

Dayspring Walk to Emmaus Chatter Matters



JANUARY 2015

" O God of our fathers, we praise and adore Thee
For all Thy great mercies through years that are gone;
Thy guidance and goodness through many generations
Have brought us now at last to a new day's dawn.

Help us to be faithful to Thee and Thy kingdom,
Thy church, and the work of our Christ in all lands;
May loyalty, sacrifice, courage now attend us,
And bring to fullest triumph Thy work in our hands."
The Anniversary Hymn

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2015

SPRING WALKS UPDATE

Teams are formed and will begin training on January 17. Please continue to pray for all aspects of the Walks in your daily prayers.

Prayerfully consider sponsoring--**there is still room for Pilgrims**. There is a special need for couples.



Men's Walk #90
Lay Director, Neal Anderson

March 12-15, 2015

Women's Walk #91
Lay Director, Velvet Stanfield

March 19-22, 2015

"So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."

Psalm 90:12

Applications can be obtained online by going to:
www.dayspringwalktoemmaus.com

Send in the completed application to our new Registrar,
Beth T. Akins at:

bethtakins@hotmail.com (Remember the 't' after beth!)

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Mail to: Dayspring Walk to Emmaus
P.O. 1312

Statesboro, GA 30459

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Getting to Know Our New Board Members

Traditionally, our new Board of Directors members are asked three questions about themselves to share with the Community. We will feature three this month and two next month.

We all say, "Thanks for your service to us"

to the following who are rotating

off the Board of Directors. They have served our Community faithfully for the last three years:

JD Dunn, Registrar

Randy Carlson, Treasurer

Julianne Hearn, Secret Angels

Rev. Tom Osborne, Spiritual Director

Kevin Rackleff, Purchasing



Meet Beth Akins
Area to Serve: Registrar
Dayspring Walk to Emmaus #75
Table of Leah

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself in 10 words or less.

Wife, mother, grandmother, retired teacher, sister, friend, and child of God.

2. What is your favorite Bible verse? Why is it special to you?

I have several favorite Bible verses, but one that I think of daily is Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me." It reminds me WHO is in control of my life and that I need Him daily.

3. God has given us all special gifts and talents. What gifts and/or talents will you bring to the Board of Directors?

Dedication and willingness to serve is what I plan on bringing to the Board.

We welcome the following servants who will be serve a three year term:

Beth Akins, Registrar

Buddy Anderson, Purchasing

Michelle Barton,

Meet Buddy Anderson
Area to Serve: Purchasing
Dayspring Walk to Emmaus #62
Table of Matthew



1. Tell us a little bit about yourself in 10 words or less.

Married to Pat for 52 years, three children, eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, retired in 2012, enjoying life.

Secretary

Rev. Larry Bird,
Spiritual Director

Randy Brigman,
Secret Angels

- 2. One of the Talks on the Walk is "Changing Our World." How do you find that you are changing the world?

When I see an opportunity to speak out for Christ I take it. I try to set a good example by my actions so that others will know I am a Christian through my work.

- 3. What is your favorite place to pray? Why?

I like to pray in my shop because it is quiet and peaceful. Pat and I like to pray in the mornings together because it starts our day off with God in the center.



Meet Randy Brigman
 Area to Serve: Secret Angels
 Dayspring Walk to Emmaus#62
 Table of Luke

- 1. Tell us a little bit about yourself in 10 words or less.

Veteran who relied on Psalm 23, recently began a closer walk with God, cherish family, church, friends, and want to be true servant of God.

- 2. If you had an opportunity to travel backwards or forward in time, where would you go and what would you do?

If I could go back in time, I would have been more faithful to God in my early years.

- 3. What does "In God We Trust" mean to you?

It means trusting God in all things--in good and bad times.

"Pilgrim's Progress"

by
 Brad McKenzie
 Dayspring Walk #70
 Table of Peter



Matthew 28:19-20: *"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."*

The Lord Jesus instructs us to share our faith with others. But we often over complicate this task. Sharing our faith isn't as hard as we

make it. We don't necessarily have to prepare a great sermon and stand before a large crowd to share our faith. In fact it's not as much what you say that will make the biggest impact; but what you do. It has often been said that the greatest sermon is lived out, everyday. The way you conduct yourself, the words that you say, the clothes you wear--all tell of your faith. I like to say it like this, "You can tell people what you think, but you will show them what you believe."

Other than living it out, I have found that one of the easiest ways to share your faith is by using gospel tracts. Gospel tracts are not intimidating. They don't get cold feet or forget what to say. Use gospel tracts that catch the eye and are attractive. You want tracts that make people want to pick them up and read them. Make sure you know and agree with what they say. I like to use tracts that look like money. Ruffle up the edges and let them hang out your back pocket. People will constantly point to you. They bring it up--then you can start talking. You say, "No, it's a gospel tract--it looks like money on one side and the other side talks about Jesus and how to get to heaven." They will typically start laughing and apologize, then you say, "No, it's ok, thank you for pointing it out, here I'd like you to have it." You may want to explain that you have a lot of them and that you hand them out on purpose, with the intention to hand them out to all who ask about it. If you are feeling uncomfortable, ask them, "Where do you go to church?" Let the spirit lead. It gets easier every time you do it. Practice on yourself a couple of times.

You don't have to say a word. I like to use one that looks like an invitation to a party and leave them in restaurants and restrooms, next to the sink or trash can. People will usually look at it to see what the occasion is and when they do they see the gospel. You can also leave them with tips in them at restaurants. You can also get tracts that look like credit cards and leave them in ATM machines, debit card machines, or gas pumps where others are likely to come up and see them. I also like to put a scratch off gospel tract near lottery counters in stores. There are gospel tracts for everyone and they come in every shape and size. Use your imagination.

Finally, we must always be prepared to share the gospel. The gospel is for EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE. It doesn't change from person to person or take sick days and vacations. One message, One faith, One salvation. JESUS SAVES!!! John 3:16 says "For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

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JOURNEY TAKES FLIGHT NEXT MONTH

Journey is the young adult version of the Walk to Emmaus. This is for ages

19-24 and geared toward college age young adults. These "caterpillars" take their flights in February. Girls go one weekend ahead of the boys. The Journey takes place at Tattnall Campground.

Girls' Flight February 12-15 Lay Director, K.K. Oswald

Boys' Flight February 19-22 Lay Director, Scott Morgan

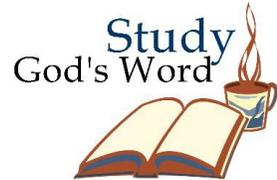
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www.dayspringwalktoemmaus.com

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Mail applications to: Felicia Odum
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Claxton, GA 30417

For more information for workers and flights, call [\(912\) 282-0678](tel:9122820678).

The BOOK Shelf



The books in this list have been shared with the Community throughout 2014 by various community members. These books were shared as being influential in their Christian walk.

If you have read a book that has greatly influenced your Christian walk, please share it with the Community. Please email the title and author to be put on next month's list to adjacobs@frontiernet.net

Last month, we listed one half of 2014's great titles shared with us. This month, we will share the last half of the titles. Thank you so much for sharing these books with us. I hope that they have been useful.

The Ragamuffin Gospel by Brennan Manning

Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand

Holiness by J.C. Ryle

Unstoppable by Nick Vujicic

Angels by Dr. David Jeremiah

The Harbinger by Jonathan Cahn

Between Sundays by Karen Kingsbury

Classic Christianity by Bob George

All In by Mark Batterson

The Me I Want to Be by John Ortberg

Falling Upward by Richard Rohr

Half Time by Bob Buford

Success to Significance by Lloyd Reeb

Hearing Jesus Speak Into Your Sorrow by Nancy Guthrie

Where Is God When It Hurts? by Philip Yancey

Proof of Heaven by Eben Alexander, M.D.

If Experience Is Such a Good Teacher, Why Do I Keep Repeating the Course? by J. Ellsworth Kalas

Crazy Busy by Kevin DeYoung (2014 Christian Book of the Year)

Basic Christianity by John Stott

Knowing God by J.I. Packer

Loving God by Charles Colson

Ordering Your Private World by Gordon MacDonald

The Hiding Place by Corrie ten Boom

The Love Dare by Lawrence Kimbrough, Stephen and Alex Kendrick

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1, 2015		PILGRIM Applications due for Spring Walks
January 8, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
January 17, 2015	8:15 a.m.	All Teams--Training (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
January 24, 2015	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Statesboro Primitive Baptist Church)
January 31, 2015	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Training (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
February 5, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
February 12-15		Girls' Journey Tattnall Campground
February 19-22		Boys' Journey Tattnall Campground
February 21, 2015	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Training (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
February 28, 2015	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Guyton United Methodist Church)

March 7, 2015	8:15 a.m.	All Teams--Camp Set-Up
<i>(All Walk activities will be held at Tattnall Campground)</i>		
March 12, 2015	6:45 p.m.	Send-Off Men's Walk#90
March 14, 2015	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight
March 15, 2015	4:00 p.m.	Closing Men's Walk#90
March 19, 2015	6:45 p.m.	Send-Off Women's #91
March 21, 2015	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight
March 22, 2015	4:00 p.m.	Closing Women's #91
March 27, 2015	7:00 p.m.	PIO Party for Walks #90 and #91 @
Tattnall		Campground
March 31, 2015	6:30 pm.	Sustaining The Spirit (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
April 25, 2015	6:00 p.m.	Community
GATHERING		

To God's glory and honor,
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