



WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST & UNITING CHURCH WOMEN

HELEN KIM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR YOUNG WOMEN

INTRODUCTION:

It was a long-held dream by many in World Federation leadership that there be a regular opportunity for young women to attend a World Federation Assembly and experience unique fellowship and community spirit. Prior to the Assembly they also have high quality leadership development training with people with similar interests and involvements from many other countries.

The programme is in honour of Helen Kim, who, as a young Korean woman, had a Christ-inspired vision of a world sisterhood. She dreamt of a time when women could work together '*to promote peace and better conditions in the whole world.*' The World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women is the outcome of that vision.

The hope is that the Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Programme will also inspire young women with visions of a world where there is:

- hope for the hopeless;
- security for the insecure;
- sufficient for the impoverished;
- freedom for the oppressed; and
- a voice for the voiceless.

1. Criteria:

Two young women from each of the World Federation Areas will be given the opportunity to attend the World Federation Assembly.

This is preceded by a Leadership Development Training Programme, in which they:

- acquire skills from an expert in leadership development;
- participate in community building amongst young women from all Areas;
- build relationships with members of the Executive Committee and the World Federation Representative/s to the United Nations.

2. Eligibility:

Helen Kim Memorial Scholars are:

- aged between 18 and 30 years at the time of the World Federation World Assembly;
- committed members of a Methodist, United or Uniting Church;
- involved in women's issues and/or church work;
- young women who have shown leadership abilities;
- able to state ways in which they will be able to share their newly acquired skills;
- nominated by a member of their local World Federation Unit; and
- endorsed by their Minister and the Unit President.

3. Selection Processes:

- The World Secretary will email the Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Application form to each Unit in the first week of August, one year prior to the World Assembly;
- Completed Application forms must be submitted to their World Federation Area Presidents by October 31st, one year prior to the Assembly;
- The Area Presidents, in consultation with her Area Vice-President, will short-list four Applicants and forward their Applications to the World Officers for final selection;
- The World Officers will inform the Areas of all names of the Scholars selected by December 15th, one year prior to the Assembly.

4. Financial Implications:

- The World Federation will provide two Helen Kim Scholars from each Area with accommodation and travels costs to the World Assembly; and
- After the 18 Helen Kim memorial Scholars have been selected, confirmed and fully funded, if nominating Units wish to send candidates from the remainder of the original short-list, they may do so at their own expense.

5. Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Capital Fund:

There is a Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Fund to provide income on an ongoing basis for each quinquennium.

Costs involved include travel costs for the 18 Scholars and the Facilitator/s, accommodation costs at the World Assembly venue, and any expenses in the Leadership Development Training Program.

6. Fund Raising:

- In 2016 at the 13th World Assembly in Houston it was agreed to dispense with the previously agreed US\$50 per Unit each quinquennium, because money from the increase in Affiliation Fees to US\$0.10 per member per year would provide sufficient funds for income for the Capital Fund;
- Individual donations and legacies are encouraged;
- Units are encouraged to raise funding through special collections at Area/Unit gatherings/functions, using effective ways or ideas relevant to their community;
- Other appropriate organisations and trusts may be approached for grants and donations; and
- Funding may also be received from organisations which wish to sponsor additional young women from a specific Area.

7. Time Line:

A bank account for the **Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Fund** will be maintained. It shall be solely for the Program and any change of concept or use of funds raised may only occur by decision of the World Executive Committee. Existing or new funding from other sources which fit within the criteria of the Programme may be added to the Fund.

8. Accountability:

- The World President is responsible for the implementation and overview of the Program.
- Information is to be published in every possible way, including *Tree of Life*; the World Federation website, circulars to Areas and Units, and in flyers inserted in all mailings.
- The Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Programme shall be encouraged at World Federation World Assemblies.
- All personal information shall be strictly confidential.



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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME

That each of the Helen Kim Memorial Scholars will:

- become familiar with World Federation aims and objectives, and the programmes and projects carried out by members and officers;
- discover how the World Federation is involved in people's everyday situations;
- share their own backgrounds and experience with the other Scholars;
- personally discover what it means '*to know Christ and to make him known.*'
- discover their own gifts, graces and potential, and the gifts, graces and potential in others;
- share or learn what the emerging issues are in their own context, and how these issues effect the women in their own region;
- share their understanding of 'leadership' within their own contexts;
- discover or reaffirm what their personal commitment is in response to their faith in God, and all of God's people;
- discover personally and collectively what 'God's Kingdom' is in today's context;
- develop a 'Vision Statement';
- complete an Evaluation Form after the event;
- become involved in the life and activities of the World Assembly, and participate in their own Area Meetings and Presentations;
- experience as much as possible the variety of activities held during the World Assembly to ensure that they have a wide experience of the World Assembly.



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APPLICATION FORM – 2022 WORLD ASSEMBLY

Family Name: First Name:

Title: Mrs Miss Ms Dr Rev Other:

Date of Birth: Email:

Address:

City / Town: Province / State:

Postal / Zip Code: Country:

Phone: (Country Code) (Area / City Code)..... (Number)

WFM&UCW Area: WFM&UCW Unit:

Special needs:

The language of the World Assembly will be English.

Do you require language support? Yes No If required, in what language?

Is there any other information about you that you need to share?

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Are you a student? Yes No

What are your main subjects?

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Qualifications already held?

Are you in employment? Yes No Is so, what is your work?

Where are you employed?

Who is your employer?

Are you a committed member of a Methodist, United or Uniting Church? Yes No

Are you involved in women's issues? Yes No If so, in what capacity?

Are you involved in church work? Yes No If so, in what capacity?

Are you a person who has shown leadership abilities? Yes No

How have these leadership abilities been expressed or used?

Why are you interested in becoming a Helen Kim Memorial Scholar?

How will you use the skills and knowledge acquired through the Helen Kim Leadership Training Programme?

Your signature:

Signature of Nominating person:

Signature of your Church Minister:

Signature of Unit President:

Signature of Area President:

Return completed form to: World Secretary - Mataiva D Robertson

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