

Domestic violence is not just a women's issue. It is an issue of faith.

We proclaim...

that violence against women exists in all communities, including our own, and is morally, spiritually and universally intolerable.

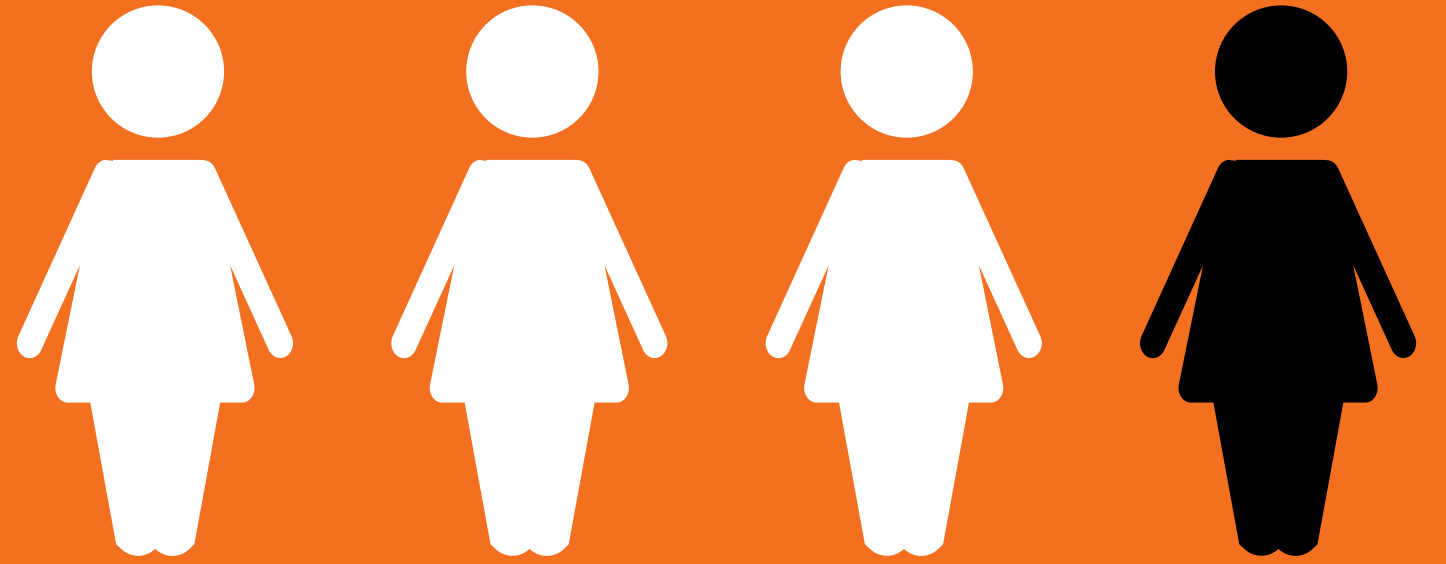
We commit ourselves to working toward the day when all women will be safe and abuse will be no more.

does your partner:

- look or act in ways that are frightening?
- try to control what you do, who you see or talk to or where you go?
- try to stop you from seeing friends or family members?
- try to take your money or Social Security check?
- make you ask for money or refuse to give you money that is supposed to be shared or yours?
- make all of the decisions in your relationship?

If you answered **YES** to even one of these questions, you may be in an abusive relationship.

one
in every
four



women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime

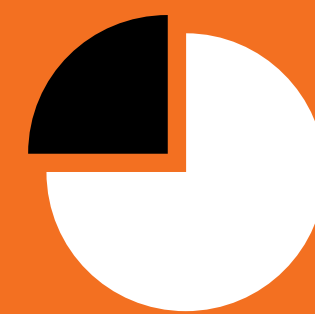
more than
three
women and
one man



are murdered by their intimate partners in the United States every day

less than
one-fifth

of victims reporting an injury from intimate partner violence sought medical treatment following the injury



approximately
one-quarter

of all physical assaults perpetrated against females by intimate partners are reported to the police



more than

two-thirds

of the restraining orders against intimate partners who raped or stalked the victim were violated

approximately

one-half

of the orders obtained by women were against intimate partners who physically assaulted them

Statistics from the National Domestic Violence Resource Center, available at www.dvrc-or.org



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If you are in danger, please call 911 or the
National Domestic Violence Hotline at
1-800-799-SAFE (7233); TTY 1-800-787-3224

For more information and to get involved,
visit www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/domestic-violence