

Great Miami River District



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E-NEWS

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Mission trip to Wesley Education Center and the Wesley Foundation

On Friday, April 11, we gathered and explored two mission sites. First we toured the Wesley Education Center. It is National Mission site located in Cincinnati. After lunching together, we then went to visit The Wesley Foundation which is located on the campus of the University of Cincinnati. Here are some of the "reviews" of the day along with some pictures.

There is nothing like seeing a mission site to better understand its purpose. At the Wesley Education Center I learned that putting children first has been their priority since 1920.

At the Wesley House I Learned that they have been serving the UC campus since 1925 (100 years!)

Deb Dunlop.



Did you know we support 90 National Mission Institutions across the United States, serving the needs of marginalized and vulnerable communities with the goal to: care for children; educated and develop youth; create economic opportunities; transform neighborhoods; provide housing?

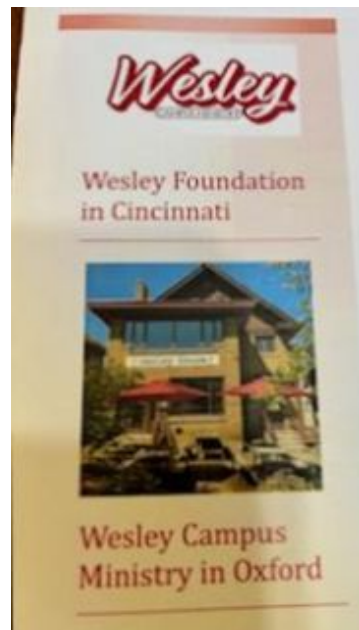
On Friday, April 11th, I had the wonderful opportunity to see this in action at the Wesley Education Center. Hearing about their history, seeing the remodel and meeting the staff was time well spent. We then visited the Wesley Foundation on the UC campus. What a great ministry for the students. Staff shared their stories with such compassion for what they do. Thank you Great Miami River for inviting me to experience UWF in action.

Paula Nourse, W.O. Conference UWF President



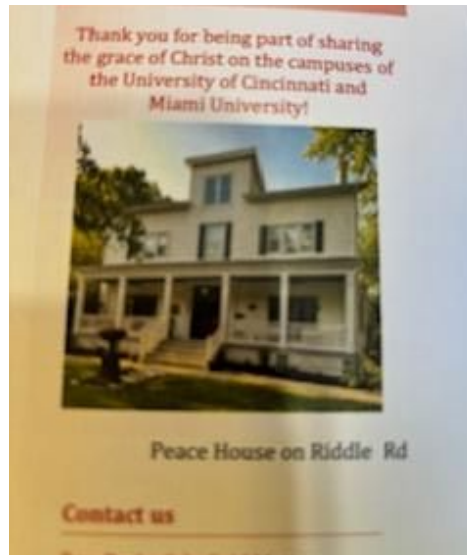
I was very impressed with the Wesley Education center. It was a clean, organized and lovely space, providing wonderful learning opportunities for the children of the community.

The Wesley Foundation Center was an inviting and 'homey' place for the students at U.C. It must provide a respite from the everyday challenging life on campus. I wish I had had something similar while attending college!
Susan Hodapp



On the first of two District Mission Trips I learned about the work and the needs of Wesley Education (one of our 90 National Mission institutions) and Wesley Foundation (the only Wesley Foundation remaining in Ohio). Wesley Education Center is completely remodeled, costing \$1.5 million. The Wesley Foundation owns and operates 2 houses in the UC community where student housing is provided. They also are partnering with Wesley Campus Ministry in Oxford, OH.

Both of these important missions are in need of volunteers and donations. I loved when Carla Butler at Wesley Education Center said welcome to YOUR building. The United Women in Faith and our predecessor organizations purchased the land and built the Education Center in 1920. It is the oldest daycare/preschool program in Cincinnati.
Jane Benner



Our second mission trip will be to Wesley Center in Dayton on July 11 and will start at 10 am. Specific details and registration will be in the May e-news.

West Ohio Conference United Women in Faith MISSION u 2025

Registration for Mission u is now open! In addition to the adult study, we also have separate studies for Children and Youth. Click [here](#) for access to all flyers and registration



Save The Dates

Watch future newsletters for more info on these events:

September 27- Annual Celebration

May 2026 - National Assembly in Indianapolis, IN

Time for Prayer and Conversation

Centering Prayer Circle

Wednesdays @ 3-4pm Eastern Time

This is a drop-in, on-going gathering. We meet virtually over Zoom. Each session will start with Centering Prayer, followed by conversations around spiritual topics using articles, books, and videos as prompts.

[Join Here](#)



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The National Office has many interesting events and gatherings such as Faith Talks, Voices of the Field, Podcasts and Webinars. Go to the United Women in Faith website to find out more and to subscribe to

their digital communications to stay up on the latest scoop by clicking [here](#).



At the end of September, the Legacy Endowment Fund total was \$41,787,023.00. We anticipate making our goal of \$60M by the end of the quadrennium in 2028. To learn more about this fund and how you can give to keep United Women in Faith strong for the future go [here](#).



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you provide. We DO NOT mail paper copies for the newsletter. Please make sure that someone in your unit is designated to receive, read and share the information. It's great if there is more than one person receiving the newsletter. We would love to send it to as many people as we can! Make sure to let 1st time readers know that it may show up in their SPAM or junk email. Any questions? You can contact me at pamela_L_harris@yahoo.com

Happy Easter!

Ongoing Events

1st Tuesday of each month

7:00pm ET

Just Energy for All Working Group

Wednesdays, 3-4 pm ET

Centering Prayer Circle