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**Chatter Matters**

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# THE WALK TO EMMAUS VISION:

Renewing Christian Disciples,  
Strengthening Local Churches

<http://www.dayspringwalktoemmaus.com/>

### **Praying the Prayer Vigil**

*Here is a wonderful outline to follow when you find yourself at a lack of words while praying for the Walk...*

Begin by asking God to clear your mind from all outside distractions. Place your thoughts and your spirit with the people and the event you have come to ask Him to bless.

Be silent for a few moments and begin to feel His presence with you. Pray as if you are talking to your best friend-you are! Ask Him to bless with His spirit the buildings, the grounds, and all things used to bring those present to an awareness of Him.

Pray for the lay director, if not by name, by duty. He/She must walk in His spirit for anything he/she may be called upon to solve.

Pray for the assistant lay directors in much the same way. Pray for the spiritual director, that he/she may truly be an instrument of His spirit.

Pray for the assistant spiritual directors in much the same way. Pray for the board representative, that he/she may have the courage to keep the purity of the event and not let personalities keep him/her from doing what he/she promised God he/she would do.

Pray for the speakers. Pray that they: remember Whom they represent, lay down self, and glorify God.

Pray for the talks-for the message they give, for the giver, and for those who hear, that they may hear according to their need.

Pray for the musicians, that their music may bring God's message and soothe troubled souls.

Pray for the pilgrims; the ones who can't leave their thoughts behind, the ones uneasy in that setting, the ones who can't sleep, the ones that feel forced to come, the ones looking for magic and not miracles, the ones who are open and receiving, and for all conditions known only to God.

Pray for the fun and the fellowship-that it may warm hearts and keep focused on God. Pray for the cooks and all who minister in unrecognized ways.

Pray for the team assistants that they do not tire. Pray for their renewed strength.

Pray for the table leaders and assistant table leaders. Pray that their subtle guidance and emptying of self will lead their pilgrims directly to Christ.

Pray for all the agape gifts, for all the hands that made them and for the blessings they bring.

Pray for the sponsors.

Pray for special times of the weekend-you know what they are.

And, lastly, give it all to our Lord and Friend, who sees and knows, asking for His blessing and presence with everyone connected, not only those mentioned, but for families and for changes in the church and community.

End by praising and thanking God for the opportunity He has given you to talk to Him on behalf of His children.

Amen.

"Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

~1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

## Pilgrim's Roster

### Men's Walk #110 (updated 2/25/22)

Jason Baggett NBIC Garfield  
Keith Bradley Eason Chapel Register  
Terry Cox Jesus Saves Swainsboro  
Richard Daniels Swainsboro FUMC Swainsboro  
Chad Davidson NBIC Garfield  
Gerald Denton NBIC Garfield  
Harry Eason Jr Eason Chapel Claxton  
Mark Fallin Claxton UMC Claxton  
David Gardner Lighthouse Baptist Church Brooklet  
Lawrence Geiger\* New Life Assembly Vidalia  
Michael Guinn\* NBIC Garfield  
James Howard\* NBIC Garfield  
Scott Irvin\* Nunez Baptist Swainsboro  
Chad Joyner NBIC Garfield  
Brian Kent\* Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Patrick Wayne Kirby Dellwood Baptist Twin City  
Andy Knight NBIC Sylvania  
Jeff Landing Bright Light Baptist Millen  
Joe Maassen NBIC Garfield

Chris Miller\* Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Bill Mitchell NBIC Garfield  
Alan Monfils\* Glennville FBC Reidsville  
Joseph Powell Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Chris Reeves Vidalia FBC (NBIC) Vidalia  
Ronnie Ruffo\* Statesboro FUMC Statesboro  
Ron Rushing Statesboro FUMC Statesboro  
Stosh Sellars NBIC Hazlehurst  
Scottie Thigpen NBIC Garfield  
Harry Starling\* Brooklet UMC Brooklet  
Brandon Wilder NBIC Thomaston

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**Women's Walk # 111 (updated 2/28/22)**

Shannon Anderson\* Metter PB Metter  
Susan Anthony Grace Community Metter  
Pam Baggett\* NBIC Garfield  
Cathy Barlow\* Piney Grove Baptist Cobbtown  
Donna Boone\* Millen FUMC Millen  
Stephanie Ann Chaney\* NBIC Hazlehurst  
Barbara Conley Orianna Baptist Swainsboro  
Paula Culp\* NBIC Statesboro  
Megan Davis\* Swainsboro FBC Swainsboro  
Mary Farthing Emanuel Christian Ministries Swainsboro  
Lynette Geiger\* New Life Assembly Vidalia  
Kym Groves Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Stephanie Guinn\* NBIC Dublin  
Linda Hagins Statesboro PBC Statesboro  
Jacqueline Halfacre Fletcher Baptist Brooklet  
Haleigh Henry\* Jesus Saves Adrian  
Carrie Howard\* NBIC Garfield  
Hadley Irvin\* Nunez Baptist Swainsboro  
Candace Kent\* Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Donna Kubrak Eason Chapel Claxton  
Robin Ledbetter Connection Statesboro Statesboro  
Marette Lowe Guyton UMC Guyton  
Carol Martin Guyton UNC Rincon  
Lindy McCauley Pembroke UMC Pembroke  
Kelly Miller\* Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Brittany Monfils \* Glennville FBC Reidsville  
Nancy Murray Garden City UMC Garden City  
Lori Newman\* Connection-Statesboro Statesboro  
Beth Nie Canoochee Missionary Bapt. Twin City  
Rustina Raines\* NBIC Garfield  
Kristy Roberson\* Jesus Saves Swainsboro  
Carol Ruffo\* Statesboro FUMC Statesboro  
Pam Rushing Statesboro FUMC Statesboro  
Linda Starling\* Brooklet UMC Brooklet

**\*spouse attending**

**Agape Needs & Prayer Vigil sign-up**

Agape is very much appreciated for the walks. It shows that someone has sacrificed their time and resources to further the pilgrims' walk with the Lord. It reminds them of God's love. Thank YOU! If you intend to provide agape, please send in 65 pieces for the Women's and 65 pieces for the Men's Walk! We appreciate the amount that you send in and are starting a new system to get the left-over agape back to you to be used on future Walks. Starting this walk, you may pick up left over agape at closing. See the Agape head serving for the weekend. If you are not able to be at the closing to pick up, then get in touch with DWE Agape Head, Phyllis Smith at 912-237-1428. Also, at the next two Gatherings you may pick up left over agape. Any extra Agape not picked up after the second subsequent Gathering will be discarded. We are thankful for the colorful placemats, the chicken costume, and the Cluck cups that have been provided by community members. Also, Prayer is such a strong part of the Emmaus experience. With that in mind, I extend an invitation to for you to participate in the prayer vigils for the upcoming walks by signing up NOW. Our goal is for the prayer slots to be filled by March 2, for the Men's Walk and March 10, for the Women's. The pilgrims see the Vigil in the conference room on Saturday of the Walks. Having the prayer vigil completed and printed before the walks help the Agape team tremendously. We will update you as the days go by, so that we can meet this request. Last, Don't forget that baked agape is always appreciated.

Men's Walk #110 prayer vigil:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a8aa29a4f9c07-mens>

Women's Walk #111 prayer vigil:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a8aa29a4f9c07-womens>

## LAY DIRECTOR NOTES

Kim Brown  
Lay Director  
DWTE #111



Thanks be to God that it seems the Dayspring Walks to Emmaus are going to take place this month. When I accepted the role of Lay Director, I never dreamed that my turn would be in the middle of a world pandemic. To say that it has been interesting is putting it mildly. While we may have started and stopped planning for the Walks over these past two years it was never a surprise to the awesome God that we love and serve. He knew from the start when and who would be attending and serving on the March 2022 Women's Walk. His timing is perfect.

He has taught me so much over these past two years, patience, perseverance, and trust. Yes, there have been times when I thought I just wasn't the right person to serve as Lay Director. It would never have been possible without the guidance of the Holy Spirit every step of the way. The journey has been awesome because of the wonderful support of the Emmaus Board and Dayspring Community. Many of our team members have been on this journey from the start. Others because of timing and other responsibilities have needed to be replaced. When one spot was vacated there was always some willing servant ready to join the team. I am beyond blessed to have the honor to serve as Lay Director for such an awesome community. Many thanks to all of you for your prayers, love, guidance, and support. These Walks are going to be awesome. I can't wait to start our journey on the evening of March 17<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for all the events for both the Men's and Women's Walks. These pilgrims have been waiting two years to start this amazing journey. Please be in prayer for them and show them what the love of Jesus looks like through His faithful believers.

Decolores,  
Kim Brown

#### MARCH GATHERING/PIO Party

TIME: 7:00 pm  
WHEN:  
Friday, March 25, 2022  
WHERE:  
Tattnall Campground

Join us for the PIO Party & March Gathering on Friday, March 25 at 7:00 pm at Tattnall Campground. Our 4th Day Speaker is Robin DeLoach. Please bring dishes for the meal and join us at 7:00 pm. DeColores!



#### **Pilgrim's Progress**

I thought I was in good shape---physically, mentally, financially and **spiritually**. Was I ever wrong.

I didn't think I needed anything more than what I had at that moment. I thought I had all I needed. I thought I was complete. Was I ever wrong.

My wife had been invited to attend the WTE several times in the past, and like me, said no. Twice a year, for a couple of years this was our routine. Every

time she asked, I quickly said no. I was fine just like I was. I did not need to go on a weekend spiritual retreat. No way. No thank you. I just wasn't ready. But she was. She went without me. And I certainly didn't want to go after I saw the emotional mess my wife was when she returned. That sealed the deal. I would not be attending the WTE-----ever.

Then my mama died.

My rock. My hero. My shelter. My mama. Gone. I was a mess. My wife asked me to consider going to WTE again. She promised not to pressure me. Just asked that I think about it. Pray about it. And we would talk about it later.

Then I started having health issues. On top of mourning the passing of my mama. I relented. I agreed to go. I went to the WTE.

This is when I found out how messy my life really was. My life was not as good as I thought. My priorities were crossed up. Time. Time. Time. Too much work and stuff to do and not enough hours in the day to get it all done. I didn't have time to take off from work for nothing. Not to mention the money I lose when I am not at work. Money and my job were my Idols. I was only attending Sunday morning worship service and occasional Sunday school---at most I was only giving God a couple hours of my time weekly. I was not reading the bible daily; I only opened it at church. My prayer life was even worse. I didn't have one. It didn't exist. I never ever prayed with my wife. I rarely ever prayed. I would start eating without blessing the food. I wasn't having bible study with my wife---or anyone for that matter. I was still hanging on to worldly things. I wasn't growing spiritually. Was it any wonder?

But now I was at the WTE---and I finally got IT!!! My 72 hour weekend opened my eyes and heart to many things that were in desperate need of attention.

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I have finally got myself on track and headed in the "right"-eous direction. I have learned that I must die to "self"; daily, hourly, always. It's not about ME, and never was. I can honestly say that I really have peace now; all is well.

I thank my wife, sponsor and the Emmaus community for helping me to finally get my spiritual sight. I can see clearly now. The fog is gone. Praise the Lord!!!

Roger McKenzie

DWTE #94

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## 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### DATE TIME EVENT/LOCATION

March 3 6:30 Board Meeting

March 5 8:15 Campground workday

March 10 6:45 Walk #110 Send-off

March 12 8:00 Walk #110 Candlelight

March 13 4:00 Walk #110 Closing Ceremony

March 17 6:45 Walk #111 Send-off

March 19 8:00 Walk #111 Candlelight

March 20 4:00 Walk #111 Closing Ceremony

March 25 7:00 PIO PARTY/Sustaining the Spirit/Tattnall Campground

April 7 6:30 Board Meeting

April 23 Gathering/TBA

May 1 **Willing Servant App. For Fall Walks are due**

May 5 6:30 Board Meeting

May 21 Gathering/TBA

June 2 6:30 Board Meeting  
June 9-12 Girl's Chrysalis  
June 16-19 Boy's Chrysalis  
June 25 Gathering/TBA  
July 1 **Pilgrim App. For Fall Walks are due**  
July 7 6:30 Board Meeting  
July 23 Gathering/TBA  
Aug 4 6:30 Board Meeting  
Aug 27 Gathering  
Sept 1 6:30 Board Meeting  
Sept TBA 6:45 Walk #112 Send-off  
Sept TBA 8:00 Walk #112 Candlelight  
Sept TBA 4:00 Walk #112 Closing  
Sept TBA 6:45 Walk #113 Send-off  
Sept TBA 8:00 Walk #113 Candlelight  
Sept TBA 4:00 Walk #113 Closing  
Sept TBA 7:00 Pio Party  
Oct 22 Gathering/TBA

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