

October--Chatter Matters 2017

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## Chatter Matters October 2017



### Dayspring Walk to Emmaus



#### UPCOMING GATHERINGS TAKE NOTICE OF THE DATES

October Gathering is  
*October 28*

November/December is  
*December 2*

The October Community Gathering will be held at

**Brooklet United Methodist Church**  
201 North Parker Avenue,  
Brooklet, GA  
**Saturday, October 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

We will begin with our covered dish meal, followed by music, a Fourth Day Talk, and Holy Communion. Our **annual business meeting** will also take place at this Gathering.

We will not meet for a Gathering in November, but will meet for our Christmas **November-December Gathering** at

**Metter United Methodist Church**

30 West Lillian St

Metter, Ga 30439

**Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 6:00.**

**Remember! Childcare is provided for the Gatherings.**



"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are  
your ways my ways,"  
declares the LORD.  
Isaiah 55:8 AMP

We may never understand His wisdom , but we simply have to trust His  
will for our lives . He will never leave us nor forsake us.  
Micah 7:7

Let the peace of Christ (the inner calm of one who walks daily with Him)  
be the controlling factor in your hearts (deciding and settling questions  
that arise). To this peace indeed you were called as members in one  
body (of believers). And be thankful (to God always).  
Colossians 3:15 AMP

I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, My God, in  
whom I trust (with great confidence, and on whom I rely)."  
Psalms 91:2 AMP

**The Spirit's Nudging**

**Al Edenfield**

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**During Irma we had 8 inches of rain in a period of 2 days. The ground was saturated when the heaviest rain came on Monday. Looking out of the windows in the sun room it was white with rain coming down hard and fast. Because of no electricity you could hear the pounding of the rain on the roof. My mother was staying with us. She and Miriam were making our sandwiches for lunch. I had been watching the rain towards the pond but**

decided to look out of the front door while up helping with lunch. When I opened the door the water was 2 inches away from the bottom of the door. The next 15 minutes was chaos. The water had to be diverted from the house. We live on a hill and dirt road with a culvert across the road turning water down into another road. It was raining so hard and so fast that the culvert could not handle that much water. I went to the barn and loaded tires to divert the water. My son came and picked up big dually tractor tires with a tractor spear and placed them. When they were in place and diverting the water it was ½ inch from going in the front door!

I usually do not go to the front door and open it to look out anytime. Why did I on that day at precisely that time. But I did and I believe God led me to do that. Prayers were answered.

We had downed trees, definitely washes around the house and some roof damage. We are so thankful and blessed. It could have been so much worst.

De Colores  
Al

## **Peggy Rivenbark**

God's Hand is in all things!

I never thought about just how many relatives I have in Florida (20). But Irma brought that to my attention, in particular, my sister who lives in Orlando. For about 20 years, she and her husband have gone all over the world to wherever God leads them helping to plant churches, to teach, preach, train pastors or whatever He wants them to do. Usually at the time of year when Irma hit, they are somewhere out of country. Since January, she and I have discussed the fact that no opportunities have opened up for this fall. Quite unusual. The Lord has been silent in this area. He seemed to be telling them to wait....to rest....Well....here comes Irma. On September 11 I checked in with my sister and she was very concerned about the possibility of tornadoes. Chances were very high that they could occur. Anyway....after spending the night in the hall with husband and dog, the next morning she went outside to continue cleanup. Dizzy.....so very tired.....just couldn't put one foot in front of the other.....tight chest.....yep....you guessed it! My sister had (she found out typical for a woman her age....ouch!) a stress related heart attack and ended up in the hospital for several days. She has to take it easy for about 2 months but should fully recover with no damage. How was God's Hand in this? She could have been in the African bush! In a canoe on Lake Victoria! Somewhere in South America! In Thailand! On a transatlantic flight! Or any of the myriad other places she's been. Somewhere where she wouldn't have gotten medical treatment. God knew she needed to be at home. And then.....isn't God sneaky about using this incident to force her to rest?!!!! He is so awesome!!!!

De Colores!

Peggy Rivenbark  
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Psalms 91:2 AMP

And we know (with great confidence) that God (who is deeply concerned about us) causes all things to work together (as a plan) for good for those who love God, to those who are called according to His plan and purpose.

Romans 8:29 AMP

Now may the Lord of peace Himself grant you His peace at all times and in every way (that peace and spiritual well-being that comes to those who walk with Him regardless of life's circumstances).

2 Thessalonians 3:16 AMP

### **Tornado Miraclic**

"Even though they lost everything, Lisa said she's trying to focus on the positives. It was a miracle her family wasn't home as they were not originally planning on evacuating. They only did so because her mom had already prepared food. Had they have been there during the tornado, her story would be much worse. "I would rather be rummaging through things and trying to save what we can than burying a loved one." She knows God has a message. They are focusing on what they have and not on what they lost. We are humbled."

*Florida Paper*

### **Tampa Bay Area Miracle**

The emptying of Tampa Bay proved to be more than just an occasional weather phenomenon. Rather, it was a potential saving grace for the city of Tampa. National Weather Service meteorologist Stephen Shiveley said if water from the bay had not receded, storm surge in the city would have been much higher. When Irma was still a healthy Category 4 and 4 force hurricane in South Florida, its' outer winds blew from the northeast into Tampa Bay, pushing the water out to the Gulf of Mexico. For a few hours, Tampa locals had the rare chance to walk, run and play on the bay's floor. One stretch of the bay was six feet below normal tide. At the time, forecasters worried what would happen once the storm passed Tampa. The winds from the northeast would shift to out of the west, potentially sending all that water, and then some, back into the bay. But Shiveley said the storm had weakened by the time it got to Tampa after making an early landfall near Naples. So when the winds did their turn about 2 or 3 am Monday morning, they weren't strong enough to cause the storm surge which could have been in the 8 or 9 foot range. The highest it ever got in Tampa Bay was two feet. The bay was full of water again by 10 am Monday. But Shiveley said the water never crested over the city's barriers. He said he doesn't know whether the water would have crested had the water not receded. However, he said, "We got super, super lucky."

*USA Today*

Hurricane Irma caused massive flooding as it ripped its way through Florida and the Caribbean, but not for everyone. Tampa Bay residents experienced a bizarre phenomenon

that some believe can be compared to what happened in the Bible. Instead of pummeling Tampa Bay with massive waves, Hurricane Irma's powerful winds sucked the water away from the shoreline. "Huge parcels of the Bay became dry enough to walk on," Tampa Bay resident Aly Yohn told CBN News.

"People were stunned! Manatees got beached because the water receded so fast, and people had to walk out into the bay, put them onto tarps and pull them further out to water," she said.

Weather scientists call the eerie event a "reverse storm surge" or a "bulge."

"In the center of the storm, where the pressure is lowest and the winds are converging, water piles up. Low pressure is basically a sucking mechanism in the sense that it draws the air inward. When the pressure is exceptionally low and the winds are very strong, it can create a bulge of ocean water under the center of the storm," writes Angela Fritz, an atmospheric scientist and deputy weather editor at *the Washington Post*.

The unexpected phenomenon is causing some to suggest that God could have used a similar method to part the Red Sea and lead the Israelites into the Promised Land.

Yohn isn't sure what to call the phenomenon, but she believes it is evidence of the hand of God. "You can call this what you want: a fluke, a surprise, a miracle or whatever. What we believe is that God used the natural forces of this storm, to force the water completely out," Yohn concluded.

**CBN News**



## Continued Prayer

A heavy heart does not prevent us from approaching God with our petitions. Nor does a heavy heart limit the power of prayer. It's disheartening to see the catastrophic situations in our world. Even so, we praise the Creator of Heaven and Earth for listening and answering His children's

appeals for safety and peace. And, we acknowledge that His ways are not our ways. That is why we continue to lift up prayer to the Lord all those affected by Hurricane Harvey and Irma, the earthquakes in Mexico. We also pray for those who are helping in any way to minister to them.



## Dayspring Walk to Emmaus Memorial and Honorarium Fund

The Dayspring Walk to Emmaus Memorial/Honorarium Fund has been established for anyone wishing to remember the death of a friend or a loved one, or to honor someone living. The fund will be used for scholarships, projects or in the area designated by the donor. This information will be listed in Chatter Matters unless requested not to do so.

Please send the form and donation to:  
 Dayspring Walk to Emmaus, P.O. Box 1312, Statesboro, Ga. 30459. The form will be  
 included in the form section at  
[dayspringwalktoemmaus.com](http://dayspringwalktoemmaus.com)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017/2018

Activities with the Walks will take place at Tattnall Campground.		
Oct 28	6:00	Gathering Brooklet Methodist Church Brooklet, Ga.
<b>Nov 1</b>		<b>Willing Servant Applications Due for Spring Walks</b>
Dec 2	6:00	Christmas Gathering Metter United Methodist Church Metter, Ga
<b>2018</b>		
January 1		PILGRIM Applications Deadline Spring Walk
January 4	6:30	Board Meeting
January 27	6:00	GATHERING Statesboro Primitive Baptist Church
February 1	6:30	Board Meeting
February 24	6:00	Gathering Rehoboth Baptist Church, Claxton
March 1	6:30	Board Meeting
March 8	6:45	Send-Off Men's Walk #100
March 10	8:00	Candlelight #100
March 11	4:00	Closing Men's Walk #100
March 15	6:45	Send-Off Women's #101
March 17	8:00	Candlelight #101
March 18	4:00	Closing Women's #101
March 23	7:00	PIO Party/Sustaining the Spirit Tattnall Campground
April 5	6:30	Board Meeting
April 28	6:00	Gathering New Beginnings in Christ, Garfield
<b>May 1</b>		<b>Willing Servant Applications for FALL WALKS Are Due</b>
May 3	6:30	Board Meeting
May 19	6:00	Gathering
June 7	6:30	Board Meeting
June 23	6:00	Gathering
<b>July 1</b>		<b>Pilgrim Applications for FALL WALKS Are Due</b>
July 5	6:30	Board Meeting
July 21	6:00	Gathering Camp Meeting at Tattnall Campground
August 2	6:30	Board Meeting
August 25	6:00	Gathering
September 6	6:30	Board Meeting
September 13	6:45	Send-Off Men's Walk #102
September 15	8:00	Candlelight Men's Walk #102
September 16	4:00	Closing Men's Walk #102
September 20	6:45	Send-Off Women's Walk #103
September 22	8:00	Candlelight Women's #103
September 23	4:00	Closing Women's Walk #103
September 28	7:00	PIO Party/Sustaining the Spirit Tattnall Campground

<b>October 4</b>	<b>6:30</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>
<b>October 27</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>GATHERING</b>
<b>November 1</b>	<b>6:30</b>	<b>Emmaus Board Meeting</b>
<b>December 1</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>GATHERING</b>

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