

*May the Holy Spirit move you to come  
and accept the blessing of spiritual  
growth and renewal at this  
multigenerational event for all women.*

Nursery and child care available.

**REGISTRATION FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020**

3:00-6:00 pm in the Ellie Harvey Room  
(later registration in Nalls Auditorium)

**FRIDAY DINNER**

5:30-6:30 in Smith Dining Room

**WHOLE GROUP SESSIONS**

Nalls Auditorium

Friday Opening Session..... 7:00pm

Saturday Sessions..... 9:00am & 7:00pm

Sunday Session..... 9:30am

Times subject to slight changes.

Retreat ends after Sunday lunch.

**RETREAT OFFERINGS**

Offerings will be received Saturday and Sunday mornings during whole group sessions. Offerings will be used to supplement the South Georgia Conference United Methodist Women mission giving.

**SILENT AUCTION**

Nalls Auditorium

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Please bring prayer shawls to Nalls Auditorium. Shawls will be blessed and distributed among the districts.

**LITERATURE/PROGRAM MATERIALS WILL BE ON SALE IN NALLS AUDITORIUM FROM FRIDAY AFTERNOON UNTIL SATURDAY NIGHT. (No Sunday sales)**



**SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE  
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN  
2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**MARCH 8, 2020**

UMW Day  
Local Churches

**MARCH 20-22, 2020**

**Spiritual Growth Retreat**  
Epworth-by-the-Sea, St. Simons Island

**JUNE 7-9, 2020**

**SGA United Methodist Annual Conference**  
Columbus Conference Center

**JULY 9-12, 2020**

**Mission u**  
Epworth-by-the-Sea, St. Simons Island

**SEPTEMBER**

**District Annual Meetings**

**OCTOBER 3, 2020**

**District Officer Training (DLTE)**  
TBA

**OCTOBER 17, 2020**

**SGA UMW Conference Annual Meeting**  
Southwest District; Thomasville First

**20/20 Vision  
into the Future**

FAITH ♦ HOPE ♦ LOVE IN ACTION



**SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE  
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S  
and TEEN'S  
SPIRITUAL GROWTH  
RETREAT 2020**

**March 20-22, 2020**

Epworth-by-the-Sea  
St. Simons Island, Georgia

RETREAT LEADERS:

Rev. Christy Bandy; Rev. Earnestine Campbell

PRAISE AND WORSHIP LEADER: Vickie Brown

TEEN LEADER: Vickie Rushing

## RETREAT LEADERS:

REV. CHRISTY BANDY and REV. EARNESTINE CAMPBELL

**REV. CHRISTY BANDY:** Christy graduated from Georgia State University in 1989 and from Emory University with a Master of Divinity degree in 1992. Christy was Ordained an Elder in the South Georgia Annual Conference in June 1995. She has served numerous places in the South Ga. Conference: as an Associate pastor, served a couple of multi church charges, campus minister of Savannah area Wesley Foundations, and presently the pastor of Cairo First UMC. She has served on many Conference and District Boards and agencies throughout her ministry including being the Dean of Mission U in 2014 & 2015. Christy has a passion for missions locally and globally. At the age of fifteen, through her home church in Stockbridge, Ga. Christy was able to reach out to those in need in the Gainesville, Ga. area through GAP (Gainesville Aid Program), and in the last twelve years on global mission trips taught, preached and worked. Locally, Christy has been a part of each Community's outreach ministry and helped plan and implement new ideas for the area she served. Christy's favorite things to do are to read, watch baseball and football, and fish.

**REV. EARNESTINE CAMPBELL:** Earnestine is a native of Phoenix City, AL, and Columbus, GA. She is married to Robert Campbell for 27 years, and they have two children, Tristan and Lauren. She currently serves as an Associate Director of the Office of Connectional Ministries, where her portfolio includes ministries such as SBC21 (Strengthening Black Churches for the 21st Century), Multiculturalism and Undocumented Neighbors Taskforces, Small Church Development, COSROW (Commission on the Status and Role of Women), Persons with Disabilities, Poverty Initiatives, Small Church Development, and other Advocacy initiatives and ministries. She is currently in the process of obtaining her International Federation Coaching Certification and working on her Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE). In her years of service, Earnestine has served in lay, clergy and community positions such as Associate Pastor, President of the S GA Conference BMCR (Black Methodist for Church Renewal), Host of the South Columbus Connection Christian Radio Show, Columbus, GA, Partners in Education (PIE), Columbus Family Connection, the Georgia Roundtable for Prison Reform and Interfaith Children's Ministry Coalition. Earnestine earned a B.S. degree in Human Resources from Troy University, Troy, AL and her Master of Divinity from Gammon Theological Seminary of the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA. Her life's mantle: I believe that God forms, calls, and anoints His people to do his will in our uniqueness and sacredness of humanity and through our spiritual covenant with Him. Jeremiah 1:5: *"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart."*

**VICKIE RUSHING:** Vickie has been a Christian since the age of 20 years old. She has eleven children - four step, five adopted, and two biological. She did not grow up in a Christian family and therefore has a passion for young people who do not know Christ or want a deeper relationship with Christ. She has been working with kids and teenagers since the age of 25; has been a youth Sunday school teacher, young adult teacher, youth leader and is presently working with the youth at Hopewell UMC.

## MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

South Georgia Conference Mission Agencies welcome your gifts. Special requests include:

**Wesley Community Centers** -- Baby Wipes or money or checks to be used for this purpose.

**Open Door** -- Bibles (especially children's & large print), socks, underwear (all sizes children - adult), chapstick, and insect repellent.

**Vashti** - Hair care products (including ethnic hair products), combs and brushes, toothpaste, deodorant (Non-Aerosol), bath linens, laundry baskets and hampers, twin bed linens, comforter sets, pillows.

**Please bring your gifts to the designated area in NALLS Auditorium by noon Saturday. All gift certificates and monetary gifts should be given directly to Diane Horton, Conference UMW Treasurer.**

## SILENT AUCTION WITH BECKY BRITTON

Many hand-made items, "from scratch" goodies, and unique treasures will be available for purchase at the Silent Auction. Put aside a little extra money for this bargain extravaganza! All money raised is for Mission Giving.

## NEW: READING PROGRAM BOOK SWAP

**Bring your used books from the reading program from the years 2016-2020 for the book swap to Sylvia Copp at Registration.**

**You will be given a ticket for each book you bring to use towards any book brought for the swap.**

**3 is the maximum tickets you can get.**

**NOTE: The Program/Resource room is back! Literature and Resource materials will be available to purchase.**

The Teen Women will be constructing UMCOR health kits during the retreat. Donations for this project would be greatly appreciated. For a complete list of items included in the health kits, visit <http://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies> or contact one of your district officers.

Donations can be dropped off at the Ellie Room during registration.

# SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

MAIL THIS TOP PORTION WITH REGISTRATION FEE TO REGISTRAR:

MARGUERITE MAXWELL, 150 BYRON STREET, CAIRO, GA 39828

PHONE: 229-872-3297 EMAIL: [marguerite.maxwell51@gmail.com](mailto:marguerite.maxwell51@gmail.com)

(You can now register on line [www.sgaumc.org](http://www.sgaumc.org))

**PLEASE COMPLETE A FORM FOR EACH PERSON (ADULT, TEEN, OR CHILD). REGISTRATION FEE COVERS INSURANCE AND OTHER EXPENSES.**

**EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE BY MARCH 8, 2020 IS \$25.00 PER PERSON.**

**AFTER MARCH 8, 2020, REGISTRATION IS \$35.00 PER PERSON.**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NO REFUND, BUT REGISTRATION IS TRANSFERABLE.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check here if you need signing services for the hearing impaired.

For child or teen, check as applies: \_\_\_\_\_ Infant through Kindergarten childcare. Age of child \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Enroll child in planned activities for Grades 1-6 Age of child \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Teen (Age 13-19) Grade in school \_\_\_\_\_



**ROOM OPTIONS FOR UMW SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT - RESERVATION DEADLINE: MARCH 10, 2020**

**MAIL THIS PORTION OF FORM TO:**

**EPWORTH-BY-THE-SEA, PO BOX 20407; ST. SIMONS ISLAND, GA 31522 912-638-8688**

**OR REGISTER ONLINE AT: [epworthbythesea.org/events/](http://epworthbythesea.org/events/)**

**RATES PER PERSON FOR TWO NIGHTS LODGING, THREE MEALS, USE OF MEETING ROOMS AND TAX**

	<u>REYNOLDS</u>	<u>PITTS/BOOTH</u>	<u>ROBERTSON INN</u>	<u>TURNER LODGE</u>
SINGLE	\$227.60	\$248.34	\$271.38	\$292.12
DOUBLE	\$151.18(Each)	\$165.00(Each)	\$181.12(Each)	\$201.86(Each)
TRIPLE	\$126.48(Each)	\$135.68(Each)	\$147.20(Each)	\$165.64(Each)
QUAD	\$116.42(Each)	\$125.64(Each)	\$141.76(Each)	\$148.68(Each)

YOUTH CABINS \$108.00 PER PERSON (13 & up); Bring sheets, blankets, towels, pillow (Epworth will provide linens for \$5.51)

Children ages 3-12 in room with adult: \$39.68; Teens (13-17): \$90.88; Please note: one adult in a room with one child/teen will pay single adult rate plus for child/teen; two adults with child/teen in room will both pay double rate and rate for child/teen.

**\*\*IMPORTANT!! IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL TEEN WOMEN REGISTERING FOR THE RETREAT STAY IN THE CABINS! \*\***

INDIVIDUAL MEAL TICKETS FOR THOSE NOT STAYING OVERNIGHT MAY BE PURCHASED ON SITE, IF DESIRED: BREAKFAST \$9.92; LUNCH \$13.79; DINNER \$15.99 (PRICES INCLUDE TAX.)

**INCLUDE FULL PAYMENT WITH RESERVATION FORM. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO EPWORTH-BY-THE-SEA OR USE CREDIT CARD:**

VISA # \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MASTERCARD # \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020 DEPARTURE DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020

INDIVIDUALS CANCELLING RESERVATIONS AFTER MARCH 10, 2020 WILL FORFEIT \$20.00 PER PERSON. ANY CANCELLATION DURING THE 72 HOUR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ARRIVAL TIME MUST FORFEIT THE NIGHT'S CHARGES. RESERVATIONS ARE TRANSFERABLE.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL REQUESTS (IF APPLICABLE) \_\_\_\_\_

ROOMMATE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

**NO PETS**

**NO ALCOHOL**

**CHECK IN 4:00 PM**

**CHECK OUT 11:30 AM**

## SATURDAY INTEREST GROUPS

Rank your top 5 choices (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) and send to Marguerite with retreat registration form (above). You will be assigned to chosen interest groups on a first come, first serve basis.

\_\_\_\_\_ **RETURN TO CALMNESS with Shirley Irvine**

Class combines mind, body and spirit connect with good health habits as we talk about stress, happiness, peace and gratitude. There will be demonstrations and class participation in chair massage.

\_\_\_\_\_ **WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO? with Nancy Hudson**

Nancy will explain just where the money is going and answer questions. Bring your note paper to make notes to carry this information back to your units and circles

\_\_\_\_\_ **SPIRITUAL MOMENTS WITH OPEN HEARTS AND BUSY**

\_\_\_\_\_ **HANDS with Sylvia Copp**

Enjoy making a wonderful craft while Sylvia shares spiritual moments

\_\_\_\_\_ **WORSHIP IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZE with Rev. Ted Goshorn**

Enjoy a unique style of worship with music that highlights simple phrases from scripture. The repetition is designed to help meditation and prayer.

\_\_\_\_\_ **TECHNOLOGY SYNOPSIS! with Victoria Horton**

Learn how to use technology. Demonstrations and fun help connecting with family and grandchildren. Bring your phone, I-pads and laptops. Jesus wants you connected!

\_\_\_\_\_ **I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW! with Cheryl King and Patsy**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Thomas**

Connect with women of the past and future as we learn to put Faith, Hope, and Love into action.

**“Free Time Options”**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Arthur J. Moore Museum Tour** - Guided tour beginning promptly at 2:45 Saturday afternoon with Anne Packard

\_\_\_\_\_ **Other ideas to be announced.**

**TEENS REGISTERED IN THE TEEN WOMEN'S RETREAT ARE AUTOMATICALLY ASSIGNED TO TEEN INTEREST GROUPS.**

[FOR OFFICE USE ONLY - Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_]

### ATTENTION TEEN WOMEN REGISTRANTS:

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE REQUIRED FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH YOUR REGISTRATION.**

#### Covenant for Teen Women at Conference Sponsored Events and Meetings

As a participant in the Spiritual Growth Retreat, March 20-22, 2020, I take seriously my responsibility and affirm my commitment to remain on the site of the event. I will attend all scheduled activities, sessions, and meals. I will observe curfew by being in my room, being quiet, and not disturbing others. I understand that anything considered illegal for minors (persons under 18) under civil and criminal law applies to this event as well. Therefore, I will obey all laws. I will not use tobacco, illegal substances, or alcohol, nor will I possess any firearms, weapons, or fireworks. I will respect the equipment and property of others and care for the facility which we share. Any damage to the facility will be the sole responsibility of the person(s) who cause the damage and the parent or legal guardian of each person responsible. This covenant is made between each teen and the entire group. I understand that if I break the covenant and if the brokenness cannot be reconciled, that my parent or legal guardian will be contacted and my participation in the event may be terminated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Teen Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Age

#### Parental Consent

I give my daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, permission to attend and participate in the Spiritual Growth Retreat, sponsored by the South Georgia Conference UMW, at Epworth-By-The-Sea, March 20-22, 2020. I am aware of the purpose of the event and understand the scope and nature of the programs and activities my daughter will participate in during this event. I have read the covenant which my daughter has signed, and I understand the responsibilities she has agreed to. I will support her in fulfilling this covenant.

I designate South Georgia UMW as chaperones for my daughter during the South Georgia Conference UMW Spiritual Growth Retreat. This covers all events on campus and/or off campus.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Insurance Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Group # \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Special Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Is the participant under the care of a physician for a medical problem?  Yes  No

If YES, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_