

# United Methodist Women

West Market Street United Methodist Church

## UPDATE

September 1, 2009



### Join Us for Our October Meeting!



Dr. Julianne  
Malveaux

**Monday, October 5, 2009**

**Dinner begins at 6:00 PM**

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Julianne Malveaux**

*President of Bennett College*

*Economist, Author & Commentator*

**This is a very special opportunity...invite your spouse & friends to join us for our October meeting!** We are inviting United Methodist Women from across the Greensboro District to join us to hear Dr. Malveaux. Make plans to join us as we welcome Dr. Malveaux and the Greensboro District United Methodist Women to West Market!



**NEW RESERVATION PROCEDURE FOR THIS MEETING!** Cost of dinner is \$10.00 per person. Because the church no longer has a food staff, our dinner will be catered, and we need to guarantee a reservation count. For that reason, **reservations for dinner are required, with payment in advance, and must be in by Sunday, September 27th.** Call Grey Wood (299-2729) or Merrimon Gravelly (294-2503) to make your reservations. **And, mail your check, made payable to *United Methodist Women*, to Grey Wood, 4918 Starmount Drive, Greensboro, NC 27408** so that she will receive it by Sunday, September 27th. Reservations not cancelled by September 27th cannot be refunded. **Childcare is available, by reservation only**, due also by Sunday, September 27th.

The executive committee will meet prior to the General Meeting, at 4:30pm. We are starting our executive committee meeting early so that we can finish our meeting be out in the Fellowship Hall welcoming our guests by 5:30pm.

### Harris Teeter Together in Education Program

Now is the time to re-link your Harris Teeter VIC card to their "Together in Education" program for the

2009-2010 school year which sends a percentage of your grocery bill to the school(s) you choose. You can do this at their service desk, cash register or on their website. Two schools that you can

support are...our own **Early Childhood Center (Code # 4776)**, and **Washington Montessori School (Code # 2888)**. It is a wonderful way to support our schools as you shop!

## Our Mission Giving...

### A Report from Our Treasurer

Based on Gifts Received  
through August 25, 2009



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Amount Pledged	\$8,878.00
Number of Members Pledging	107
Amount Paid on Pledges	\$6,334.00
Circle Special Projects	\$297.00
Gift to Mission / Gift in Memory	\$417.00
Call to Prayer & Self-Denial	\$349.00
Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$255.00

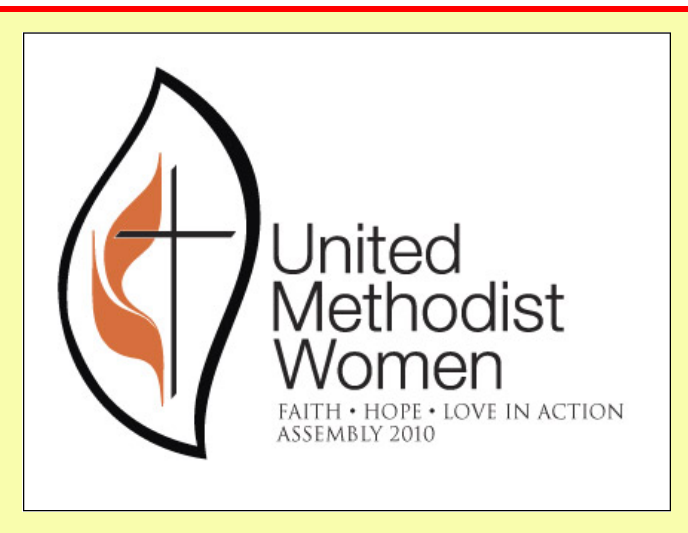
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**Have you made your pledge to mission for 2009?** It is not too late. Talk to your circle treasurer, or contact Norma Funderburk.

*Norma Funderburk, Treasurer*

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## Assembly 2010

***Faith. Hope. Love in Action!***

**St. Louis, Missouri**

**April 30 - May 2**

United Methodist Women assemble every four years to celebrate, to lift up, to learn, and to return to their communities better equipped for mission. Tens of thousands of women have been meeting in this fashion since 1942 in a unified effort to stay at the forefront of the work being done both locally and globally to improve and sustain the lives of women, children and youth.

Assembly 2010 has been themed: ***Faith. Hope. Love in Action.*** Chosen because it encapsulates the 140 year history of United Methodist Women, it says everything about what is happening on the ground today, and is the momentum for decades to come. Faith. Hope. Love in Action is the energy that moves through each woman that has pledged her time for service through United Methodist Women.

It is an exciting experience to be part of this large gathering of United Methodist Women. Do you think you might be interested in going?

**Complete information about the Assembly is available from Lynne Gilbert, and on our conference UMW website at:**

**[www.wnccumw.org](http://www.wnccumw.org)**

There is a chartered bus trip going to the Assembly from our conference. Lynne Gilbert and Sara Williams are coordinating that trip for the conference. Think about it! The reservation deadline for the bus trip is October 31, 2009.

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## From the President...

Greetings! United Methodist Women are busy as our circles gather again in September, and as we look forward to our October general meeting. Invite someone new to join you at circle, or to come to our general meeting!

I hope you will make plans to join us on October 5th at 6:00 p.m. for our general meeting. It will be a special evening as we host Dr. Julianne Malveaux, President of Bennett College, and United Methodist Women from across the Greensboro District. Plan to be there...and invite a friend!

We have several members planning to attend our conference Annual Meeting, September 11-13 at Lake Junaluska. The theme this year is *Sisters with a PURPOSE*. Part of the meeting will be a celebration of the 140th anniversary of our beginnings in 1869 as women organized for mission.

Did you know that 2009 is the also 130th anniversary of a women's mission organization at West Market Street United Methodist Church? In 1879, a Women's Foreign Missionary Society (*the first of our eight predecessor organizations, which*

*was founded in 1869*) was formed at what is today West Market Street UMC, with fifty-seven charter members!

Thank you for ALL that each of you do as women in mission through United Methodist Women!

Shalom, Lynne Gilbert

### Tell the Story:

Invite a Friend  
to Join UMW!

What does being a member of United Methodist Women mean to you?

- the caring & supportive community
- the opportunities for spiritual growth & mission education
- being part of a group of women that is making a difference around the world by sharing the love of Jesus Christ

Share that story with someone you know who is not a member of UMW, and invite them to come with you to your circle meeting!

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## GAYLE HICKS FRIPP AWARD

### Send in a Nomination Today!

Each year our United Methodist Women present the Gayle Hicks Fripp Award to a member of the West Market UMW who has given outstanding service to her unit, her community, and her profession (including homemaking).

Nominations must be made in writing, including reasons for the recommendation, and be signed by the person(s) making the nomination. All

nominations should be sent to Sarah Hester, 3426 Deep Green Drive, Greensboro, NC 27410, no later than October 20th. If you have questions, contact Sarah Hester at 288-7823. Betty Betts and Kay Arthur are also serving on the 2009 Fripp Award Committee.

The recipient will be recognized at our December UMW meeting. **Nominate someone today!**



Mission Giving

## PLANNING DATES FOR 2009 / 2010

Sept. 11-13	Annual Meeting, Lake Junaluska
October 5	UMW Executive Meeting
<b>October 5</b>	<b>UMW General Meeting Dinner</b> <b>Guest Speaker: Dr. Julianne Malveaux,</b> <b>President of Bennett College</b>
Nov. 21	Greensboro District UMW Officer Training for Local Officers, 9am-12pm, St. John's UMC
December 7	UMW Executive Meeting
<b>December 7</b>	<b>UMW General Meeting, Christmas Celebration, including Elizabeth Fisher sharing a Christmas story</b>
<b>April 30-May 2, 2010</b>	<b>Assembly 2010, St. Louis, Missouri. Join UMW from across the country. Info at <a href="http://www.wnccumw.org">www.wnccumw.org</a>.</b>

## Online Resources for United Methodist Women!

There is LOTS of information about United Methodist Women on the web! Check out these online resources:

- Our conference UMW website: [www.wnccumw.org](http://www.wnccumw.org). Events info, calendar, conference & district news, links to other resources, sign-up for conference email list, and more!
- Our conference UMW Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/wnccumw](http://www.facebook.com/wnccumw)
- The national website for United Methodist Women: [www.umwmission.org](http://www.umwmission.org)
- The national UMW Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/umwomen](http://www.facebook.com/umwomen)
- The national UMW YouTube page: [www.youtube.com/user/umwomen](http://www.youtube.com/user/umwomen)
- The Mission Resource Center for United Methodist Women: [www.missionresourcecenter.org](http://www.missionresourcecenter.org)

All of these are great ways to learn more about the total program of mission that is United Methodist Women!

## The PURPOSE of United Methodist Women

The organized unit of 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.

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