

October Special Offering: **EMPOWER YOLO** and 2021 California-Nevada Annual Conference **Special Offering for DACA students**.

This month we're splitting the offering between two extremely important issues: domestic violence/vulnerable families and "Dreamers". This means half of the offering will go to **Empower Yolo** and half will go to the 2021 California-Nevada Conference offering to protect **DACA** (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) immigrants.

We are prioritizing the issue of domestic violence and assisting vulnerable families by donating half of this month's special offering to **Empower Yolo**. Empower Yolo is a local non-profit organization that provides 24 hour crisis support and emergency shelter for individuals and families affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, and child abuse. Besides safe shelter, they also provide restraining orders, family legal services, counseling, housing referrals, food referrals & distribution, emergency clothing, hygiene products, diapers, case management, and other services as needed. For more information, please see their website: www.empoweryolo.org.

The 2021 California-Nevada Annual Conference offering will support young immigrants living under the temporary protection of the **Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)**.

Currently DACA applications must be renewed every year. The cost to apply for renewal is \$495, plus additional legal fees to process applications through the immigration system. Sadly, many immigrant young people eligible for DACA struggle to remain in this country with their families because they have no one to help them understand DACA, provide them legal assistance or financial help for the cost of the legal assistance and application processing fees. The Special Offering will help those young people stay in the United States to work and study. For more information, visit the conference website at <https://www.cnumc.org/daca>