



SeaTac Missional District Newsletter
SEPTEMBER 2024

SEATAC DISTRICT

ANNUAL GATHERING

Saturday, September 28, 2024

“Sharing and Serving the Lord with Joy”

Guest Speaker: Barbara Dadd Shaffer

**Member of PNW Conference
Bishop’s task force on Hope for Children of Africa**

**Fairwood Community
United Methodist Church
15255 SE Fairwood Blvd., Renton 98058**

Registration Deadline:
September 20, 2024
Cost: \$10

Registration form is enclosed



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Barbara was appointed to the Bishop’s Task Force on Hope for the Children of Africa in 2006. The bishop appointed her as Chair two years later, a position she filled for ten years. She continues to be a part of the Task Force which supports the ministry of the two Jamaa Letu orphanages in the DR Congo. This is the topic of her speech today. She focuses on the post-secondary education of former residents in the orphanages.

Barbara has been a member of UWF and its predecessor organizations since she was a freshman in high school. She was a conference officer twice during her thirty-three years in Alaska, and was elected a conference officer in the Pacific Northwest Conference soon after moving to Spokane. She was president of the Western Jurisdiction UMW and served as a Director of the Women’s Division. She now lives with her husband, John, at Wesley Lea Hill in Auburn.

Our Scripture:

1 Peter 4: 10-11

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen”.

Please join us for an inspiring morning with old friends and new friends of United Women in Faith.



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United Women in Faith SeaTac District Annual Gathering *Sharing and Serving the Lord with Joy*

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You may pay in advance with your registration form or pay at the event.

Make checks payable to SeaTac UWF

Email Registration form to the District Treasurer, Rachel Hall at riwamoto@hotmail.com or

Mail: Rachel Hall, 9265 Points Dr. NE, Clyde Hill WA 98004-1334

Questions: Contact Diana Wilson, President at

dwilson2009@comcast.net or 425-641-3297

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name tag) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Church _____

UWF Officer Y/N _____ Position Held _____

Are you interested in being on the SeaTac District Board Y/N _____

If yes, what position or office interests you? _____

An offering will be collected for Jamaa Letu.

Please make your offering checks payable to SeaTac UWF/Jamaa Letu.. You may include with your registration or pay on the day.

Which Social Action area would you like our SeaTac District to focus?

_____ Climate Justice

_____ Economic Inequity

_____ Immigration







_____ Mass Incarceration & Criminalization of
Communities of Color

_____ Maternal & Child Health






SeaTac Annual Gathering

Schedule (times are approximate)










9:00—9:50 Continental breakfast served by Fairwood United Women of Faith. Come and visit at your convenience. Book browsing. 2 tables. Bring books to donate and take, and “view” books from Reading Program which are not for sale.





9:50—10:00 Singing in sanctuary
10:00— Program begins
10:00-10:15 Welcome, Opening Prayer and Litany, Lighting of Mission Candle





10:15-10:35 Program: Jamaa Letu Orphanage in Democratic Republic of Congo presented by Barbara Dadd Shaffer



10:35-10:50 Break
10:50-10:55 Business Meeting Called to Order
11:05—11:10 Offering which will go to Jamaa Letu,
11:10-11:20 Award Recognitions
11:20-11:30 Service of Remembrance
11:30-11:50 Communion with Rev. Carol Mariano
11:50-12:00 Recognitions and Closing
12:00 Dismissal






This year we will not be serving lunch. Fairwood UMC is hosting 35 asylum seeker families who occupy their Benedict Fellowship Hall.



We will be providing a list of nearby restaurants for you to visit and enjoy lunch on your own.



Please see the registration form for details.



Questions contact Diana Wilson, President SeaTac UWF 206-852-6872 cell/text or dwilson2009@comcast.net.





BOOK CORNER



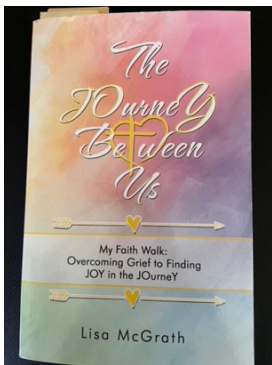
Carol Sprague, Program Resources Coordinator

Happy Fall Everyone. .

BOOK SHARING AT OUR SEATAC DISTRICT ANNUAL GATHERING

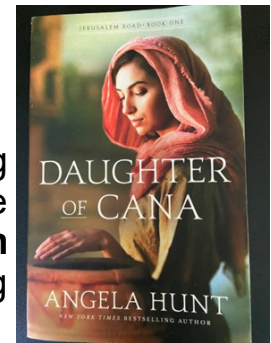
Are there books from the UWF Reading Program that you or your UWF library may no longer wish to keep? How about sharing them with ladies from other churches?

We will have two tables set up at our meeting.



- Table ONE will be for books on the Reading Program that we personally own or our church UWF library has on the shelves. These would be for **“Display Only”** to browse to see if you are interested in purchasing them to read for UWF Reading Program credit and to enjoy books from maybe a category you haven’t read from recently.

-Table TWO will be a **“Sharing”** Table for books that you bring that you have read but no longer wish to keep but others may be interested in purchasing them. There will be a **free-will donation basket** on this table with the monies going to our Mission Giving program.



I will have copies of **2023, 2024,** and the **NEW 2025** UWF Reading Booklists available for you to take back to your local unit to share. The Reading Program for 2025 will count books read from **2020 - 2025 Reading** Lists for credit.

KEEP READING AND

GOD BLESS!

Fall is a time to cozy up with a new book!

Become a Mission Today Unit in the SeaTac Missional District



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What is Mission Today?

Mission Today serves to energize United Women in Faith to be more involved in mission through prayer, study, and action by:

- **Increasing contacts between local units and mission** personnel and projects so that the units can understand what their money is supporting around the world;
- **Encouraging the use of mission resources** offered through United Women in Faith;
- and Expanding the concept that **promoting Social Justice is a mission.**

Mission Today Unit Requirements

The requirements are listed in the SeaTac District Mission Today form that can be found at [this link](#) on our PNW UWF website.

- Gold Units need to complete at least 12 of the criteria, 6 of which must be marked with a ★
- Silver Units need to complete at least 6 of the criteria, 3 of which must be marked with a ★

(Units that have under 15 members, use half of the above-mentioned numbers in all categories). The recording period to become a Mission Today Unit is from September through the following August. Mission Today units receive a certificate and are recognized at the District and Conference Annual meetings.

**Please complete the form on the reverse side and send the form
by September 10 to:**

Diana Wilson

1123 174th Ave NE, Bellevue WA 98008 or

dwilson2009@comcast.net

Or phone 425-641-3297/ 206-852-6872 cell or text

THE PURPOSE

We are 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.

Paul writes, "Friends don't get me wrong: By no means do I count myself an expert in all of this, but I've got my eye on the goal, where God is Beckoning us onward to Jesus. I'm off and running, and I'm not turning back."

Philippians 3:14-19 (MSG)

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**You are invited to attend
The United Women in Faith of the
Pacific Northwest Conference**

Annual Meeting

October 18-19, 2024

Spokane Valley United Methodist Church

"Expanding the Vision: Trust the Nudge"

Keynote Speaker:

**Sue McGrath
Spiritual Counselor and acclaimed author**

Contact Jeny Bygland for more info.

Jenny Bygland at jbygland@kentmethodist.com

Connect With United Women in Faith Online

PNW CONFERENCE WEBSITE: pnwumc.org/uwfaith/

NATIONAL WEBSITE: uwfaith.org

FACEBOOK: [Facebook.com/uwwomenfaith](https://www.facebook.com/uwwomenfaith)

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PINTEREST: [Pinterest.com/uwfaith/created](https://www.pinterest.com/uwfaith/created)

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YOU TUBE: [Youtube.com/user/uwfaith](https://www.youtube.com/user/uwfaith)

FLICKR: [Flickr.com/photos.UMWomen](https://www.flickr.com/photos/UMWomen)

Resources for Enrichment

United Women in Faith offers many ways for you to enrich your life, live your faith and put love into action.

Discover inspiring podcasts and webinars that will help you explore how love in action changes the world with every episode.

Voices from the Field <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXgwu0rP3zY>

Faith Talks, Podcasts & Webinars

<https://uwfaith.org/resources/podcasts/>

How to Subscribe to Response Magazine

<https://uwfaith.org/resources/response-magazine/>

New Free Resources Available! <https://uwfaith.org/resources/>

MISSION GIVING RESOURCES

[Burning a Candle in Honor or Memory Form](#)

[Burning a Candle in Honor or Memory Instructions](#)

[Gift in Mission & Gift in Memory Card Order Form](#)

[Mission Giving Brochure](#)

[Mission Giving Pledge Card](#)

**SeaTac Missional District
Officers for the 2023-2024 Year**

President	Diana Wilson
Vice President	Marilyn Hoff
Secretary	OPEN
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Spiritual Growth Coordinator	Janice Bronkema
Social Action Coordinator	OPEN
Communications Coordinator	Diana Wilson
Program Resources Coordinator	Carol Sprague