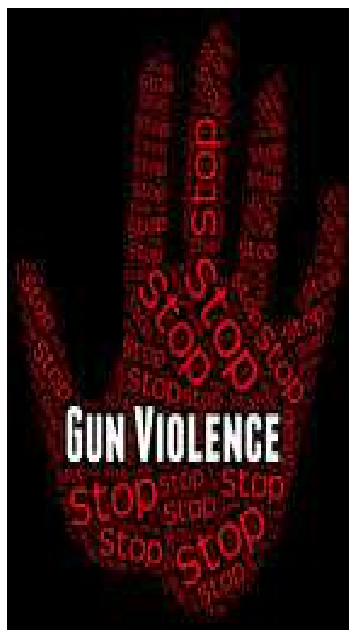


## GUN VIOLENCE IN MISSISSIPPI



- Mississippi ranked:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> in the U.S. in gun deaths (2014)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> in the U.S. in unintentional deaths by firearms: 3x national average (2014)
  - 4<sup>th</sup> in the U.S. for child and teen gun deaths (2013)
- JACKSON had the HIGHEST murder rate of any medium-sized city in the country (2016)

- Mississippi does not require a permit to buy or carry a handgun
- Mississippi has no laws that impose criminal liability for a minor that carries, uses or causes injury with a gun
- From 2000 to 2010, 508 Mississippi children and teens were killed by guns



## Mississippi's United Methodist Women say NOT ONE MORE!

- Contact Dot Portis, our state UMW Social Action chair, at [dhportis@bellsouth.net](mailto:dhportis@bellsouth.net) for more information on how you can help.
- Visit <https://www.umcjustice.org/what-we-care-about/peace-with-justice/gun-violence-prevention> for resources from the United Methodist Church on the issue of gun violence.