



GOLDEN ISLES WALK TO EMMAUS

August 2016 Newsletter

From the Desk of our Chairwoman:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus Board of Directors.

The Board works year round not only to plan and implement Walk Weekends, but also to ensure our community supports the Upper Room Walk to Emmaus mission and vision.

Each month, fourth day leaders embody Jesus Christ when we come together and pray that God's Will would in fact be done each time we are gathered together either in meetings or at Gatherings. It is the collective prayer of the Board that God be glorified through our communication, our plans, our training, preparation for Walk Weekends, and especially in the Walk Weekends themselves.

I am so grateful for everything that is done but mostly for the Board's willingness to be the hands and feet of Christ.

I am reminded again how quickly the Fall Walk Weekends are approaching. There has already been so much preparation and it continues as formal team meetings and training begin this week.

Please pray for the Lay Directors, Fred Dezouche and Gail Ashurst, as well as the conference room teams and support teams. Pray for the pilgrims God has chosen to be present and their sponsors.

Please pray for our Emmaus Community.

I am so excited to watch God work through so many people!

--Melinda Hollington

Men's Walk #31 and Women's Walk #32

Upcoming Events

- Men's Walk # 31 September 8-11, 2016
- Lay Director: Fred DeZouche

- Women's Walk # 32 September 15-18, 2016
- Lay Director: Gail Ashurst

** Send-off is 7pm from Lions Camp; Pilgrims begin arriving at 6 pm

** Candlelight is 8 pm at Lions Camp for the Blind, Waycross. Please don't be late!

** Closing on Sunday at 3:30 pm (Pilgrims arrive at 4:00 pm)

REQUEST FOR TABLE AND PILLOW AGAPE!

Take a moment to reflect on the abundance of love that we each experienced on our walk.

If you remember, we would leave the Conference Room for yet another meal and return afterwards to find gifts of love on our tables.

And the gifts kept coming, not only on our table, but also on our pillows at night! Over the weekend we learned that these items are known as table and pillow agape.

After my walk, I put the agape items I received in a special place and every few months, I pull them out, go through them, and smile.

I am still overwhelmed that people I didn't even know created these special acts of love to make me feel oh so loved over my weekend!

We are quickly approaching the Fall walks, and as your Agape Board member, I ask you to kindly think of an agape gift you (or your reunion group) can make for our pilgrims.

The Agape team needs both table and pillow agape!

With the convenience of the internet, there are a ton of ideas for you!

Pinterest is an amazing tool to use as well, so let's get our "craft on" and start making some agape to share with our new pilgrims.

To make sure there are enough items for each person in the conference room, please plan on 70 items for each walk. You can make something for the men's walk, the women's walk or both walks!!

Thank you in advance for making a difference in someone's walk!

DeColores,
Lisa Triola
GIWTE #15
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[CLICK HERE to Contact Lisa for Additional Information about AGAPE](#)

Community Gatherings

August 5 at 7:00 p.m.
Glynn Baptist

September: NO GATHERING due to the Walks

October 14 at 7:00 p.m. (PIO Party)
College Place UMC

If you would like to offer your church to host a Gathering in the future, or would be interested in sharing a Fourth Day testimony, please contact Phil Scott at scottjp@comcast.net for more information regarding what is required of a host church.

Reflections from the Heart

Helping Others

--Jeanie Hoffman
Coastal GA Walk to Emmaus #65

As many of you know, I am a native West Virginian, and I have never been more proud of my heritage than recently during the devastating floods.

The television media did not show people screaming, shouting, and demanding immediate help from the government. Instead you saw people jumping in and doing what needed to be done – cleaning up, serving food, providing shelter to those who had lost everything. The Greenbrier, an exclusive resort in one of the flooded areas, opened their doors and housed and fed many of the victims. Neighbors helped neighbors, sharing everything they had with the less fortunate.

God created us to love others and to be His hands and feet here on this earth. We may not be able to travel 600 miles to help the flood victims in West Virginia or go when other disasters happen, but we have the opportunity to help others in ways such as serving on the Emmaus walks.

We can show God's love by working in the kitchen, being an angel and cleaning up, making agape gifts, praying, working in the conference room and doing many other things that need to be done to have a spirit-filled weekend.

Remember how blessed you were and how special and loved you felt on your walk.

Now is your time to give back and to help others.

Prayer

--Martin Turner
GIWTE #1
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[CLICK HERE to Sign-up for the Prayer Vigils for Walks #31 and #32](#)

Prayer can be described as a time of opening yourself up to your Creator and the pouring out of your heart about what you want God to do through you and in you.

Please commit to pray for Walks #31 and #32.

Prayer is essential to the life of all believers, and prayer is essential to cover the Pilgrims with the awesome presence of His Holy Spirit.

Jesus talked about prayer:

“And when you pray” (Matthew 6:5).

“My house will be called a house of prayer” (Matthew 21:13).

“If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer” (Matthew 21:22).

“My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.” (John 17:15).

“My prayer is for them alone, I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message.” (John 17:20).

The followers of Jesus prayed in the upper room:

“They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers” (Acts 1:14).

The early Christians prayed:

“They devoted themselves to the apostles teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer” (Acts 2:42).

Peter prayed before the healing of the Lame Beggar:

“One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer-at three in the afternoon” (Acts 3:1).

Paul told the Group in Romans:

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer” (Romans 13:12).

He also said:

“My prayer for you is that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God” (Philippians 1:9, 10, 11).

Colossians 1:9-12 makes it clear that we are to pray for others:

“For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father.”

The message is clear.

**WE ARE TO PRAY AND COMMUNICATE WITH OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.
WE MUST PRAY AND UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS IN CONTROL, AND ONLY HIM.**

Without His leadership, Emmaus is merely something that men put together, so please join with me and commit to pray for these walks.

Let's pray, pray, pray, pray, pray, pray.

It's simple to sign up for the Prayer Vigil. Just CLICK on the button ABOVE to sign up to pray for the Pilgrims as well as the whole team.

God Bless You and have a Blessed and God-Filled Day.

Chrysalis and Journey Information

--KK Oswald
South GA Coastal Chrysalis #16

Chrysalis and Journey flights are the youth and young adult versions of the three-day Walk to Emmaus experience. The purpose of Chrysalis and Journey are to introduce people to Christ and to strengthen people's walk with Christ.

My name is KK Oswald, and I am from St. Simons Island. I went on South Georgia Coastal Chrysalis Flight #16 in the summer of 1997. I was already a strong Christian and involved with a youth group at St. Simons United Methodist Church and in the Gathering Place, but Chrysalis dramatically changed my life.

It was the first time in my life that I felt that God was tangible and that I could actually feel his presence. I have never forgotten my weekend experience. It was the single most defining moment in my Christian life, and I am still living out my Forth Day. I have stayed involved with the Chrysalis and Journey communities, and I am currently the board chair of Dayspring Chrysalis and Journey.

Dayspring Chrysalis and Journey wants to reach out to make sure the Golden Isles knows they are welcome to attend our events, sponsor caterpillars, and work our weekends that are held at Tattnall County Campground.

I will be more than glad to come and speak to any church group or church leadership interested in finding out more about Chrysalis and Journey.

Please find out more about us by clicking on the button below.

DeColores!

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[CLICK HERE for More Information about Chrysalis and Journey](#)

Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus Board Meeting

GIE Board Meeting August 20th, 9 AM Brunswick FUMC, Miller Building.

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