



# KEEPING CURRENT

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## East Ohio Conference

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Sisters in Christ, What a blessing our virtual Mission u was! Thank you to Martha, our Dean, Elizabeth, our Assistant Dean, Class leaders, and Drew, our “tech - guy”. As one who is not very ‘tech friendly’, I was amazed at how easily it seemed to flow. The teachers were excellent! Well done, all! As I look to the fall and UMW happenings, I hope many of you appreciate the fact that we offer so many opportunities for being part of the supportive community of UMW. Unfortunately this pandemic is not over. With so many in Ohio not getting vaccinated, we must do all we can to love and care for others and so: Annual Celebration on October 23rd will be offered as another “Online gathering”. Being in person, face to face, is such a joy, but the reality is that it puts so many in danger. My prayer is that this will be the last time we must meet in this way. Please keep in mind that we are thinking of the Golden Rule as we schedule the day. I pray that you are all healthy and that your families are too. Our Scriptures tell us that there may be trials, but we have a faithful God who loves us! I hope as many of you as possible will join us online for the Annual Celebration and that you are trying to keep in touch with your women in the church. This has been a very challenging time for organizations such as ours! We do understand that not everyone has access to the internet and therefore cannot join us for this type of gathering. Why not ask someone who is not “connected” to come to your house and join you in watching? One to one is a fairly safe way to do things now. Think about who in your church might like to visit? While you are thinking about future events, please note the articles in this newsletter that tell you to start saving so you can go to the next Assembly. It will be in Orlando, Fla. in May of next year. I hope that the virus will have subsided by then as it is so much fun to be with our UMW sisters from all over the country and around the world! I am very excited to let you know that we have two young women, from our conference, who have accepted a scholarship from the North Central Jurisdiction to attend! It inspires me to see young women ready to continue our mission in the world to reach women, children and youth! Registration will begin on Sept. 1st, so get ready! Keep up the good work you are already doing as United Methodist Women. You are making a difference in the world for the Lord’s sake. Thank you. Blessings for you always,  
Judy Kidder, East Ohio Conference, President



# Annual Celebration via Zoom

Once again our Annual Celebration will be via Zoom. The date is Saturday morning, October 23. We will have a business meeting, service of remembrance, election of officers, and communion. It will be necessary for you to register for the meeting in order that the instructions for joining can be sent to you. To register, please reply to me via e-mail at [susanhuston178@yahoo.com](mailto:susanhuston178@yahoo.com) or by phone to 330-312-2739. Indicate how you will be joining the call, via computer or telephone. You will receive a reply with directions for joining the meeting. Please have your own elements available for communion.

As we prepare for Annual Celebration, continue to pray for our children. To paraphrase the words of Paul to Timothy, "From childhood teach them the sacred writings that are able to instruct them for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." Also, pray for the health of our country and the world, and perhaps we can meet and fellowship in person next year.

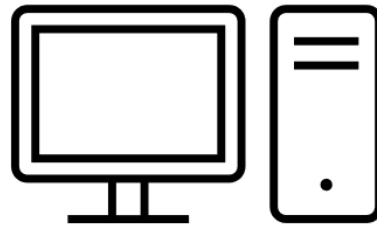
*Annual Celebration 2021*

*Saturday, October 23*

*Time of meeting yet to be decided*

A Simple, Live

Virtual Event Using Zoom



Susan Huston, EOC UMW Vice-President



## District Fall Meeting Dates



Districts	Date	Location	Meeting Start
Canal	September 25		9:30 AM
Firelands			
Mahoning Valley			
Mid-Ohio	October 9	Marion Salem UMC	10:00 AM
North Coast	September 18	Zoom	10:00 AM
Ohio Valley	October 14	Richmond UMC	9AM-12 PM
Southern Hills	October 11	Old Washington Open Air Pavilion	5-7 PM
Three Rivers			
Tuscarawas			
Western Reserve	October 16	Mentor UMC	10:00 AM

# Seriously!

Do we take ourselves way too seriously? When is the last time you had one of those “Aww..., not funny now, but some day it will be” moments?

During strawberry season in June, I was hungry for strawberry pie. I had picked berries for cake with whipped cream several times, but I was ready for fresh strawberry pie before our Ohio berry season was over. I made my pie crusts early morning to be ready to fill later in the day. Berries were picked, topped, cleaned and enough mashed for filling two crusts. After adding sugar to two cups mashed berries I reached into the cupboard for the thickener.

This is when a fantastic science project began...! I stirred the mixture together before cooking to thicken it. It began to turn the most gorgeous shade of purple. I had the ‘WHAT?!’ moment as I watched the stuff start foaming out of the 2qt. mixing bowl. I grabbed an ice cream bucket to use as it kept foaming up and over the top of the mixing bowl. Then I looked in the cupboard to see what I picked up to use for thickener. Cornstarch was not the ingredient added, but instead I stirred in baking powder. ‘Aww...!’ Needless to say, that batch ended up in the trash. Next step was to take a deep breath, begin again with berries mashed, sugar and cornstarch added, cooked, cooled and fresh berries added for two tasty pies.

In Sarah Young’s book, JESUS CALLING, her daily devotion for June 17 shared with us to learn to laugh at ourselves more freely and not to take ourselves and situations so seriously. We are reminded to slow down, relax and know God is with us, Emmanuel with us – Matthew 1:23. Slow down and remember God is ready to help carry our worldly cares as stated in Matthew 11:28 – “Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” -- New Living Translation

Please listen closely to God’s calling for whom you may be His voice of hope and encouragement today.

Blessings, Peace, Prayers and Hugs,

Rita Kyser

Spiritual Growth Coord.

East Ohio Conference United Methodist Women





## 2021 East Ohio Mission u Report

### August 21, 2021

### Martha Banks, Dean

The 2021 East Ohio Mission u was the first to be offered entirely virtually across 2 weeks in July. This provided access during the COVID pandemic. As we acknowledged during the planning and in some of the discussions during Mission u, the accommodation of virtual offering work well for some people but was actually a barrier to participation for others. Using the Zoom platform allowed us to hold breakout sessions for small group discussion as well as watch lectures and videos together. We were able to prerecord devotions for the adult courses. The closing worship service with Holy Communion was recorded and remains available at [https://www.dropbox.com/s/0cb27cz42w07xra/2021%20East%20Ohio%20Mission%20u%20Closing%20Worship%20Service\\_720P%20HD%20%281%29.mov?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/0cb27cz42w07xra/2021%20East%20Ohio%20Mission%20u%20Closing%20Worship%20Service_720P%20HD%20%281%29.mov?dl=0). Several participants made short videos of their impressions of Mission u for inclusion in the closing worship service.

Mission u is a major activity that could not occur without the collaboration of many people. I want to thank all of our study leaders:

Rev. Dr. Lisa Withrow—Finding Peace in an Anxious World



Rev. Stephanie Lee Bearing—Witness in the Kin-dom: Living Into the Church's Moral Witness Through Radical Discipleship

Mikaela Ashburn, Olivia Dixon—Managing Anxiety: A Youth Study



Mary Beth Manns, Beth Canfield—Responding to Violence

Dr. Gloria Brown, Jane Delcamp—Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools



*Closing worship leaders:*

Rev. Stephanie Lee,

Rita Kyser, East Ohio UMW Spiritual Growth Officer

Ann Ferrell, Organist-Pianist, Christ Woodland United Methodist Church in Akron, Ohio

Assistant Dean: Elizabeth Feldman

Tech Host: Drew Brown

Registrar: Judy McFarlin

East Ohio Conference Connectional Ministries: Melanie Thomas

Current and former treasurers: Kelly Korb, Sandra Hodge

Mentor, 2018-2019 Mission u Dean: Dr. Maggie Jackson

The designers and trainers of Mission u at the United Methodist Women's Division in New York

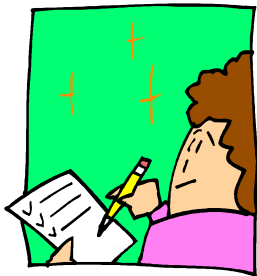
Our participants

Donors who provided financial support and contributed to the offerings

The East Ohio United Methodist Women's Executive Committee led by Judy Kidder



### **Attendance:**



Adults 41 (including one of the trainers from the UMW National Office)

Women 40

Man 1

Youth 5

Children 2

Clergy 7

Laity 34

### **Survey Results:** (25 respondents; 61% response rate):

clergy 7

laity 17

not identified 1

first time attendees 6

registration experience 4.5

how well technology worked 4.4

adult, youth course ratings 4.5

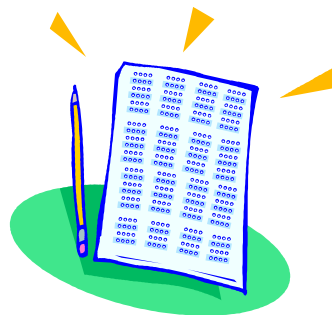
closing worship 4.5

plan to share 10

prefer in-person 16

prefer virtual 8

no preference listed 1



**Sample comments:** “Loved it!” “comfortable in my easy chair” “very intense and handled very well by our study leaders” “Teachers were excellent” “Plan to share closing worship with unit” “I found the teachers knowledgeable and compassionate” “I can't wait until next year!!!”

**Concerns:** “books did not arrive in time” “would prefer classes on weekends only”



# Attention Readers:

## **GOOD NEWS!! THE 2021-2022 UMW READING PROGRAM HAS ADDED BOOKS**

The original list of books for the UMW Reading Program offered a strong selection. There are books to nurture our souls, challenge us to action, and to teach us many things about new topics. The following is a list of new books added to encourage each of us to complete the reading program by the end of 2021. Check your public library and ask a librarian how you can obtain some of them through SearchOhio if they don't have a specific book in their collection. If you have questions or suggestions, contact Mary Lou Henneman at [englishfestival.com](http://englishfestival.com) or leave her a message at 330-559-6993.

### **EDUCATION FOR MISSION**

***FINDING JESUS AT THE BORDER: OPENING OUR HEARTS TO OUR IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS*** by Julia Lambert Fogg  
***ONE DRESS, ONE YEAR: ONE GIRL'S STAND AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING*** by Bethany Winz (YOUTH)

### **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

***BECOMING*** by Michelle Obama  
***HIDDEN FIGURES: THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN WHO HELPED WIN THE SPACE RACE*** by Margot Lee Shetterly  
***MY LITTLE GOLDEN BOOK ABOUT RUTH BADER GINSBURG*** by Shana Corey (CHILDREN)

### **NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY**

***BECOMING GRANDMA: THE JOYS AND SCIENCE OF THE NEW GRANDPARENTING*** by Lesley Stahl  
***BEFORE WE WERE YOURS*** (novel) by Lisa Wingate  
***SHE CAME TO STAY: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF HARRIET TUBMAN*** by Erica Armstrong Dunbar (YOUTH)



## **SOCIAL ACTION**

**THE LEAVERS** (novel) by Lisa Ko

**NATIVE: IDENTITY, BELONGINGS, AND REDISCOVERING GOD** by Kaitlin B. Cutice

**SEPARATED BY THE BORDER: A BIRTH MOTHER, A FOSTER MOTHER, AND A MIGRANT CHILD'S 3000-MILE JOURNEY** by Gena Thomas

**SMALL GREAT THINGS** (novel) by Jodi Picoult

**TOMATOLAND: HOW MODERN INDUSTRIAL AGRICULTURE DESTROYED OUR MOST ALLURING FRUIT** by Barry Estabrook

**SHE PERSISTED: 13 AMERICAN WOMEN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD** by Chelsea Clinton

## **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

**GLIMPSES OF HEAVEN: GOD'S GIFTS OF GRACE IN DAILY LIFE** by Roela Victoria Rivera

**WHEN GOD MADE THE WORLD** by Matthew Paul Turner (CHILDREN)

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO REMEMBER**

Don't forget there is a bonus for reading some of the books on our reading list. In fact, any book that has BB listed next to the title counts as 2 books. Also, all the study books used in mission u count as 2 books in our reading program.

Faith Talks podcasts can now be counted in the category of Spiritual Growth. You must participate or listen to two Faith Talks podcasts. If you participate/listen to three, it will be counted as a Bonus Book in the Spiritual Growth category.

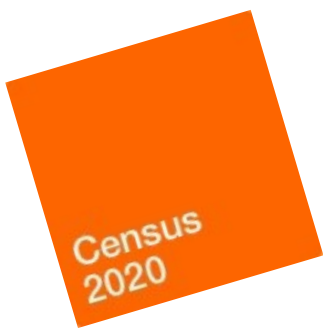
**United Methodist Women Faith Talks Podcast** : monthly podcasts of "conversations with UMW exploring themes and resources that empower us to put faith, hope, and love into action." Moderated by Jennifer R. Farmer (author of *First And Only: A Black Woman's Guide To Thriving At Work And In Life* and featured in *response* magazine, July/August 2021) topics from gun violence to soul caring are explored and discussed by a variety of excellent speakers. Faith Talk podcasts can now be counted in the category of Spiritual Growth. You must participate or listen to two Faith Talks podcasts. If you participate/listen to three, it will be counted as a Bonus Book in the Spiritual Growth category.



**MOVIES:** Watching these movies and documentaries will also count toward sources that empower us to put faith, hope, and action." 1. Just Mercy 2. The Hate U Give 3. Pushout.

Mary Lou Henneman, Conference Program Resources Secretary

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## Summary of 2020 Survey Results

1. 68 units responded, representing 10 districts with 2173 members
2. 65 Local units, 3 district units and 1 cluster/charge units
3. Average age per conference 70+. 3 districts had members 56-69. Our demographics are exclusively white.
4. Majority of units did not do a mission u study locally and majority did not attend mission u
5. We had a mixed response to involvement in international mission activities and those were done through the local church, UMCOR or annual conference.
6. Most use response magazine to learn about UMW international mission work or us the UMW website.
7. We are mixed on the interest in getting regular updates on UMW international mission work.
8. We are mixed on interest in receiving resources digitally for download or to purchase.
9. Most districts are not interested in targeted giving campaigns and the majority did not participate in the past giving Tuesday Now campaign
10. We did not engage in racial justice programs and those that did focused on maternal mortality.
11. We want more information on climate justice and interrupting the school to prison pipeline.
12. We stayed connected during the pandemic via 1:1 phone calls, and virtual meetings or else meetings were cancelled.

So what does this mean? WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO!

We need to expand to the younger women, and to women of different ethnicity. Expand on how we stay connected. Expand on the resources available and increase participation in the international missions of UMW. We need to get women signed up with MYUMW. We are not alone as most conferences summaries were similar. We can do this together and if we work together we can expand our units and ourselves.

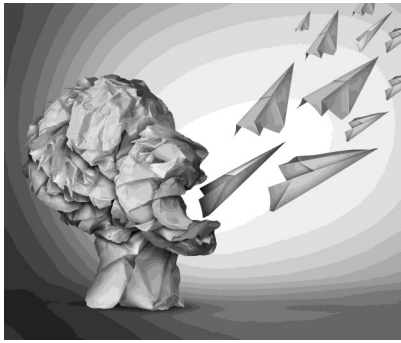
*Margaret Harvey*

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## This and that -

I hope you were able to participate in this year's UMW Mission U. The studies I took, Finding Peace in an Anxious World and Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom: Living Into the Church's Moral Witness, were outstanding! The books for each of the studies, were excellent. Each book could be the basis for unit programs or Sunday school classes.

There is still time to work on meeting Mission Today Unit Goals. Is your unit working toward its pledge to Mission? The pledge money is used to support programming and UMW general mission projects. Most units collect for World Thank Offering in November. All money from this offering goes to UMW mission projects.

Having a *response* moment at each meeting is another Mission Today Goal.

The July/August issue of *response* features Bethlehem Centers of Nashville, Tennessee which UMW general mission giving supports. The North Nashville center serves an area that has among the highest levels of poverty and incarceration in the U.S. Malachi joined the Center's Vocational Success Institute working in the kitchen for Meals On Wheels, serving as front desk greeter and helping with children. In two years the center has helped him a lot. Malachi stated, "I used to do bad stuff, used to steal. They helped me grow, get me working to earn money so I didn't have to steal." His is just one of many lives transformed by this center.

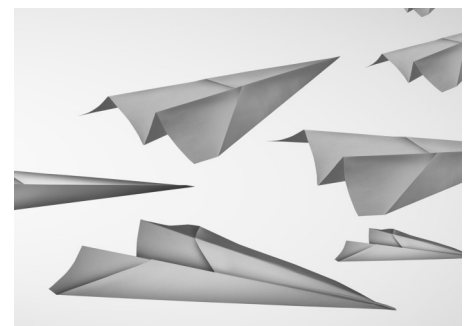
With COVID cases on the rise, East Ohio Conference UMW Annual meeting will be virtual on Saturday, October 23. More information about the annual meeting is in this newsletter. "See" you at the Annual meeting.

As soon as you have your 2022 calendar mark May 20-22 for UMW Assembly. It will be held at the Orlando Convention Center. This inspiring event occurs only once every four years. The theme is TURN IT UP! for spiritual healing and renewal, for rebirth in information a new time, for women leaders and justice for women, children and youth. Go to [www.Assembly2022.org](http://www.Assembly2022.org) for more information and flyers. Early registration rates are September 1-November 30.

Please contact me at 740-369-3521, e mail [deladoc@yahoo.com](mailto:deladoc@yahoo.com) or U.S. mail, 47 Coventry Road, Delaware, Ohio 43015, if you have questions or concerns.

Blessings. Emma Dixon

EOC UMW Education and Interpretation Coordinator



**East Ohio Conference United Methodist Women**  
**Nominations Committee Proposed Slate with Bios**  
**Annual Celebration 2021**

**President**—Judy Kidder (22) Mahoning Valley

Judy is a member of Frist United Methodist Church, East Liverpool where she is currently unit president and has held many offices over the years including EOCUMW Nominations Chairman and Mission u Registrar. She is past Mahoning Valley District President. She has been her church's Lay Member to Annual Conference. She became a widow in 2018 and is the mother of three grown children and grandmother of six

**\*\*Vice President**—Elizabeth Saling Southern Hills

**\*\*Secretary**—Rhonda Mason-Jones (23) North Coast District

Rhonda Mason-Jones, has been an active member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Warrensville Heights, Ohio for over 30 years. She serves in the church's Youth Ministry and has been an active member of the Aldersgate United Methodist Women's Group (UMW) for 6 years. She is the mother of two daughters, ages 15 and 21.

**Treasurer**—Kelly Korb (22) Canal District

Kelly is a member of Seville United Methodist Church sings in the choir, teaches Sunday School and is president of her UMW Unit. She was elected co-Treasurer of EOCUMW in 2019 and has since assumed those duties. She has been married for 36 years to her best friend, Dave, and they have two children and four beautiful grandchildren.

**\*\*Chair Nominations**—Doris Moten (23) North Coast District

Dor is an involved member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church where she serves as president of her UMW unit, serves as an usher, a shepherd and is a member of SPRC Committee. She is currently finishing her term as president of North Coast District UMW and has served the district as Vice-President, Spiritual Growth Coordinator and chairman of the Nominations Committee. She has been married to Archie for 45 years and they have 6 children and 6 grandchildren.

**\*\*Social Action**—Kim Allen (23)

**Membership, Nurture and Outreach**—Margaret Harvey (23) (

First term expiring. Will continue to serve in this office.)

**Program Resources**—Mary Lou Henneman (23)



**Education and Interpretation Coordinator**—Emma Dixon (22)

Emma is a long-time member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Delaware, Ohio where she has held many offices and also served her local unit in almost every office including president, currently as Social Action and Circle Coordinators. She has served as Mid Ohio District President as well as several other positions. She served on EOCUMW Nominations Chairman and member. Emma has been married to Larry for 57 years and they are the parents of 4 adult children and 8 grandchildren, all living in Ohio.

**Spiritual Growth**—Rita Kyser (23) Mid Ohio District

(First term expiring. Will continue to serve in this office.)

**Communications Coordinator**—Marguerite Andres “Marge” (22)

Marge has attended Richmond UMC for over 70 years where she has served as Lay Leader, Chairperson of Administrative Council, United Methodist Women’s president and hospitality chairman. She has served the old Steubenville District as a member of the Nominations Committee and as Newsletter Editor for the Ohio Valley District.

**Mission u Registrar**—Judy McFarlin (22) Mid Ohio District

Judy is a member of Lakefork UMW where she has held several offices. She has been President. Vice President and treasurer for the Mid Ohio District. She has been married to Ron for 60 years and they are parents of two daughters and one son, grandparents of eight and great-grandparents of two.

**\*\*Mission u Dean**—Elizabeth Feldman. –Canal District

**\*\*Mission u Asst. Dean**—Cynthia rose. North Coast District

**Nominations Committee:**

Class of 22 Marian King

Class of 23 Doris Moten Patty Ullman

**\*\*Class of 24 - Susan Huston**

**\*\*To be installed at the Annual Celebration, Kim Allen was approved by the Team but should be installed.**

The committee is still trying to find a person to serve as vice president and Nominations Committee members. We have had many refusals. We understand that this is a difficult time in getting people to serve. We would appreciate your help.

Margaret Bullard, Chairman

Nominations Committee



## EOC – UMW 2022 BUDGET - Proposed

January 2022 – December 2022

District Pledges / Remittances	\$	160,398.00
Other Income (Mission U & Other)	\$	<u>60,000.00</u>
<b>Proposed 2022 Income</b>		<b>\$ 220,398.00</b>

### Planning Meetings Expenses

Retreat Planning & District Training	\$	500.00
Executive & Team Travel	\$	2,500.00
Finance District Treasurers Travel	\$	600.00
UMW Sunday	\$	100.00
Officers Subcommittee Meetings	\$	500.00
Officer Expenses	\$	2,000.00
Conference Supplies / Postage	\$	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$	<u>1,565.00</u>
Subtotal		8,765.00

### Conference Programs & Support

Mission U	\$	8,000.00
Annual Celebration	\$	500.00
Officer Dev / National Committees	\$	1,000.00
North Central Jurisdiction Annual Fee	\$	1,800.00
Newsletters	\$	1,400.00
UMC Annual Media Fee	\$	450.00
Assembly	\$	53,035.00
UMW Inc	\$	<u>129,543.00</u>
Subtotal		195,193.00

AMD allocations \$ 16,440.00

### Total Proposed Expenses

**\$220,398.00**

*Kelly Korb*, EOC UMW Treasurer





## Racial Justice: Advocacy and Education

### Because We Believe...

United Methodist Women is deeply committed to the ongoing work of racial justice. We seek to be in right relationship with one another. We work together for the transformation of church and world, following the teaching and example of Jesus Christ.

### As stated in United Methodist Book of Discipline:

"We recognize racism as sin and affirm the ultimate and temporal worth of all persons. We rejoice in the gifts that particular ethnic histories and cultures bring to our total life. We commend and encourage the self-awareness of all racial and ethnic groups and oppressed people that leads them to demand their just and equal rights as members of society." (Social Principles, ¶ 162 B)

With the United Methodist Book of Discipline in mind, Racial justice is an ongoing focus of United Methodist Women mission work. We conduct regular racial justice workshops with members, and work in coalition with human and civil rights groups to track hate-crimes and to promote racial justice in the United States and the world.

United Methodist Women's Charter for Racial Justice was created and adopted by the Women's Division in 1978 and successfully adopted by the whole denomination in 1980. General Conference has consecutively readopted it, every eight years since, most recently in 2008. The Charter continues our urgent call for study and action on the principles and goals of its vision.

The Racial Justice symbol shown above represents United Methodist Women's commitment to work for racial justice. It symbolizes a world of racially and ethnically diverse peoples working together side by side to create a world in which every person has a voice, rights and opportunity for abundant life. Within the image are two hands joined together to work for justice for all God's children.

To learn more about the following United Methodist Women's advocacy and education for racial justice items visit: <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice>

Access the **Charter for Racial Justice**

Explore our **history**

Learn more about **mass incarceration and the criminalization of communities of color**

Connect with our current campaign to interrupt the **school-to-prison pipeline**

Meet the **Racial Justice Charter support team**

Download the Racial Justice Toolkit: **Tools for Leaders: Resources for Racial Justice**

Read the book **So you want to talk about race** and sign up for a free online course

Find resources for **Black History Month**

Learn about **Juneteenth**

Check out **additional recommended resources** to learn more!

Read **racial justice stories**







## **TWENTY-FIRST UMW ASSEMBLY**

...May 20-22, 2022,

**"Turn It Up!"**

**IN PERSON or VIRTUAL**

**Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL <<**

### **>>VIRTUAL OPTION**

#### **EARLY REGISTRATION \$199**

Virtual attendees receive access to all Community Gatherings, one workshop on Friday and Saturday, speaker interviews, networking, and more.

***NOTE:*** the virtual option can *ONLY* be used with *ONE* device and cannot be shared.

### **>>IN PERSON OPTION**

#### **EARLY REGISTRATION: Sept. 1 - NOV. 30 = \$300 (\$330 Dec. onward)**

\*Registration acknowledgement will be e-mailed after registering;

\****NOTE:*** *PROOF of VACCINATION and/or wearing a mask may be required to attend in person, per CDC guideline compliance.*

#### **HOTELS:**

\*Contact Susie Brenner @ [susie@orchid.events](mailto:susie@orchid.events) ("Orchid Events" is the UMW housing bureau) to book your EOC hotel block at The Hyatt Regency [\$198 per night, 2 queen beds per room].

\****NOTE:*** *If you wish to book a hotel outside the EOC block, call Orchid Events reservations customer care agents @ 888-341-3540 starting Sept. 1.*

#### **WORKSHOPS: (Select one on Friday and one on Saturday)**

\*The list of options will be provided on the Assembly website, "Events Info" tab, "Workshops drop-down menu."

\****NOTE:*** *Select your choices at the time you register, so check the options before starting your registration.*

#### **Virtual marketing kickoff: Sept 8, 7-8 p.m. ET**

Hear from others who have attended Assembly, get updates, and more @ <https://link.gntv.info/umwassemblymarketing>.

#### **INAUGURAL Legacy Banquet & Endowment Fundraiser: Sat., May 21.**

Use the following link to purchase a ticket which be sent with your registration:

(<http://umw.convio.net/site/Calendar?id=102083&view=Detail>) Contact Christi Campos at [ccampos@unitedmwmethoistwomen.org](mailto:ccampos@unitedmwmethoistwomen.org) for details.

#### **ANTICIPATED COSTS FOR THE IN PERSON OPTION (per person)**

(Anticipate \$1500 est.):

\$300-330 registration

\$500-600+ est. per room for 3 nights, divided by no. Per room

\$40-\$60 shuttle cost from airport

\$\$\$ Food

\$\$\$ Airfare (given the unpredictable status of COVID, it is recommended that airfare not be booked until early 2022.)

Visit: - [assembly2022.org](http://assembly2022.org) for more information

The logo features the words "TURN IT UP!" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The text is set against a circular background that is split into two colors: a teal upper half and a purple lower half. The text is slightly offset to the right, creating a sense of motion or a "turn" effect.

**TURN  
IT UP!**

# ASSEMBLY 2022

MAY 20 – 22, 2022

ORLANDO CONVENTION CENTER

[WWW.ASSEMBLY2022.ORG](http://WWW.ASSEMBLY2022.ORG)

In 2022 we will reflect on today's challenges and together find comfort and strength to move forward, building new ways for faith-filled women to make a difference in our communities and the world. We will recommit to our purpose, but also more. For such a time as this we will **TURN IT UP!**

**TURN IT UP!** for spiritual healing and renewal

**TURN IT UP!** for rebirth in a new time

**TURN IT UP!** for women leaders

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