

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
DURHAM DISTRICT
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TO: Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Circle Leaders, District Officers

Leaders of United Methodist Women in the Durham District, I am counting on you to bring yourselves and at least two other women to the Conference Annual Meeting on October 9 in Fayetteville at Methodist College. You should have already received in your Mission Memos and other mailings a registration form. You have heard about the meeting and the challenge to have 999 in attendance, but what you may not have heard except from the latest KEDE or by hearing about it is this: There will be door prizes given this year at the end of the meeting. You MUST be present to win. Numbers will be given out at registration and a good number of prizes will be given. Each Conference officer is furnishing one prize and each district, 2 prizes. The two prizes that our district is furnishing are being donated by Denise Baker of Reconciliation UMC who is donating a gift certificate for the preparation of five entrees and side dishes, yes dinner on the table for five days and by Ginny McLaurin of Oxford UMC, who is giving a gift certificate for doing a watercolor painting. Fantastic prizes! Thank you Denise and Ginny for your generous donations. It is going to be a great meeting so come, come, come. I am expecting to see you there to get a fuller picture of United Methodist Women at the Conference level, which will help you in your local units. Be sure to note on the registration form about bringing items for one of the Hispanic Ministries in our Conference.

Then remember to come to the District Annual Meeting on October 24, 1999 at Community UMC in Butner, 507 West E Street. We will hear a message from our District Superintendent, Glenda Johnson, hear some wonderful music, elect and install our district officers for 2000, share in our Candleburning for 1999 and the Memorial Service for those members who have passed away this year. Sara Frick will have Program Resources there for you as well. So plan to come and bring many of your members with you.

I have heard from only 4 units who have sent school or health kits to our projects as per our challenge for the year. Please let me know if you have done so and how many you have sent. Get that information to me right away, no later than Sept 23.

Mission Today began on September 1, with the first units to be recognized as Mission Today Units at the Conference Annual meeting in October 2000. I hope YOU are working on becoming a Mission Today Unit. If you have any questions or need any help with this program please let me know. Let's have many Gold or Silver Units this year. I am very enthusiastic about the Mission Today program because it rewards those units that are actively participating in the events and supporting the mission projects that the United Methodist Women of our Conference have been involved with for some time. It is not meant to discourage you from continuing in the vital mission work you do locally – we know how important that is to your community.

Presidents, remember to get those Incentive Sheets to me no later than October 1! If you have questions, let me know.

I hope to see YOU among the 99 women from the Durham District on October 9 at the Annual Meeting! District Team Members, I am expecting to see each of you there in addition to the 99!

Please find enclosed a notice about the Southeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting for March 10-12, 2000. You will hear more about this.

Thank you to all of you for what you are doing to serve Christ as we go linked with Him in Mission and Ministry throughout the world, growing as we reach out to others.

*Shalom,
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