. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education, with a minor in middle school social studies. She has led spiritual growth mission studies for her local unit for 8 years. In 2009, she started a children's church program at her church. In her spare time, she enjoys painting, reading, and kayaking.

Children's Mission Camp



SHAE LINDSEY

Shae Lindsey is a graduate of the University of North Alabama with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and certification in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. She currently teaches through a homeschool covering her area. Shae is married to her wonderful husband, Kevin. They have three beautiful daughters, Anna, Ruth, and Michaela (whom have been United Methodist Women since before they were born.) She has served the North Alabama Conference of The United Methodist Women Offices of Membership Nurture and Outreach (2016) and currently as Spiritual Growth. Shae has taught the Children's Mission Study at the Children's Mission Camp since 2003 (except 2013 due to the birth of her daughter, Ruth's birth.) She has also taught the Children's Study for Adults in district mini schools. Shae is interested in teaching in district mini schools. She is honored, delighted and excited to teach the children's study at the Children's Mission Camp. Shae loves teaching, interacting, and learning from all the ways that the UMW reaches out and teaches Mission Awareness to the future of the United Methodist Church, and our children.

For Mission u, don't forget to pack...

Your Bible

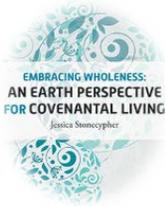
Notebook/Pen

Flashlight(s)

Comfortable Shoes

A willingness to learn & grow

A prayerful attitude



REGISTRATION FORM
2018 North Alabama Conference Mission U
July 26 – 28, 2018
EMBRACING WHOLENESS

Deadline for registration is July 14, 2018

BUILDING: _____
ROOM#: _____
CK #: _____
RCT: _____

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Email _____ Roommate Choice _____

Local Church _____ District _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone # _____

Special Needs: _____

(Example: Mobility, Language, Vision, etc.)

Teaching a Mini School? Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

Please check all that apply:

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Time Attendee | <input type="checkbox"/> Unit Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> CEU Credit | <input type="checkbox"/> District Officer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Female | <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy | <input type="checkbox"/> Study Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Male | <input type="checkbox"/> Laity | <input type="checkbox"/> Mission School Team | <input type="checkbox"/> District Scholarship |

Study Group Selection

Everyone will be able to take two classes. Please place a 1 & 2 by the studies below to select your preference.

- _____ Embracing Wholeness (Spiritual Growth Study)
 _____ What About Our Money—Adult Study (Social Action Study)
 _____ Money Matters: A Children's Study

Registration Fee (Registration: Thurs., July 26th, 4- 5 pm & Fri., July 27th, 7:45-8:45am)

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|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Time: \$175.00
(includes lodging and meals, based on double occupancy) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commuter: \$40.00
+ Number of Meals | \$ _____ |
| _____ x \$9/lunch | \$ _____ |
| _____ x \$12/dinner | \$ _____ |

Child Care Registration (Child stays in room with adult.)

- | | |
|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 5: Free | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Year Olds: \$35.00 | \$ _____ |
| Name: _____ Age _____ M or F (circle one) | |

T-shirts (Optional)

- T-Shirt: \$16.00
 Circle Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL

If registration is received after July 14 th , t-shirts cannot be ordered.

\$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NACUMW AND MAIL WITH COMPLETED FORM NO LATER THAN JULY 14, 2018 TO:

Teresa Aldrich, 103 Spring Street, Springville, AL 35146
 Phone: (205) 863-8083 Email: teresacaldrich@gmail.com

NEW: Health Form must be completed and provided at Registration.

Camp Information for Emergency Only: (256) 539-9860
DO NOT CALL CAMP FOR ANY REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Registration: Thursday, 4:00-5:00 pm Friday, 7:45-8:45 am Program ends Saturday at 3:30 pm
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Health Form

Authorization for Emergency Medical Treatment Form

Name _____ DOB _____

Physician's Name _____ Phone # _____

Health Insurance Company _____ Policy # _____

Allergies to medications _____

Current medications _____

In the event of emergency, contact:

Name _____ Relation _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ Relation _____ Phone # _____

In the event emergency medical aid/treatment is required due to illness or injury during my stay at a UMW event, I authorize the NAC UMW to:

1. Secure and retain medical treatment and transportation if needed.
2. Release my health information to the authorized individual or agency involved in the medical emergency treatment.
3. I hold harmless the North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women, the North Alabama Conference, the United Methodist Church and/or the owners of the facility for which the event is taking place for any act or failure to act during a medical emergency.

Date _____ Consent Signature _____

Consent Plan

This authorization includes x-ray, surgery, hospitalization, medication and any treatment procedure deemed "life saving" by the physician. This provision will only be invoked if the person(s) above is unable to be reached. I hold harmless the North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women, the North Alabama Conference, the United Methodist Church and/or the owners of the facility for which the event is taking place for any act or failure to act during a medical emergency.

Date _____ Consent Signature _____

Non-Consent Plan

I DO NOT give my consent for emergency medical treatment/aid in the cases of illness or injury. In the event emergency treatment/aid is required, I wish the following procedures to take place:

I hold harmless the North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women, the North Alabama Conference, the United Methodist Church and/or the owners of the facility for which the event is taking place for any act or failure to act during a medical emergency.

Date _____ Consent Signature _____

Date _____ Witness Signature _____

A LEGACY QUILT

Greetings from the Legacy Fund,

We are now in the count down to our 150th birthday can you believe it is now only months away? I would like to extend thanks to all of you who have made a pledge to the Legacy Fund over the last 4 years. Our goal is for every member to pledge at least \$18.69 yearly for 5 years. If you haven't started yet, it's not too late, do it today. The national goal is to raise \$60 million for the fund. That will provide us with a good foundation to fund our organization for the next 150 years. As of April we had 33% of our goal. **YOUR PLEDGE IS NEEDED.**



We have another very exciting opportunity for you to give to the Legacy Fund. One of our own United Methodist Women, Teresa Johnson, has created a beautiful 150 Legacy Quilt. Those of you who attended Refresh and Retreat in April had the opportunity to see it first. We will be displaying it at all conference events and as many district events as we can until our big Birthday Celebration on March 23, 2019. We will be gifting it to some blessed someone on that day.

At each of the showings of the quilt, and even by mail, you can donate \$5 and we will put your name into a drawing for the quilt. You will not have to be present to win, but we will have to have your name, address and contact information on hand. We have provided a form for this. Simply complete the form give it to the "Quilt handler" at the meeting or mail with the \$5 to the address on the form.

Enter as many times as you wish. Copy the form and take it to your unit along with the picture. We want all to be included in this exciting special opportunity. Good Luck to All!

Feel free to contact us with any questions you have.

Legacy Fund Committee

Jacque Clay, Olene McGowen, Carol Toney, Ruth Brooks, Carol Ruth DeVore

LEGACY FUND QUILT RAFFLE

Name _____

Address _____

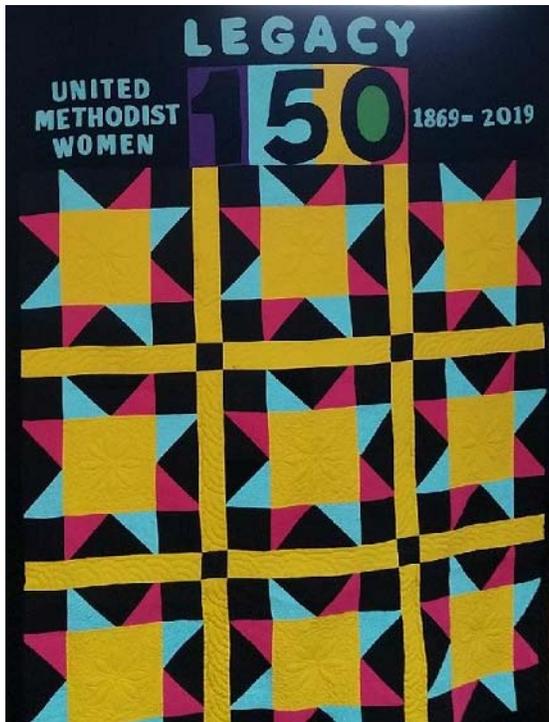
Phone _____

E-mail _____

Mail to: Jacque Clay 303 Barksdale Lane, Boaz, AL 35956

All forms must be accompanied by \$5 donation.





Don't miss the opportunity to take home this stunning Legacy Quilt!

Send in your raffle tickets!



ASSEMBLY 2018

Members of the North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women representing for all of us at Assembly 2018 in Columbus, Ohio. Thank you, ladies!





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Leadership Training - October 5, 2018
 Annual Meeting – October 6, 2018

Sumatanga Camp and Conference Center
 Gallant, Alabama

See you there!



2018 Calendar

Children's One Day Mission Event	July 24
Mission u	July 26-28
Children's Mission Camp	July 26-29
Executive Committee Meeting	Aug 17-18
Leadership Training	October 5
Annual Meeting	October 6
Executive Committee Meeting	Nov. 30— Dec. 1

PURPOSE

OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The organized unit of
 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 ex-
 pand concepts of mission through partici-
 pation in the global ministries of the
 church.