

Chatter Matters July 2015



Dayspring Walk to Emmaus

"Our fathers' God to Thee, Author of liberty,
To thee we sing; Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King!"
from the hymn "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

FALL WALKS UPDATE

Servant teams have met and training has begun. Conference room teams are continuing to prepare for talks. Numbers for Pilgrims for this Walk are still low. We need Pilgrims! Please prayerfully consider sponsoring. We always need more couples! Please get applications in ASAP!



Men's Walk #92 September 10-13, 2015
Lay Director: Bill Mathis, Jr.
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Women's Walk #93 September 17-20, 2015
Lay Director: Lana Shuman
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You can obtain Pilgrim applications at www.dayspringwalktoemmaus.com

Send completely filled out and signed applications to:

bethtakins@hotmail.com (remember the t after beth)

or

dayspringregistrar@gmail.com

Mail to: Dayspring Walk to Emmaus
P.O. Box 1312
Statesboro, GA 30459

If you have any questions, please call Beth Akins, Registrar, at [\(912\)682-3340](tel:9126823340).

You may also sign up for the 72 Hour **Prayer Vigil** now. Please go to www.dayspringwalktoemmaus.com Click on the **Prayer Vigil** tab at the top to access the Vigil to sign up. Let's please get all slots filled!

"Blessed
is the
nation,
whose
God is the
LORD."
Psalm
33:12

Continue to pray for Pilgrims, the Servant teams, sponsorship, and Community involvement!



JULY GATHERING

The July GATHERING will be held at Tattnall Campground on Saturday, July 18, 2015. Mark your calendars now!!! We have a special invitation at this time to be part of the annual Camp Meeting there!!! Please bring a covered dish to share. We will meet in the Dining Hall at 6:00 p.m.

We will then join the Camp Meeting service at the Tabernacle.

There will NOT be Childcare available as all the Camp Meeting children will also be sitting with their parents.

Join this special time of fellowship and worship. Let's help to fill all the pews at the Tabernacle for this very special time!!! Remember if you miss any Emmaus event, you also miss the blessing!

Pilgrim's Progress

**"A Journey of a Lifetime"
by**

**Leon Waters
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In the summer of 1993, I began a journey of a lifetime. That summer, I was asked to go on the Emmaus Walk in the fall. Little did I know what a life changing experience was going to take place and what a huge spiritual blessing this would be for all.

That fall, I arrived at Reidsville Methodist Church with my sponsor. At that time, Send-Off was in Reidsville. I was loaded up on a bus with twenty-five other Pilgrims, many from Statesboro. We were strangers on that first bus ride, but soon to become brothers in Christ walking hand-in-hand. We were headed to begin our Emmaus journey at Tattnall Campground. Little did any of us realize that our small group of faithful followers would grow into an active, thriving, and strong community with a solid foundation built on our love of Christ.

Les and Kathy Kightlighter brought the Emmaus Walk to Tattnall Campground. They had begun their experience at the Coastal Walk to

Emmaus in Savannah. They worked the first four or five Walks. As time passed, people began to notice that these "Pilgrims" weren't just going through the motions. There was something definitely different about their lives after the Walk. Through others and their love for Christ, the Dayspring Walks took off and became active because people were serving the Lord and doing things that were pleasing in His sight. As we all know, the Lord blesses those things which are done for His Glory. As the impact on people's lives has grown, people have shared their experiences and God has used this to prosper His people on this spiritual journey.

Even through the years, though the format has stayed the same, people's lives have been tremendously changed. When finished on the Fourth Day, my sponsor took me home, but as with so many others that have been on the Walk, the impact of those 72 hours has been life-changing. If you had asked me then, I never thought that Emmaus would have grown so much. Through the years, I've seen many familiar faces and others have gone on to serve Christ in different ways. I joined an Emmaus Reunion group later at the Anderson House called "Tuesday Tasters." They and others had been gathering about six months when I joined their group. Through the years, other Reunion groups have branched off. The support for each other in relationships built through Reunion groups has sustained and encouraged people to continue their journey.


Since that first Walk in September of 1993, I have watched the Emmaus community grow. Emmaus can be about your whole life. People's lives are impacted and altered in different ways as they journey just as those did in Luke 24. Many agree that this Walk to Emmaus is the greatest weekend ever spent as we hope to go out and tell other people all about Christ and His love for His children.

Emmaus reminds me of words to a well-known hymn, "Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my life in vain. I'm tempted then to murmur, and of my lot complain, but when I think of Jesus, and all He's done for me; then I cry O Rock of Ages, hide Thou me!"

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Leon Waters
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Do You Need a Name Badge?

If you have lost your name badge and need another one made, please contact Beth Akins at bethtakins@hotmail.com or call her at  (912) 682-3340 and she will have one made for you and arrange a way to get it to you. Wearing your name badge to Emmaus events is the kindest way to learn each other's names.



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### Do You Have a Prayer Request?

If you have a prayer request, please submit it to [dayspringwalktoemmaus@gmail.com](mailto:dayspringwalktoemmaus@gmail.com)  
Eddie Boulineau, our Prayer Coordinator, will get it out to the community as soon as possible.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for 2015

July 1		Pilgrim Applications due for FALL WALKS
July 9	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
July 18	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Tattnall Campground)
July 25	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Only (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
August 6	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
August 15	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Only (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
August 22	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Harmony United Methodist Church)
September 3	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
September 5	8:15 a.m.	Camp Set-Up for All Servant Teams at Campground
September 10	6:45 p.m.	Send-Off Men's Walk #92 (Followed by Sponsor's Hour)
<i>(All Walk Activities will be held at Tattnall Campground)</i>		
September 12	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight Men's Walk #92

September 13	4:00 p.m.	Closing Men's Walk #92
September 17	6:45 p.m.	Send-Off Women's Walk #93
September 19	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight Women's Walk
September 20	4:00 p.m.	Closing Women's Walk #93
September 25	7:00 p.m.	PIO Party for Pilgrims
September 29	6:30 p.m.	Sustaining the Spirit
		(Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
October 1	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
October 24	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING
		(TBA)
November 5	6:30 p.m.	Emmaus Board Meeting
December 5	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING
		(Union United Methodist Church--Bulloch County)

*In Christ,
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