



GOLDEN ISLES
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February 2021 Newsletter



Greetings All,

It is my prayer and hope that each member of our Community will get involved with either sponsoring a Pilgrim or being a willing servant on our next walks--As you remind yourself of the agape love felt during your weekend and how great it is to pass that along to someone else.

Galatians 5:13 13 "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love."

We are called to serve one another in love. What better way to display the love of Christ through you than to sponsor or serve? If you think you lack experience, remember the Ark was built by amateurs and the Titanic was built by professionals. The only requirement to serve is to love.

Little is much when God is in it, remember the story of the 5 loaves and 2 fish feeding the 5000.

The following story is a good illustration of what can be accomplished with little effort. Serving one another is part of a Christian's calling. The following illustration is a prime example of what can be done with enough energy to light a night light.

The following was written by Craig Brian Larson, "*The Strength to Stand and Stay*".

In 1972, NASA launched the exploratory space probe Pioneer 10. According to Leon Jaroff in *Time*, the satellite's primary mission was to reach Jupiter, photograph the planet and its moons, and beam data to earth about Jupiter's magnetic field, radiation belts, and atmosphere. Scientists regarded this as a bold plan, for at that time no earth satellite had ever gone beyond Mars, and they feared the asteroid belt would destroy the satellite before it could reach its target. But Pioneer 10 accomplished its mission and much, much more. Swinging past the giant planet in November 1973, Jupiter's immense gravity hurled Pioneer 10 at a higher rate of speed toward the edge of the solar system. At one billion miles from the sun, Pioneer 10 passed Saturn. At some two billion miles, it hurtled past Uranus; Neptune at nearly three billion miles; Pluto at almost four billion miles. By 1997, twenty-five years after its launch, Pioneer 10 was more than six billion miles from the sun.

And despite that immense distance, Pioneer 10 continued to beam back radio signals to scientists on Earth. "Perhaps most remarkable," writes Jaroff, "those signals emanate from an 8-watt transmitter, which radiates about as much power as a bedroom night light and takes more than nine hours to reach Earth." *The Little Satellite That Could* was

not qualified to do what it did. Engineers designed Pioneer 10 with a useful life of just three years. But it kept going and going. By simple longevity, its tiny 8-watt transmitter radio accomplished more than anyone thought possible.

So it is when we offer ourselves to serve the Lord. God can work even through someone with 8-watt abilities. God cannot work, however, through someone who quits.

I would encourage each member of this Emmaus Community to get involved and serve and/or sponsor someone you love for the Emmaus experience.

In other Community News, the next Gathering will be at Kettle Creek Methodist Church, 2523 Carswell Avenue, Waycross Georgia. This event will be tailgate style. Feel free to bring tables and chairs and enjoy the Worship, food (bring your own), and the Fourth Day Speaker. Bring a friend.

Decolores,

Jimmy Johnson
Community Lay Director



Reflections From The Heart



Fear Not

I have heard it preached that we are commanded not to fear, and that being fearful is a sin. In *Joshua 1:9 (New American Standard Bible)*, the Angel of the Lord does tell Joshua, “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not be terrified nor dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

I have been a Christian for a long time. I have also struggled with depression and anxiety for a long time. Being told that my anxiety is a sin just makes me even more anxious. But I have heard this topic preached on by people I love and respect, and I have to think that there is a Biblical mandate I don't understand.

But what if they are wrong? What if being fearful and anxious is not a sin, but part of the human experience?

There are actually times that being fearful and anxious can be beneficial. Psychologists talk of the “fight or flight response” as a heightened awareness of your surroundings when you sense danger. It prepares you to fight or to run for your life.

There are many instances throughout the Bible when angels appear to people and greet the people with “fear not.” My experience has taught me to consider the words “fear not” as words of comfort, not command. Consider a child afraid during a storm. You don’t stand over them, hands on hips, and command in a firm tone “Be not afraid!” Rather, you approach the frightened child calmly, perhaps pull them into your lap and whisper, “I’m here. Don’t be afraid.”

Even Christ himself was anxious. When he knew his betrayal, torture, and crucifixion were upon him he was so anxious that drops of blood poured from him like sweat as he prayed. But he didn’t let his anxiety paralyze him. Jesus understands our fears. But he doesn’t want us to permit our fears to lead us to inaction.

1 John 4:18, King James Version tells us, “There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.” We have the opportunity to quiet people’s fears by showing them the love of Christ and sharing the hope that Christ provides. Remember this year’s Bible verse focus – *Psalm 33:22. “May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you.”*

DeColores,

Trisa Chancey
Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus #2
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS! PLEASE WELCOME THEM! THEIR EMAILS ARE ATTACHED, IF YOU NEED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THEM!

New	Incoming	Lay	Director..... Jimmy Johnson
New	Incoming	Spiritual	Director..... Bill Taylor
New	Incoming	Music	Director..... Sandi Finn Snider

New	Incoming	Treasurer.....	<u>Susan</u>	<u>Conaway</u>
New	Incoming	Reunion	Group	Director..... <u>George</u> <u>Kaiser</u>
New	Incoming	Prayer	Vigil	Director..... <u>Marsha</u> <u>Klecan</u>
New	Incoming	Worship	Director.....	<u>Paula</u> <u>Harris</u>
Board	Members	that	still	remain
Kitchen.....	<u>Jenny</u>			<u>Scott</u>
Secretary.....	<u>John</u>			<u>Rivers</u>
Candlelight.....	<u>Brian</u>			<u>James</u>
Logistics.....	<u>Matt</u>			<u>Beckham</u>
Gatherings.....	<u>Andy</u>			<u>Amason</u>
Agape.....	<u>Therese</u>			<u>Vigue</u>
Angels.....	<u>Joan</u>			<u>Scheetz</u>
Team		Selection.....	<u>Wade</u>	<u>Conway</u>
Registrar.....	<u>Lori</u>		<u>Durham</u> and <u>Anne</u>	<u>Wojcik</u>
Training		Coordinator.....	<u>Chris</u>	<u>Moncus</u>
Sponsorship		Training.....	<u>Jeff</u>	<u>Dempsey</u>
Communications.....	<u>Tammy Langford</u>			



FALL WALKS 2021

MEN'S WALK #39 Fall 2021 TBA

Lay Director Phil Scott

WOMEN'S WALK #40 Fall 2021 TBA

Lay Director Lori Durham

TRAINING SETUP	DATE	FOR	DATES: LION'S	CAMP:	TBA TBA
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Background Servants only need to be at 1st & 3rd meetings. Training dates begin at 8:30am with food and fellowship, then training begins at 9:00am.

The Fall Walks have been postponed until Fall 2021 due to the Coronavirus. We are still accepting applications. Pay love forward and sponsor a pilgrim! Please continue to pray for the upcoming walks. Pray for a loving unity that only God can give and that no one can break. Pray that our hearts will be truly faithful, available and teachable. With our minds and hearts focused on God, He can and will do great things during our team preparation and the upcoming walks!

Matthew 19:26 But Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

We would like to challenge ALL Reunion Groups to pray and find a Pilgrim to sponsor! Sponsors...please stay in touch with your pilgrims through these upcoming months and pray for them. Reach out to them and let them know you are here for them.

De Colores!

Jeremiah 29:13-14

You will seek Me and find Me when you
search for Me with all your heart.
I will be found by you.



Word Of Inspiration

[Click HERE For Information To Become A Sponsor](#)

[Click HERE For Pilgrim Applications](#)

[Click HERE For Willing Servant Form](#)

[Click HERE For The Upper Room Walk To Emmaus Website](#)

[Click HERE for The Ministry Manager.Org Website](#)



**UPCOMING EVENTS
COMMUNITY GATHERINGS**

Emmaus Tailgate Gatherings For February & March

Saturday, February 6th, 1pm-4pm

Kettle Creek Southern Congregational Methodist

2523 Carswell Avenue

Waycross, GA 31503

Saturday, March 6th, 1pm-4pm

Sea Gardens

1512 Amason Avenue

Townsend, GA 31331

Oyster roast & chili

REUNION GROUPS TRY TO SIT NEAR ONE ANOTHER AND

PRESENT A POSTER!

BEST POSTER REPRESENTING THEIR

REUNION GROUP GETS THEIR PICTURE IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!!!!

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 [Andy Amason](#) at 912-270-7790 for more information regarding what is required of a host church. If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts at Community Gatherings or Walks, please contact [Sandi Finn Snider](#) at 904-465-6623.

*****LOOK ALL THE WAY AT THE BOTTOM OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE SONG LYRICS FOR THE TAILGATE GATHERINGS!!! Sandi has updated them!**



THE NEXT GIWTE BOARD MEETING WILL BE:

FEBRUARY 20TH AT 9AM***

Board members that are rolling off of their position need to bring their information to the meeting to give to their replacement if they have not already done so.***

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

*****DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS WE WILL BE MEETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AT FUMC TO GIVE US AMPLE SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE MEETING.**



LYRICS FOR SONGS FOR THE GATHERINGS
(updated by Sandi)

Song 1.

Blessing Before the Meal

Gathered at this table,
Holy Spirit come.
Fill us with Your presence,
Bind our hearts as one.
Bless this time together,
Jesus give us peace.
Come, Lord, be with us, bless this food we eat.

Song 2.

The Well

Verse 1

I lay my burdens down
My yoke is easy now
What a friend I've found in You
(Repeat Verse)

Chorus

You're the well that won't run dry
Only You can satisfy
Through every season of my life
You are the well that won't run dry

Verse 2

I will thirst no more
'Cause You refresh my soul
Living waters flow from You

Chorus**Bridge x 3**

You have given me freedom
You have given me joy
You have taken my burdens

Chorus

Song 3.**I'll Fly Away Medley--Alison Krauss****Verse 1**

Some glad morning when this life is over
I'll fly away
To that home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away
Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joys will never end
I'll fly away

Chorus

I'll fly away O glory
I'll fly away (in the morning)
When I die hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away

Verse 2

Will the circle be unbroken
By and by Lord, by and by
There's a better home a waiting
In the sky, Lord, in the sky

Chorus**Verse 3**

Do Lord, oh do Lord
Oh do remember me (oh Lordy)
Do Lord, oh do Lord
Oh do remember me
Do Lord, oh do Lord
Oh do remember me
Way beyond the blue

Verse 4

I've got a home in Glory Land that outshines the sun
I've got a home in Glory Land that outshines the sun
I've got a home in Glory Land that outshines the sun
Way beyond the blue

Verse 5

Will the circle be unbroken
By and by Lord, by and by
There's a better home a waiting
In the sky, Lord, in the sky

Chorus

Song 4.

All My Hope

Verse 1

I've been held by the Savior
I've felt fire from above
I've been down to that river
I ain't the same a prodigal returned

Chorus

All my hope is in Jesus
Thank God my yesterday's gone
(Yes) All my sins are forgiven
(Oh I've) I've been washed by the blood

Verse 2

I'm no stranger to the prison
I've worn shackles and chains
I've been freed and forgiven
And I'm not going back I'll never be the same
That's why I sing

Bridge

There's a kind of thing that just breaks a man
Break him down to his knees
God I've been broken more than a time or two
Yes Lord, then He picked me up and showed me
What it means to be a man

Song 5.

Victory In Jesus

Verse 1

I heard an old old story
How a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary
To save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning
Of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins
And won the victory

Chorus

O victory in Jesus
My Savior forever
He sought me and bought me
With His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him
And all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory
Beneath the cleansing flood

Verse 2

I heard about His healing
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing
How He made the lame to walk again
And caused the blind to see
And then I cried dear Jesus
Come and heal my broken spirit
And somehow Jesus came and brought
To me the victory

Chorus

Verse 3

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory
And I heard about the streets of gold
Beyond the crystal sea
About the angels singing
And the old redemption story
And some sweet day I'll sing up there
The song of victory

Chorus

Song 6.**Leaning On The Everlasting Arms****Chorus**

Leaning (leaning on Jesus)
Leaning (leaning on Jesus)
Safe and secure from all alarms
Leaning (leaning on Jesus)
Leaning (leaning on Jesus)
Leaning on the everlasting arms

Verse 1

What a fellowship what a joy divine
Leaning on the everlasting arms
What a blessedness what a peace is mine
Leaning on the everlasting arms

Verse 2

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way
Leaning on the everlasting arms
O how bright the path grows from day to day

Leaning on the everlasting arms

Verse 3

What have I to dread what have I to fear

Leaning on the everlasting arms

I have blessed peace with my Lord so near

Leaning on the everlasting arms

Song 7.

Goodness Of God

Verse 1

I love You Lord

Oh Your mercy never fails me

All my days I've been held in Your hands

From the moment that I wake up

Until I lay my head

I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful

All my life You have been so so good

With every breath that I am able

I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice

You have led me through the fire

In darkest night

You are close like no other

I've known You as a father

I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God
