

The UMW Reading Program

For over 140 years, members of United Methodist Women and predecessor organizations have been involved in mission that includes prayer, study, and action. The Reading Program is a study opportunity, but it should also lead to action.

The purpose of the program is to encourage our members to:

- Expand understanding of and participation in God's mission.
- Increase sensitivity to all human beings-their needs, interests, and concerns.
- Encourage critical thinking about issues facing humanity today.
- Grow in understanding of Scripture as it relates to Christian faith in contemporary life.
- Strengthen involvement in local and global Christian mission.

About the books- Every year books are chosen to broaden exposure to a variety of concepts. Books are on the reading list for five years.

The books are organized into 5 categories.

- Education for Mission
- Nurturing for Community
- Social Action
- Spiritual Growth
- Leadership Development

Keep a record of the books you read on the reading form that can be downloaded from the UMW Reading Program website or by going to the North Texas Conference UMW website. The Reading Program begins in August and concludes in July when the reading reports are turned in with other reports to the Metro District .

The books listed here are from the 2017-2021 reading lists. The books we have in our UPUMC collection are highlighted. Other books may be available through your local library.

While the church is closed because of COVID restrictions, Diana Wilson has offered to have your books ready for pick up.

Email Diana at dianawilson@upumc.org before 9:00 am on Tuesday with the **category and the title** of the book you want.

Drive to the back parking area (used to be the alley) off Preston Road and pick up your book from the cart next to the covered doors between 11:00 -1:00 Tuesdays.

UMW Book Covers:

