Mission u Report 2020

The Great Plains Conference UMW Mission u events were scheduled at three sites in Kansas and Nebraska and training was scheduled when everything was cancelled in April due to COVID 19. Mission u reimbursed the deans and study leaders who had made airplane reservations with their own credit cards get to training sites.

In August, the Reverend Bonnie McCord volunteered to lead the Finding Peace in an Anxious World study via ZOOM. We planned three sessions to make this available at convenient times for people. We had an all morning session with 11 participants, a weekend session with 9 participants, and an evening session with 12 registered and a possibility of 15 if there is interest. There was a great mix of Kansas and Nebraska folks and a great opportunity to get to know each other better.

Bonnie did a great job. She did a tutorial on ZOOM to help participants become more familiar with the program. The participants had a very positive response to the study. A couple of participants suggested that ZOOM become a 4th site for next year because it opened up Mission u to people with mobility/travel issues and people who are caretakers of loved ones and can't be too far from home.

At this time we are uncertain about what Mission u will look like next summer. We are beginning to prepare for all possibilities. I am currently in the process of contacting all members of the Mission u committee to see if they want to continue to serve. That list will be available in the directory when it is published.

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