





**WHY?** The purpose of Mission Today is to fulfill the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women by:

- **Energizing** United Methodist Women to be more involved in mission through prayer, study and action;
- **Increasing** contacts between local organizations and mission personnel and projects enabling a better understanding of where Mission Giving dollars go;
- **Encouraging** the use of a variety of mission resources;
- **Expanding** concepts of mission, including social justice as mission.

<b>WHO?</b> Every local organization is encouraged to strive for Mission Today status by completing 8 or more suggested criteria as noted to the right. Find suggestions and ideas for activities below.	CATEGORY	NUMBER OF ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED
	Bronze	8 (including 4 asterisked items)
	Silver	12 (including 6 asterisked items)
	Gold	16 (including 6 asterisked items)

	Read <i>response</i> , the magazine for Women in Mission, through a subscription or online: <a href="https://www.uwfaith.org/response">response Magazine   United Women in Faith (uwfaith.org)</a> The Mission Giving logo found in <i>response</i> identifies a program and/or person supported by United Methodist Women's Mission Giving.	Find the Charter for Racial Justice online: <a href="https://www.uwfaith.org/racial-justice">Racial Justice   United Women in Faith (uwfaith.org)</a>	
Mission Giving Logo			Racial Justice Logo

	Current Justice Issues may be found online: <a href="https://www.uwfaith.org/serve-advocate">Serve &amp; Advocate   United Women in Faith (uwfaith.org)</a>	Go to <a href="https://www.uwfaith.org/climate-justice">Climate Justice   United Women in Faith (uwfaith.org)</a> for <i>13 Steps to Sustainability</i> ; ideas for Be Just. Be Green.; and other ways to get involved in UMW's environmental work.	
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**WHEN?** Receive recognition for **2022**, by returning your completed checklist by **January 15, 2023** to:

Your District's Mission Coordinator for Education & Interpretation

Return completed form (front & back) to:

**Deadline for reporting: January 15, 2023**

Local Organization	District:
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Reporting Officer Name & Position:
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Email or postal address:	Phone:
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**United Methodist Women demonstrate their commitment to the PURPOSE through their Prayers, Presence, Participation, Gifts and Service.**

**PRAYERS**

	Used the Prayer Guide at each meeting to pray for mission personnel and projects. *
	Communicated with at least 5 persons listed in the Prayer Guide during the year.
	Held a mini-Spiritual Growth Retreat.

**PRESENCE**

	At least two members were added to the membership roll.
	At least one member (not a conference or district officer) attended Mission U.
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**PARTICIPATION**

	At least two members subscribed to and/or read <i>Response</i> magazine (including online articles). *
	Used at least two programs from a UMW Program Book during the year. *
	Conducted at least one Mission u study during the year. *
	At least one member is a member of the UMW's Action Network to receive Action Alerts and share with members.
	Told a mission story at meetings through sharing "member support" articles (identified by the Mission Giving logo—see other side) from <i>Response</i> .
	Included a book review/report on a Reading Program book during a meeting.
	At least two members completed one of the Reading Program Plans.
	Initiated a new or expanded an already-existing Local Ministry Program which benefits women, children and/or youth. *
	At least two members watch or listen to at least 2 "Faith Talks" or "Voices from the Field", live or recorded on UMW website.
	Attended a "Tour-Talk-Lunch" ("TTL") at Lucille Raines Residence or gave in-kind or monetary support beyond the conference asking.*

**GIFTS**

	Made and met its Pledge to Mission. *
	Remitted the Conference Asking of \$15 per member. *
	Received Five Star recognition by contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving by unit and/or member(s).
	Legacy Fund donation made by unit and/or member(s).

**SERVICE**

	Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice in at least one way during the year. *
	Invited a district or conference officer (not a member) to one meeting during the year.
	Pledged to care for God's creation by becoming a "Green" local organization.
	Participated in at least two events/activities during the year which focused on Current Justice issues.