

**United Methodist Women  
Presentation to ACS09, Friday, June 19th  
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**Slide 1 – California-Nevada Conference United Methodist Women**

**Narrator:** United Methodist Women are grateful for this opportunity to make this presentation to ACS. We represent an organization of nearly 1,000,000 members. With passion in Christ and compassion for all, we make mission happen.

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**Slide 2 – Where in the World is United Methodist Women? (sunburst background)**

**Narrator:** Please join us as we travel around the world to discover, *'Where in the World is United Methodist Women'*.

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**Slide 3 – Passion in Jesus Christ: Collage of photos**

**Rappers:**

We are Christians whom God sustains, We are not alone.  
Blessings, bounty, love and strength, We are not alone.  
Scriptures, prayers, and rituals, too, We are not alone.  
Our faith is nurtured in God's love, We are not alone.

Food for body to survive, God's love and grace to share.  
Food for souls' nourishment, God's love and grace to share.  
We are women of the world, God's love and grace to share.  
Abundance is not ours to keep, God's love and grace to share.

Children hungry, homeless, ill, That's the world we meet.  
Humans used for trafficking, That's the world we meet.  
With justice, mercy, humility, That's the world we meet.  
Respect and dignity for all, That's the world we meet.

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**Narrator:** Where in the world is United Methodist Women?

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**Slide 4 – Sudan: Boy with soccer ball; woman with grain**

**Reader 1:** In Sudan, United Methodist Women funds work with the refugees and provides health, layette and sewing kits (through UMCOR) to provide hope to displaced families. Across the US this year, women will be learning about Sudan at Schools of Christian Mission.

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**Slide 5 – Calexico, CA: Girl brushing her teeth**

**Reader 2:** At Neighborhood House, a national mission institution in Calexico, CA, children receive nutritious meals and learn personal hygiene.

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**Slide 6 – Pakistan: Woman – face in hands; girl drawing water**

**Reader 3:** Talitha Kumi Center in Lahore, Pakistan is supported by United Methodist Women. A woman participates in a street-theatre performance to educate others about women's rights. Access to clean drinking water is a priority of United Methodist Women.

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**Slide 7 – East St. Louis, IL: Mother and child walking, St. Louis arches behind**

**Reader 4:** The Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House in East St. Louis, Illinois offers direct social services and advocacy to those suffering from poverty and injustice.

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**Slide 8 – Text**

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**Slide 9 – Mozambique: Two children with large containers**

**Reader 2:** In Mozambique, women's training centers offer women and youth education on HIV/AIDS, cooking, nutrition, hygiene, malaria, sewing, first aid, English and Portuguese.

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**Slide 10 – Mexicali, Mexico: Two school girls walking with backpacks**

**Reader 3:** With the support of United Methodist Women, the Methodist Church in Mexico provides hundreds of children with backpacks and school supplies, including these children from Colonia Santa Niño, a poor neighborhood in Mexicali, Mexico.

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**Slide 11 – San Francisco, CA: 4 women; children in costume**

**Reader 4:** Mary Elizabeth Inn provides housing, meals and support services for low income women recovering from homelessness and domestic violence and those living with disabilities. Gum Moon's Asian Family Support Center offers preschool activities for children, parent support groups and parenting workshops.

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**Slide 12 – Philippines: Girl in dump**

**Reader 1:** The Asuncion A. Perez Memorial Center in the Philippines creates community and economic development opportunities for youth through skills and management training to alleviate poverty.

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#### **Slide 14 – Zimbabwe: Child wearing orange check shirt**

**Reader 3:** In Zimbabwe, United Methodist Women support the Fairfield Children's Home where abandoned and orphaned children receive care.

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#### **Slide 15 – Middle East: Woman holding girl in her arms**

**Reader 4:** United Methodist Women support the Wi'am Conflict Resolution Center in Bethlehem, Palestine where children and families, who have suffered trauma, learn alternatives to violent behavior. In our conference, UMW sells Sindyanna of Galilee olive oil and other products. Sindyanna is the first woman run fair trade marketing company in the Arab sector of Israel.

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#### **Slide 16 – Cupertino, CA: Women engaged in activities**

**Reader 1:** The Cupertino Good Samaritan UMW provides a supportive community for women rebuilding their lives in sobriety. They call the program "Adopt-a-Miracle". They hostess monthly women's fun nights out – one of which is an annual Christmas party.

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#### **Slide 17 – Assam, India: Girl in rock quarry**

**Reader 2:** This girl works in a rock quarry in northeastern India. United Methodist Women are in India, working to end child labor by ensuring adults are paid a living wage.

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### **Slide 19 – Cambodia: Woman with girl in orange dress**

**Reader 4:** In Cambodia, women receive education to promote healthful living. Faith Engine Ministry trains young men AND WOMEN in welding, auto-mechanics, and motorcycle repair.

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### **Slide 20 – Cuba: Woman gardening**

**Reader 1:** In Camaguey, Cuba, organizations supported by United Methodist Women help families cultivate community gardens to improve their diets and lives.

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### **Slide 21 – Ennore, India: Woman walking with child**

**Reader 2:** United Methodist Women train and support Bible women who share the gospel while teaching literacy, economic development, health care and other basic needs.

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### **Slide 22 – Sacramento, CA: Women in front of capitol; Bishop**

**Reader 3:** In April, 2009, over 70 United Methodist Women gathered in Sacramento to learn about economic issues affecting all of us, unemployment, home foreclosures, responsible lending and sustainable energy. Following the briefing, we went to the Capitol to visit our legislators and share our concerns and faith-based perspectives.

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### **Slide 23 – Text**

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**Slide 24 – Text -**

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**Slide 25 – United Methodist Women Mission Projects: World Map**

**Narrator:** Nearly 300 international programs in over 58 countries, and 103 mission institutions in the United States are recipients of United Methodist Women mission giving.

**Narrator:** Who are these United Methodist Women?

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**Slide 26 – We are United Methodist Women: collage of photos**

**Reader 1:** I'm a College Student, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 2:** I'm a Computer Analyst, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 3:** I'm Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 4:** I'm a Farmer,

**Reader 1:** a Salesperson,

**Reader 4:** a Writer,

**Reader 1:** a Librarian,

**Reader 4:** a Bank teller,

**Reader 1:** a Volunteer—

**Readers 1 and 4:** and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 2:** I'm a Mom with three kids, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Narrator:** Tell me more about these United Methodist Women.

**Reader 3:** I'm a Nurse's Aide, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 4:** I'm a Grandmother, and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Reader 2:** I'm a Teacher,

**Reader 3:** a Gardener,

**Reader 2:** an Airline Pilot,

**Reader 3:** a Bus Driver,

**Reader 2:** a Business Executive,

**Reader 3:** a Firefighter,

**Reader 2:** a Social Worker—

**Readers 2 and 3:** and I'm a United Methodist Woman.

**Phil Lawson:** I'm Phil Lawson, and I'm a United Methodist Woman—and yes, all pastors, both women and men are members of United Methodist Women.

**Reader 1:** Our roots are African,

**Reader 2:** Hispanic,

**Reader 3:** Native American,

**Reader 4:** Korean,

**Reader 1:** Samoan,

**Reader 2:** Tongan,

**Reader 3:** Japanese,

**Reader 4:** Filipino,

**Reader 1:** and too many others to name—

**All:** and we are all UNITED METHODIST WOMEN!

**Slide 27 – UMW are making a difference ... : World in hands**

**Narrator:** With 'passion in Christ and compassion for all', United Methodist Women are making a difference throughout the world. Won't you join us? The future is in our hands.

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**Slide 28 – Prepared by: Credits**