Marching for Peace and Immigrant Rights

United Methodist Women Joins Forces with the Farm Labor Organizing Committee in Toledo, Ohio.

by Carol Barton

On a sunny September afternoon, United Methodist Women of the West Ohio Conference joined the Farm Labor Organizing Committee’s (FLOC) March for Peace in downtown Toledo, Ohio. The presence of faith groups was organized through the National Farm Worker Ministry (NFWM), which includes United Methodist Women. The march highlighted the need for immigrant rights and dignity in the wake of the current administration’s announcement that the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program will end if there is no Congressional action. FLOC observed, “By ending DACA, around 800,000 hardworking young people including many farmworkers will be stripped of basic human rights and put into situations where employers can more easily exploit them and retaliate against them for organizing for better working conditions. This shameful decision hurts us all as a nation!”

Ending the program would put those young people in jeopardy of being deported from the United States.

Terry Robideau, United Methodist Women Toledo District president, said that supporting farm workers, many of whom are immigrants, is important to her personally and as a member of the faith community. “I was raised in the country with farmers. I have close friends who came as immigrants and stayed.”

Jane Benner, West Ohio director for United Methodist Women, concurred, recalling her experience visiting California farms during the United Farm Workers of America lettuce strike in the 1980s. “I went to labor camps and saw the condition of the workers. This issue has been important to me ever since.”

The march also called for peace in our communities and “no more Charlestown,” referring to white supremacist violence last August in Charlottesville, Virginia. FLOC challenged the reemergence of white supremacist and neo-Nazi groups as well as racist laws and policies. The march was led by FLOC President Baldemar Vasquez and Toledo Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson, who read a proclamation honoring FLOC on its fifth anniversary.

The action took place in conjunction with FLOC’s 13th Constitutional Convention and its 50th anniversary celebration. FLOC is a farm worker union based primarily in Ohio, North Carolina and Kentucky. In close partnership with faith groups through

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NFWM, FLOC organized from 1978 through 1985 for a contract with tomato growers in Ohio, taking on the Campbell’s Soups Company. United Methodist Women and The United Methodist Church supported the Campbell’s Soups Company boycott and a later FLOC boycott of Mt. Olive Pickle Company, in both cases winning union contracts for farm workers after many years of struggle. Today, FLOC is taking on R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and the global tobacco supply chain. In their convention, they voted to target the sale of electronic cigarettes in convenience stores across the country to pressure R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and its parent company, British American Tobacco, to sign a union contract.

NFWM is a faith-based organization committed to justice for and empowerment of farm workers. NFWM educates, equips and mobilizes member organizations and other faith communities, groups and individuals to support farm worker-led efforts to improve their living and working conditions. United Methodist Women was present at the founding of the NFWM in 1971 as part of Church Women United. They have been members for many years, represented by Chiquita Smith, Kolya Braun-Grein-er, Kathleen Stone and, currently, Carol Barton, Global Ministries and the General Board of Church and Society are also members. First efforts supported Cesar Chavez in California through the lettuce and grape boycotts, which United Methodist Women members supported. NFWM continues to support the UFW, FLOC, the Coalition of Immokalee Workers in Florida and Familias Unidas por la Justicia in Washington state, which organizes berry pickers and recently won a contract with Driscoll’s berry growers. United Methodist Women members have been long-term and active advocates for farm workers in these struggles.

Says Joan Johnson, West Ohio Conference president, “Events like this are where we put faith, hope and love into action.”

Empowering Deaf Citizens in Zimbabwe

by Nyorowai Caroline Mutsaiga

In the past, ministry to deaf people was approached as an act of benevolent outreach, usually motivated by pity. But that model was largely ineffective. Their plight is further worsened by the lack of interest by those with hearing capabilities to learn sign language. This causes deaf people to miss out on many experiences, including sermons preached in the church. Now, under the leadership of Tenda Rebecca Gurupira, coordinator of The United Methodist Church Ministry with Women, Children and Youth in Zimbabwe, ministry for the hearing impaired has become a cross-cultural effort where deaf language and culture is appreciated and respected.

The group has launched the Women and Youth Empowerment Project, which supports leadership training and education programs to equip people who are hearing impaired with skills to make them more self-reliant, and to give them a chance to be heard in the larger community that in most cases is unaware of their gifts. This project is funded by A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial offerings from United Methodist Women.

“As a ministry, we found it necessary to serve the deaf and people who are hard of hearing because people look down on them,” says Gurupira. “Most empowerment programs are for able-bodied people and deaf people are left without information.”

As part of the Empowerment Project, a training program on rabbit production and care was held with the Chikanga Deaf Ministries at Chikanga United Methodist Church in Mutare, Zimbabwe, last August. Sixteen participants guided by two interpreters attended the program that was facilitated by Nomatter Manunure, an expert on rabbit production.

Participants were taught how to breed, feed, house and care for rabbits. They also learned about record keeping, marketing their produce and managing the profits from rabbit sales. At the end of the training, an evaluation and assessment of the training was conducted where participants and Gurupira discussed the possibility of turning their newly learned skills into a sustainable livelihood. As a result, funds were allocated for the purchase of two rabbits to kick-start the venture. The rabbits were passed on to each participant for reproduction until everyone had rabbits to start with.

“Most people prefer to give [disabled people] material things,” says Gurupira. “Personally, I think it’s good for us to give you the rod to fish for yourself than to give you fish to eat everyday. I tell those in our program that the empowerment skills will help them and prevent them from begging in the streets. They can now use the skills they learned in the workshop to work for themselves and support their families.”

Hearing-impaired people face many challenges in African society, particularly difficulty in expressing their feelings and communicating exactly what they want to those who can hear. Some workshop participants expressed their concerns about the security of their rabbit cages—because of their disability, they are more vulnerable to theft—and having enough capital to protect and sustain their venture. Despite those concerns, however, the participants all expressed their gratitude to be part of this training program.

Isheunl Kalema, 51, says he is grateful to The United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women “for remembering us by empowering us.” Twenty-one-year-old Obey Marongedza shared that sentiment. According to him, “Most people do not want to associate with us, or give us the knowledge and skills to work for ourselves. I really appreciate that [the program] has taught us skills so that we can earn a living.”

As one of few young women in the group, the training was particularly affirming for Rutendo Tambwe who is 19. With all that she’s learned, she says, “I am going to stand on my own as a girl child.”

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Spiritual Reflection and Renewal Offered at Macedonia Retreat

by Carol Partridge

Beautiful Lake Ohrid in western Macedonia was the setting for a retreat for women from The United Methodist Church in the Republic of Macedonia. The women gathered for five days in late October to explore the theme “Touched, Healed, Freed and Charged by God.” About 50 women participated, representing almost all The United Methodist congregations in this small country in the Balkans. Presenters were Heidi Streiff and Barbara Bünger, both from Switzerland. Bünger is in charge of the Women’s Work in the Southern and Central Europe Conference of The United Methodist Church of which Macedonia is a member, while Streiff’s husband, Patrick, is bishop of the conference.

Most of the days began with physical exercises for those who wanted to participate, then singing and worship. The lessons that followed were illustrated with pantomimes by the presenters or with dolls or other objects used to dramatize Bible themes. For example, various stories of Jesus healing sick or marginalized people were conveyed through pantomime. Later, picture frames of varied shapes, sizes and designs were used to explore the ways in which women might feel limited or restricted. In small groups, the women discussed many points, including how, with God’s help, limitations can be overcome. Other lessons were accompanied by writing exercises, finger painting or meditation.

An evening of games, organized by guest participants from The United Methodist Church in Serbia, provided much laughter. During one afternoon, the women had the opportunity to express themselves creatively through organized arts and crafts. In addition, a trip by bus was made to the picturesque city of Ohrid and to the Monastery of St. Naum, built in the 16th century. The women went home spiritually renewed and physically refreshed, inspired by the many activities of the retreat.

Financial support for the event was provided by World Day of Prayer of Switzerland and the Women’s Network of The United Methodist Church in Switzerland. In prior years, support has also come through a grant from the Women’s Division in New York. The retreat was organized by Christina Cekov, national president of the Women’s Work of The United Methodist Church in Macedonia; she also served as interpreter.

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Methodist Women in Thailand Convene for Leadership Summit

by Eunice Novio and Emma Cantor

Last August, 30 women from the Thailand United Methodist Church, in partnership with United Methodist Women International Ministries, gathered together for the first time to focus on leadership and capacity building. The event was led by Emma Cantor, a United Methodist Women regional missionary in Asia and the Pacific. Over the course of two days, the women met at a coffee shop near Maejo University in the northern Thai city of Chiang Mai for study sessions on women in the Bible as well as modules on women’s health, HIV/AIDS and building leadership skills.

Several of the women in attendance were from four of the seven major hill tribes that reside in mountainous northern Thailand and are among the country’s most marginalized populations. The majority of hill tribes are not recognized by the Thai government, making them ineligible for basic services. Thai Freedom House, an NGO in Chiang Mai, reports that one in three sex workers in the city comes from a hill tribe family.

Throughout the event, women expressed their faith, hope, inspiration and courage to participate in the total mission of the Thailand United Methodist Church. With such enthusiasm and inspiration, there are potent possibilities that these women will grow in number and leadership within the ministries of The United Methodist Church in Thailand. They are just as likely to become United Methodist Women members, participating in transformative education, leadership development, spiritual growth and social advocacy.

Eunice Novio is a Thailand-based writer and a longtime member of Asian Women’s Resource Center. She is also a member of the editorial advisory committee of the journal In God’s Image. Emma A. Cantor is a regional missionary in Asia and Pacific, part of United Methodist Women International Ministries focused on women, children and youth.
Birth of an Activist
by Yuni Rueda

My name is Yuni Rueda, and I am currently a student at Western Oregon University. I am 20 years old and am majoring in psychology and minoring in Chicano and Latino Studies. I was born in Mexico but raised in Idaho. My involvement in activism all started through United Methodist Women.

In 2015, I attended the United Methodist Women National Seminar in Chicago. During this event, one of the main topics [of discussion] was maternal and child health. Dr. Richard David, a former neonatologist at John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County, came to speak with us. He told us that there were plans to close the pediatric department. The next morning, many seminar attendees went to the [hospital] board meeting to speak out against the closure of the pediatric department. Other women were outside of the building protesting. I was blessed to have been able to experience both. This was the first time I was exposed to protest.

As soon as I saw the fear of the parents who would lose medical help from this department for their children, I just couldn’t help but get angry. These were parents of real children who didn’t have access to any other care in their area. These were all parents and children from low-income households.

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Gracious Acts

A Special Baby Shower for McCurdy Ministries
by Joy A. Uthoff

Each year United Methodist Women of Ives Chapel United Methodist Church in Baldwin City, Kansas, chooses a “focus” mission in addition to our regular mission and outreach responsibilities. We share information regarding the focus with our congregation which, like our unit, is small, and doing so helps to expand our commitment to mission.

Our unit asked McCurdy Ministries Community Center, a United Methodist Women national mission institution in Española, New Mexico, for a project we could help with during 2017. We learned that McCurdy had a new education program designed to help adults earn their high school equivalency diploma, and they were establishing childcare so that students with children could take classes while their little ones are provided for. Ives Chapel United Methodist Women delightedly decided to collect items for use in the childcare space.

Our unit chose to have an old-fashioned baby/children’s shower to collect the items. We sent invitations to all the women in the congregation who were not United Methodist Women members and planned shower games with prizes. We decorated tables and served refreshments. Donated articles were placed unwrapped on a table for all to see. The table was loaded with items from a list we received from McCurdy. Five large boxes of donations, complete with handwritten well-wishes for the babies and children being cared for, were filled and then shipped to the center.

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Our unit also collects labels and box tops to send to McCurdy as the center participates in the General Mills Box Tops for Education program. Boxes are placed in the back of the Ives Chapel sanctuary to collect those items from our congregation on a regular basis.

Ives Chapel United Methodist Women sponsors Children’s Sabbath Sunday in October, and each year we invite a special speaker. Last year, we were fortunate to have The Rev. Glenn Tombaugh of Wichita, Kansas, who was recently elected to the McCurdy Ministries Community Center board and was available to interpret and explain their work throughout the Great Plains Conference in his Children’s Sabbath message.

As plans for new mission work begin for 2018, we reflect on this completed project and rejoice with McCurdy Ministries Community Center as they expand their ministries.

Joy A. Uthoff is president of Ives Chapel United Methodist Women in Baldwin City, Kansas.
In Focus: Cindy Saufferer

Our new national secretary revels in the possibilities for United Methodist Women.

by Michelle Bearden

Cindy Saufferer isn’t afraid of taking on new challenges. When her husband wanted to move back to rural Minnesota to help run the family’s dairy farm, the former X-ray technician supported that decision. Not only did she tackle the rigors of farm life, a role that includes riding a tractor and milking Holsteins, she also raised four children. Cindy brings that same work ethic to her new role as national secretary for United Methodist Women’s new board of directors.

“It’s not something I ever would have imagined. But somebody recognized something in me and felt I would be good for this,” says Saufferer, 57, a member of the Minnesota Conference. “So here we go. I always welcome a new challenge.”

She credits her mother-in-law for planting the first seed of her involvement in United Methodist Women. Though Saufferer was born into the church, she never attended regularly until she and her husband moved to Waseca, Minnesota. They started going to Blooming Grove United Methodist Church, the small church her husband attended as a child and now where her mother-in-law’s grandchildren are eighth-generation members.

When they first moved to Waseca, her mother-in-law called and mentioned a United Methodist Women meeting that night. Saufferer should join her, she said. “Yes, ma’am,” Saufferer replied. Looking back at that fateful moment, Saufferer says with a laugh: “Of course I’m not going to turn her down.”

And that’s a good thing. She found a home in United Methodist Women. One of her favorite causes is working for social justice and eliminating institutional racism for Native Americans. Saufferer got involved in this campaign when the General Conference established “An Act of Repentance Toward Healing Relationships with Indigenous People” in 2012. Saufferer, who also served a term on the board of the United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries, has a few areas of interest she would like to pursue in her new role. They include mass incarceration, global programs and maternal and child health.

What strengths will she bring to the board? Saufferer says she’s open, willing to listen and veers away from jumping to conclusions or passing judgment. She always prefers to hear voices on the other side and consider opposing views.

She is conﬁdent about United Methodist Women’s future and its ability to attract the next generation of members to carry on its mission.

“I like the direction United Methodist Women is going. Younger people want advocacy and justice, and that’s what we’re all about,” she says. “And having Shannon [Priddy] at the helm will help boost energy and new ideas. These are exciting times for us.”

Michelle Bearden is former religion reporter for The Tampa Tribune and WFLA-TV, and is now a freelance writer specializing in faith and values. She’s a two-time winner of the national Supple Religion Writer of the Year award from Religion Newswriters Association.

United Methodist Women partner Global Goods Partners (GGP) is creating the ofﬁcial “Power of Bold” bags for Assembly 2018 that come free with registration. GGP is a not-for-proﬁt social enterprise that creates market access for fair trade products handcrafted by women artisans around the world.

GGP will also be the featured fair trade shop at Assembly and will be selling specially designed 150th anniversary souvenir scarves.

For each purchase at Assembly, or order a United Methodist Women member places on the GGP website, United Methodist Women will receive a donation equal to 15 percent of the total purchase.

To learn more about GLOBAL GOODS PARTNERS: globalgoodspartners.org
Bright Hope for Tomorrow

United Methodist Women’s legacy informs our past, present and future

by Barbara E. Campbell

The Great Commission, found in the Gospel of Matthew, has inspired generations of Christians. In each of the Gospels and the Book of Acts, Jesus’ commission is equally clear: Go preach, go baptize, go teach, go tell everyone, go everywhere and remember, “I am sending you.” The call of the Great Commission is not limited to those professionally trained to preach or for mission service. It is for all Christians.

Clementina Butler and Lois Parker, serving in India as wives of Methodist missionaries, heard this call as they saw the life conditions of women and children. They became the moving force in founding the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston in 1869. Miss Isabella Thoburn, a teacher, and Dr. Clara Swain were the society’s first missionaries who likewise responded to Jesus’ call. Preaching and baptizing would not be an option for women for another century, but teaching and healing were their forte, as both a tiny school and medical clinic opened in Lucknow, North India, in 1870. Bible pictures, a prayer at bedtime, Bible stories at bedtime and printed Bible verses neatly folded into medicine packets were powerful proclamations. Isabella Thoburn College and Clara Swain Hospital are 21st-century testaments to their calling.

Women in the other churches of the United Methodist tradition also heard “the call” and founded homes and foreign missionary societies, which sent missionaries to Sierra Leone in Africa, to China, to South America and eventually dozens of countries. “All nations” was frequently interpreted as “foreign countries,” but women at home worked as deaconesses and home missionaries likewise addressing needs of immigrants, newly freed slaves and persons in remote geographic areas.

Hebrews 11, sometimes called the great faith chapter of God’s people, recounts the faith of many biblical heroes—Abel, Enoch, Noah and Abraham and Sarah. The New King James Version translates verse 8 as: “He went out not knowing.” That is the story of our earliest women mission leaders, missionaries and deaconesses. Those who were the organizers of local church societies went out beyond the comforts of home. Others ventured into new neighborhoods, learned new languages and encountered new customs. Single women challenged traditional roles by speaking and working in public, traveling alone, asserting leadership. Their faith was sorely tested.

Going to a country you have never seen or accepting a task not knowing has also been the story of decades of United Methodist Women members who individually and organizationally pickeled for women’s suffrage and prohibition, organized to outlaw lynching, supported the Equal Rights Amendment, voted for the Charter of Racial Policies, confronted human trafficking, taught at Mission u, accepted the office of secretary, made an oral report for the first time or challenged hateful and hurtful language. Faith and hope sustained our foremothers. Thousands of women have provided significant leadership through our antecedent organizations. Their names are often lost to us even as their accomplishments are known.

As United Methodist Women approaches its 150th anniversary in 2019, it is appropriate to remember our founders, the women whose pioneering efforts shaped who we are today. How will we be remembered? What is our legacy for the women of 2019, 2069 and beyond?

The Legacy Fund is one part of our 150th anniversary celebration. The fund is a permanent endowment, investing current gifts that will grow for use in coming decades to continue support of ministries with women, children and youth. Each member is invited to give $18.69 for each of the five years of the celebration in addition to her pledge. March 23rd is our birthday! We “party” each year with a Day of Giving, when hundreds and hundreds of members are encouraged to make an electronic contribution to the Legacy Fund all on the same day. United Methodist Women activities personify faith, hope and love in action. Today we are in ministry with untold millions of women around the world. The Legacy Fund is our promise to continue that ministry tomorrow!

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Introducing United Methodist Women Limited-Edition 150th Anniversary Jewelry

We are excited to announce the United Methodist Women limited-edition 150th Anniversary Special Mission Recognition pin, with 22 karat gold plating (shown right, top) and the limited-edition 150 pendant and necklace (shown right, bottom), with the colorful 150th-anniversary logo in soft enamel.

The pin is priced at $150 and the necklace at $50. Your conference will receive credit for each amount respectively as a gift to the Legacy Fund. All proceeds go to support the Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign.

Both pieces of jewelry are now available for purchase at our online store: www.umwmissionresources.org or call 1-800-305-9857.
Michelle Alexander, Leymah Gbowee, Katharine Hayhoe and Hannah Adair Bonner will be featured speakers at the 19th quadrennial Assembly of United Methodist Women in Columbus, Ohio, May 18-20, 2018. The theme of Assembly is “The Power of Bold.” The event will mark the official celebration of the organization’s 150th anniversary and will also be a return to the location of the first Assembly in 1942.

“Our movement was launched by the bold action of women who saw need and claimed their power as disciples of Jesus Christ to address it,” said Harriet Jane Olson, chief executive officer of United Methodist Women and an additional speaker at the event. “They sent women leaders—Isabella Thoburn, an educator, and Dr. Clara Swain, a medical doctor—to India to serve women and children in 1869. This daring continued when leaders took a bold stand for racial justice and moved their first Assembly in 1942 from St. Louis to Columbus, where African-American women were welcomed at hotels and other public accommodations. The speakers at this year’s Assembly are all bold leaders and experts in their fields of mass incarceration, economic inequality, maternal and child health and climate justice.”

Michelle Alexander
Michelle Alexander is the author of the critically acclaimed The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, a stunning account of the millions of African Americans who are imprisoned and then relegated to a permanent second-class citizenship and legally denied enfranchisement won during the Civil Rights Movement. A legal scholar and civil rights litigator, Alexander has taught at a number of universities, including Stanford Law School, where she was an associate professor of law and director of its civil rights clinic. In 2005, she accepted a joint appointment at the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity and the Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University. Alexander has been featured in numerous national radio and television outlets, including NPR, C-SPAN and PBS. The New Jim Crow is a 2011 NAACP Image Award winner. She was a featured academic in the Academy Award-nominated documentary 13th, exploring systemic racism and the prison pipeline.

Leymah Gbowee
Leymah Gbowee received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2011 for her work in leading a women’s peace movement that brought an end to the Second Liberian Civil War in 2003. Gbowee shared the prize with Liberia’s President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf and Yemen native Tawakkol Karman. Gbowee and President Sirleaf became the second and third African women to win the prize, preceded by the late Wangari Maathai of Kenya. She is the founder and president of Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa based in Liberia. Her foundation provides educational and leadership opportunities to girls, women and youth in West Africa.

Katharine Hayhoe
Awarded the American Geophysical Union’s Climate Communication Prize and named as one of Foreign Policy’s 100 Leading Global Thinkers and 20 Women Making Waves in the Climate Change Debate.

Hannah Adair Bonner
The Rev. Hannah Adair Bonner is the director of the Wesley Foundation of Tucson, serving the University of Arizona. Previously she served as the founder and curator of The Shout, a spoken-word poetry collective based in Houston, Texas. In 2016, she was recognized as one of the 16 Faith Leaders to Watch in 2016, inducted as an honorary member of Sigma Gamma Rho sorority and given the Prathia Hall Social Justice Award by WomenPreach! Her first curriculum, published by Abingdon Press in 2016, is titled The Shout: Finding the Prophetic Voice in Unexpected Places. Dedicated to amplifying the voices of young women, she has produced two short film series, The Impact of Sandra Bland and Facing Christmas, as well as a documentary released in 2017, Awaken the Voice. An avid hiker, Bonner can be found most evenings admiring saguaro cacti along one of Tucson’s many trails.

“Step into the Assembly!”
For more information on the 2018 United Methodist Women Assembly or to register for the event, please visit www.UMWAAssembly.org.
Educational Resources

United Methodist Women mission study books offer opportunities to learn and grow. These selections are available in Korean and Spanish.

What About Our Money? A Faith Response
By Susan Taylor
Study explores our relationship with money, the money choices available to us and how we individually and collectively respond to economic inequalities in light of our faith.
$10.00 Korean (M3317), Spanish (M3309)

Embracing Wholeness: Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living
By Jessica Stonecypher
Study explores the ways God has called us to live in covenantal relationship with all of creation and challenges readers to work toward stronger and healthier relationships with creation, their communities, themselves and God.
$10.00 Korean (3315), Spanish (3314)

A United Methodist Women Essential 2018 Prayer Calendar
Inside this beautiful planner are photos that offer a glimpse into United Methodist Women’s mission work as well as daily prayer focuses and weekly prayers.
$14.00 (M3305)