# NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE (NTC) UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) 2021 District & Local UMW Unit Officers Virtual Leadership Training Saturday • 01.09.21

## **Training Session: President/Secretary/Communications**

## **AGENDA (1/3)**

#### I. Welcome

### **II.** Training Session Purpose

- A. Provide NTC UMW and district leadership information (rosters, NTC UMW 2021 Calendar of Events, reporting forms, etc.) to district and local UMW unit leaders
- B. Provide leadership guidance, direction, and resources to district and local UMW unit leaders in NTC UMW

## III. UMW Purpose and Vision (source: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org)

- A. <u>Purpose</u>: "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 expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."
- B. <u>Vision</u>: "Turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world."
  - 1. UMW provides opportunities and resources to grow spiritually
  - 2. UMW is organized for growth with flexible structures which leads to effective witness and action
  - 3. UMW equips women and girls around the world to be leaders in communities, agencies, workplaces, governments, and churches
  - 4. UMW works for justice through compassionate service and advocacy
  - 5. UMW provides educational experiences that lead to personal change in order to transform the world

#### IV. UMW FAQs - UMW Handbook (Policies and Guidelines)

- A. <u>Handout</u>: UMW FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions)
- B. *United Methodist Women Handbook 2021-2024* (online): https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/members-leaders/2021-2024-handbook
  - 1. Policies and guidelines available online <u>only</u>: <u>www.unitedmethodistwomen.org</u> and <u>www.umwnorthtexas.org</u> (under "Resources & Report Forms" tab)
  - 2. Complete handbook will be available after General Conference 2021

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- V. UMW Leadership Roles and Responsibilities
  - A. <u>Handout</u>: Local UMW Organization
  - B. Handout: District UMW Organization
  - C. <u>Handout</u>: Conference UMW Organization
  - D. Handout: Jurisdiction and National UMW Organization
- VI. Local Unit UMW Annual Reports: Reporting Period: 09.01.20 08.31.21
  Due to District UMW Presidents on/before 08.15.21
  - A. <u>Handout</u>: NTC UMW Local Unit Special Recognition Checklist 2020-2021
    - 1. Log and track activities throughout the year; reporting period: 09.01.20 08.31.21
    - 2. Criteria for local UMW unit to be recognized: 6 of 8 objectives completed; completion of items #1 and #4 required for local unit recognition
    - 3. **IMPORTANT:** Objective #1
      - a. Local units may also be recognized for FIVE CHANNELS OF GIVING activity during the reporting period
      - b. Consult local unit treasurer for giving activity during the reporting period
  - B. <u>Handout</u>: UMW Remittance Form
  - C. <u>Handout</u>: NTC UMW MN&O Report 2020-2021
    - 1. No. of Members @ 09.01.20: should be the SAME as the ending no. of members @ 08.31.20
    - 2. Include a list of unit's new members and deceased members
    - 3. **IMPORTANT:** NTC UMW local units are asked to complete online membership census on/before 02.15.21: <a href="https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2020">https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2020</a>
    - 4. **IMPORTANT:** local UMW unit members should complete online membership application: <a href="https://secure3.convio.net/umw/site/SPageNavigator/myUMW.html">https://secure3.convio.net/umw/site/SPageNavigator/myUMW.html</a>
  - D. Handout: NTC UMW Reading Program Report 2020-2021
  - E. Handout: NTC UMW Designated Giving Report 2020-2021
  - F. <u>Handout</u>: NTC UMW Living the Racial Justice Charter: Report/List of Activities/Resources 2020-2021

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## VII. Programs, Communications, Membership

A. Programs: Knitted Together for God's Good Work: United Methodist Women Program Book 2020-2021 available for purchase (\$10) through UMW Mission Resources: <a href="http://www.umwmissionresources.org/search.asp?searchString=knitted+together">http://www.umwmissionresources.org/search.asp?searchString=knitted+together</a>

### B. Communications

- 1. Establish method of regularly communicating with members
- 2. Electronic and/or printed newsletters
- 3. Highlight importance of giving to mission, programming, networking, fellowship

## C. Membership

- 1. Range of membership demographics: 30+-years old 80+years old
- 2. Comfort level with use of technology varies
- 3. Encourage giving to mission through UMW; work closely with treasurer to monitor giving activity

#### VIII. Final Comments

- A. Keep good records (minutes, finances)
- B. Contact district UMW leadership team with questions or concerns
- C. Contact conference UMW leadership team with guestions or concerns
- D. Check the NTC UMW website regularly: www.umwnorthtexas.org
- E. Subscribe to the weekly NTC UMW eblast: <a href="https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/nAmLcpO">https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/nAmLcpO</a>
- F. Attend UMW events: district, conference, jurisdiction, national
- G. Consider stepping up to leadership positions at the district or conference UMW levels