



January 2015

GOLDEN ISLES WALK TO EMMAUS

Welcome Your Newly Elected Emmaus Board Members

Please welcome the following new Board members. Each will serve a three year term from 2015-2017. As you already know, the Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus Inc. Board of Directors is a working board. This means that each assumes the responsibility for an area which supports the mission of the Walk to Emmaus. Following each name is their area of responsibility.

Cheryl DeZouche—Worship
Melinda Hollington—Treasurer
Dudley Hendry—Music
Mike Martin—Angels
Susan Bunkley—Team Selection
Amy Hitt—Sponsorship
Susan Hohenstein—Alternate

Normally we elect five Board members with two alternates but this year was unusual in that there were six vacancies to be filled. This left us with only one alternate. Alternates are available in the event a Board member is unable to complete the full three year term.

Each Board member will also need a committee to help them to carry out the work of the Board. If you are asked to serve, please give it your prayerful consideration. If you would like to serve on one of these committees, please contact Linda Dillingham at: ldillingham@tds.net.



Extending our deepest and heartfelt sympathy to the family of Elaine Spaulding Moore. Elaine went Home to be with the Lord on December 24, 2014. Everyone who knew Elaine knew of her infectious smile, helpful spirit and love for her family. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her, especially her Emmaus family. A memorial service will be held January 3, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church Brunswick, 708 Mansfield Street, Brunswick, GA. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital are requested in her honor.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Your Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus community needs your help. As you know we have spring Walks already on the calendar. As of this date, there are only 23 Men and 18 Women applications on file. As you are aware, it takes a minimum of 50 applications on file to fill one walk with 36 pilgrims. You may wonder "why so many?" Even though 36 applicants are notified, for many varied reasons they are not all able to attend. When there are extra applications on file, we can then proceed immediately to invite until the Walk is filled to capacity. This can only happen if we, the community, sponsor pilgrims. Commit to pray about who God would have you sponsor. Once He has placed that person on your mind, ask them. It's just that simple. Are you sponsoring someone to attend the spring Walks? Now is the time to get those applications in.

5 Ways to Strengthen Your Emmaus/Chrysalis Community in the New Year...

1

Grow a Culture of Giving

A strong community helps other communities grow. One way to accomplish this growth is by contributing to The Gift (see December Newsletter), an initiative that helps Christians throughout the world experience The Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis. Your Donations assist emerging communities with start-up needs such as leadership training, program resources and more.

2

Share “*Loving the World with God*” with a New Pilgrim

Loving the World with God invites Pilgrims and Butterflies to continue their walk by exploring not only the “what” of serving others but also the “why and how” we live as the hands and feet of Christ. **Order a copy by April 30, 2015 and use code LTWG10 to receive a 10% discount off of your purchase of *Loving the World with God***

3

Checklist for Leadership Transition in the New Year

This is the time of year when most Emmaus and Chrysalis Boards transition to new leadership; it’s also one of the busiest times of the year in the local church. As new Board members begin the year, use the following checklist :

- Pray for in-coming Board members on a regular basis
- Be open to serving on Board committees if asked
- Outgoing Board members make sure notes/notebooks available to new Board members

4

Check-in with Your Pilgrims and Butterflies

Don’t forget that sponsorship doesn’t end at the close of a Walk to Emmaus or Chrysalis weekend. Whether you’ve been a sponsor in the past 3 months or the past 13 years, now is a great time to check-in with your pilgrim or butterfly.

Prayer—invite them to pray for others on the Upper Room Living Prayer Center Wall

Study— Refresh their devotional practice with Fourth Day Forward or Taking Flight.

Action— Inspire them to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world with Loving the World with God by Rebecca Bruff.

5

Share Your Fourth Day Story With Others

What is your Fourth Day story, and how are you sharing it with others?





Ladies, is one of your New Year Resolutions to spend more quality time with the Lord? There is a perfect opportunity to do just that. The Grace Place, 608 Second Street, Brunswick, is having a community-wide “**Hearts for Him**” - **Ladies Day**, Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015 from 9:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. Coffee and snacks will be offered @ 9:30.

Elizabeth Wolfe, will be the featured speaker. Elizabeth, a sought after speaker & humorist, will be sharing life lessons learned as a wife, mother, grandmother, Bible teacher, Interior Designer and writer. Emmaus ladies Annie Akins and Robyn Kicklighter will be sharing worship through music. For more information contact Dottie Short (GIWTE #23, Table of Naomi) at dottiedshort@gmail.com or (912) 223-6446.

This is a free event but a Love Offering will be taken to help with speaker/musician expenses.

“The eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.” ~ 2 Chronicles 16:19 (NAS)

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Although the newly designed Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus website is still under construction, you can go online at goldenisleemmaus.org to check out the progress. We think you will be pleased.

Girls Journey Flight will be February 13-16, 2014 and the Boys Journey Flight will be February 20-23, 2014. Flights are held at Tattnall Campground in Claxton, Georgia. Applications may be obtained from our goldenisleemmaus.org website, under forms or for more information on registering a caterpillar or a willing servant application contact Amy Murray at : city-manager@windstream.net, or (912) 237-3502

GOLDEN ISLES WALK TO EMMAUS BOARD MEETING

GIE Board Meeting January 17, 9 AM Brunswick FUMC, Miller Building

Emmaus community members are always welcome at Golden Isles Emmaus Board Meetings normally held the third Saturday of each month at the Miller Building behind Brunswick First UMC.

Upcoming Events

If you would like to offer your church as a location for a Gathering please contact Gretchen Bell at gbell_31566@yahoo.com

Happy New Year—Jan. 1, 2015

Note: January Gathering will be the 2nd Friday of the month instead of the first Friday.

Gathering Jan. 9, 2015 at 7:00 PM— Woodbine UMC, Woodbine

Gathering Feb. 6, 2015 at 7:00 PM — Kingsland FBC, Kingsland

Journey Flights: Girls –Feb. 13-16; Boys-Feb. 20-23, — Tattnall Campground in Claxton.

Gathering March 6, 2015 at 7:00 PM — Nahunta FBC, Nahunta

Men's Walk #27—April 16-19, 2015—Gene Barber, Lay Director

Women's Walk #28 — April 23-26, 2015—Lucy Hunter, Lay Director

“Come Holy Spirit and fill the Hearts of the faithful. Kindle in us the fire of Your love.”