



# GOOD NEWS!

May 2009

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Dear UMW Member,

### May 5th General Meeting:

**PLEASE NOTE: Our meeting will go ahead as scheduled, in Wesley Hall. See you there!!!!**

Today we will have the presentation of the Grants from our Hearts & Hands Proceeds and the presentation of Special Mission Recognition Pins. We will then welcome Chicky Fowler who will conduct the Installation of Officers.

Hostesses: Bible and Edith Moore Circles

Please see the May Circle Meetings for information about the exciting new circle targeting Moms with pre-school and elementary age children. Invite your friends and neighbors who may be interested in this group to come and visit it.



## President's Corner

A few days ago I had this old nostalgic feeling I had not had in many, many years. It would come around this time of the year when I was much younger. I am talking about the end of.....school. However, this is the end of the 2008/2009 UMW year. In those "olden days" I would be thinking of my friends who were moving on, growing up, growing away. Well, actually it all boils down to change. While UMW will change with new officers, new activities, new groups, and new faces, UMW will actually be the same in many ways. Women will still meet in fellowship and harmony to enhance the plight of women and children locally and globally. When there is a specific goal like this, you could say that it is unbelievable what can happen. But, it is not unbelievable. We are a powerful force and we will endure because it is so important. So, I am looking back at the wonderful women I have had the pleasure of working with this year, and forward to new and exciting women and activities for next year.

We will meet together for the General Meeting on May 5, and the different Circle Meetings in May. After that we will begin our thrust for Hearts and Hands 2009. It is challenging, but oh how fabulous it is. I hear from people outside the church that Hearts and Hands is THE BEST in Houston. I believe it is and the results spread out so far to those women and children who need us so badly. So take a little rest and then let's dig in for another fabulous year.

Linda



## Dates to Remember

- May 1 Church Women United - Friendship Day  
1st UMC - Westchase Campus  
10570 Westpark, Houston TX 77042  
Registration and Coffee 9:30 AM  
Program and Lunch 10AM
- May 5 UMW General Meeting  
Coffee 9:30 AM
- May 12 Hearts and Hands Planning Meeting  
10:00 AM in Room D126

May 25 Texas Annual Conference UMW Luncheon,  
 The Woodlands UMC  
 May 26 Executive Board Meeting  
 July 23 - 25 Texas Conference Cooperative School of Mission  
 Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Texas  
 Spiritual Growth: Food and Faith  
 Geographic: Sudan  
 General Issue: Giving Our Hearts Away:  
 Native American Survival  
 August 25 Executive Board Meeting  
**Sunday,**  
**August 30** General Meeting - **PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE**  
 October 6 General Meeting - Tuesday  
 December 1 General Meeting - Tuesday



### Mission Stitchers

Mission Stitchers will be showing quilts at the May General Meeting. These quilts were made by Mission Stitchers and are for sale. All money raised goes to missions designated by our church. These stitchers meet every Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. in The Connection Center. Anyone interested

in any type of stitching is invited to join this great group of Christian women. If your circle is not meeting this summer come and join the fun.

### Reading Program

Thanks so much to everyone who participated in the Reading Program during these last two years. It has truly been a pleasure to be in charge of this program, to work with all of you, and to see the interest grow!!

Remember that you have until the end of November to complete the Reading Program for 2009. There are some great books that are easy reading and very informative-available in our own Library here at the Church. Please consider reading one book in each of the four categories and completing the program for this year!



Helen Williams will be the new Secretary of Program Resources (Reading Program) for our Unit, effective May 5, 2009. I know she will do a great job!

Karen Ward  
 Former Secretary of Program Resources



## Hearts and Hands

The Summer is a great time to work on your Silent Auction items. Please use these hot months to sketch, sew, paint, quilt, knit, photograph, bead, construct or carve an item for the Silent Auction. Also, keep your eyes open on your vacation travels for that special item to share. There are so many possibilities.

Thank you, The Silent Auction Committee

## Rotating Circles:

### Betty Landrum Circle

Co-Chairman-Charlotte Carter  
Ava Lee Gray

Adams, Margaret  
Brewer, Beverly  
Brice, Trish  
Burckle, Gerry  
Byers, Peg  
Callahan, Kay  
Chrisman, Lavella  
Cox, Kathryn  
Cragg, Jean  
Eastham, Lucy  
Glade, Marian  
Hollis, Peggy  
Johnson, Margaret  
Kiel, Louise  
Kraus, Shirley  
Maddox, Bettie  
Miller, Barbara  
Pete, Mary Ann  
Raudsep, Martha  
Salmon, Marylou  
Wardell, Mary  
Wright, Mary

### Edith Moore Circle

Co-Chairman-Lena Pinckney  
Dortha Sims

Adams, Marie  
Brady, Ruth  
Cedergren, Dorothy  
Downs, Faye  
Ferguson, Jane  
Fons, Venita  
Hammond, Alice  
Harley, Dot  
Libbers, Eva  
Morris, Hazel  
Morton, Joan  
Nye, Rosemary  
Richardson, Eunice  
Scheline, Alberta  
Shelter, Lil  
Smith, Agnes  
Smith, Ardith  
Smith, Kathleen  
Tribble, Twyla  
Wiggins, Velma



### **Nominated Executive Board 2009 - 2010**

President- Debbie Moore	713-827-0220
Vice President/President Elect- Karen Ward	713-789-1886
Vice President Programs- Jane Erskine*	281-556-8122
Secretary- Barbara Morehouse*	713-977-0906
Treasurer- Mary Lu Mase	713-461-5731
Assistant Treasurer- Melissa Evans	713-728-5398
Sec. of Program Resources- Helen Williams	281-391-3414

### **Mission Coordinators**

Membership, Nurture and Outreach- Jimmie Jones*	713-465-0260
Carol Simmons	281-493-9286
Social Action- Becky Finch	713-464-3853
Spiritual Growth- Trish Brice	281-496-9780
Education and Interpretation- Susan Dunten	281-497-9150

Communications Coordinator- Nicolette Morrison*	281-558-5106
Louise Kiel*	713-467-0606
Historian- Betsy Snapp	281-497-4972
Yearbook- Nicolette Morrison*	281-558-5106
Louise Kiel*	713-467-0606
Fund Raiser/Hearts and Hands- Jane Erskine*	281-556-8122
Joan Garofalo*	281-531-6594
Mary Allen Yelverton	281-496-6143

Committee on Nominations- Chairman 2010- Robbie Adams	713-975-8880
2011- Mary Brannies	281-556-4577
2011- Barbara Morehouse*	713-977-0906

### **Liasons**

Church Woman United- Venita Fonns	281-497-1392
Holly Hall- Joan Garofalo*	281-531-6594
Larkin Center- Mary Siegele	713-783-1548
Memorial Assistance Ministries- Doris Bray	281-497-3337
Wesley Community Center- Judy McFarland	281-293-8492
Church Staff Representative- Lynet Dunn	713-468-8356
Special Mission Recognition- Pat Noel*	281-497-6355
Cookbook Sales- Linda Morgan	281-293-0976

## **Circle Leaders**

Betty Landrum Circle- Charlotte Carter	281-558-7324
Ava Lea Gray	281-497-2822
Bible Circle- Margaret Gruss	281-589-0411
Changing Lives Circle- Judy Arnold	832-668-5886
Common Thread- Rima Blanc	281-531-6203
Christel Dekker	281-589-1153
Susan Duntun	281-497-9150
Joan Scheuer	713-464-1228
Joyce Wolf	713-461-3687
Edith Moore Circle- Lena Pinckney	281-497-3539
Dortha Sims	713-468-8686
Mary Lee Marshall Circle- Georgia Kimmel	281-558-3036
Music Circle- Nicolette Morrison*	281-558-5106
Reading Circle- Jimmie Jones*	713-465-0260
Victoria Jones	713-465-0260

## **Special Interest Group**

Mission Stitchers- Betty Knowles	281-497-8324
Barbara Machemehl	281-679-7725
Sue Cronan	281-293-9795
Betty Stewart	713-690-8115



## **MAY CIRCLE MEETINGS**

**Betty Landrum Circle** will have a Potluck Brunch on Tuesday, May 19th at 10 AM, at the home of Charlotte Carter. Charlotte's home is at 14135 Swallowfield Dr 77077 in Briarhills Subdivision. Call Charlotte with any questions at 281-558-7324

**Bible Circle** will not meet on it's normal 2nd Wednesday in May. Instead, the group will have it's end of year luncheon at La Vista, 12665 Memorial Dr (at Boheme Drive), on **Thursday, May 21st** . If you are interested in joining or visiting this circle, call Margaret Gruss at 281-589-0411.

**Changing Lives** will meet on Tuesday, May 12th at 11:30 AM for a salad luncheon at

Judy Arnold's condo, 4899 Montrose Blvd #1413. If you have any questions, contact Judy at 832-668-5886.

**Common Thread Circle** will welcome our members to the new year with a party celebrating our achievements last year. We will be stuffing pillows for hospitals so bring your sewing supplies and meet at 9:30 AM in Room D220. Patients still can benefit from our handcrafted fabric works all summer. We plan to meet June 16, July 21 and August 17. All UMW members and friends are welcome to join us on Third Tuesdays or drop by the Town and Country Starbucks from 2-4 every Monday. Your help is both appreciated and needed.

**Edith Moore Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 19th at 9:30am at the Church in Room D127. It will be fun to meet all the new members and get organized for the next year. Call Lena Pinckney with any questions at 281-497-3539.

**Mary Lee Marshall Circle** will meet in the Friendship Court for a Salad Supper on Monday, May 18 at 6:30 PM. A pledge service will be conducted. The group will make plans for the coming year.

**Music Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 19th, at 11:00 AM, at Le Mistral, 1420 Eldridge Parkway for a luncheon. Call Nicolette if you have any questions: 281-558-5106.

**Reading Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 19th, at the Connection Center at 10:30 AM.

We will have a cookie share with the ladies and then with the funeral guild. We will have our pledge service, a program, and sign up to help next year. [Please note later meeting time as we will have a lunch hosted by Phyllis Buchanan and Bonnie Swantkowski.](#) If you have any questions, call Phyllis Buchanan at 281-497-4336.

**New Circle** An exciting New Circle will be forming to target Moms with pre-school and elementary age children. They will meet on Tuesday, May 19th at 9:30am at the church in Room D126. Childcare is provided. If you have any questions call Melissa Evans at 713-722-7805.