

Greetings,

**Mission work is the heart of United Methodist Women.** Our vision states that through our missions, we will turn faith, hope, and love into action on behalf of women, children, and youth around the world. As the Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation, I encourage local units with their mission work by promoting local, district, and conference mission opportunities.

**The Tasks for Mission** is an organized guideline to assist each unit toward fulfilling the UMW vision. The guideline provides specific scriptural based tasks (see list to the right) and suggested activities to help the units learn ways of being in mission. Some of the suggestions include mission giving, using the Program Book, subscribing to **response** magazine, attending Mission u, participating in the Reading Program, or hosting a mission study.

Aside from assisting the local units with mission work, I am responsible for the district **Partners in Mission Dinner** event. Did you know that clergy are members of United Methodist Women? This event serves two purposes. It promotes uniting the clergy and members in a mission-based event and it provides a platform for a United Methodist Women-sponsored mission agency activity or program.

Spreading our love of Christ through our mission work by means of our churches, our communities, our nation, and our world is the United Methodist Women's vision.

“And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you.’” (Acts 18: 9-10)

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I included The Tasks of Mission guidelines in a separate column. See below.

## **The Tasks of Mission**

Planning for Mission

Acts 13:2-3

Valuing Out Mission

Acts 14:27

Organizing for Mission

Acts 14:23

Building Community

Acts 15:35-36

Being in Mission:

Growing Spiritually

Acts 18:8-11

Being in Mission:

Serving and Advocating

Acts 16:16-18

Being in Mission:

Educating for Change

Acts 17:19-34

Being in Mission:

Developing Leaders

Acts 18:24-28

Being in Mission:

Supporting Ministries with  
Women, Children and Youth

Acts 11:19-30