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Mission Moment

There is much said about this generation of youth. It seems each week, there is a new article about what millennials are...or are not doing.

In our Wesleyan tradition, we emphasize the presence of God's grace throughout our lives. Sanctifying grace is the way in which God does the work of transforming us, moving us deeper into the way of holiness. On this journey, a person is working out his or her salvation and they begin to practice acts of mercy. This is what happens when United Methodist young people are involved in ministries of discipleship and mission. Not only are young people engaged in this life of faith in the moments they are living in, but also they are taking on leadership roles in their local churches and conferences.

One of the ways that young people take action in The United Methodist Church is through the **Youth Service Fund**. The **Youth Service Fund** is fundraised and distributed by the youth. The **Youth Service Fund** is a fund supported by fundraising through donations from peers, organized fundraisers and money collected through youth events.

The distribution of these funds is decided by the young people. These funds are used in several different categories such as, faith sharing and outreach, leadership development, scholarship, ministry to at-risk youth and agricultural/vocational projects.

Through The **Youth Service Fund**, youth are empowered to go out and serve others and we thank them for their energy, passion and commitment to living out their faith in service to God's kingdom.