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# East District United Methodist Women

2nd Quarter Newsletter

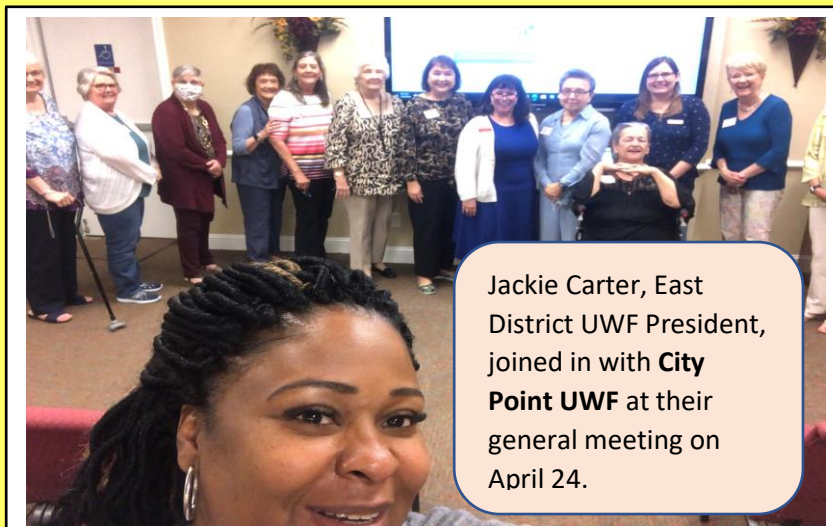
April 2022

## *Hurst UWF installs officers for 2022.*



From left to right:

Terie Wied, Kelsey Lacey, Rita Hoenig, Carol Turman, Cathy Sperring, Charla McManus, Colleen Campbell, Ann Thompson, Elaine Blood, and Denise Riley.



Jackie Carter, East District UWF President, joined in with **City Point UWF** at their general meeting on April 24.

## Important Dates to Remember

- CTCUMW events/meetings in red.

May 20	Treasurer Information to East District, mail to: Robyn Childress 701 Clover Lane, Keller, Texas 76248-2465
May 14	Benefit to Mission UCC Wesley Center (Register via flyer)
June 14	Central Texas Annual Conference UWF luncheon
Aug./Sept.	District Mission u                      TBD



**Mary Circle at Keller UWF** met on Tuesday, March 22, and was treated to a special program presented by Muriel and Terry Henderson, members of Keller United Methodist Church. Terry and Muriel were missionaries in Chile (3 years) and Mexico (40 years). They were instrumental in developing "Give Ye Them to Eat", an integrated development program for Central Mexico. The purpose of GYTTE is to strengthen the capabilities of marginalized people and communities to meet their basic needs and to determine and sustain a just and integrated development process.

(Article borrowed from Keller UWF March newsletter.)

## UMW Afternoon Tea

April 3, 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
Belltower Chapel's Hickman Center



Women Inspiring Women

Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow



**The United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth** hosted an afternoon tea on Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2 to 4. The theme of the event was “Women Inspiring Women – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.” Guests attending were encouraged to bring those that inspire them most such as their daughters, nieces, sisters, mothers, aunts, grandmothers, and friends.

The event was held to raise money for our ministry partners: Methodist Justice Ministry, Food 4 Kids, Kids Hope USA Mentoring, Methodist Children's Home, FUMCFW Children's & Youth Ministries, and United Community Centers. The event raised over \$29,000 to be donated to these organizations.

As guests entered the Bell Chapel's Hickman Center, they were met with a 5-string quintet, who played while they shopped the silent auction items & Mustard Seed Jewelry, as well as bought raffle tickets for exciting basket prizes donated by our circles.

Once they were seated in the ballroom, a traditional British Tea service began with a presentation on the history and etiquette of tea service by local expert, Lynda Sanders.

The little ladies were kept entertained with “busy bags” created by members of the special event committee and special menu items just for them. After our speaker, we gave our youngest guests a change to get up and stretch with a joyful rendition of “I’m a little teapot” and everyone joined in the fun including our pastors.

After two years without a special event, everyone thrilled to be together to celebrate what makes our UMW special: friendships that cross generations, unique experiences and serving women and children. This event was especially impactful in that it was a church-wide event attended and not just attended by UMW members. We had such fun while exceeding our goals that we have already begun planning for next year's Tea Party begun planning for next year's Tea Party.



**A Day Apart** AND A WONDERFUL DAY IT WAS! The event was held at the beautiful new Ash Lane UMC and hosted by the Ash Land UWF Leadership Team. The motivational speaker was the dynamic Stephanie Dixon, and we were treated to relaxing Mudras hand movements by Lisa Womack and lovely harp music played by Grace Johnson, pianist at Covenant UMC. There were four meditation stations: Hand Labyrinth, Exploring “Thrive (UWF digital subscription), Coloring in Peace, and Breath Prayers. The day ended with 10 East District Units Showcasing the work that they do locally. **These units were:**

Arborlawn-	<i>“Have a Heart Campaign”</i>
Covenant-	<i>“Prayer Quilts &amp; Water Aerobics”</i>
Edge Park-	<i>“Flowers for Shut-Ins”</i>
Keller-	<i>“News You Can Use”</i>
Lighthouse-	<i>“Lighthouse Fellowships Rock Missions with Love and Fun!”</i>
Mansfield-	1. “Zoom into Reading 2. “30 Days of Advent” (advent bags for homebound) 3. “Backpacks for the Homeless”
Meadowbrook-Poly-	<i>“Meadowbrook-Poly Is Still Cooking”</i>
Ash Lane	Allies In Youth Development

Lisa Womack leads Mudras, hand yoga movements.



Carol Bolton, Ash Lane UWF VP welcomes A Day Apart guests.



Lighthouse Fellowship participated in the Showcase display.



## New East District Virtual Reading Club

See you Monday at 6:30 pm for the [first ever meeting of the East District Virtual Reading Club](#). If you attended Sing a Rainbow this year, you will remember the district breakout session where East District members decided to try a virtual Reading Club starting with the book, **Practicing Changing Yourself to Change the World** by Kathy Escobar. Even if you do not have the book yet, please take time to join us on Monday evening, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Caye Felton will be our facilitator, and this promises to be a great book. See the zoom link below. Hope to see you there.

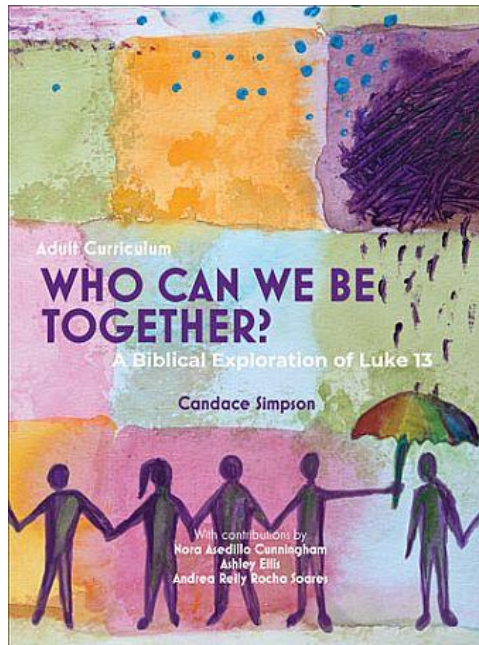
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# Mission u 2022

## **Luke 13: One Transformative Biblical Curriculum for Everyone**

For more than a century we've been gathering annually to better understand how to live our faith in the world by studying for spiritual growth and learning about contemporary issues and neighbors in different geographic areas.

Beginning in 2022, we are taking an exciting new approach to Mission u curricula! Adults, youth, and children will all study Luke 13.

The Mission u event at Glen Lake will be August 5-6 beginning at 4:00 on Friday afternoon and ending Saturday afternoon.

Most Districts will be having a Mission u event, but because of the length of the study, most will be over 2 days. Some Districts will have in person, some will have virtual and some will be hybrid.

East District Mission u will be hosted by Hurst UWF, but the dates are TBA.

## Assembly registration now open!



Registration for Assembly 2022 now open for a truly special event that happens only every four years. Assembly 2022 takes place May 20-22, 2022, at the Orlando Convention Center in Orlando, Florida, with an optional Ubuntu Day of Service on Thursday May 19. Don't miss this chance to Turn It Up! with thousands of faith-driven women from around the world.

Check us out at <https://assembly2022.org/>

### ***UWF Survey (Census)***

Usually by this time of the year, we have already completed our annual census (now renamed Survey). We have received word from national that the survey will come out at the end of April which is this next week. The survey is completed by each unit online. Two years ago, East District had an over 70% response rate. Last year we did not do so well. **What do you think of us shooting for an over 90% response rate?** We have good leaders, and I think that we can do this. If you have difficulty completing the form online, please contact Becky Parks, East District MNO coordinator or Polly Soulsby, East District Communications for help.

**Faith, action and sisterhood** are our calling cards as we reach out to invite new women to join us on this wonderful journey and find new ways to support one another and women, children and you.

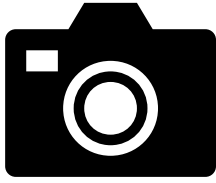
**Faith**, because at our heart and in our soul, we are a faith-driven organization. Our beliefs bring us together. And our spirituality pushes us to do more. United Women in Faith enables women to boldly live our faith and connect to something bigger. **Action**, because our actions have always spoken as loud as our words: Acts of love, acts of faith, acts of change. For more than 150 years, our members have been showing up and getting things done. Together, we're making the world a better place: locally, globally, fearlessly. **Sisterhood**, because we welcome and connect women together. We are on a mission to boldly act and transform communities.

-excerpt from Response Magazine, March/April 2022

**faith**

**action**

**sisterhood**



We would love to hear from you and feature your activities and photos in the quarterly newsletters. Please remember to send a write up and photos to: Polly Soulsby at [p.soulsby@charter.net](mailto:p.soulsby@charter.net) The next newsletter will be sent out in August.