



GOLDEN ISLES
EMMAUS

September 2024 Newsletter



Hello Golden Isles Community -

As we head towards fall (even though SE Georgia isn't sure when that is 😊) school is back in full swing public, private and colleges. Mission trips are happening around the world, and we have our own mission field right here within our Golden Isles Emmaus community.

“After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Luke 10:1-2

“And he said to them, ‘Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.’” Mark 16:15

At the Town Hall meeting the Day Four Restore event was shared as a first step toward rebuilding our community. This virtual event is conducted by the Upper Room and is open to any community member who is interested in attending. The Board invites you participate in this Virtual event alongside us. We will be planning a future local event for our community.

Day Four Restore – Year Three

Join us for the first offering of Day Four Restore Year Three on October 5, 2024, 9:00 am — 3:30 pm. (Central Time) Day Four Restore Year Three (of the three-year cycle) is the first hosting of the new materials in the one-day retreat model designed to refresh the spirit and renew the commitment of those who have attended any Fourth Day movement event. As we worship, pray, listen to speakers, and share together, participants will experience God's grace in new and refreshing ways. Together, we will be renewed in our faith and inspired for ongoing leadership and service. This event also promises to be an excellent opportunity for communities interested in hosting Day Four Restore in the future. Here is the website with more information - <https://www.upperroom.org/emmaus/dayfourrestore> and there is a link on the website to register.

Another area mentioned at the Town Hall meeting was updating our community By-Laws. The update to the By-Laws will be reviewed by the Board at the September meeting. Once the Board approves the By-Laws, they will be made available to the community.

A nominating committee is in place with Board Members, Melissa Moreno and Mike

Martin and community members, Tom McDonald and Byron Johns serving.

They have been charged with praying for and discerning for community members across our Golden Isles area to serve in Board positions for the 2025-2027 for a 3-year term. Positions to be filled are Kitchen, Angels, Facilities/Logistics, Team Selection and Registrar. Additionally, we will have the Secretary position for one-year to complete the term of Staci Bowick who is stepping down from this role. We thank Staci for her time as Secretary to our Board over the last 1 ½ years. We will have the ballot ready for voting no later than the November Gathering.

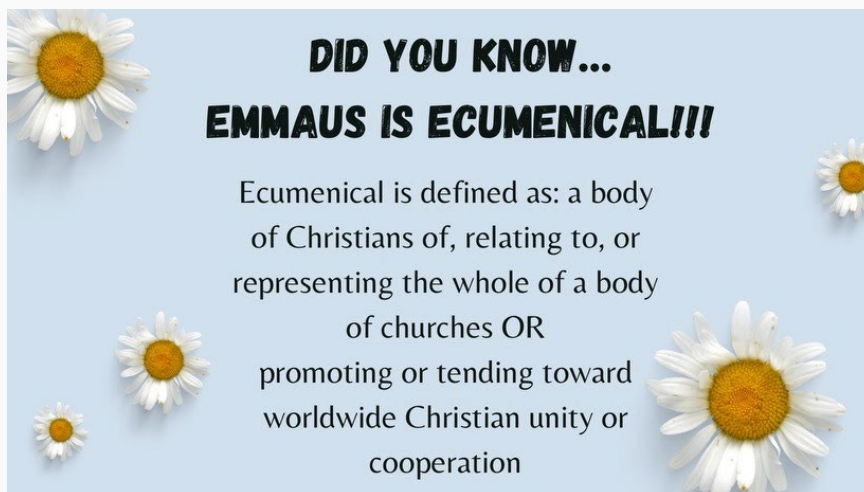
I'm sharing 2 scriptures for Church Leaders that applies for our Emmaus leaders - *And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.* **Romans 8:28**

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. **Galatians 6:9**

I look forward to seeing our Emmaus family at the September 6th Gathering at Point Peter Baptist Church in St. Marys, GA.

When two of you get together on anything at all on earth and make a prayer of it, my Father in heaven goes into action. And when two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure that I'll be there." Matthew 18:19-20 (The Message)

De Colores, Anne Wojcik, Board Chair



DID YOU KNOW...
EMMAUS IS ECUMENICAL!!!

Ecumenical is defined as: a body of Christians of, relating to, or representing the whole of a body of churches OR promoting or tending toward worldwide Christian unity or cooperation



Laboring for Christ

What an amazing adventure we are on! God awakens us each day with a purpose in mind. It's up to us to seek His face and join Him where He is working.

Labor Day is a day set aside to honor the workers who make up the backbone of America. Many of those workers have jobs that mostly go unnoticed. Until they aren't being done. Consider the people who labor to keep our trash picked up and our sewer system working. We'd sure notice it if those things weren't done! There are so many laborers who feel unseen and unappreciated. I encourage you to make a special effort to see the people you come into contact with through the eyes of Christ. The cashier and bagger at the grocery store, the teller at the bank, the server at the restaurant, the police officers, firefighters, administrative assistants, customer service representatives...the list could go on and on. You might be surprised by how far a smile or a simple word of encouragement can carry a person.

Remember that we are "co-laborers with God" (1 Corinthians 3:9), and "We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10). The adventure God is calling us to involves being alert to the good things He has prepared for us to do and doing them!

I would like to remind you that as each of us does what Christ is counting on us to do and supports others in what Christ has called them to do, we can't help but become Better Together. *How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!* Psalm 133:1.

DeColores, Emmaus Family. I hope to see you all soon.

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



NEWS FROM YOUR 2024 MUSIC DIRECTOR

Hi. Brian Vigue here, Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus Walk #3, Table of Matthew.

In the future, I would like to share the honor of leading worship to our community during our monthly gatherings. I am seeking volunteers that are willing to share the stage with me and assist me in leading our singing. I think it would be great to have different singers each month. I want to share that feeling of having God work through you to lead in worshipping our King. It truly is an amazing feeling.

Don't worry, if you are nervous, I am not asking for a solo performance. Everyone is singing so you don't need to be another Whitney Houston, Taylor Swift, or even Neil Diamond. I'll be right there by your side singing too. I just want to share that amazing feeling with others. If you are interested, please let me know.

Also, we are still in need of women musicians. As I stated before, I am happy to teach guitar playing so you can be ready to lead at monthly gatherings and walks. If you are interested and you have a guitar, please let me know.

If you have any questions or I can do anything for you, please contact me at bikerbrian@tds.net or 904-894-6753.

I look forward to serving with you in the future.... DeColores!

Brian

COMMUNITY GATHERINGS

September 06, 2024 @ 7pm

Point Peter Baptist Church
2245 Douglas Drive
St Marys GA

October 04, 2024 @ 7pm

TBD

November 01, 2024 @ 7pm

TBD

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

Melissa Bender Moreno at mfbmoreno@gmail.com 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

Brian Vigue at **904-894-6753** or bikerbrian@tds.net.



There have been a few people say that they would like to connect with a reunion group. I am working on getting people connected. If you are interested in going to a reunion group or help starting a new reunion group, please contact Connie Eastwood at giwtereuniongroup@gmail.com
Please send me an email with days and times of availability.

Thank you!
Connie
Reunion Group Chair

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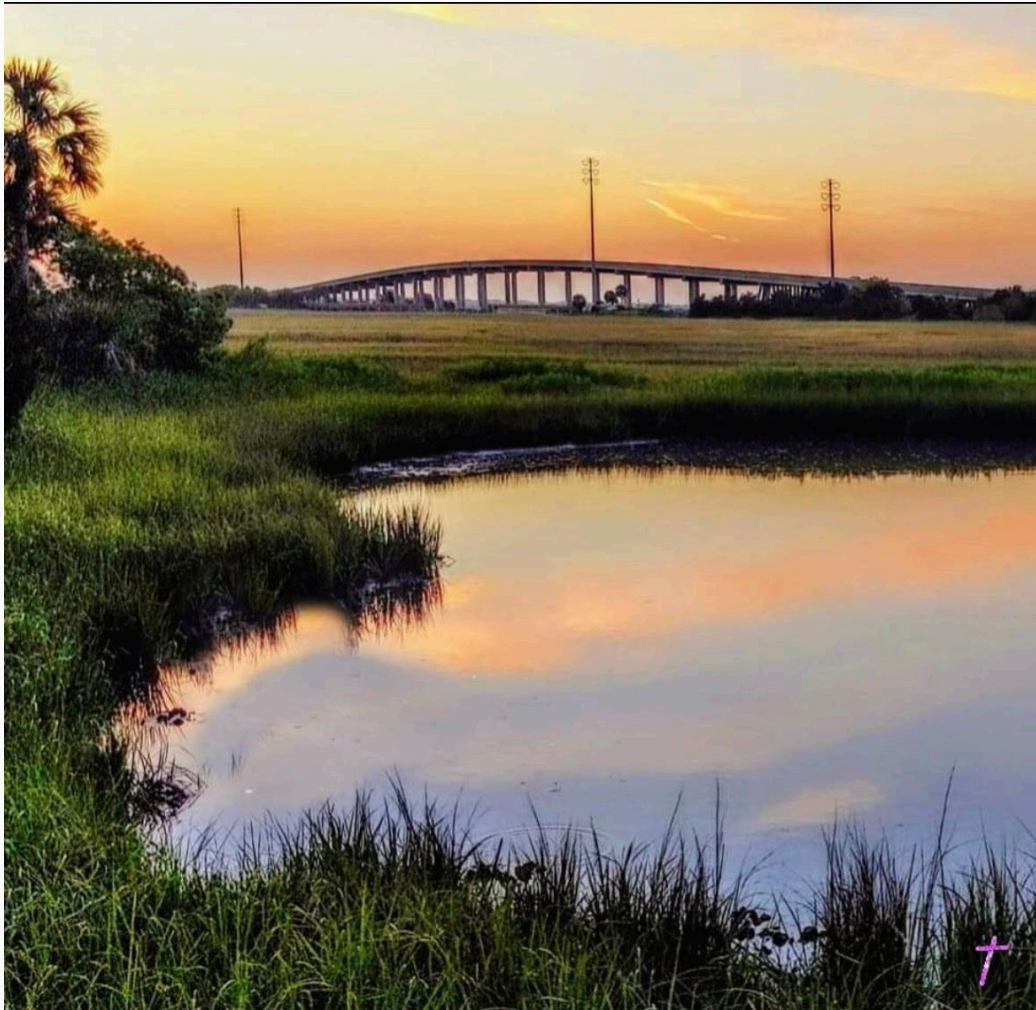
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