

In Memory of My Friend Hazel Nolan

I had a very difficult time during the Christmas holidays. Not only was I sick in bed for the entire holiday, but I also lost a very dear friend, Hazel Nolan.

I remember my very first time getting to know about the UMW organization when attending the NYC UMW Annual Meeting eight years ago. It was Hazel who invited me to join her to go. Since then we traveled together to attend UMW's meetings, leadership trainings, Mission u classes and all sorts of gatherings regarding the UMW.

She was my mentor, a sister in Christ, and a good friend. It was my privilege to see her every Sunday at worship service at the UMC of Port Washington. Not only did we worship at the same church, but we were also actively involved in church meetings, programs, bible studies, and children's ministries.

She was the person I could go and seek to discuss any church matters, insight into political issues, or simply advice in life. We shared our life journeys together as believers in many different areas of life. She encouraged me and shared her thoughts when I had difficulties serving as the Language Coordinator representing the NYC Korean UMW Network to the entire NY Conference UMW.

Those who knew Hazel, knew that she was a firm believer with strong opinions. Even when we had different views and opinions, we were closely connected by faith. Truly it was God's blessing that Hazel was part of my life journey in Christ.

Even though I will not see her on Sundays anymore, she will always be present with me in spirit.
Even though I will miss her greatly, she will always be in my heart.

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