



Sojourner

From The Pen of the President

“The Lord respects me when I work; He loves me when I sing.”

Hello One and All: were you thee? Did you hear? Did you go to the July 207 School of Christian Mission for Drive In Day or the full school? Well, if you did, you know what happened. If you didn't attend, guess what? You missed a glorious time of learning how to celebrate mission through Gods' love and grace.

The study leader for “Sing Across the

Walls”, Rev. Mary Kathryn Pearce, was a dynamite presenter. What a joyful experience of God's favor throughout the United Methodist Women's annual event.

Our district attendance at the SOCM was good, but it can improve if we start planning today for next year. Son in each unit meeting, please express the importance of learning, praying, and singing together as women of faith in mission.

Rise! Shine! And glorify God! Let's focus on another opportunity to participate in year another UMW special moment: our annual Fall Meeting on September 29, 2007 at Glenview UMC 727 Harlem Ave. Glenview, IL. Encourage your unit or circle members to come, hear, and be inspired for mission.

Peace be with you,
Martha Carter

UMW Purpose Statement

The organization unit of United Methodist Women shall be 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.

Dates for 2007

September 29—CNWD Fall Meeting Glenview UMC

October 27—NIC UMW Annual Meeting—Grace UMW Naperville

November 10—District Officers Training—Camp Reynoldwood Dixon

November 15—Deadline for December Newsletter

December 1— December Newsletter Mailed

December 8—CMWD Mission Team Meeting—Vivian Matthews Host

Dates & Deadlines

Chicago Northwestern District Fall Meeting

THEME: GREEN TEAM—TO BE A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS

September 29, 2007

Place: Glenview United Methodist Church
737 Harlem Ave
Glenview, IL 60025 847-998-4610

Time: Registration with Continental Breakfast 9am
Program Resources
Songs for Gathering 9:30am

Karen Hewitson will be our speaker. She is a member of the North Central Jurisdiction which includes: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Please confirm your attendance by mailing this form back so that we have an accurate count for the day. We hope that you and all your women will make every effort to attend. Registration and Child Care requests are due by September 15, 2007.

PLEASE MAIL ALL REGISTRATIONS TO: JEAN DEAL Glenview United Methodist Women 727 Harlem Ave. Glenview, IL 60025. Make check payable to Glenview UMW.

Amount included _____ No. persons attending _____ Donation: \$3.00

All women are asked to wear green for the day and each local unit is asked to bring at least one layette kit: Many women do not have even swaddling clothes to welcome a child into the world. Layette kits provide them with the basic supplies every baby needs. Please be sure the items are NEW!

6 cloth diapers 2 shirts, 2 baby wash cloths, 2 gowns, 2 diaper pins, 1 sweater, 2 receiving blankets.

Bundle the items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure it with the diaper pins.

Chicago Northwestern District Mission Team 2008

Continuing in office through 2008: President Martha Carter, Treasurer-Fay Bennett, Spiritual Growth Coordinator—Ligaya Marasigan, Education & Interpretation—Valeria Williams, Membership, Nurture & Outreach—Lydia Grant, Communications—Beverly Bochenek, Nominations, Class of 2008—Cynthia Waters and Rosa Good.

Officers to be elected: Vice President—Marta Rodriquez, Secretary—Doris Thornton, Program Resources—Barbara Roberts, Social Action—Nancy Grim Hunter, Chair of Nominations—Vivian Matthews, Nomination Committee, Class of 2008—Selena Roberts & Class of 2010—Elois Mays.



Say A Little Prayer

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, 'Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?' Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small does not serve the world. There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We are all meant to shine, as children do. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It is not just in some of us; it is in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

Next newsletter
deadline:

November 15

Share the news of your local UMW chapter. Submit articles, prayers, thoughts, etc. to

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Marianne Williamson



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METHODIST WOMEN**

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UMWomenchicago.org

That's the name of our new website. It is still undergoing growing pains and it needs YOU! Please submit news and events of your local units to be included on the website.

Studies have shown most people looking for faith based activities use the internet as their first resource! If you want people to know what you're doing, if you want to increase the chances of them getting involved; the internet is essential to our success.

Keep an eye on the website in the coming weeks as it starts to grow and evolve and make sure you get your information in. There is enough space for EVERY UNIT to have complete site pages.



www.umwomenchicago.org. Submit information to beverly-umw@earthlink.net