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NOVEMBER WORK DAY AND LUNCH *Women at Work*



**Monday, November 6
11:30am to 1:00pm
HPUMC Room 329**

Join your UMW friends in “hands-on” mission projects benefiting our local and global mission partners and our congregation. We will be making hygiene kits for CitySquare, wrapping Christmas gifts for Meals on Wheels, cleaning and checking glasses which have been donated for the Haiti Eye Clinic and putting together the candles for HPUMC’s Christmas Eve services.

Donations of items for the gifts are needed by TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10 so we can make sure we have what

we need. Please contact Sandy Wilson at Wilson.sandyb@gmail.com or 214.349.8860 and she will arrange to pick them up from you. Of if you prefer to write a check to help purchase items, please mail checks to *HPUMC UMW*, Attn: UMW Treasurer, HPUMC, 3300 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, 75205.

Items needed for CitySquare: Travel size items

- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Razor
- Hand sanitizer
- Hand wipes
- Deodorant
- Comb
- Small shaving cream

Items needed for Meals on Wheels: Full-size toiletry items

- Shampoo
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Lotion
- Christmas wrapping paper
- Soap

To reserve a box lunch, payment of \$15 per person (online or with check) must be received by Thursday, November

2, 2017. Pay online at www.hpumc.org/umw or pay by check by mailing your check payable to *HPUMC UMW* to: Laura Petty, HPUMC UMW Reservations Chair, 7803 Hannover, Dallas, TX 75225. Your PayPal receipt or check is your confirmation.

BE SURE TO INDICATE THE NAME OF YOUR GUESTS, CIRCLE NUMBER, or OTHER INFORMATION on your check or, if paying by PayPal, email the information to Laura Petty at rsvp.hpumc.umw@gmail.com.

YOU ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND WITHOUT EATING LUNCH OR BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH. IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE RSVP ONLINE SO WE WILL KNOW YOU ARE COMING.

Childcare is available for this event free of charge, but you must make reservations by Monday, October 30, 2017 at www.hpumc.org/kidcare.

The President’s Message

Dear UMW Friends,

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love endures forever.” (Psalm 107:1)

Among the calendars, phone lists and notes I have tacked up above my desk, there’s a sticky note with this quote from a Rev. Paul Rasmussen sermon: “Never forget that what you take for granted, someone else is praying for.” Think on that for five minutes and I really don’t need to write anything more, do I? I hope that, like me, you have a list running through your head of the many things for which you are grateful yet take for granted. I also hope that you are thinking about the people who are praying for those very things. Over the past year in our UMW programs, we have had an opportunity to hear the voices of those who lack so many of the things we take for granted: clean water to drink, nutritious food to eat, the opportunity to earn a living, a roof over our heads, someone to care for us, a good school to attend.

I am grateful to Café Momentum, Water4, Arise Africa, Akola and CitySquare...not only for the wonderful work they do, but for coming to share with us to make us aware. To make us aware not only of the conditions of our brothers and sisters, but of the many blessings we take for granted.

I also give thanks and do not take for granted the good work of UMW. Over the past year, you have blessed so many neighbors in our community and congregation by generously sharing your treasure, your time and your talents. In preparation for our recent UMW District Meeting, I made a list of all the mission projects you have done over the past year as a unit and as circles; the list fills an entire page! It is wonderful to see our organization fulfill the vision of UMW: “turning faith, hope and love into action.” In a videotaped interview, one of our neighbors at CitySquare said “when someone shows that they care, it gives me hope.” You, my friends, have given out a lot of hope!

Sandy Wilson

Sandy Wilson, wilson.sandyb@gmail.com, 214.349.8860

END-OF-YEAR (EOY) 2017 AWARDS

**ORDER/PAYMENT DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

If you or your Circle would like to honor someone for their UMW service at the December 4, 2017 meeting, now is the time to order EOY 2017 awards. Your special gift to missions will be used for UMW mission work in the United States and around the world.

The Special Mission Recognition (SMR) pin is \$40. The Minute in Mission Award is \$35. The Extra Mile Award is \$15. Contact Michele Vicente for order forms: 214-562-4157 OR m.m.vicente@swbell.net. Orders and payments (checks payable to *HPUMC UMW*) are due no later than Wednesday, November 1, and should be mailed to: Michele Vicente, 4005 Stanford Ave., Dallas, TX 75225.



UMW 2017 THEME

Supporting Methodist Women through intergenerational fellowship, friendships, and opportunities to foster a deepening relationship with God through outreach and mission.

**“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.”
Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)**

DECKING THE HPUMC HALLS!

Plan NOW to join other UMW friends to decorate our WHOLE church for Christmas! This is a big job that UMW undertakes each year so please plan to help. This is a great time to fellowship as you serve with other women.

We are decorating:
Sunday, November 19, 2:00-5:00pm
Monday, November 20, 9:00am-3:00pm
Tuesday, November 21, 9:00am-3:00pm

Décor will be taken down:
Wednesday, January 3, 9:00am-12:00pm

Please contact Mari Epperson at mariepper@aol.com or 972.672.4015 for more information about this special UMW project and to let her know that you CAN help!

JOYS & CONCERNS

We pray for comfort and peace for those who have lost precious loved ones:

Jane Spillman Wansley (Circle 3) - death of her husband, Terry, in a car accident in September 2017.
Elaine Walter (Circle 18) - death of her brother, Al Wilder, in September 2017, after an 8-month battle with leukemia.

We pray for the healing of those dealing with illness:
Gib Blackman, husband of Bonnie Blackman (Circle 18) - undergoing radiation for throat cancer.
Bill Delatour, son of Grace Delatour (Circle 20) - continues with physical and mental rehabilitation following brain surgery.

Please keep UMW updated on any special joys or concerns by contacting Sue Hughes at suelh620@att.net or 214.361.4504.

ANNUAL UMW GIFT

HPUMC UMW faithfully contributes \$15,000 to \$20,000 annually to support mission work here in the Dallas metroplex, across the United States, and around the world. Please remember your 2017 Annual Gift to HPUMC UMW to help touch lives and hearts here and around the world. You can donate online at www.hpumc.umw/org or by mailing a check payable to *HPUMC UMW* to United Methodist Women Highland Park UMC, 3300 Mockingbird Lane Dallas, TX 75205 Please note on the website or check: *Annual UMW Gift*. Thank you for your support.

OTHER UMW, CIRCLE, & LOCAL MISSION EVENTS

HPUMC UMW Executive Board Meeting
Monday, November 6, 10:00-11:00am
HPUMC Room 385
Contact: Sandy Wilson, wilson.sandyb@gmail.com, 214.349.8860

Circle 1 - Evening Group, 40+, focus on spiritual growth & various mission/service projects
Tuesday, November 14, 7:00pm
HPUMC Cornerstone Cafe
Contact: Candace French, candace.french@sbcglobal.net, 214.417.4376 or Jenny Hedges, jenny.hedges123@gmail.com 214.789.2062

Circle 3 - Day Group, 40+, focus on various service/outreach activities & various speakers
Saturday, November 11, 8:00-10:00am
St. Paul United Methodist Church, 1816 Routh Street (Meet at HPUMC to carpool to church or meet there)
Serving breakfast to 70+ homeless clients and distributing small toiletries, reading glasses and white socks.
RSVP to Rebecca Lones, rhloness@sbcglobal.net, 214.349.7725 or Mari Epperson, mariepper@aol.com, 972.672.4015

Circle 4 - Evening Group, 20's & 30's, focus on relevant Christian topics and fellowship
Tuesday, November 7, 7:00pm
Friendsgiving Potluck Dinner
Home of Caroline Solazzo, 18140 Frankford Lakes Circle, Dallas (Please contact Caroline at 214-676-1355 for entry information)
For more information, contact: Lauren Schick, lauren.schick@bankofamerica.com, 214.762.3200

2018 GEORGIA BATES AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE OCTOBER 27

The Annual Georgia Bates Award recognizes the service of a HPUMC woman who has gone above and beyond the call to service. HPUMC is blessed to have many, many women in membership that epitomize a servant leader. Please give thought to whom you know that is deserving of this honor and nominate her! You may nominate more than one woman.

The qualifications of the recipient are:
a)Recipient must be a woman.
b)Recipient must be a member of HPUMC. She does not have to be a member of UMW.
c)Recipient must have exemplified a lifetime of service.
d)Recipient must have made a significant contribution to outreach serving a population or need, typically through HPUMC.

In your nomination please include:
a)The nominee's name and address.
b)List of her contributions to outreach, including approximate number of years of each.
c)Description of why you are nominating this woman and any other helpful remarks.
d)Your name and contact information.

Please email or mail your nomination(s) by **October 27, 2017** to Diana Miller at dmiller@tmlfpc.com or 9801 Windy Terrace Drive, Dallas, TX 75231.

*Please do not contact the person nominated. We want this to be an unexpected honor for the recipient. Thank you!

C. C. YOUNG BAZAAR

C. C. Young's Annual Fall Bazaar is Saturday, October 28 at The Point on the C. C. Young campus, 4847 West Lawther Drive. The Bazaar and refreshments begin at 10:00am with the program including entertainment by Dallas songwriter, Randy Brooks, following at 10:30am. Tickets are \$15 per person (\$10 for CCY residents) and may be purchased at the door. Funds raised will benefit the Benevolence Fund and activities of CCY residents. For more information about the bazaar or CCY, please contact Sue Hughes at suelh620@att.net or 214.361.4504.

Circle 8 - Day Group, any age, creative crafts projects & fellowship
Tuesday, November 28, 10am-12:00pm
HPUMC Room 385
Fellowship & creative projects, all are invited to help with church projects or bring your own! If you want to learn to cross stitch, come for lessons and encouragement!
Contact: Gloria Jones, gloriakjones@verizon.net, 214.295.5455

Circle 11 - Day Group, 30's & 40's, focus on balancing work, parenting & life, outreach & spiritual
Monday, November 6, 11:30am-1:00pm
HPUMC Room 329
Joining UMW's *Hand's-On Work Day and Lunch*, please rsvp to UMW as directed above
Contact: Gina Gregory at ggregory@lenguadepaz.com or Lane Reed Jensen at mlrjdoc@aol.com

Circle 12 - Day Group, 50+, Bible study & mission projects
Wednesday, November 15, 2:00pm
Hosting party at Dickinson Place, 911 St. Joseph Street
Contact: Marty Curtis at martyfcurtis@gmail.com, 214.528.4751, or Holly Sudbury at hsudbury@sbcglobal.net, 214.755.4747

Circle 16 - Day & Evening Group, moms of young children, focus on balancing life & workplace, spiritual growth
Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, 26 & November 2, 9, & 16, 12:00-1:15pm
HPUMC Room 385
Hosting an eight-week series on *The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting: A Wholehearted Revolution* by Brené Brown. Participants are welcome to bring a lunch.
Contact: Amanda Kalescky, akalescky@gmail.com, 214.226.7485 or Erin Geary, ehgeary@gmail.com, 917.710.2058 for more information!

CIRCLE 16 PRESENTING BRENÉ BROWN'S THE GIFTS OF IMPERFECT PARENTING



Circle 16 is sponsoring an eight-week group study by renowned scholar, author, and public speaker, Brené Brown, entitled *The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting*!

The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting delves deep and explores what it would mean for our families, our community, and even the world for a critical mass of parents to raise children who knew their worth and connected with others from a place of empathy and respect. Children who navigate the world believing, “Yes, we are all imperfect and vulnerable and sometimes afraid, but that doesn’t change the truth that we’re also brave and worthy of love and belonging.”

This eight-week study began Thursday, September 28th and is meeting weekly through November 16 on Thursdays from 12:00pm to 1:15pm in HPUMC Room 385. Childcare is offered at no cost during this time, all you need to do is sign up at www.hpumc.org/kidcare one week prior to the date childcare is needed. Participants are welcome to bring a lunch.

If you are interested in participating in this study, please email Erin Geary at ehgeary@gmail.com or Amanda Kalescky akalescky@gmail.com.

KEEP UMW UP TO DATE!

Kim Brandt, UMW Directory Chair, is maintaining UMW's roster throughout the year. Please let her know if you have changes in your email, telephone numbers and/or address that you would like included in the next directory. Also, if you have fun photos of UMW or Circle activities, please share them with Kim as she might include them in the directory. Members can email Kim at kbrandt1@sbcglobal.net.

Circle 18 - Day Group, 50+, various UMW mission topics
Monday, November 6, 11:30am-1:00pm
HPUMC Room 329
Joining UMW's *Hand's-On Work Day and Lunch*, please rsvp to UMW as directed above
Contact: Elaine Walters at walterse@sbcglobal.net, 214-363-3232

Circle 20 - Day Group, 50-75+, focus on spiritual growth & various mission/service projects
Monday, November 13, 10:30am
Home of Jane Smith, 1220 Mohawk Trail, Richardson
Olivia Turner, HPUMC Serving Coordinator, speaking on *HPUMC Outreach and Service*
Contact: Beth Pirtle, bethsigns@att.net, 972.243.7353

DON'T MISS UMW'S LAST 2017 UMW PROGRAM!
Monday, December 4, 11:30am-1:00pm
HPUMC Great Hall
Annual UMW Christmas Luncheon
Enjoy an inspirational Christmas message from Hannah Buchanan, HPUMC Associate Pastor of Cornerstone and Outreach.

PURPOSE OF UMW

United Methodist Women (UMW) is a community of women whose purpose is to know God and 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.