



# Legacy News



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## FOUNDATION HAPPENINGS

### Clergy Scholars Benefit from Alford Family Endowment

Six clergy members began participating in a new program, pursuing their Doctorate of Ministry degrees. In partnership with Methodist Theological School in Ohio, and with financial support from the United Methodist Foundation of West Ohio, the West Ohio Conference Office of Ministry began offering the special cohort with the Methodist Theological School in Ohio Doctor of Ministry program beginning in July 2022.

This partnership between West Ohio and MTSO is designed to support United Methodist clergy who are seeking next-level leadership opportunities and academic training focused on transformational change.

Named after its donors, siblings Ron Alford and Barb Cantlin, the Alford-Cantlin Fellows program is funded from the Alford Family Fund of the UMWFO.

### UMFWO Adds Four New Board Members

The Board of Trustees of the UMFWO is pleased to announce the addition of four new board members.

**Ms. Angela Griffin** is a higher education consultant who attends McKinley UMC in the Miami Valley District.



**Rev. Dr. Jocelyn Roper** is a retired District Superintendent from the Miami Valley District.



**Mr. Mike Stoner** is a financial planner and investment advisor who attends Stonybrook UMC in the Capital Area South District.



**Dr. Kathy Taylor** is a former educator who attends McKinley UMC in the Miami Valley District.



Members of the Board of Trustees have full governance and fiduciary duties related to the operation of the Foundation and serve a 3-year term. The new members were approved by Annual Conference in 2022 and join 9 other members currently serving on the board.

## **THE FOUNDATION NONPROFIT PARTNER PROGRAM (NPP):**

[Welcome 2022-2023 Foundation Nonprofit Partners!](#)

Nonprofit organizations with a United Methodist affiliation, partner with the United Methodist Foundation of West Ohio to further their capacity, outreach, and missions.

While these organizations are known in their local communities for their dedicated service to the disenfranchised and marginalized, donors in other parts of West Ohio may not know how they are extending the love of Christ and living out the Gospel. However, the Foundation's Nonprofit Partner Program is working to shed light on these organization's good works.

"We really want more folks to know about these organizations," said Foundation Executive Director, Susan Black. "They're doing great things!"

In 2013, the Annual Conference gave the Council on Development permission to launch a Conference Advance Specials program to help identify UM-related nonprofit organizations that didn't qualify for The Advance, but that were worthy of support. The program continued but didn't receive enough attention to motivate donors to give.

Enter the Nonprofit Partners Program in 2021.

"Last year, we decided to revamp the entire program," says Donor Relations Associate and program manager, Maddy O'Malley. "We created a review process and evaluation rubric to determine the strongest organizations, then invited them to participate. We're excited to share that all five organizations from last year are returning, as well as two new Partners."

A Nonprofit Partner is a faith-based 501c3 nonprofit organization focused on serving the needs of individuals in their community. They must be located within the geographic boundaries of the West Ohio Area and must demonstrate a connection to the United Methodist Church through United Methodist representation on its board and/or significant partnerships with multiple UM congregations.

"The organizations we've chosen will have the opportunity to get in front of our donors to highlight the impact they are making, and we plan to help further increase their capacity through support, training, and access to fundraising help," said O'Malley.

According to Black, "We know United Methodists are incredibly generous, and helping folks learn more about organizations right in their own back yards can help us grow their impact while focusing donor support in West Ohio. It's a win-win."

Here are the seven United Methodist Foundation of West Ohio 2022 Nonprofit Partners:

- Community Development for All People, Inc., Columbus, OH
- Kindway Prison Ministries, Westerville, OH
- Monroe Street Neighborhood Center, Toledo, OH
- New Life Community Outreach, Columbus, OH
- New Path, Inc., Tipp City, OH
- Serve City, Hamilton, OH
- Wesley Chapel Mission Center (Over-the-Rhine), Cincinnati, OH

## DONOR STORIES

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### Family Endowment Program Awards 4 Microgrants to WOC VBS Programs

When Ketha Robbins established the endowment, Clara's Kiddies Jesse's Vine, she created it in hopes of honoring her family's generational dedication to educating children about Jesus' love through Vacation Bible School. Since creating the fund in 2017, Ketha has not only honored her family's legacy, but continued to grow it. This year, in partnership with the Foundation, Clara's Kiddies Jesse's Vine, awarded 4 microgrants, its greatest amount to date.

After reviewing a vast list of impressive VBS Programs within the West Ohio Conference, the following churches were identified as recipients for the 2022 VBS microgrants: Marion Prospect UMC VBS, London First UMC VBS, Church of the Redeemer VBS, and Green Camp UMC VBS. Each were selected for their own notable impact, achievements, and benefits for the children they serve within their communities; yet all of them were able to utilize the funds to increase their educational resources and expand their engagement materials.

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