



2017 MISSION u OF THE NORTH



**First United Methodist Church, Gaylord, MI
Monday & Tuesday, October 16-17, 2017**

Detroit Conference & West Michigan Conference Mission u & the Conference Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church CORDIALLY invite men & women to:

**2017 Mission u Studies - A study, fellowship and worship experience
“Learning Together for the Transformation of the World”**

Mission Conferences of the UMC in the US by J. Ann Craig (Geographic Study)

This study gives an overview of the 3 missionary conferences in the UMC: The Alaska United Methodist Conference, Red Bird Missionary Conference, and the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference. What does the future look like for these conferences?
Study Leader: Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore

Living as a Covenant Community by Evy McDonald (Spiritual Growth Study)

This study examines major covenants throughout the Bible and what they reveal about God’s character and eternal love for us. It will enhance your understanding of how God works with us, in us, and through us.
Study Leader: Rev. Deborah Johnson

Climate Justice: A Call to Hope & Action edited by Pat Watkins (Social Action Study)

We live on a small blue planet in the midst of a mind-bogglingly huge universe. It is a fragile planet, and it’s the only one we have to call home. Our responsibility is to learn how to live in right relationship with God, each other, and with the earth itself.
Study Leader: Nichea VerVeer Guy

***** DETACH AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO MISSION U OF THE NORTH *****

MISSION u of the NORTH – First UMC, Gaylord, MI

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Church _____ District _____

Choices for studies: (Everyone attends Spiritual Growth study.)

Mark your 1st & 2nd choice: _____ “UMC Missionary Conferences in the US” or _____ “Climate Justice”

Note: Classes are limited to 25 persons. Class assignment is based on order of receipt of registrations.

Check if appropriate: _____ Diabetic _____ Vegetarian _____ 1st time attendee

SEND THE REGISTRATION FORM AND \$65 FEE (which includes 3 meals) TO:

Tiffany Crawford, 800 E. Hull Rd., Hope, MI 48628 (989-429-9418)

Email: missionuofthenorth@yahoo.com

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Celebrating 38 Years of Mission Learning!

EVERYTHING you ever wanted to know about **Mission u of the North** without even asking!
(Attendance at Mission u is by pre-registration.)

WHERE: First United Methodist Church, Gaylord, MI – 215 S. Center St., Gaylord, MI, 49735
989-732-5380 – The church is handicap accessible.

TIME: Registration at 9:00 am on Monday, October 16, 2017- gathering at 9:30 in sanctuary
Conclusion at 3:30 pm on Tuesday, October 17, 2017

LODGING: The Baymont Hotel has a block of rooms reserved for us with a special price of \$67.99 + tax if register before October 1st using the group ID number of **1015MN**. This is the best price in the area!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: **October 9, 2017** Make checks payable to: **Mission u of the North**
(There are no refunds after that date, but substitutions will be accepted.)

SCHOLARSHIPS: Limited scholarships of \$35.00 each are available for first time attendees. Contact the registrar for details. Please also see if your local UMW unit will help defray costs.

DEPENDENT CARE: For the fourth year, dependent care reimbursement is being offered @ \$20.00/day – contact the registrar for details. (Includes children & dependent adults)

RESOURCE TABLE: UMW Reading Program & Mission u study books will be for sale during Mission u. However, it is recommended that study books be purchased (and read!) prior to Mission u, either from District Annual UMW Celebrations or from the Service Center: 1-800-305-9857 or www.missionresources.org

SPECIAL OFFERING: Divided between Alaska, Red Bird, & Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conferences.
Make checks payable to “Mission u of the North”.

WORKSHOPS: Additional learning opportunities include: Rev. Fowler - Cass Community Social Services; Randy Hildebrandt - God's Cooperative Parish; Rose Simmons - UM Community House in Grand Rapids; Della Wilder - Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, Illinois

MONDAY NIGHT PROGRAM: Rev. Faith Fowler on “Tiny Houses”

IN-GATHERING: Baby items for the New Life Pregnancy Resource Center in Gaylord.

Items needed are: * Newborn: mittens, diapers, 1 piece sleepers (sizes up to 3 mos.); outfits
* Premies: mittens, diapers * Diapers - sizes 4-6 * Outfits - sizes up to 2T

PURPOSE STATEMENT:

**To serve United Methodist – MEN and WOMEN – in the Michigan area;
To challenge, involve and commit us ALL in the area of global responsibility.**