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LAYMAN'S 10 COMMANDMENTS

- Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you
 pull out when in trouble, but it is a
 "steering wheel" that directs the right
 path throughout the journey.
- So why is a car's windshield so large and the rear view mirror so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, look ahead and move on.
- Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes a few minutes to burn, but it takes years to write.
- All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
- Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold.
- 6. Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!"
- When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when God doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
- 8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replies "Yes, losing your vision!"
- When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
- 10. WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.

FAITH is the bridge between where I AM ... and where GOD is taking me.

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BWC-UMW Voter Registration Drive at Lorien Riverside Nursing Home, August 6, 2015

Pictured from left to right: Charles and Johnnie Horton, Roger Glassman; Nancy Randers-Pehrson and Alice Collins of the UMW Baltimore-Suburban District



Front row: Grace Marie Watkins, Dorothy Medley. Back row: Licia Cummings, Ann Price, Louella Wilburn. Women from the Annapolis District UMW conduct their Voter Registration Kick off at Asbury Annapolis United Methodist Church on Thursday, August 6, 2015.
This is the 50th Anniversary of the Voter's Right's Act of 1965.

Baltimore-Washington Conference United Methodist Women

MISSION TODAY UNIT CHECKLIST FORM

Your Unit May be a Mission Today Unit! How many checks can you make?

1.	*We met our Unit's Pledge / Sent our Unit's Pledged amount to the District Treasurer. <u>Note</u> : This criteria is <u>required for Bronze</u> , Silver, and Gold certification.				
2.	*We used the Prayer Calendar at each of the general meetings.				
3.	*We have at least 2 members who subscribe to Response magazine.				
4.	*We are a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.				
5.	*We used the <i>Program Book</i> at least twice during the year.				
6.	*We conducted at least one Mission Study per year.				
7.	*We had at least two members attend the Mission u school.				
8.	We had at least two members (other than district or conference officers) attend each of the district or conference sponsored events.				
9.	We wrote to / e-mailed five (5) persons in the Prayer Calendar at least twice a year.				
10.	We added at least two members to our membership roster.				
11.	We implemented the Charter for Racial Justice in at least one suggested way.				
12.	We implemented at least one initiative using resources from National Office United Methodist Women's Website: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org.				
13.	We have a <u>Response</u> moment at each meeting as a way to tell the mission story.				
14.	We have at least two people from the unit, circle, or subgroup who completed one of the <i>Reading Program Plans</i> and reported on one of the books read.				
15.	We focused on children at least once with actions that support children and youth, e.g., mentored/tutored students; sponsored a Children's Sabbath; or other children's initiatives.				
16.	We had at least one person join the <i>United Methodist Women's Action Network</i> to receive and respond to legislative information.				
17.	We had a district or conference officer who was not a member of our unit come to one of our unit meetings during the year.				
18.	We have not used Styrofoam products during the year and are taking steps to become a "Green Unit".				
NOTE: Requ	uired for Gold, Silver, or Bronze Certification: (1) Criteria #1 (Met the Unit's Pledged amount); (2) and				
any additional four (4) of the 7 asterisked (*) Criteria/items.					
BRONZE Cer	tificate: For Units that have completed eight (8) to (11) of the above criteria.				
SILVER Certi					
GOLD Certifi					
(Mission Too	(Mission Today Checklist: BWCUMW, May 2015)				

Baltimore - Washington Conference United Methodist Women



Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

All United Methodist Women Districts

Mission Today Unit Competition!

!! Win the Competition!!



First, Second, and Third Place Prizes
Will Be Awarded at Conference Annual Celebration 2015.

To Win, Have the Highest Percentage of Local Units Participating in <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhest-10.1007

<u>To Qualify</u>: Submit the total number of your local units <u>AND</u> the total number of your local units participating in the 2015 Mission Today Checklist Program to undersigned <u>not later than September 15</u>, 2015.

Ann Price, Coordinator
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Baltimore Washington Conference United Methodist Women

Treasurer's Position Description

Position Summary:

 The Conference Treasurer is the financial officer for the conference United Methodist Women. The treasurer operates the only bank account of the United Methodist Women.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Receives funds from district treasurers and transmits them to the United Methodist Women National Office.
- Writes checks for all disbursements as approved by the executive committee
- Sends receipts and returns funds to district treasurers for administration and membership development.
- Disburses conference administration and membership development funds.
- Maintains regular contact with district treasurers.
- Sends an updated bonding list to the national office annually or whenever there is a change in the conference president, conference treasurer, district presidents, district treasurers, and the business manager or registrar of Mission u.
- Serves as the chairperson of the Committee on Finance
- Serves as a member of the executive committee

Other Responsibilities:

- Works with the conference mission coordinator for education and interpretation to encourage mission giving
- Works with the conference secretary of program resources as she orders and sells materials.
- Provides resources and training annually for district treasurers.
- Ensures that all financial records are reviewed annually

Requirements: Proficient with Microsoft Excel

To volunteer or nominate someone for this position contact Jeanette Thomas at 443-386-2389 or via email: jeanettevthomas@gmail.com

BALTIMORE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

is seeking women who are willing to share their gifts and talents to lead, uphold, and strengthen our organization as we work to fulfill our purpose. Positions available are:

Language Coordinator Nominations Committee Members Program Advisory Group Members

You may volunteer or you may recommend someone for a position. Please fill out the information below and return it by email to jeanettethomas1@verizon.net or you may call 443-386-2389 to discuss the opportunities.

Name:	
Address:	
Phone #:	
Email Address:	



B-W Conference United Methodist Women - Diversity Today Unit Program

(Optional Charter for Racial Justice Implementation Tool)

Submission Form

Unit_	District
Subm	itted By
Unit S	Status: Check one of the following:
]	DIAMOND Unit having completed 6 or more (2 or more from each of the 3 categories) of the following actions RUBY Unit having completed 4 or more (2 from "Activities Beyond the Local Unit", 1 from each of the other 2 categories) of the following actions PEARL Unit having completed 2 or more (1 from at least 2 different categories) of the following actions
	Programming Activities: Devoted a meeting to studying and discussing Charter for Racial Justice PoliciesUsed a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book and/or "Tools for UMW Leaders: Resources for Racial Justice" handbook (Link on the bwcumw web page)Participated in a Bible study on racism (examples available in "Resources for Racial Justice" handbook)Watched and discussed videos related to racial justiceInvited an international guest to come and speak about their home countryRegularly shared local newspaper articles relating to racism (both positive and negative)Regularly shared articles from Response and New World Outlook relating to racism
Unit 1 8 9 10 11 12 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	Enrichment Activities: _Displayed Charter for Racial Justice Policies AND lifted up at least one issue at each unit meeting Supplied each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies and the UMW Racial Justice Timeline Purchased and discussed two UMW Reading Program books about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial or ethnic background Participated in a qualifying UMW social action mission study Studied in-depth a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice Policies, e.g., racism, immigration rights, voting rights, racial/ethnic profiling, etc. Visited the Racial Justice site on the United Methodist Women web page, and worked with the District and the Conference Committe on the Charter for Racial Justice.
Activ 14 15 16 17 18 19	ities Beyond the Local Unit: _Gave a Special Mission Recognition pin to someone who works to promote racial justice _Sent one (1) member to Mission U to take the social action study _Held a postcard or letter writing campaign encouraging legislation supporting the economically deprived or challenged _Experienced worship with a church of an ethnic background different from your own _Hosted an International tasting party, cultural fair or other event _Planned a worship experience for your unit or church with an emphasis on racial justice, e.g., UMW Sunday, etc.

Guidelines:

- 1. Place an X beside your requested Unit Status (DIAMOND, RUBY, PEARL).
- 2. Place an X beside the numbered items you have completed in each of the above 3 categories. Numbers are sequential throughout the three categories to facilitate your submission.
- 3. Check the item on the *Mission Today Unit* criteria sheet to indicate, "Participated as a unit in the B-W Conference Charter for Racial Justice *UMW Diversity Today Unit* Program".
- 4. <u>Local UMW Units</u>: Forward your Unit's completed Form for the Charter for Racial Justice *UMW Diversity Today Unit* Program to your District UMW President on the same date the *Mission Today Unit* criteria is submitted to your District.
- 5. <u>District UMW Presidents</u>: Recognize units that qualify for DIAMOND, RUBY, or PEARL status at the District Annual Meeting. Forward the names / associated status of local units participating in the *Diversity Today Unit Program* to the B-W Conference Charter for Racial Justice Committee, Attn: Conference President, for inclusion in B-W Conference UMW annual documents.

(Adapted/Modified with approval from the Western North Carolina Conference (Charter for Racial Justice - UMW Justice Today Club), Aug 2013, ALP)

Baltimore-Washington Conference**** United Methodist Women Annual Celebration!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2015 – 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

731 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD 21146



REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST REFRESHMENTS - 9:00 A.M.

PROGRAM – 10 A.M.

GUEST SPEAKER: DONNA AKUAMOAH, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES AT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NATIONAL OFFICE will speak on "Maternal Health"

LUNCH - 12:15 P.M.

AFTER LUNCH – ASSEMBLING OF MATERNAL HEALTH KITS FOR "ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY HEALTHY START PROGRAM"

Please bring, as you are able, items from the list below for the Maternal Health Kits:



prenatal vitamins nice water bottle cocoa butter

lip balm dried fruit, power bars, trail mix socks with gripper pads

OFFICER TRAINING (FOR DISTRICT OFFICERS) - 1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION BY DONNA AKUAMOAH WHILE OFFICERS ARE IN TRAINING

**** REGISTRATION SLIP – SEND REGISTRATIONS TO DOROTHY MEDLEY, TREASURER, ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT

	BY "MISSION BBQ" (VEGETA	ARIAN OPTION WILL BE AVAILABI	.E) - \$10.00
NO. OF MEALS	@ \$10.00 EACH	TOTAL	
PLEASE SEND RESERVATI	ON AND PAYMENT TO CONI	ERENCE UMW TREASURER BY OC	FOBER 12TH:
DOROTHY MEDLEY	QUEST	IONS?	

DOROTHY MEDLEY 466 MAINVIEW COURT GLEN BURNIE, MD 21061 410-768-6329

QUESTIONS? CALL LINDA YOST, CONF. UMW VICE PRESIDENT AT 410-239-0429

SAVE THE DATE!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2015

EPWORTH HOUSE PROJECT ANNUAL MEETING



WESLEY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY 4500 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20016

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

LIGHT LUNCH

MEET OUR NEW

MISSIONER- IN- RESIDENCE

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND PLEASE RSVP TO ZILPHA PINKNEY AT 301-868-8324 OR

zapinkney@yahoo.com.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

The Blanche Powell Memorial United Nations Seminar

About Blanche Powell

Blanche Powell was a member of the United Methodist Women with a passion for passionate view of the United Nations as a workable hope for peace, and was thoroughly committed to the UN and to the will of God. She became a Women's With roots in the Women's Society for Christian Service in the Central Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church, Ms. Powell served as a Mission Team member at every level of the United Methodist She was an outstanding elder stateswoman within the Baltimore-Washington Conference United Methodist Women. Today, Blanche Powell continues to stand as an exemplary role justice for all. She had an openly Division (now the UMW National Office) Director and was a United Nations' Division. model for women all over the world. interpreter for the Women's Women's organization.

2015 UN Seminar Committee:

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Baltimore-Washington Conference, United Methodist Women

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New York City!

UN Seminar 2015

Join us again this year for another exciting United Nation's Seminar in New York City. Added attractions include:

- Tours of the United Nations Building
- Sunday Radio City Music Hall 2015 Christmas or Broadway Show Matinees
- Radio City Music Hall's 2015 Christmas Shows on Sunday or Monday Evening
- Holiday Shopping in the Big Apple
- Sightseeing in New York City

And, remember, an important point is that we can participate in UN Seminar 2015, and return on Tuesday, Nov 24th to prepare for Thursday's Thanksgiving festivities!

Bus Parking Information

The bus departs promptly at 7:30 AM Sunday, Nov 22th from Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, 5602 Johnnycake Road, Baltimore, MD 21207 (Rte 40 & Johnnycake Road). The approximate return arrival time for the Bus in Baltimore on Tuesday, Nov 24h, is 7:30 PM. For door to door directions, use your GPS or MapQuest on-line. You will receive additional directions when your registration is confirmed.

Blanche Powell Memorial United Nations Seminar 2015

Baltimore-Washington Conference



"Wealth Inequality"

Sunday, November 22, 2015 -Tuesday, November 24, 2015

The Millennium UN Plaza Hotel One United Nations Plaza New York, New York 10017

United Methodist Seminars
The Church Center for the UN
777 UN Plaza, 8th Floor
New York, New York 10017
Phone: (212) 682-3633
Fax: (212) 682-5354

WELCOME!

Clergy and laity, men and women, young emphasis on underlying issues related to This year's Seminar we will explore the economic justice as it effects everyday adults and youth, are invited to attend sponsored by United Methodist Women. International Affairs is a joint program the Baltimore-Washington Conference significant interest locally, nationally Board of Church and Society (GBCS). and globally. The United Methodist Methodist Women and the General issues of "Wealth Inequality" with Seminar Program on National and of the National Office of United Seminar on international issues life situations. This topic is of

2015 UN Seminar Topic

"Wealth Inequality"

Make checks payable to BWC UMW.

Send registration Form / Check to: Sandra Chambers, Registrar 8312 Rambler Drive Adelphi, MD 20783

If you need additional assistance, please contact:

Any UN Seminar Committee Member or Willa Kynard (202) 716-8898

ACCOMMODATIONS AND FEES

Included in the cost is a \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee. The fees include hotel costs, bus transportation, UN Seminar fee, hotel porterage, and baggage storage for late checkout, with a two bag maximum, per person.

NAME

Note our low early bird rates, and the <u>TWO</u> options for double occupancy!

(Early Bird	By Oct 03rd)	(Early Bird By Oct 03rd) OCT 04 - Oct 24
Double (2 in Room) (One King Bed)	\$294.00	\$334.00
Double (2 in Room) (2 Double Beds)	\$294.00	\$334.00
Triple (3 in a Room)	\$234.00	\$274.00
Quad (4 in a Room	\$205.00	\$245.00

Notes:

Above costs are to be paid by each person sharing a room. A separate registration form is required for each person. Registrations are on a first come-first served basis.

Each person must submit both a registration form and payment before being registered for the UN Seminar.

The Committee is not responsible for assigning roommates. Persons sharing a roommust identify roommates on each registration form. Roommates should send their forms together.

The Millennium UN Plaza Hotel is located across the street from the Church Center for the UN where the seminar will be held.

We will confirm your registration with information on the Seminar after we receive your registration form and payment.

Youth

First Time attending UN Seminar? Yes United Methodist Woman? Yes _____

STATISTICAL INFORMATION Laity ___ Clergy ___ Female ___ N

Bus and hotel accommodations are for persons attending UN Seminar 2015 only.

UN SEMINAR 2015 REGISTRATION FORM

	STREET ADDRESS
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SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2016

SPIRITUAL RETREAT
BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON
CONFERENCE CENTER
Sponsored by:

United Methodist Men &





9:00 am - 3:00 pm 11711 Market Place Fulton, MD 2759 410-309-3400

Topic: Domestic Violence

More To Follow from: Curtis Warren, Prayer Advocate
Zilpha Pinkney, Spiritual Growth Coordinator



RIDE THE BUS- SYRACUSE, NEW YORK NEJ QUADRENNIAL MEETING JUNE 16-18, 2016

ROUND TRIP-\$110.00 (Includes bus driver tip, hotel room)

DEPOSIT- \$25.00 NON REFUNDABLE- 55 PASSENGERS BUS

ALL MONIES MUST BE PAID: MAY 01, 2016

NO REFUND AFTER MAY 02, 2016

TIME & LOCATIONS- TO BE DETERMINED AT A LATER TIME

ASSIGNED SEATS

PAYMENT PLAN

DONATIONS FROM UNITS: WATER, SNACKS, GOODY BAGS, SANDWICHES, JUICE, SODAS, FRUIT

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

WARDS UNITED METHODIST WOMEN C/O PAMELA RANDALL 1785 HORACE WARD ROAD OWINGS, MARYLAND 20736

HOME #- 410-257-7132 CELL# - 443-968-6502



RIDE THE BUS- SYRACUSE, NEW YORK NEJ QUADRENNIAL MEETING

JUNE 16-18, 2016

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Greeting My BWC Sisters!

I know many of you are making plans to attend the Northeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting at the OnCenter (convention center) in Syracuse, NY, June 16-18, 2016. Our theme is "A Fresh Wind Blowing." Below is information about the five (5) hotels near the OnCenter. Looping shuttles will be available to get you to and from the hotels to the OnCenter. Registration forms will be available by June 2015.

All rates are per room, per night. Mention UMW NE Jurisdiction Meeting when making reservations

Courtyard by Marriott	Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conf. Ctr	Genesee Grand Hotel	Park View Hotel	Jefferson Clinton Hotel
300 W Fayette St Syracuse NY 13202	801 University Ave Syracuse NY 13202	1060 Genesee St Syracuse NY 13202	713 E. Genesee St Syracuse NY 13202	416 S. Clinton St Syracuse NY 13202
315-422-4854 315-422-4959 fax	315-475-3000	315-701-4305 315-471-4663	315-701-2600	315-425-0500
\$189.20 "Run of House" rooms	\$139.00 Single \$149.00 Double \$159.00 Triple \$169.00 Quad	\$129.00 Double, King and Suites	\$119.00 Doubles \$119.00 King	\$159.00 Exec King Suite/Double \$159.00 Junior Double Suite \$159.00 Junior Queen Suite Add'tl \$10 per person
Check In: 3:00pm	Check In: 3:00 pm	Check In: 3:00pm	Check In: 3:00pm	Check In: 3:00pm
Check Out: Noon Parking \$10.00 per day/ per car	Check Out: Noon Complimentary parking	Check Out: Noon Complimentary parking & WiFi	Check Out: Noon Complimentary parking & WiFi	Check Out: Noon 100% Non- Smoking