



GOLDEN ISLES WALK TO EMMAUS

November 2019 Newsletter

As the board begins to plan the next walk, you as a member of the community need to begin praying about sponsoring a pilgrim. We cannot depend on other people to do so; we have to do as Jesus tells us, to go and seek God's glory and be disciples, "By this my father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples" John 15:8. The burden of the walk falls upon you. I pray that you will take the challenge to heart, and provide pilgrims for a full walk.

The following is taken from the website: <https://today.reframemedia.com>
"Go and make disciples of all nations ... teaching them ..." — Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus' last command to his followers was that we make disciples. Disciple-making is a process in which we develop spiritual friendships and watch what God will do. Before you can make disciples, you need to be a disciple. Disciples believe that Jesus has full authority in their lives. They believe Jesus is working today in this world through the Holy Spirit. They believe that what Jesus taught is true; he is the Son of God and the Savior of the world.

As we read in our passage for today, some of Jesus' disciples still doubted. That didn't disqualify them from being disciples; it just meant they were curious human beings who couldn't figure everything out. The implication for our mission is clear. Making disciples means getting involved with people. Jesus' disciples hung out with Jesus in order to be sent out by him.

Who in your circle of relationships is close enough to see how you live? Who is close enough to see how Jesus has changed your life? What are they seeing?

Prayer...

Jesus, you have called us to be your disciples, taught us how to live, and sent us to make disciples. Help us now to live lives that reflect your grace.

In your name,
Amen.

So please pray that God sends you to the right person to be an Emmaus Pilgrim, and that He gives you the encouragement to ask that person. Remember, it takes one drop of water at a time to fill a bucket. All I am asking for is that one drop!

DeColores,
Dave DuBois

Share the Love
(aka “Become a Willing Servant”)

Let's relive some of your favorite “Walk to Emmaus” memories. Do you remember the fellowship? New friends? Candlelight? Meals (and those snacks!)? The skits? The chapel? Prayer time? Communion? Dying moments? The letters? And all the love that surrounded everything? How would you like to re-live those memories and share the love **YOU** felt during that weekend with others? Become a “Willing Servant” for the Pilgrims who will be on future Walks of their own. It takes a **LOT** of willing servants to make the “Walk to Emmaus” the experience it is for pilgrims, just like you once were. By being a willing servant, you get the opportunity to see those special moments from a different perspective and remember your journey. You get to “share the love” and help make this a memorable experience for the Pilgrims on their Walk. That old saying is true – it is better to give than receive. When you work on a Walk, you receive so much. Those of you that have worked a Walk know what I'm talking about!!

So, how do you become a “Willing Servant”? Easy, fill out and turn in a “Willing Servant” form. There is a link included at the end of this article that will take you to the form to fill out. There are also forms available at the Gatherings each month. If you have filled out a form in the past, how long ago was it that you turned it in? Because of people moving, info such as phone numbers changing, health issues coming up, people passing on, or even just no longer being involved with Emmaus – the forms are purged every few years. Even if you have worked a walk, **ALL** the forms are purged every few years. The bottom line is, if you have **NOT** filled out a new form in the last 3-5 years ----- **FILL OUT A WILLING SERVANT FORM** .. If you cannot remember when you last filled out a form --- **FILL OUT A FORM**. Also, if you have recently filled out a form and have not been called to work on a Walk and would like to, feel free to speak up and let someone know. You can let any of the Emmaus Board Members or the Lay Directors for the upcoming Walk know, and they will get your name to the person who needs it. We even have a need for a few more background workers on the upcoming Walks! **Share the Love – Become a Willing Servant.**

Now, when did I last fill out a form?

DeColores,
Cindy Jones
Sponsorship Training

P.S. As stated at the PIO Party, if you couldn't attend Sponsorship Training, let me know and we can arrange for training. So far, we have tentative plans to have training sometime in January 2020 in the Brunswick area – more when final plans are made. Text or call me **912/288-0988**

[Click HERE for Information to Become a Sponsor](#)

[Click HERE for Pilgrim Applications](#)

[Click HERE for the Upper Room Walk to Emmaus Website](#)

The Reunion Group

Reunion Groups - Are you in a Reunion Group?

If the answer is “yes”, you know the benefits, blessings and joy of being in relationship with others who share the vision of a life directed wholly to God through Christ. Reunion groups are a way to stay Christ centered as you go through your Fourth Day. If one is not Christ centered, then it's easy to be led away from Christ.

How does a Reunion Group work?

A group is typically made up of 2-6 people that meet (ideally) once a week at a regular time for about an hour. The where and when don't matter as much as the regularity of meeting--that is the strength of the group. The

focus is on the **Reunion Group Card** that is given on the last day of the walk. Each person shares briefly how they have seen God working in their lives, how they have served God, and where they are falling short. There is accountability as plans are shared for prayer, study and action. Moving through the questions on the card keeps the group focused. Everyone in the group is equal. There is no group leader. Each member takes responsibility for the group. Commitment is very important for the group to succeed.

How do I get into a group?

There are some established groups that accept new members. The listing of groups is on the website [Reunion Groups | Golden Isles Emmaus](#). There is a contact name and information on this website. Otherwise, it is up to an individual to connect with someone from their walk, another Emmaus person(s) from their church or in the same vicinity as they live. The best place to start is to find just **ONE** other person to join you and to make the commitment.

What else does a Reunion group do?

Remember the agape on your walk? Reunion groups are key to supplying much of the agape that is provided.

- Sponsoring is usually discussed among Reunion group members. Support and excitement for each upcoming walk is under girded by strong reunion groups.
- Study can be part of the group's goal aside from going through the card.
- Retreats and other activities are a good way for bonding in the group.

What are you waiting for? Get in a group...form a group! You will be glad you did.

[Reunion Groups | Golden Isles Emmaus](#)

ATTENTION NEW PILGRIMS

If you share an email address with your spouse, you need to sign up on **Ministry Manager** <https://ministrymanager.upperroom.org/> with a different email. You cannot have a shared email on Ministry Manager. Contact **Anne Wojcik** at annewojcik59@gmail.com if you have any problems with this. Everything in Emmaus is email driven, so it is very important that we have correct email addresses for all members.

ATTENTION MUSICIANS:

If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts at Community Gatherings or Walks, please contact **Jim Hitt**, the Music Board Rep, at: (912) 614-4701 .

Upcoming Events

Community Gatherings:

Friday, November 1st--7pm
Waynesville Missionary Baptist Church
25486 Highway 82
Waynesville, GA 31566
Brantley County, Just down from the Glynn County line

Friday, December 6th--7pm
Wesley United Methodist Church
6520 Frederica Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522

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 **Matt Beckham** at 912-275-3898 for more information regarding what is required of a host church.

Reflections from the Heart

Thankfulness

"Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. Let this food to us be blessed." "Thank you, God, for this day and this food. Amen." "God, bless this food to the nourishment of our bodies, and us to your service." "Good bread. Good meat. Good God. Let's eat!"

We often stop to thank God for the food He provides, especially at family gatherings like Thanksgiving. This year I encourage you to go beyond thanking God for food. Thank Him for the people He has placed in your life, and the experiences He has provided.

Has someone ministered to you in an unexpected way this year? Take time to remind them of how they served you, and thank them for allowing God to use them in that way.

Christmas is near, with its annual case of "Gimmies." Cultivating a thankful heart in yourself will influence those around you to do the same. Instead of looking for things you want to be blessed with, look for ways you can be a blessing!

God calls us to...

'Do all the good we can,

By all the means we can,

In all the ways we can,

In all the places we can,

At all the times we can,

To all the people we can,

As long as ever we can.'

– Author Unknown

How will you fulfill that calling?

De Colores!

Trisa Chancey – Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus #2 – Table of Mary

Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus Board Meeting

The next GIWTE Board Meeting will be held on December 7th at 9am

Emmaus community members are always welcome at Golden Isles Emmaus Board Meetings, which are normally held the third Saturday of each month in the **Open Door Classroom at First United Methodist Church**
1400 Norwich Street
Brunswick, GA 31520