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**February 2017**

## *A COMMUNITY OF FAITH*



### ***Galatians 2:20-21***

*“and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. 21: I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.”*

**Spring Retreat  
February 24-25, 2017 Lakeview Conference Center  
Palestine, Texas**



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Rev. Georgia Barrett**

**Rev. Barrett is a native Houstonian and a retired public school administrator from the Houston ISD with thirty-four years of service. She is a member of St. Andrew’s UMC, pastored by Rev. Dr. Rhenel Johnson. Rev. Barrett is blessed with a Bachelor Degree from Wiley College; a Master of Arts Degree in Guidance Counseling, Texas Southern University; Master’s Certification in**

**School Administration, Texas Southern University and a Master of Divinity Degree, Perkins School of Divinity/ Southern Methodist University. She also is a licensed realtor (inactive) in the State of Texas and the sole proprietor of Barrett’s Consulting Service. Georgia has served on various United Methodist Women committees and as Resource Secretary for two terms.**

**Rev. Barrett is widowed and has one son, who is an executive at a major corporation in Seattle, Washington. She is a certified candidate for ordained ministry in the Texas Annual Conference, having accepted the call in 2007, after a trip to Haiti. She always enjoys learning about God and receives great pleasure in serving Him, because He is the savior of her life.**

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# Focus Groups and Rooms

Communicating Across Generations/Legacy Fund	Stacie Hawkins	Craft 5
Bible Study Small Faith Big Results	Keith West	Williams Big Room
Forming and Practicing Faith	Glynden Bode	Craft 3
Believing God	Amanda Boyd Stratton	Craft 2
The Whole Armor of God	Dr. Velma Williams	Craft 1
Glorifying God's Temple	Doris Woodland	Craft 4
Babysitting		Williams Small Room

**Make plans NOW to attend the  
Texas Conference United Methodist Women  
Lunch  
On May 29, 2017  
11:30 am – 1:00 pm \$25.00 per ticket at  
Texas Annual Conference The Woodlands UMC  
Speaker: Rebecca Lovelace Bradley  
Contact Margaret Goodson for tickets.  
We will be presenting our  
Hazel Decker Award!**

**Watch for the flyer about our upcoming Mission u –  
July 20 -22, 2017  
Lakeview Methodist Conference Center  
Palestine, Texas  
Also enclosed will be the Scholarship Application Form  
(this form can also be downloaded from the website)**

**Schedule**  
**Spring Retreat**  
**Feb. 24-25, 2017**  
*Galatians 2:20-21*

**Friday**

3:00 p. m. 4:00 p.m.	Registration	Roy Hall
	Hospitality	Roy Hall
	Service Center	Roy Hall
	Learning Resource room/displays	Roy Hall
	Gift Shop	
5:30p.m.-6:00p.m.	Serving time for dinner	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	“A Community of Faith” Worship: Music: Lora Nichols & Suzanne McDougale	Peace Chapel

**Saturday**

7:00 a.m.	Greet the Day	Peace Chapel
7:30 a.m. -8:30 a. m.	Registration Hospitality Learning Resource Room/Displays	Roy Hall Roy Hall Roy Hall
8:00 a.m. -8:30 a. m.	Breakfast (Overnight Guest)	Cafeteria
8:15 a.m.-8:45 a.m.	Service Center	Roy Hall
8:45 a. m. – 9:00 a. m.	Gather in song “Spirit of Faith Come Down” “To God be the Glory”	St Luke’s Page 332 Page 98
9:00 a.m.	Welcome Theme Song: “Hymn of Promise”	Endrika West Page 707
9:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Introduction of Guest Speaker Pastor Georgia Barrett	Endrika West
9:20 a.m.	Re-Election of President	Endrika West

	Prayer Calendar/Prayer	Suzanne McDougale
	Theme Scripture: Galatians 2:20-21	Suzanne McDougale
	Response Moment	Theresa Graham
10:00 a.m.	Announcements	Endrika West
	Legacy Fund	Paulette Moore-Hall
10:30 a.m-11:45 a.m.	Focus Groups 1	Location Inside Front Cover
12:00 p.m-12:30p.m.	Serving time for Lunch	Cafeteria
12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m.	Service Center	Roy Hall
1:00p. m. – 2:15 p. m.	Focus Groups 2	Location Inside Front Cover
2:30 p. m.	Gathering	St. Luke's
	Welcome back	Endrika West
	Hymn: (page 339)	
	In Remembrance	Suzanne McDougale
	Communion	Pastor Georgia Barrett
		Offering (Baskets will be available as you complete communion)
	Doxology	



Gifts to the Legacy Fund can be made in several ways:

Online at [unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund](http://unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund)

By Phone: 800-2789-771 (8 am-6 pm EST, M-F)

Text Legacy 150 to 41444

By Check: Note Legacy Fund in memo line and mail to:

United Methodist Women: Treasurer's Office

475 Riverside Dr, New York, NY 10115

# Texas Conference United Methodist Women

Annual Meeting Roll Call

February 25, 2017

**Do Not Include Conference Officers in your Total**

<b>District President</b>	<b>District President</b>	<b>District Officers</b>	<b>Local Delegates</b>	<b>Others</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Central North</b>					
<b>Central South</b>					
<b>East North</b>					
<b>Northwest South</b>					
<b>Southeast Southwest</b>					
<b>West</b>					
<b>Conference Officers</b>					
<b>National Office Director</b>					
<b>Jurisdiction Officer</b>					
<b>Bishop</b>					
<b>Voting Strength</b>					
<b>Speakers and Guests</b>					
<b>Total Attendance</b>					

## 2017 Calendar of Events Texas Conference United Methodist Women

District Training Event	January 7	Lakeview
Conference Executive Meeting	January 6-8	Lakeview
Legislative Event	January 22-24	Austin
Spring Spiritual Growth Meeting	Feb. 24-25	Lakeview
UMC Texas Annual Conference	May 28-31	The Woodlands UMC
UMW Conference Program Meeting	May 28	The Woodlands UMC
UMW Annual Luncheon	May 29	The Woodlands UMC
UMW Conference Executive Meeting	May 30	The Woodlands UMC
Mission u	July 20-22	Lakeview
Conference Program Planning Meeting	August 19	TBA
Wesley Community Luncheon	October 6	Junior League, Houston
Conference Executive Meeting	September 15	Lakeview
Fall Festival Friday Event	September 15	Lakeview
Fall Festival/Annual Meeting	September 15-16	Lakeview
Conference Program Meeting	September 15-17	Lakeview
Leadership Development Days	November	TBA

### **PURPOSE**

**United Methodist Women is 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.**

# UMW "HANDS ON" PROJECT 2017 FOR UMCOR

## Health Kit

Value: \$12.00

### ***1 hand towel***

15" x 25" to 17"x 27". Kitchen, cleaning and microfiber towels not acceptable

### ***1 washcloth***

### ***1 comb***

Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6". No pocket combs or picks, please.

Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6" of teeth

### ***1 metal nail file or clipper***

No emery boards, please

### ***1 bath-size soap***

3 oz. and larger sizes only. No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content, do not remove from original packaging

### ***1 toothbrush***

Adult size only, do not remove from original packaging

### ***6 adhesive bandages***

¾" to 1" size common household Band-Aids

### ***1 plastic bag***

One-gallon size sealable bags only

### ***\$1 to purchase toothpaste***

### ***Assembly directions***

*Set the \$1 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal the bag.*

### ***Important notes***

All items must be new.

Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

Please remove all packaging.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations.

Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items – nothing more.

**DO NOT** include any personal notes, money or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

**UMCOR is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent. Do not put single dollar bills in each kit. Collect all monies for toothpaste, and shipping, place it in a separate envelope and send along with the kit donations.** Processing & shipping costs: Please enclose an envelope containing at least \$1 for each kit you send. This donation enables kits to be sent to areas in need. For Cleaning Buckets: \$1.50.

**- Last updated 01-30-2015-**



## Texas Conference United Methodist Women

### Entry Form for 2017 Fall Logo

The Texas Conference UMW Program Committee is asking artists in the Texas Conference to create a logo for 2017 Fall Festival that will illustrate the artist's conception of the theme: "Have Faith in God" – Matthew 21:21

The selected logo design will be used for 2017 Fall Festival fliers, program book, and any Fall Festival materials or decorations, power point presentations, banners, etc.

In submitting your logo please follow these few rules:

- Logo submitted on 8 ½ "x 11' white paper, copy ready OR submitted digitally by e mail
- Logo may be in black and white or color. Final printing in the Fall Festival flier will be in black and white
- Please submit a brief statement of 50 words or less, explaining the logo design on the back of this form or attached e-mail file with logo.
- **Deadline for logo artwork is July 1, 2017**

Name of the Artist(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E Mail Address:            Telephone:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Church \_\_\_\_\_

Permission to use artwork is given with the signature of the artist below:

X\_\_\_\_\_

**Submit artwork and completed form to: Mrs. Endrika M. B. West 6622 Wide Creek Dr. Katy, Texas 77449 or email [ephesians32021@yahoo.com](mailto:ephesians32021@yahoo.com) on or before July 1, 2016.** Submitted artwork not selected as the main logo may also be used. Thank you and enjoy this creative opportunity.

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Mission u  
Lakeview conference Center  
July 20 – 22, 2017

The conference will pay the cost of housing and registration, with a maximum of \$150.00, for one first time attendee, who is a youth, young adult, or newly retired woman from each district.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

SEX \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE IF APPLICABLE \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTEREST:

Recommended by: (must have signature)

Local President of United Methodist Women \_\_\_\_\_

On the back of this sheet write a short essay telling why you want to attend Mission u.

Return to your District contact officer

The District President and Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation will choose the recipient and send the information to the Conference Mission Coordinator for Education and interpretation.



# THANK YOU

Staci Hawkins  
Keith West  
Glynden Bode  
Amanda Boyd Stratton  
Dr. Velma Williams  
Doris Woodland  
Lora Nichols & Suzanne McDougale  
Childcare Providers  
Lakeview Methodist Conference Center  
And Special Thanks to Pastor Georgia Barrett

Focus Leader  
Focus Leader  
Focus Leader  
Focus Leader  
Focus Leader  
Musicians

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## **Officers-Texas Conference United Methodist Women 2017**

Alejandra Laguna	President	Theresa Graham	Education and Interpretation
Endrika West	Vice-President	Donna Senter	Membership Nurture & Outreach
Carolyn Parker	Secretary	Melba Spann	Secretary Program Resources
Margarett Goodson	Treasurer	Sarah Clark	Chair, Committee on Nominations
Suzanne McDougale	Spiritual Growth	Lana Bowsher	Communication Coordinator
Krystal West	Social Action		

### **Additional Members of the Executive Committee**

Board of United Methodist Women  
Stacie Hawkins

Spanish Language Coordinator

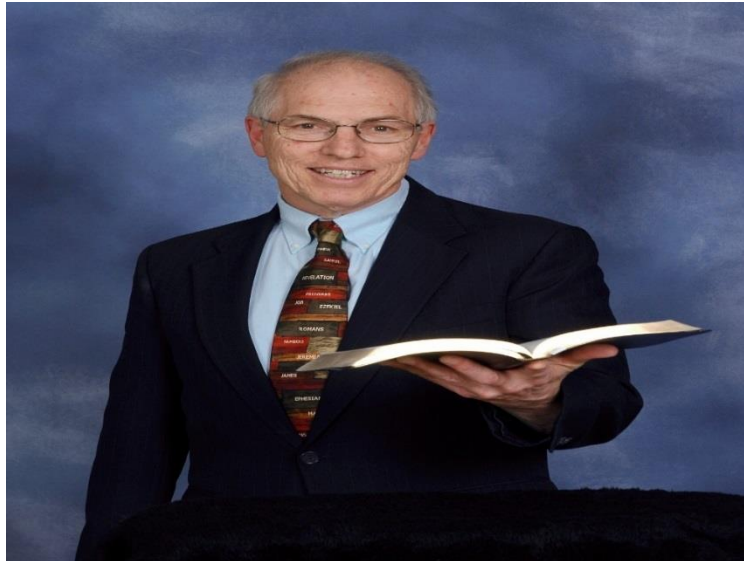
### **Additional Members of the Committee on Nominations**

Maude Caldwell  
Marcia Butcher

Gwen Smithheart  
Doris Woodland

Paulette Moore-Hall  
Beverly Deerhake

*Texas Conference United Methodist Women*  
*2017 Special Mission Recognition*  
*Honoring*  
**Reverend J. Clayton Whitaker**



Clay was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota where he lived until he was ten years of age. Then his family moved to Springfield, Illinois and later to Columbia, Tennessee. He graduated from Columbia High School. After several years of wondering, he found Christ in July of 1972. He started his college career at Columbia State Community College. In pursuit of a possible call to the ministry he enrolled in Asbury College, where he obtained a BA in Bible in 1980. He then graduated from Asbury Seminary in May of 1983 with a Masters of Divinity.

His first assignment in the Texas Conference was in June 1983 to the Bremond/Calvert Charge (then the Beaumont District). He has served several churches in our Conference and is now at Friendship UMC in Porter (Central North District).

Clay has always had a love for missions! In 1996, he was nominated to be the Chairperson of UMCOR – Texas Conference Committee (TACCOR), a position that he held for eleven years. During that time period, he was asked to be the Texas Conference Disaster Response Consultant. When Rita, Katrina & Ike hit the Gulf Coast areas, he was involved in all kinds of relief efforts. He worked closely with Kathie Mann to train teams for relief work. Clay was instrumental in obtaining seven trailers (two districts already had one) and equipping each trailer with tools and supplies so that each district would have a trailer for response work. He was also the District Mission Secretary for the Beaumont District for a number of years.

He has taken multiple teams to UMCOR at Sager Brown in Baldwin, Louisiana and has another one planned for this year. He also works with an organization known as Hands and Feet Ministries out of Adairsville, Ga., taking groups to Mexico to work on orphanages and schools in the Piedres Negres/Nava area. Other areas that he has led mission trips to include: El Salvador, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, and Chili.

Another one of his passions is music. For approximately 20 years, he led the music at different levels for church camp at Lakeview. While at Airline UMC, he led teams, four to five times a year, to different prison units around east Texas preaching, playing concerts, and praying.

One time he actually led a group to Padre Island at spring break, where they set up on the beach and played Christian music and preached. Currently, he plays in the band and sings in the choir at Friendship UMC. That was the band that played this last Fall Festival on Friday evening.

Clay has also had a heavy involvement in the Emmaus community as a spiritual leader, particularly in the Lufkin/Nacogdoches area). He has probably worked 20-25 walks. From 1992 to 2007, he was on the Conference Staff for Emmaus. For four years, he was also the District Representative for the United Methodist Children's Home in Waco for the Nacogdoches District.

Clay has been responsible for getting the truck to Lakeview every fall for our Fall Festival since 2000.

He has been married to Heather for almost 41 years. They have four boys, three daughters-in-law, one granddaughter and another grandchild due in June.

You may give to this Special Mission Recognition award throughout the year. Please send your mission dollars to your District Treasurer at any time. The Special Mission Recognition Award will be presented to Clay at the Fall Festival in September 2017.