

Upper New York UMW & UMC 2021 Mission u



There's Far More Here
THAN MEETS THE EYE

So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without [God's] unfolding grace. There's far more here than meets the eye. The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever.
2 Corinthians 4:16-18 The Message (MSG)

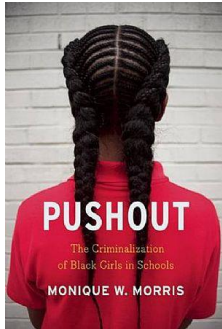
You're invited to 2021 Mission u!

Virtual Study Program Thursday, July 22 - Saturday, July 24, 2021

Online Program will begin at 7 p.m. on 7/22 and end at 4:30 p.m. on 7/24

Please join us for this special time of worship, learning, friendships, and fun!

2021 Mission u Studies and Study Leaders

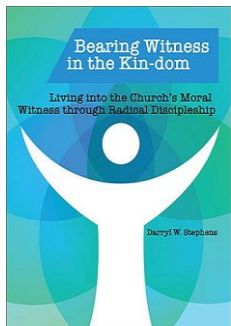


2021 Issue Study - *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools*

Study Leader: Valerie Clark

Study book: *Pushout* by Monique W. Morris

Despite increased attention to the mass and over-incarceration of black men, the plight of criminalized black women and girls is overlooked, underreported and under analyzed. Monique W. Morris' *Pushout* shows how even with obstacles, stigmas, stereotypes and despair, black girls still find ways to breathe remarkable dignity into their lives in classrooms, juvenile facilities and beyond, and challenges the rest of us to do the same.

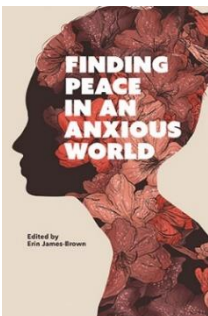


2021 Spiritual Growth Study - *Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom*

Study Leader: Leeda Marsh

Study Book: *Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom* by Darryl W. Stephens

In Jesus' own words, he came to bring good news to the poor, release the captives, restore sight to the blind, and to let the oppressed go free. What is the responsibility of the church to follow Christ's example in word and deed? While these times might feel particularly turbulent, society has always confronted the church with challenging issues where she has had to discern how God was calling her. The church's track record in these moments is far from perfect. The purpose of this study is to help the church and its members discern our call and bear witness to the will of God for a more just world.



2021 Spiritual Growth Study - *Finding Peace in Anxious World*

Study Leader: Martie Fischer

Study book: *Finding Peace in an Anxious World* edited by Erin James Brown

Finding Peace in an Anxious World, the 2021 Spiritual Growth Study by staff of the Urban Village Church, uses the book of Proverbs and "The Serenity Prayer" as a guide to help Christians find their way through anxiety, worry, and fear and move towards God's peace that surpasses all understanding. Using "The Serenity Prayer" as a scaffold, *Finding Peace in an Anxious World* explores ways to discover peace through scriptural and spiritual disciplines so that we can be rooted in God and energized to live fully as disciples of Christ.

Special Mission Presentation - Hope House, Utica, NY

Hope House serves homeless and needy individuals with nutritious meals, shelter, and referral services. This informative presentation will tell us more about its services and innovations introduced during the pandemic.

Upper New York UMW & UMC Mission u 2021 Registration Form

Thursday, July 22 - Saturday, July 24, 2021

Registration Deadline: July 5, 2021

Registration Fee: \$25.00

First-Timer Registration Fee: \$15

Name:

Home Address

Street:

City, State, Zip:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-Mail:

Local Church:

Church District (& Conference if not Upper NY):

Please mark "1" for your first choice and "2" for your second choice. Thank you.

☐ ***Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom - Leeda Marsh***

☐ ***Finding Peace in an Anxious World - Martie Fischer***

☐ ***Pushout - Valerie Clark***

*** Classes will be assigned on a first come, first served basis - register early to get your first choice. ***

Please check all that apply:

☐ Attending Mission u for the first time. (Reduced Registration Fee for First-Timers: \$15.)

☐ Study Leader or Guest Speaker

☐ Clergy member.

☐ Interested in CEU or Lay Servant / Lay Speaker credit

To register, please complete this form and send it by email or U.S. Mail to:

madudden@aol.com Enter *UNY 2021 Mission u Registration* in the email subject line, OR

Marcia Dudden, 36 Middle Street, Waterford, NY 12188

Please send a check or money order for your Registration Fee and voluntary Mission Offering donation to:

Joyce Miller, 15 Forest Avenue, Oneonta, NY 13820

Make checks payable to: UNY Conference SOCM and note *Mission u* on the check memo line.

The Mission Offering will be divided equally: one-half to Hope House, Utica, NY and one-half to UMW Mission Giving.

Scholarship assistance is available as needed within the limits of our funds.

We will send you an email to confirm your registration. You may purchase your study book online at <http://www.umwmissionresources.org/> Kindle versions are also available at <https://www.amazon.com>

For registration questions, please contact Marcia Dudden, Registrar, at 518-233-0238 or madudden@aol.com