

## 2023 Thelma Gregg Memorial Fund Nomination Papers

**Thelma Gregg Memorial Fund Award.** This award was family initiated to honor the spirit seen in the extraordinary mission service done by lay person Thelma W. Gregg. **She was particularly involved and interested in what is called “Advance Specials” of the Wisconsin Conference UMC.** ADVANCE Specials are missions of The General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) and UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) or projects within Wisconsin approved by the Conference Board of Global Ministries and they are diverse in scope and focus. The Conference ADVANCE Ministries and selected Global ADVANCE Ministries are listed online at the conference website. Additional GBGM ADVANCE missions can be found at [umcmision.org](http://umcmision.org). One hundred percent of the monies given to the ADVANCE go to the project since the expenses of administration are covered by apportionment.

The Thelma Gregg Memorial Fund Award is given to a layperson who has a Christ-like Spirit that focuses on the Mission Field at home and abroad, through their gifts of time, money and leadership. The person who receives the award is invited to select which ADVANCE Mission will receive a gift of approximately \$700 from the Memorial Fund. The awardee will also be honored at Wisconsin’s Annual Conference.

Information needed when nominating a layperson for the Thelma Gregg Award.

Type or print **all** the information asked on the application. We need to be able to contact you.

Submit it to Mary Balson, N5027 State Road 175, Fond du Lac, Wi 54937 or [mbalson43@gmail.com](mailto:mbalson43@gmail.com).

For questions call Mary Balson at 920-922-6332 or 715-495-1213

All material required and must be postmarked by April 15, 2022

Completing the Nomination application is usually best done by several people. Pastor does not need to be the person gathering and submitting the information.

Name of nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Church/Charge \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years working in missions. \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person for this application \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

On separate pages, included in the same enveloped and postmarked by April 15, 2022 include:

1. Pastoral Letter of Recommendation
2. Mission Involvement. See examples and suggestions on page 2 of this document.  
List activities and be specific, descriptive and concise.  
At the Local Level      At the Conference Level      At the Global level
3. Mission Leadership. See examples and suggestions on page 2 of this document.  
Describe leadership roles and type. Explain how the nominee acted as an individual or was in leadership in all group and church-wide involvement.
4. Brief biography which includes attitude of life, faith lived out, commitment and vision for mission.

## **Information that may be helpful in describing mission involvement**

\***Local** examples include any mission work done in the local church and/or community.

\***Conference** examples include promotion through “mission moments” of Ingathering and projects and ministries such as Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee or Harbor House in Superior and others listed at [wisconsinumc.org/Boards & Agencies/Board of Global Ministries](http://wisconsinumc.org/Boards%20&%20Agencies/Board%20of%20Global%20Ministries) or promoting visits and participating with Volunteers in Missions (VIM).

\***Global level examples** include promoting a specific ADVANCE missionary or ministry not in Wisconsin, serving as a member of a VIM trip not in Wisconsin and/or sponsoring or serving as a missionary. You can find more information on UMC worldwide missions at [umcmmission.org](http://umcmmission.org).

Please include at all levels:

\*Ministries and agencies your nominee has worked with,

\*Estimated length and breadth of involvement.

Is this an annual event done every year or a one-time activity?

\*How involved your nominee has been and if s/he has encouraged others to participate in the mission work in some way (baking goods for a fund-raiser, learning more about the recipient – perhaps through zoom or a visit, joining a VIM trip).