

### Registration information

- All participants must pre-register and registration fee must accompany registration form(s). We will not accept late registrations or walk-ins.
- Drop-ins will not be allowed for childcare or children's program. Childcare requests must be received by June 30.
- Individuals with special needs should register by June 20.
- All registrations must be postmarked by **July 10**.
- There are no refunds for cancellations.

### Registrar – LaDonna Busby

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### Scholarships – Helen Musgrave

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### What to bring

- Clothing including sweater/jacket (classrooms/dorms air-conditioned) and walking shoes
- XL twin sheets, pillow, blanket, towels, washcloths
- Personal care items (shampoo, soap, mirror, etc.)
- Flashlight, study lamps, personal drink cup/mug
- Bible, textbooks, notebooks, devotional, tote bag

### Check-in

- University of the Ozarks, Seay Student Center, 1-3:30 pm Wednesday, July 26
- Golf carts available for those needing assistance

### Housing

- Participants are housed in University of the Ozarks dormitories with twin beds.
- There are NO rooms available with private bathrooms.
- If first-floor housing is requested, your roommate must have the same housing needs.
- All buildings on campus are smoke-free.
- Furniture is not to be moved in dorm rooms.
- Lost key replacement fee: door key \$60 and card key \$45. This fee applies to *everyone* issued a key.

### Textbooks

- Textbooks may be ordered from Mission Resource Center - [www.missionresourcecenter.org](http://www.missionresourcecenter.org) or purchased in the Resource Room upon arrival.

### Medical care

- No medical staff will be available. Bring first aid items with you

### Meals

Meal tickets are included in on-campus registration fee. Commuters or those staying off-campus are responsible for their own meals. Children under 5 eat free.

- Breakfast \$5.18
- Lunch \$6.38
- Dinner \$6.44

### Youth

Pay special attention to the tri-buddy agreement and code of conduct. These will be strictly adhered to.

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# Mission u

## 2017

**Arkansas Conference**  
**The United Methodist Church**

**July 26-29, 2017**

**University of the Ozarks • 415 N. College Ave. • Clarksville, Arkansas**

**Celia Wadsworth, Dean**

**Sponsored by:**

**Arkansas Conference Board of Global Ministries**  
**Arkansas Conference United Methodist Women**  
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### Mission Projects:

#### Socks and underwear for children & youth in foster care

This past year over 650,000 children spent time in the foster care system. On any given day there are more than 415,000 children in foster care in the United States, Arkansas is home to more than 5,600 children in foster care. Although Arkansas makes up only 1.3% of children in foster care in the United States there are only 1,500 foster homes in Arkansas. This means there is roughly one foster home for every four children in foster care. In order to help children in foster care in Arkansas, the kids and youth in attendance at Mission u will pair up and bag socks and underwear for children across the state. We are asking Mission u attendees to bring *new, unopened packages* of socks and underwear of all sizes and large reusable shopping bags to Mission u to donate.

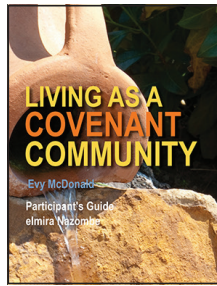
#### Red Bird & Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference's toiletries kits

We will have representatives from both the Oklahoma Indian and Red Bird Missionary Conferences in attendance at Mission u 2017 as adult study leaders for the Missionary Conferences study. As a second mission project, we will gather and donate toiletries for the study leaders to take back to their conferences. We are asking Mission u attendees to bring *new, unopened* full-size toiletry items including shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, body wash, bars of soap, band-aids, etc. to Mission u to donate.

**Any donations for the mission projects, including the tips raised by the youth for carrying luggage, will go toward both of our mission projects this year. Please bring/donate what you are able.**

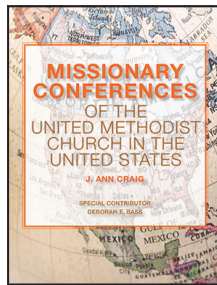
**Registration deadline: July 10**  
**There are no exceptions to**  
**the deadlines.**

# 2017 Mission Studies



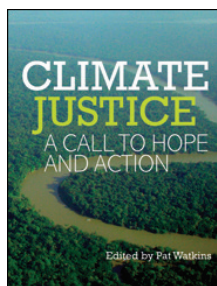
## Living as a Covenant Community

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.



## Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the United States

The aim of the study is to give an overview of the three missionary conferences in The United Methodist Church, the contexts out of which they grew and their current engagements: The Alaska United Methodist Conference, Red Bird Missionary Conference, and the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference are a hybrid of home and international missionary work.



## Climate Justice: Call to Hope and Action

will deepen your understanding and awareness of climate change and its impact on God's creation. The study highlights justice, peace, and integrity of creation as important dimensions of partnering in God's mission today. It offers participants biblical, theological, and ethical insights as the basis of their advocacy on climate justice in churches and in the public sphere.

### Deadlines – NO exceptions

- June 20 Special needs deadline
- June 26 Scholarship Application deadline
- June 30 Childcare requests deadline
- July 10 Registration deadline

Since we are studying Climate Justice this year we are discouraging the usage of plastic water bottles. Please bring your own reusable beverage container.

The study leaders for Mission u have spent much time and energy preparing for this event. Please show courtesy as a participant by:

- Attending all sessions of the studies with the study leader you have been assigned.
- Being prompt, attentive and respectful in all class sessions.

Additionally, as a participant you are expected to:

- Attend the plenaries each day.
- Take responsibility for all youth and children under your care when they aren't in class.

Let's work together to assure that this is a positive learning experience for all!

# Arkansas Conference Mission u 2017 Scholarship Guidelines

The Scholarship Program of Arkansas Conference Mission u functions to provide assistance to persons wishing to attend the school but without funds to do so. To maintain the integrity of the program while upholding the purpose of the Arkansas Conference Mission u, the following guidelines have been adopted for the coming year. **Failure to abide by scholarship guidelines may prevent persons from being considered as future scholarship recipients. Please keep this copy and follow these guidelines carefully.**

- 1) All applications **MUST** be filled out completely, including a paragraph explaining why the scholarship is needed on the back of the form. (Parents of young children may assist in this requirement.)
- 2) Electronic (e-mail) applications will **NOT** be accepted. Paper applications **MUST** be mailed to the AR Conference Scholarship Coordinator and postmarked by the deadline date to be considered for a scholarship – **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- 3) Youth requesting scholarships for a second, third, etc. year will be asked to provide hands-on service as part of their "repayment" for receiving the scholarship. They will be contacted concerning their work assignment within two weeks of the Arkansas Conference Mission u so arrangements can be made if they need to arrive at the Arkansas Conference Mission u early and/or depart later than normal check-out times.
- 4) Any one church may not receive more than 5 scholarships for persons who are members/attendees of that church. If more than 5 persons from any one church apply and funds are available after filling all other scholarship requests additional scholarships may be considered for that church.
- 5) Children and youth **MUST** have a parent or another adult attending the school who will be responsible for them at all times while on campus.
- 6) Persons receiving scholarships are expected to attend all classes, plenaries, and other scheduled activities during the Arkansas Conference Mission u.
- 7) Scholarships cover tuition, room and meals, but no books or other materials needed for the classes. Textbooks may be purchased from the Mission Resource Center prior to the school or in the Resource Room before classes begin at the school. Local units may choose to help with the purchase of textbooks.
- 8) Scholarships **DO NOT** cover transportation costs to the Arkansas Conference Mission u.
- 9) Priorities for scholarships include: first time attendees, ethnic minorities, persons with disabilities, women under the age of 35, first time local UMW officers, and persons with critical financial needs.
- 10) Elizabeth Thornburg Workman (ETW) scholarships will be reserved for children and youth.
- 11) Board of Global Ministries Scholarships will be awarded, as funds are available, one per district within the conference.
- 12) Scholarship recipients will be notified by e-mail or phone call within 10 days of scholarship deadline or at least one week prior to the registration deadline, whichever comes first. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RECIPIENT TO COMPLETE HIS/HER REGISTRATION AND SEND IT TO THE SCHOOL REGISTRAR, NOT THE SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATOR, BEFORE THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE.**
- 13) Persons receiving scholarships but finding they will be unable to attend should notify the scholarship coordinator as soon as possible so those funds can be used to assist others to attend the Arkansas Conference Mission u.



Register online at [www.ARMissionU.weebly.com](http://www.ARMissionU.weebly.com) and visit our Facebook group and page 2017 Arkansas Conference Mission u.



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