LOCAL UNIT MISSION TODAY FORM

Current Year: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

DATE:______________________ RETURN TO: Cyndi Plelps, District President

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NAME OF UNIT:___________________ SUB-DISTRICT____________________

Unit President’s Name & Address: Number of Members in the Unit:_____

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The Purpose of Mission Today is to fulfill the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!! Become a Mission Today Unit!!

. Energize United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study and action.
. Increase contacts between units and mission personnel and mission projects so the United Methodist Women understand where their money goes.
. Encourage the use of mission resources through United Methodist Women.
. Expand concepts of mission, including social justice as mission.

How Do We Become a Mission Today Unit?

In order to be recognized as a Mission Today Unit, UMW Units must complete a minimum of twelve items, including four of those marked with an asterisk (*). #1 of the Criteria is not optional. You must complete this one to become a Mission Today Unit. Activities conducted between July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 will be recognized at Annual Meeting in 2022.

NOTE: Units with 15 members or less would complete 10 items, including four of those marked with an asterisk(*).

ITEMS FOR COMPLETION:

_____ *1. The unit met its Pledge to Mission for the prior year.

_____ *2. The unit used the Prayer Calendar at each general or circle meeting to pray for persons in mission work.

_____ *3. The unit used at least two programs from the Program Book during the year.

_____ *4. The unit or circle will conduct or participate in at least one Mission Study during
the reporting year. Mission Study participated in: __________________________

___ *5. The unit implemented the Charter for Racial Justice in at least one way during the year.
Check all that apply:
   ___ a. Members read books and articles about other races and cultures;
   ___ b. Sponsored an inter-ethnic event between two or more units;
   ___ c. Recruited women of color to be members and officers of the unit;
   ___ d. Wrote elected representatives to support legislation affecting issues such as immigration, affirmative action, low-income programs, civil rights, etc.

___ *6. The unit had at least two members subscribing to Response magazine (one member subscribing with units less than 15 members).

___ *7. The unit members corresponded with five persons listed in the Prayer Calendar.

___ *8. The unit added a member to its roll.

___ 9. The unit was a seven star unit, contributing to seven avenues of Mission Giving.

___ 10. The unit increased its Pledge to Mission for the coming year.

___ 11. Each unit or circle meeting included a "response moment" where an item from Response magazine will be lifted up as a way to tell the mission story.

___ 12. The unit had at least one member attend the Mission u and report back to the unit.

___ 13. The unit had at least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) attend the District or Conference Annual Meeting and report back to the unit.

___ 14. The unit had at least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) attend the District Day Apart or Conference Spiritual Enrichment Retreat.

___ 15. The unit had or the unit sponsored at least one person for one or more of these events: Mother-Child Retreat, Women in Mission Event, or Limitless.

___ 16. The unit had at least one person joining the United Methodist Women's Action Network to receive and respond to legislative information at least three (3) times a year. (To join, contact Washington Office of Public Policy, National UMW, 100 Maryland Avenue, NE Room 530, Washington, DC 20002. Fax: (202) 488-5681 or http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/actionalerts).

___ 17. The unit participated in the Campaign for Children in at least one way.
   ___ a. The unit co-sponsored, with the local church, a Children’s Sabbath promoted by the Children’s Defense Fund. (This is a worship service highlighting the needs of children. National UMW and the Council of Bishops support this effort). Contact: 25 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20001. 800-CDF-1200, cdfinfo@childrensdefense.org or go to http://www.childrensdefense.org and search under Programs and Campaigns (free download);
b. Participated in mentoring or tutoring program with children;

c. Wrote letters, e-mail or call congressional representatives and/or others in government regarding children's issues;

d. Attended a local school board meeting and did research on how our schools are funded;

e. Participated in an outreach program/ministry for children that continues throughout the year (e.g. Backpack Ministry or Snack Pack ministry).

18. The unit participated in the Be Just, Be Green program. Go to: http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/climate-justice How?

19. The unit had at least two members (one member for units with less than 15 members) participate in the Reading Program.

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20. The unit invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one of their unit or circle meetings during the year.

21. Each unit contributed to or visited the site of a mission project as a District Mission Event, in one of the following categories:

a. List the National Project supported by funds from National UMW

b. List one of the projects listed on the NC Conference Project Sheet

22. Each unit provided at least three school, health, layette or sewing kits as listed on the NC Conference Project Sheet.

23. The unit will sponsor a UMW Sunday or event to celebrate the ministry of United Methodist Women.

A sample worship service is available on the UMW National website: http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/worship.

24. The unit hosted a forum/event on one of the social action priority issues.