

# THE POWER OF **BOLD**

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ASSEMBLY 2018

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ASSEMBLY

May 18-20, 2018 • Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio

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COURAGEOUS** ACTIONS HAPPEN

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# I WANT TO PERSONALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME AT THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ASSEMBLY IN COLUMBUS, OHIO.

United Methodist Women is celebrating its 150th anniversary of women putting their faith into action by donating their money and time to help women, children and youth nation- and worldwide. "The Power of Bold" will be the Assembly theme. Throughout this inspirational and educational weekend, participants will revisit the journey of Mary, who boldly risked safety and security to answer yes to God's call to service.

The 2018 Assembly is particularly momentous in that it marks both the official celebration of the organization's 150th anniversary and a return to the location of the first Assembly in 1942. St. Louis was the original site for that first Assembly, but the women moved their meeting to Columbus because St. Louis would not allow white women and black women to congregate in the same space. They boldly united and switched to a location where ALL women could meet, worship and stay together.

Past keynote speakers at Assembly have included former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, PBS NewsHour host Judy Woodruff, Worldwide YWCA General Secretary Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, Grammy-award winner CeCe Winans and more.

When women unite, bold and courageous actions happen. In 1869, eight women came together to send a woman doctor and woman teacher to India and formed the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. One hundred and fifty years later, that society is the largest faith-based women's mission organization in the world. United Methodist Women has, is and will be a unique movement for transformation in our church and our world.

Assembly 2018 is a time for fellowship and opportunity to empower faithful women to be stronger discipleship leaders in their communities. Through moving worship services, inspiring speakers, immersion experience exhibits and riveting workshops and town hall-style meetings, you will leave Assembly with the knowledge, courage and determination to change the world as part of this daring and compassionate 150-year-old movement.

I know you are a BOLD woman and that you will want to attend this life-changing event. Please join me in May 2018.

Sincerely,

