

# South Central Jurisdiction United Methodist Women

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# A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I hope you are saving March 26-29, 2020, for your trip to the South Central Jurisdiction United Methodist Women's Quadrennial Event, at the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock, Arkansas.

This event has always been a highlight of my journey with United Methodist Women. We have the opportunity to learn more about our mission projects, make new friends, enrich our faith and challenge each other to do more for those we serve.

To celebrate 150 years of service I am asking each conference to bring their 2018 Assembly conference banner and stand plus at least one older banner prior to 2018. These banners will be used in the opening session.



UMW has adopted new "BE JUST, BE GREEN" traditions for the 2020 SCJ UMW Event:

- Electronic Programs are online for tablets & smartphones. Pre-order printed programs to receive at check-in for \$7.
- Bring Your Own Tote Bag to eliminate trash and waste.
- Bring a Reusable Water Bottle

The Marriott Downtown Little Rock is a gorgeous hotel. They are extending the group rate of \$139 for two queen beds for three days before and after our event so you can explore beautiful Little Rock, Arkansas. The UMWSCJ.org website will have the hotel link for the group rates later this fall. To receive the group rate, please do not reserve rooms prior to the opening of hotel registration.

May God bless you,

Charlotte Morrow President, SCJ

#### **SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

To encourage and assist more women to attend the South Central Jurisdiction Event, scholarship award money is available for those who need financial assistance. Each conference treasurer will receive \$600 from the SCJ Committee for scholarships. Each conference will determine how to select the recipients and how money will be divided. Contact your conference treasurer about how to apply for this award money.

# **2020 QUADRENNIAL**

Statehouse Convention Center Marriott Downtown, Little Rock, AK March 26-29, 2020

#### **REGISTRATION**

- \$325 fee; \$275 early bird by 11/30
- Register online in early July (ends 2/25/20) at umwscj.org
- Group hotel rate is \$139/night for 2 queen beds - available Fall 2019

#### PRE-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE (Thu)

UBUNTU Service Project 9 am-noon \$40. Registration required. 3 Choices:

- Heifer International
- Little Rock Arkansas Food Bank
- In-Hotel Ubuntu Project (TBA)

#### PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING

- UMW 101
- Leadership Dev. & Membership

MEET & GREET (Thursday evening)

### **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE (Fri-Sun)**

Sunrise Yoga Lunch Workshops Mission Fair & Film Festival General Gatherings:

- Introducing u Opening (Fri am)
- Challenging u Keynote (Fri pm)
- Calling u Bible Study (Sat am)
- Celebrating u 150 Years (Sat pm)
- **Sending u** Closing (Sun am)

Schedule & Things to Do in Little Rock at umwsci.org





"...we received both the generous gift of his life and the urgent task of passing it on to others. ...You are who you are through this gift and call of Jesus Christ."

-Romans 1:5-6

# To Little Rock, Arkansas March 26-29, 2020!

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Our 2020 Quadrennial theme, "Calling u," is based upon Romans 1:5-6. Throughout the conference we will highlight the UMW priority concerns for this quadrennium: economic inequality, climate change, criminalization of communities of color, and maternal and child health. This theme is reflected in our service projects, gatherings, workshops, mission fair and films.



### **UBUNTU WORK TEAMS** (Thu, 9 am–noon, \$40, pre-register)

- HEIFER INTERNATIONAL has worked with communities to end world hunger, poverty, and care for the earth for 75 years. Heifer is supported by many UMC congregations and is headquartered in Little Rock near the hotel.
- LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS FOOD BANK began in 1982, when rice farmers found themselves with a surplus crop and hungry neighbors. They soon added a backpack program for school children, and now serve families, children and seniors throughout central Arkansas.
- "In-Hotel" Ubuntu Project To be announced.









## SPEAKERS & PERFORMERS

KEYNOTE: Darryl Burton & Lamonte McIntyre

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Suzie Byrd PIANIST: Valerie Harris DANCER: Megan Morrow

# **BIBLE STUDY**

TOPIC: Called for the Good of Others LEADER: Reverend Pam Estes

# **PRESENTERS**

Ellen Lipsey
Emily Jones
Carol Barton
Carolyne Celestine
Cynthia Rives
Rose Roberts
Stacie Hawkins
Yolanda Perry

Visit umwscj.org for more speaker photos and bios!

# **WORKSHOPS/TRAINING**

#### **LUNCH WORKSHOPS**

Excuse Me, Is This Seat Taken – It's not just your grandmother's organization. Let's make it yours. Young women needed.

Stacie Hawkins

Bold Souls – A spiritual workshop designed to provide "soul" care, offering possibilities for change and hope for healing of mind, body & spirit through love and grace.

Rose Roberts

Caring for Earth communities: Advocates for Just Energy 4 All – Explore how to reduce your carbon footprint, waste, and water shortage.

Ellen Lipsey & Yolanda Perry

Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline – Racial disparities in discipline persist at all levels as children and youth of color are targeted and criminalized. Learn how prayer and powerful women can make real change.

Emily Jones

Everyone Has the Right to a Living Wage – Imagine supporting a family of four on the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour.

Carol Barton

Every Day Yoga for Every Body - Greet the sun with an early morning yoga practice. Learn how to breathe more fully, calm your nerves, relive stress and sleep better.

Carolyn Celestine

## **UMW TRAINING: (Available Thu-Sat)**

2 Cents & A Prayer: UMW 101\* – Revisit the basics of UMW and the foundation of our organization.

Carol Barton & Emily Jones

Don't Let the Standing Rules Stand in Your Way\* – Focus on leadership development and membership inclusion.

Cynthia Rives and panel



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