



Faith & Funding

Missouri United Methodist Foundation

Fall 2015

Mexico Crosses Generational Border!

Mexico, Missouri is a county seat town set in the beautiful rolling hills of the middle of the state and where the spire of the United Methodist Church is a handsome landmark downtown. “Our church is fortunate to serve a truly multi-generational community of worshipers,” states pastor Karen Taylor, “and our Next Generations Ministry made a strategic decision to focus on children’s worship.”

A site for the new Children’s Worship became available when a tenant of Mexico UMC vacated a space in the education wing. The tenant was a community preschool that was neither a ministry of the church nor faith-based in its curriculum.

The church quickly made plans to “create an age appropriate worship experience for children that contributes to and deepens their spiritual formation separate from and during the adult worship.”

The new space was well suited for this ministry, however, it needed significant renovation. Church leaders wanted to create “a real WOW factor, and to provide radical hospitality” so they worked with a consultant for ideas for color, media technology needs, and furnishings. As the church crafted plans to engage volunteers and raise funds, they thought of the Ministry Grant Program of the Missouri United Methodist Foundation.

“This is the sort of well-planned project that connects church resources with ministry needs and connects to a larger plan for church vitality,” states David Atkins, Executive Director of the Foundation.



The church submitted a proposal that was reviewed and approved by the Foundation Board of Directors to receive grant support of \$5,000.

On a Sunday morning in July, the funds were delivered by Foundation Development Director Myles Hinkel. “We are so grateful for these funds that will enable this vital ministry,” stated Reverend Taylor.

Funding is in place for a part time staff person to oversee the ministry along with additional volunteer staff. Now, each Sunday following the Children’s Sermon, kids in grades K-5 head to their own worship room to learn and worship with music, bible story videos, bible time, game time, and prayer time.

The Ministry Grant Application Deadlines are April 1 and October 1. Learn more and download the application at www.mumf.org or call us at 800-332-8238.

Dollars for Scholars

Central Methodist University

Abby Addleman
Jacqueline Anderson
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Joseph Beem
Molly Block
Keonna Bush
Hayley Carroll
Kaitlyn Collins
Linda Craven
Wyatt Craven
Brandon Elkins

Clarice Fels
Michael Gardner-
Brown
William Glenn
Emily Hodges
Deryanne Hustead
Douglas Hutcherson
Anna Kay
Tiffani Knecht
Sierra Kolan
Bradley Nutter

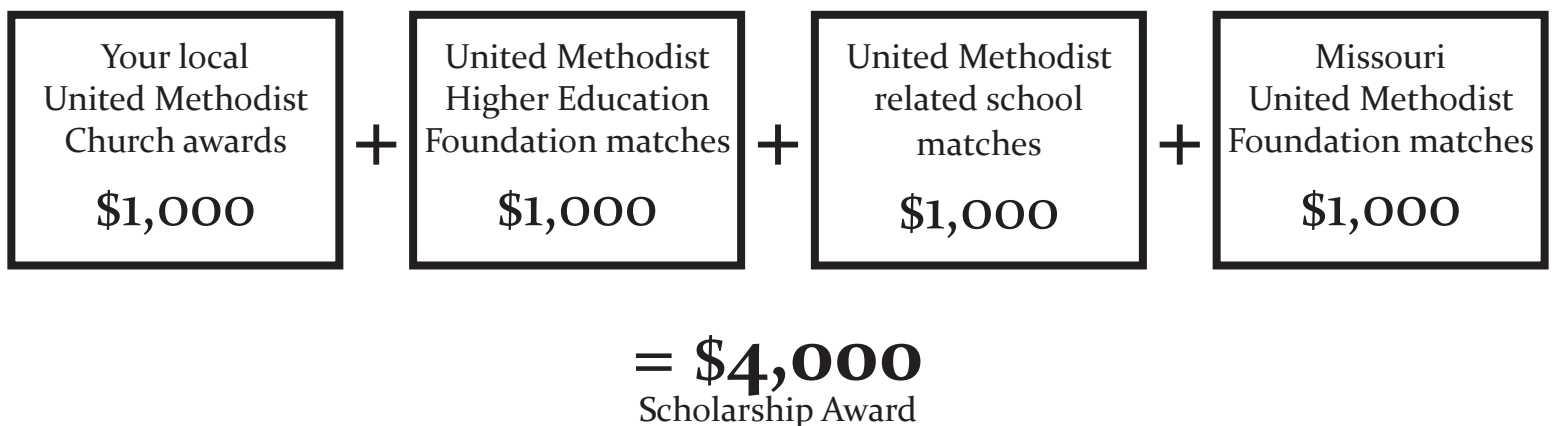
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Kayla Paulsmeyer
Abigail Peper
Lyndsey Phillips
Bailey Pyle
Addyson Reardon
Alexandra Richards
Kaitlyn Rogers
Breilly Roy
Madeline Siefkas
Scott Stegeman

Colton Tolias
Katelyn Walker
Denise Weigand
Miranda Weigand
Haley Willis
Hannah Willis
Emma Wyble
John Will

Saint Paul School of Theology

Britton Fields
Joy Gonzalez
Cassie O'Brien
Renaë Watt

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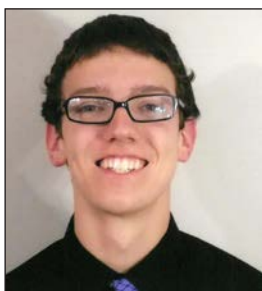
In 2015 your Missouri United Methodist Foundation awarded \$44,000 in matching grants to Missouri students attending Central Methodist University and Saint Paul School of Theology under the Dollars for Scholars program of the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation.

For more information visit our website www.mumf.org
or the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation website at www.umhef.org

2015-2016 College Scholarships

Mary Alice Reinhardt Scholarship Fund

Mary Alice Reinhardt served on the Foundation board and designated funds from her estate to establish a scholarship endowment at the Foundation. She was keenly interested in United Methodist campus ministry and served on the boards of medical and educational foundations where she focused on the needs of future generations. This year three students were awarded a Reinhardt scholarship each in the amount of \$1,000.



Noah Krueger
Truman State University



Nicole Rampley
Southeast Missouri State University



Jacob Seabaugh
Mineral Area College

Judge Leah B. McCartney Scholarship Fund

The Judge Leah B. McCartney Scholarship Fund was created by Leah's husband, Reverend Victor McCartney, as a perpetual memorial to his wife. The scholarship is a fitting memorial to one who achieved both educational and professional distinction. This year, two students received a McCartney scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 each.



Jarami Calhoun
Southeast Missouri State University



Lauren McClain
Missouri State University

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Merrydelle G. May Memorial Fund



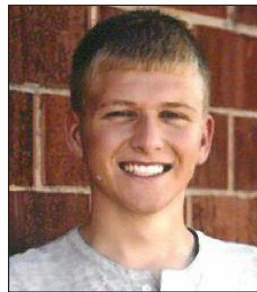
Merrydelle May was active in Methodist causes statewide, including Epworth Children and Family Services, Gambrill Gardens, and the Wednesday Club. A member of the Methodist Hall of Fame, Mrs. May held a masters degree in social work and was an avid supporter of higher education. This year, ten students received a May Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.



Patricia Busch
Missouri State University



Allyson Drummond
University of Missouri -
Kansas City



Jacob Johannigmeier
Missouri University
Science and Technology



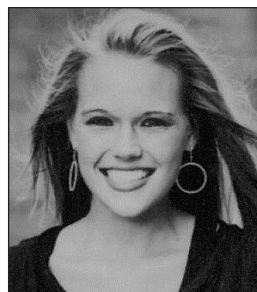
Robert McNeely
Missouri Southern
State University



Jacqueline Pecoraro
Truman State University



Brittany Rector
Missouri State University



Lauren Short
University of Missouri-
Columbia



Karley Smith
Southeast Missouri
State University



Amanda Talbot
University of Missouri-
Columbia



Claire Wolber
University of Missouri -
Kansas City



Clint & Marge Hawkins Memorial Education Fund for Youth

The Clint & Marge Hawkins Memorial Christian Education Fund for Youth was created to honor the Hawkins' lifetime devotion to the church and their dedication to promoting and sustaining the development of young people. This year, three students received a Hawkins scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.



Joshua Eifert
Missouri University
Science and Technology



Hannah McKenzie
University of Missouri-
Columbia



Mariana Villagrana
Missouri State University

Scholarship application materials are available on our website www.mumf.org or by calling the Foundation office at 800-332-8238.

Undergraduate scholarship applications must be postmarked by April 1st.

Ministry Grants

Fall 2014

Arlington UMC St. Louis- \$1,000 to help support “Wild on Wednesday” outreach program

Asbury UMC St. Louis- \$2,400 to upgrade security system

Ash Grove UMC Presbyterian- \$4,000 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Bolivar UMC- \$7,500 to renovate a second worship center

Camdenton UMC- \$3,000 for new A/V equipment

Central UMC Webb City- \$9,000 to upgrade the church kitchen to accommodate “Cooking for a Cause” expansion

Charleston UMC- \$2,500 Challenge grant to hire a director of children’s and youth ministries

Dogwood UMC East Prairie- \$5,000 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Elevation Church St. Louis- \$4,000 for Children’s Ministries portable worship supplies

Epworth Children & Family Services St. Louis- \$10,000 to help fund the Epworth Street Outreach Service (SOS)

Esther UMC Park Hills- \$1,500 for new A/V equipment

Gashland UMC Kansas City- \$6,500 Challenge grant for contemporary service equipment

Grant City UMC- \$3,000 for new A/V equipment

Jasper UMC- \$3,000 for new A/V equipment

Jefferson Avenue UMC Moberly- \$2,500.00 for new A/V equipment

Jefferson City First UMC - \$3,000 for new A/V equipment

Laclede UMC- \$4,500 Challenge grant to renovate the fellowship hall

Licking UMC- \$3,000 to create a new worship space in the fellowship hall

Missouri UMC Columbia- \$5,000 Challenge grant for theatre sized screen in multi-purpose room

Morning Star Church St. Louis- \$5,000 Challenge grant for a new network server

Newhouse, Inc. Kansas City- \$6,750 to help support the Night Emergency Shelter program

North Park UMC St. Louis- \$2,500 to begin Freedom Train Forums

North Park UMC St. Louis- \$3,000 to help support their after school program

Pathways UMC Oronogo- \$1,200 for a new kitchen freezer to support “Supper & A Story” mission

Pathways UMC Oronogo- \$3,000 for new A/V equipment

Shalom House St. Louis- \$2,500 to support the chaplain’s part-time position

Strafford UMC- \$3,000 to replace the sound system and install display televisions in the sanctuary

SunRise UMC Wright City- \$6,500 for new outdoor signs

Wesley UMC Sikeston- \$3,000 for a new sound system

West Plains First UMC- \$10,000 to renovate a second worship center

Wilcox UMC- \$900 for new A/V equipment

Woods Chapel UMC Odessa- \$5,000 to upgrade kitchen appliances for the “Adam’s Rib Ministry” project

Spring 2015

Ashland UMC St. Joseph- \$2,000 Challenge grant for LED lighting in the sanctuary

Ava UMC- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Central UMC Kansas City- \$4,500 to help develop the Kuomba Project into a ministry

Centralia UMC- \$2,500 for new A/V equipment

Community UMC Chilhowee- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Faithbridge Church Osage Beach- \$2,500 for new A/V equipment

Festus First UMC- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new flat screen displays

Good Shepherd UMC Kansas City- \$2,500 Challenge grant for additional live stream camera

Grand Avenue Temple UMC Kansas City- \$2,500 Challenge grant to hold A/V workshops and marketing for Lazarus Ministries

Harper Chapel UMC Osage Beach- \$2,500 Challenge grant to purchase a Smart Board for Children and Youth Ministries

HomeFirst STL/ Lafayette Park UMC St. Louis- \$5,000 to help renovate a property to house the homeless

Kearney First UMC- \$5,000 to renovate the Fellowship Hall into worship space

Lake Wappapello UMC- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Lewis Memorial Chapel UMC Eureka- \$2,000 for new A/V equipment

Manchester UMC- \$3,000 Challenge grant for band and sound equipment

Mexico UMC- \$5,000 to renovate space for children and youth ministries

Missouri Conference- Pastoral & Congregational Excellence- \$75,000 to provide support to the Ministry Fellowship Pilot Project

Missouri Conference- Pastoral & Congregational Excellence- \$23,000 to help fund the new Fellowship Program

Moscow Mills UMC- \$2,500 to add a storage and sorting building to the current food pantry facility

Mount Vernon First UMC - \$1,000 to provide supplies for the Back-to-School Backpack Project

Oakton UMC Lamar- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Pleasant Hill UMC- \$2,500 for new A/V equipment

Sedgewickville UMC- \$1,500 Matching grant for a new video projector

St. James UMC Kansas City- \$10,000 to help open a satellite campus

St. John's UMC Linn- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment

Tipton UMC- \$2,500 for a new exterior sign

Trinity UMC Kansas City- \$2,500 Matching grant for new A/V equipment

Trinity UMC Piedmont- \$2,500 Challenge grant to purchase new projectors

Van Buren UMC - \$2,500 Challenge grant to purchase chairs and A/V equipment for the new multipurpose hall

Washington First UMC- \$2,500 Challenge grant for new A/V equipment in the classrooms

Webster Hills UMC St. Louis- \$1,350 to help host the "Faith+Sexuality+Technology" workshop



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