

Headquarters: Jackson Mississippi



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MISSION Statement (i.e., why do you exist)

The United Christian Women's Ministries encourages women of all ages to cultivate their relationship with Christ and provide services that will challenge, train, and equip its members and future generations for ministry, evangelism, and spiritual growth.

II. VISION Statement (i.e., what are you doing or will do for COCHUSA and its membership)

The United Christian Women's Ministries through faith and prayer will:

- **U**plift the name of Jesus
- Cultivate relationships with accountability = M
- Work to train, educate, build, and evangelize
- ~ Mentor women, new converts, youth, and children

GOAL(s) for '23 – '24 Church Year

- Communications Rewrite the UCWM Handbook and provide methods of information sharing.
- Work to support the Dioceses' ministry efforts.
- Continue the Sunday Night National UCWM Weekly Devotional & Prayer call.
- Initiate a multi-generational cohort to bridge the generational gap in ministry.

IV. MINISTRY INIATIVES (e.g., what new things are you doing)

Increase awareness, preparedness, and engagement in the ministry.

- Continue the relationship with CM&I by developing online courses for women that will equip them in the areas they serve.
- Provide opportunities and space for women to use their skills, gifts, and talents, especially their marketplace skills.
- Develop a women's resource and reference database to be made available on the UCWM website
- Increase ministry engagement of the ministry facilitators.

V. MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

Estimate of Current Operational Funds \$17,718.63, Savings \$17.933.90, and Investments \$70,564: Amount budgeted to spend or projected to spend during '24-25: \$13,000.

Means and Frequency of Board/Auxiliary Interaction during the Year: (e.g., written correspondence, e-mail, teleconference, meetings, etc.)

The women's ministry met for national prayer call, with exception of holidays that fall on Sunday. Devotionals are given, prayers are offered, and ministry updates are shared. The National Board is scheduled to meet by-monthly via zoom. Leadership training via zoom is scheduled to meet 4 time during the year. Written communication uses social media, texts, emails and GroupMe.

VI. MISSION INSIGHT (How will what you do help fulfill the mission of COCHUSA & how COCHUSA help can fulfill your mission?)

WE ARE COMMITTED TO BEING A COMMUNITY OF WORSHIPPERS:

Our Sunday night devotional and prayer call has been on-going for over 10 years. This opportunity provides the space for the women to share life experiences by way of a devotional that is uplifting and encouraging to all who listen in. These devotionals are recorded and available for later listeners. In addition, prayers are offered based on prayer requests sent into our email account. During the Lenten season, we pray corporately for 40 days and on the National Day of Prayer.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO A LIFE OF HOLINESS:

Our National, Diocese, District & Local boards are committed to walking in integrity thereby being a light to our church and community. As His ambassadors, we desire to reflect His love in services others.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO EVANGELISM:

We invite the community to all events held, whether virtually or in person.

- Our devotional book, Dear Lord, It Is My Prayer published in 2018 is, available on Amazon and Barnes and Noble, offers timeless insight and encouragement.
- The redesigned website will offer information in foreign languages which will allow our message to reach other cultures. In hope of reaching a boarder audience.
- Write a second edition Dear Lord, It Is My Prayer...

WE ARE COMMITTED TO ACCOUNTABILITY AND TO PURSUING EXCELLENCE

• Conducting Quarterly Diocese Round tables to listen, learn and share.

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- Executive Board meetings to plan, learn and share.
- Connect and support BAM initiatives.
- Providing the required quarterly reports to the National Leaders

WE ARE COMMITTED TO TRAINING:

- Conduct Officers training at the locally by providing topical teaching that supports their needs.
- Provide leadership development training during in-person meetings. Thursday training entitled "Lead with Smart Heart" recognizing that emotions place a role in how we lead.
- CMI- develop new online course offerings catered to women. This year the 3 courses continued.

• Create On-line Master Classes to equip and train the leaders of the women's ministry. The master class offered this year entitled "Women in Leadership", was a four-week opportunity. Taught thru CM&I.

COCHUSA can help fulfill this mission by supporting the National UCWM initiatives.

Forever Praying, *Linda Coleman McDonald,* National UCWM President

