



# AWF-UMW Mission u

## *There's Far More Here*

### THAN MEETS THE EYE

*So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without [God's] unfolding grace. [...] There's far more here than meets the eye. The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever.*

2 Corinthians 4:16-18, *The Message* (MSG)

We have known and felt what it is like when “things are falling apart on us.” We have experienced a great unraveling that has shifted, quite literally, everything.

Could there be, as 2 Corinthians put it, “far more here than meets the eye”?

**Mission u**, like many activities in our lives, has moved online. While virtual, we are still creating spaces for spiritual community, lifelong friendships, lessons that change us and our communities, and spiritual practices that arrive when we need them most. In a time when it looks like things are falling apart on us, God's grace is still unfolding and life is being made new.

Indeed: There's far more here than meets the eye. *Will you join us?*

At our upcoming **Mission u** (produced in cooperation with GNTV), we will examine anxiety, the culture of violence that impacts children in and out of schools, and how we as God's people can deepen our moral witness and respond faithfully.

Our 2021 **Mission u** will offer the following studies (you may take one class Friday and one Saturday)

- **Finding Peace in an Anxious World**, edited by Erin James-Brown; taught by Celeste Eubanks and Debbie Bracewell
- **Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools** by Monique Morris; taught by Zan Jones, Brenda Boman, Clara Ester, Kim Sanders
- **Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom: Living into the Church's Moral Witness Through Radical Discipleship** by Darryl W. Stephens; taught by Joyce Genz and Judith Pierre-Okerson

**Join us: Online July 22-24, 2021** (must register by July 12). Opening Worship is Thursday, July 22, 6:30-7:30 pm; Studies are July 23 & 24, 8:30 am-5:00 pm, including opening, breaks & plenaries. Continuing Education Credit is available. All donations will be given to the Equal Justice Initiative (Montgomery, AL).

**Register:** <https://www.awf-umw.org/> or mail in form to AWF-UMW Mission u, 3043 Headland Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303. Registration cost is \$10 plus \$15 per class (study book is included in class fee). Total cost for all sessions is \$40. A link will be sent to you after registration is completed to join the online sessions in real time.

