United Methodist Student Day Sunday Talking Points

United Methodist Student Day: Prepare students to unite faith with knowledge

You may select an alternate date for your congregation’s observance.

Purpose

“United Methodist Student Day calls the Church to support students as they prepare for life in uniting faith with knowledge.” (Par. 263.4, The Book of Discipline 2008) Offerings provide scholarships and loans to deserving United Methodist students.

History

In 1866, a special fund was established for the advanced education of Sunday school children and the educational preparation of persons for the ministry and missionary service. The 1940 General Conference established Methodist Student Day with a churchwide offering. The 1968 Uniting Conference continued this connectional student-aid program to be funded by the United Methodist Student Day offering. Dates for taking the offering have changed through the years.

Recipients

United Methodist scholarships are administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM). Participating conferences may award scholarships to U.M. students who reside in the conference and who attend or will attend a U.M.-related college or university.

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