

Heartbeat

Servant Heart Emmaus Community
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“Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.” Hebrews 10:22

Let us draw near. What a journey it has been to understand the meaning in those words. I have been in awe and wonder as He has unfolded the vision for Servant Heart Emmaus. It has been a discovery of the heart, and a longing to draw into a deeper relationship with our true and living God. To enter into the Secret Place, to enter into that deeper relationship with God, we must shed our baggage, claim our victory in Jesus and continue on in loving service as the body of Christ. It is our intentional steps that take us on that journey. It is because of our desire to know Him more, to know Him deeper, that we desire to draw ever nearer to our God.

We have completed eight (8) walk weekends and we have now had 261 candidates make the pilgrimage of the Walk to Emmaus at Camp Whispering Pines in Citronelle (123 men and 138 women). What blessings our community has received and with great eagerness we await the many incredible blessings that lie ahead for the candidates of Walk #9 (Feb. 8-11) and Walk #10 (March 1-4) and all of the walk weekends that will follow.

We have come a long way and we have a long way to go. We have a ton of work to do as God's instruments to work out all the kinks and make our Emmaus weeks run as smoothly as possible. And, indeed, all of that is important. On the other hand, however, let's not forget that Emmaus is not just about tweaking the mechanism. Emmaus is about helping people

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learn what it means to be a leader who serves, not the kind of person that demands their own way, manipulates people, or garners others to their defense. Jesus died to destroy those tendencies in us. I love the Emmaus Canon that is read before every team meeting. It reminds us of the kind of lifestyle Jesus expects: “I will not overstate or overemphasize my role; I will not glorify myself; I will use “I” as little as possible; I will be obedient to the discipline and authority under which I serve;” and on and on. Friends, this is the goal of Emmaus; to raise up leaders who serve the mission of the local church. Imagine what would happen if the leadership in your church got a personal invitation from you to attend the Walk to Emmaus? It could change everything!

Gail Baughman recently shared with me some questions we should ask and I would like to share those with you. Who are those persons in whom you see God at work? Who are those persons with a hunger for God's word and seek the opportunities to grow in faith? Will you commit yourself to praying about the men and women in your life and the ways God wants to work in their lives? Will you be willing to invite someone to journey with God for three set-apart days?

It is with great anticipation that preparations are being made for these upcoming walks. The leadership of these weekends covets your prayers. It is with the love and encouragement of our brothers and sisters that we can run this race...” And let us consider (Continued on page 4)

Servant Heart Walk #9 – February 8-11
List of Candidates and Sponsors – Total of 18

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Paul Bernhard	Summerdale	Marlow UMC	Carl Hanson
Mark Branch	Silverhill	Robertsdale UMC	Jennifer Baumgarten
Craig Carroll	Irvington	Higher Ground Baptist	Linda Carroll
John Coker	Danville	Wesley Chapel UMC	Tommy Gaillard
Eddie Edwards	Saraland	Gateway Baptist	Ronnie Wheeler
Dennis Fisk	Spanish Fort	Spanish Fort UMC	Ken Coale
Martin Forsyth	Mobile	The Grove UMC	Sue Forsyth
Bob Fuqua	Daphne	Daphne UMC	David Sheppard
Matthew Hariel	Mobile	Wilmer UMC	Grady "Jody" Dunn
Greg Lancaster	Cantonment, FL	Vine Fellowship	Grady Lea
Richard McCracken	Orange Beach	Orange Beach UMC	Richard Brooks
Julian McDonald	Summerdale	Marlow UMC	Edwina Hanson
Patrick McGehee	Mobile	The Grove UMC	Ron Baughman
David Massey	Spanish Fort	Spanish Fort UMC	John Underwood
Lance Moore	Foley	Foley UMC	Rev. Neil Epler
Donald Pope	Mobile	St Andrews By-the-Sea	Jim Roy
Lee Springs	Daphne	Daphne UMC	Rev. Jim Fillingim
Jeff Thompson	Mobile	Government St. UMC	Rev. Rob Gulledge

Important: Begin today to pray for each Candidate by name and for all the Team Members who will be working this Walk. Pray especially for **Ron Baughman**, Lay Director and Rev. **John Bonner**, Spiritual Director, that God will guide them as they lead in His paths on this Walk. If you are not working this walk on the Team, you can still have a great impact on the Walk by signing up to pray on the 72-Hour Prayer Vigil. There are still many slots that need to be filled on the Vigil and we need them filled to make the Walk a success. You may recall what an impact it had on you on your walk when you were told that complete strangers were praying for you during the weekend. Remember what is written on your Emmaus Cross; **"Christ Is Counting On You"**.

Candidates Needs for The Walk Weekend

– Below is a list of items that Sponsors should have their candidates bring for the Walk weekend and Team members should also bring these items as well.

Personal Hygiene Kit

Special Prescription Medications

Blanket or Sleeping Bag

Pillow (Your favorite or Camp has them) and a Pillow Case

Set of Sheets (Twin Size is a better fit for the bunk bed or fold larger sheets in half)

Twin Mattress Pad (Optional – Beds are bunk style and the mattresses or vinyl covered, which make them slippery and sheets tend to not stay in position)

Towels and Bath Cloths for 3 days

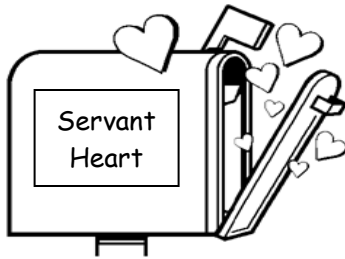
Shower Shoes

Bath Soap

Small Flashlight

Umbrella/Rain Jacket (or both)

Candidate's Letters



As you begin to receive the letters for your candidate, be sure to write or print clearly in the upper left hand

corner of your envelopes that they are from either "Family" or "Friend".

Since we initially only give out twelve (12) letters per candidate in the Conference Room, we want to get their family letters to them first. Any additional letters may be given after these or will be placed on their tables while they are at Closing. It is very important that you put the candidate's full name on the outside of the envelopes for proper identification; no first names only

please, as there may be similar names. You can help by bundling the first twelve letters and tying them with a ribbon to help us in their distribution to the candidates.

All sponsors are to bring their candidate's letters to the Agape Room at the camp beginning on Thursday evening, Feb. 8th. The last opportunity to bring your candidate's letters will be on Saturday, Feb. 10th, at the Candlelight Service. We cannot guarantee letters reaching the candidates on time if you are late getting them to camp. Look for the Servant Heart mailbox inside the Agape Room door or in the foyer of the chapel on Saturday evening. Please remember that no personal agape gifts are given to the candidates while they are on their Walk. This should occur on your way back home after Closing Ceremonies. Thanks!

Scheduled Walks for 2007

Walk #9 (Men) - February 8-11, 2007

Ron Baughman, Lay Director
ronbaughman@bellsouth.net /
(251) 649-1945

Rev. John Bonner, Spiritual Director
jbonner419@cox.net / (850) 862-4169

Walk #10 (Women) - March 1-4, 2007

Laurie Kelly, Lay Director
jagkelly@bellsouth.net / (251) 626-1292

Rev. Gail Baughman, Spiritual Director
gailbaughman@bellsouth.net /
(251) 649-1945

Walk #11 (Men) – September 20-23, 2007

Grady Lea, Lay Director
ugh.lea@cox.net / (850) 944-0942

Rev. Candler Cain, Spiritual Director
candlercain@bellsouth.net /
(251) 653-7315

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Walk #12 (Women) – October 4-7, 2007**Dot (Raley) Horn**, Lay Director

dotraley@wmconnect.com /

(251) 824-4303

Rev. Linwood Lewis, Spiritual Director

lapkl@aol.com / (251) 661-5999

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how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds". Hebrews 10:24

Finally, I would like to ask for your prayers for the Community, the Board, for the Candidates and the Team members. There have been obstacles to overcome during our journey at Servant Heart, but God has been good and has faithfully moved them out of the way. Let's continue to have Emmaus be the instrument it was designed to be. As Paul closed his letter to the Corinthians..."May the Grace of the Lord Jesus be with you." I personally send my love to all of you in Christ Jesus.

Tommy Gaillard
Community Lay Director

Walk #10 – 2007 - Schedule of Team Meetings

Laurie Kelly, Lay Director for this walk, has requested that the following schedule of team meetings be published for those who will be working on this walk for your information and scheduling. All meetings will be held at Camp Whispering Pines, and cost for the overnight meeting is \$27. The first complete Team meeting on Feb. 17th, will cost \$7 for lunch.

Conference Room Team ONLY – Overnight meeting on Friday, February 2, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and ending on Saturday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m. This will be for the purpose of previewing individual talks for the walk.

All Team Members – Meetings and Commissioning of Team on Saturday, February 17, from 9:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m.

All Team Members – Various Committee Break-out Meetings, Training Session and Weekend Run Through on Saturday, February 24, from 9:00 a.m. til 12:00 noon.

It is of great importance for those working the walk that you attend all of the scheduled meetings listed above. If for any reason you cannot be present for any of these meetings, please contact Laurie by e-mail: Laurie.Kelly@Regions.com or by phone at work 251-625-1063 or at her home on evenings at 251-626-1292.

Refreshments Needed for Walks



As we get closer to the upcoming Walks, it is time to start thinking about refreshments that will be needed for these two weekends.

Here are some suggestions for you to think about supplying for the walks.

- 2 each – 2 liter sodas (diet or regular)
- 1 case of bottled water
- Fresh baked or store bought cookies
- Fresh baked or store bought brownies
- Other homemade baked items
- 1 or 2 bags of: potato chips, pretzels, trail mix, other snack foods or snack crackers
- 1 large can of peanuts or other nuts
- Homemade Fudge or other type candies
- Sugar Free cookies or other baked items
- Sugar Free candies

Or if you prefer, you can make a cash donation to purchase the necessary items. Just send your check payable to **Shirley Alexander**, 9116 Clubhouse Dr., Foley, AL 36535. Please note on your check that the funds are for refreshments for Walk #9. Shirley is the Chair of Refreshments for this walk and will be most appreciative of your donations.

WALK #10 TEAM LIST – MARCH 1-4, 2007**Lay Dir/Spiritual Dir**

Laurie Kelly
Rev. Gail Baughman

Asst. Spiritual Dirs

Rev. Pam Avery
Rev. Molly Fulford
Rev. Karen Koons
Rev. Bob Sweet

Asst Lay Dirs

Ashley Epler
Annette Johnson
Gwen Leo
Joyce Underwood

Table Leaders

Becky Comer
Kay Griffin
Angie Gullledge
Donna Roberts
Lisa Schwind
Nancy Smith

Asst. Table Leaders

Shirley Alexander
Linda Dunning
Maxine Lea
Eva Schwind
Rhoda Sweet
Judy Ziglar

Music

Jonathan Langston
Jeff Lea
Ellis Voivedich

Board Representative

Heidi Gaillard

© = Chairperson

X = Part Time

Agape

Janet Brannan ©
Tonya Beacham
Julie Johnson
Erin Miller
Laurie Moore
Diane Voivedich

Meal Service

Grady Lea ©
Dick Brooks
Jeff Comer
Don Harman
Michael Hunt
Greg Kelly
Dave Sheppard

Worship

Julie Gilsdorf ©
Edith Brooks
Gina Day
Penny Lane

Speaker's Prayer Chapel

Betty Shoopman ©
Jim Cooper
Rev. Rusty Fulford
John Underwood

Refreshments

Judy Riley ©
Joyce Harman (x)
Elaine Hunt
Nicki Kearley
Gwen Pritchard
Chris Riley
Barb Sheppard

Candlelight

Kevin Carter ©
Karen McVay
Mark McVay

Closing

Scott Crenshaw
Shauna Crenshaw

72-Hour Prayer Vigil

Kristi Byrd

Closing Refreshments

Penny Lane ©
McIntosh Emmaus Group

Entertainment

The Alpha Omega Sorority
Sisters

Banners

Denny Shoopman ©
Steve Day

Setup/Takedown

Maurice Pless
Loving Servant Hearts

Literature

Patricia Gentry ©
Stephanie Curtis
Ernie Gentry

Worship Book Covers

Becky Comer
Joyce Underwood

4th Day Speaker

Pat Shubird

Photographer

Kevin Perrigan

Housing & Registration

Steve Day ©
Greg Kelly

Sponsor's Hour

Bill Ainsworth
Claudia Ainsworth

Fill Ins – If you are not on the walk team, but would like to drop in and help on this walk, please feel free to do so and we will make room for you to work. If you plan to stay overnight at the camp or take your meals there, you will be responsible for the costs. If you stay overnight at the camp the room cost is \$14 per night. Breakfast – \$6 / Lunch - \$7 /

Dinner - \$7. Please make your check payable to Servant Heart Emmaus Community and give it to the Registrar, **Steve Day** or to **Greg Kelly**.

Begin today to pray for Walk #10 Team that God will give them a servant heart during the time of the Walk. Also pray for the candidates Christ has chosen to be on this walk.



Future Community Gatherings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Time</u>
Feb. 8-11	Candlelight and Closing – Men’s Walk #9		
Mar. 1-4	Candlelight and Closing – Women’s Walk #10		
Mar. 17	Dauphin Way UMC	Mobile	6:30 p.m.



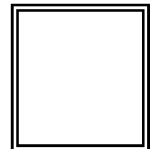
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