

## Purpose of the United Methodist Women

The organized Unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of Women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

## Calendar of Events

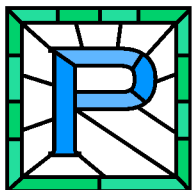
March 9	The Spiritual Growth Program
March 16	Sister's Act 3M Circle
March 20	Board Meeting
March 30	Friendship Circle
April 16	Seder Meal
April 20	Sister's Act 3M Circle
April 27	Friendship Circle

## The Spiritual Growth Program

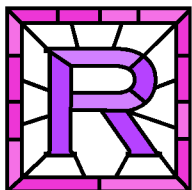
The Call for Prayer and Self Denial is the name of the Lenten program by UMW. Our program will be:

WHERE: UMC, Ridgcrest Room 2  
 WHEN: March 9 at 5:45 pm  
 Before the Ash Wednesday Worship Service  
 WHAT: UMW Quiet Day Program

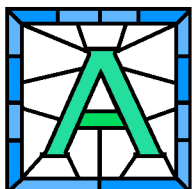
This is an opportunity to meet together with other women and devote some time to being with GOD. We will use this time to focus on Prayer.



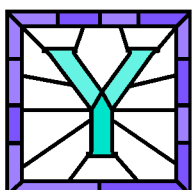
**P**raise God and give thanks for your blessings—your family, your friends, your pets, your home, our beautiful world.



**R**quest God's presence in your life. Ask God to stay close to you each day and night and to help you make the right choices.



**A**sk for God's forgiveness for things you did wrong and to help you forgive others who have hurt you.



**Y**ield your troubles to God. Ask God to help you through tough times such as when someone you love is sick or when you have a fight with a friend.

## Our Theme for this Year is: Pray, Serve with Love

Every year the Pasadena District United Methodist Women adopt a scripture verse to unite local units in prayer. This year the scripture is 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

*"We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers. We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."*



## Congratulations!

The Ridgcrest United Methodist Women received a Certificate of Appreciation for 2010. We are a 5 Star Unit!

The Five Stars are using the five channels of giving. Last year our unit gave

1. A Pledge to Mission and this also includes the offerings taken at special occasions.
2. Special Mission Recognition—in 2010 we recognized the service that **Linda Archibald** has done for the church.
3. Gift to Mission—we send cards to recognize some events (death, birth, etc.)
4. Gift in Memory—we burned the Candle of Commitment at our Annual Celebration in honor of **Louise Tankersley**.
5. World Thank Offering—this is the offering collected at our Thanksgiving Program.