

Chatter Matters June 2014



Dayspring Walk to Emmaus

Chrysalis "takes Flight" this month at Tattnall Campground. This three day youth version (for 10th - 12th graders) of the Walk to Emmaus provides an opportunity to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support, and to make new faith commitments. It will inspire, challenge, and equip these young people for a closer friendship with Christ and encourage Christian action at home, church, school, community and to a needy world.



"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

(See enclosed article for more information)

Happy Father's
Day
June 15



FALL WALKS UPDATE

Planning for Fall Walks to Emmaus is well underway. Servant Teams have been selected and the first All Team training has been scheduled for Saturday, June 28, at 8:15 a.m. at Statesboro FUMC.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river and will not fear when the heat comes."
Jeremiah 17:7-8

Please pray for Sponsorship, Pilgrims, and Community involvement.

Men's Walk #88
Lay Director:

September 11-14, 2014
John Shuman
john@shumanproduce.com

Women's Walk #89
Lay Director:

September 18-21, 2014
Kate Keith
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Please prayerfully consider sponsoring. There is a specific need for couples. **Deadline for Pilgrim Applications is July 1.**

"Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you whenever you go."
Joshua 1:9



"Pilgrim's Progress"

by
Addie Wiggins
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"You shall love the LORD
your God with all your
heart, with all your soul,
and with all your
strength.

And these words which I
command you today
shall be in your heart.
You shall teach them
diligently to your
children, and shall talk of
them when you sit in
your house, when you
walk by the way, when
you lie down, and when
you rise up. You shall
bind them as a sign on
your hand, and they shall
be as frontlets between
your eyes. You shall
write them on the
doorposts of your house
and on your gates."
Deuteronomy 6:5-9

"Honor your father and your
mother, which is the first
commandment with promise:
that your days may be well
with you and you may live
long on the earth."
Ephesians 6:2-3

I took my Emmaus journey in the Fall of 2005. I was 25 years old at the time, living an "ideal" life...had a great husband, settled into a great job, standing firm in my faith; yet, I was longing for something more. I wanted something greater...I desired a deeper relationship with Christ, my God and my Savior. My Emmaus journey fulfilled this desire ten-fold by making so "real" to me God's great grace, faithfulness, and love through the power of His Holy Spirit, living in me and through the power of His people, the Body of Christ, supporting, serving, loving, and restoring one another. My eyes were opened to living a life deeply rooted in trusting in God's plan, accepting God's grace, and loving and serving God by loving and serving others. Living this life, I would learn would bring me peace and joy through some of the toughest storms.

In November of 2011, six years after my Emmaus Walk, I thought I was still living that "ideal" life--married, two kids, good job, good health, great house, but reality showed up like a bolt of lightning, and I quickly realized I was actually living in a nightmare! I found myself in a wrecked marriage with no where to turn but divorce. As hard as I prayed for God to restore and heal my marriage for the sake of my children and partly for my own pride I knew I was hearing from God to let go, and so I did. Despite my fears of being alone, financially strapped, and most of all, my girls having to endure this separation, I heeded God's word and trusted Him to sustain us, and He did ten times over. Day after day, through the Body of Christ, God sustained, strengthened, and uplifted me. Family, friends, and loved ones cried and prayed with me. They babysat for me, paid my bills for me and even cut my grass for me. The Body of Christ brought me and my girls the Word of God and the Love of God, keeping me Spirit filled and God centered. During this undesired season in my life, I made the decision that I wanted to be "better" because of all this, not bitter. I wanted this trial, this storm to perfect me, not paralyze me. Thankfully, I was able to endure--to overcome, to become stronger, better!

In October of 2012, this better life just kept getting better...God brought Bryan to me and my girls. God knew my desires to have a Godly man to share my life and to help me raise my girls. Bryan was His plan for me..."His plan for my hope and my future." Bryan and I met through my brother-in-law, Charlton. We soon realized we had many mutual friends through Emmaus who had been praying that each of us would find a Godly spouse. By God's grace, we found each other. My Emmaus journey brought to life for me God's great grace, faithfulness, and love. It revealed to me the amazing power of the Body of Christ to support, serve, love, and restore one another. These are the strengths and truths that get me through my Fourth Days. Sometimes these Fourth Days find me on the receiving

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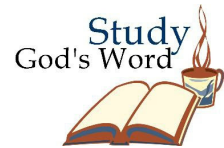
and sometimes on the giving end. Some days, I'm the one loving, serving, and restoring--faithfully giving back to the Body of Christ--and some days I'm the one who needs the "pick me up."

I love the verses Ecclesiastes 4:9-10--"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up." We all fall down in this life and we all face storms--whether it's losing a loved one, battling an addiction, struggling to pay the bills, trying to save a marriage, or fighting a fatal diagnosis--we will all face trials, and we will all need one another to "pick us up."

I am grateful to be a part of the Body of Christ, and I am so grateful for all the persons who "picked me up" and loved me through it all. But, mostly I am grateful for my God who picks me up every day--who strengthens me with His love, mercy, and grace--Whose plans for me were for a hope and a future--for a better life, not a bitter one. "GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS, OH LORD," and grateful is your servant, Addie.

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The BOOK SHELF



One of the Talks on the Walk is "Growth Through Study." We want the Community to share resources that have helped to "renew our mind." Of course, we all know that the Bible is the greatest book ever written because it was "God-breathed." The books we will mention here are in addition to your daily Bible reading.

If you have been reading a really good Christian book that has inspired and influenced you, please share it with us. Please e-mail the title and the author of the book to Ann Jacobs at adjacobs@frontiernet.net It will be shared next month with the Community.

Thanks to these Community members who shared a book with us for this month!

Doug & Nancy Collins--*The Ragamuffin Gospel* by Brennan Manning

Lynn Lee--*Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand

Don Marsh--*Holiness* by J. C. Ryle

Martha Martin--*Unstoppable* by Nick Vujicic

Donald & Dale Nessmith--*Angels* by Dr. David Jeremiah



Chrysalis Takes Flight

Girls' Chrysalis	June 19-22, 2014
Lay Director	Ellen Kingery ekingery@tattnall.k12.ga.us
Boys' Chrysalis	June 26-29, 2014
Lay Director	Larry Cowart cowartlandb@att.net

There is a need for Caterpillars. Please click here:

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

for applications for Butterflies. Please mail all Butterfly applications to:

Amy W. Murray
3547 Hwy. 178
Glennville, GA 30427

or e-mail to raaemurray@windstream.net or citymanager@windstream.net

Table and baked agape is always sparse for Chrysalis, so we need your help. Please contact Ellen Kingery with questions or ideas at [\(912\)237-0661](tel:9122370661) or [\(912\)739-7210](tel:9127397210).

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What a great three days are in store for our young ladies and men the last two weekends in June. I would like to request the Community's help in sponsoring caterpillars for the Flights, and it would be great to have a "packed house" for both! Your support will be appreciated by attending Send-Off, Candlelight, and Closing. Your participation in these events mean so much to our young people.

Baked agape is always welcome and appreciated for hungry young

folks. Most of all your prayers are needed. Please sign up for the Prayer Vigil and also pray for the Flights every chance you get. God has provided a great group of Servants to work with these young people. I know everyone will be blessed for all God will do through each one of them. Thank you again for your prayers and support.

Fly with Christ!

Larry Cowart, Lay Director, Boys' Chrysalis

Dayspring Walk to Emmaus #70

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 19, 2014	8:00 p.m.	Girls' Chrysalis Send-Off (All Chrysalis Activities will be held at Tattnall Campground)
June 21, 2014	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight--Girls' Chrysalis
June 22, 2014	4:00 p.m.	Closing Girls' Chrysalis
June 26, 2014	8:00 p.m.	Boys' Chrysalis Send-Off
June 28, 2014 Walks Church)	8:15 a.m.	All Team Meeting Fall (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
June 28, 2014	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Eason's Chapel Methodist Church)
June 28, 2014	8:00 p.m.	Candlelight-Boys' Chrysalis
June 29, 2014	4:00 p.m.	Closing-Boys' Chrysalis
July 1, 2014 Walks	PILGRIM	Applications Deadline for Fall
July 26, 2014	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Teams (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
July 26, 2014	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Nevils United Methodist Church)
August 23, 2014	8:15 a.m.	Conference Room Teams (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
August 23, 2014	6:00 p.m.	Community GATHERING (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
September 6, 2014	8:15 a.m.	Camp Set-Up Fall Walks (All Walk Activities will be held at Tattnall Campground)

<u>September 11, 2014</u>	<u>6:45 p.m.</u>	Send-Off Men's Walk #88
<u>September 13, 2014</u>	<u>8:00 p.m.</u>	Candlelight Men's Walk
<u>September 14, 2014</u>	<u>4:00 p.m.</u>	Closing Men's Walk #88
<u>September 18, 2014</u>	<u>6:45 p.m.</u>	Send-Off Women's Walk#89
<u>September 20, 2014</u>	<u>8:00 p.m.</u>	Candlelight Women #89
<u>September 21, 2014</u>	<u>4:00 p.m.</u>	Closing Women's #89
<u>September 26, 2014</u>	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	PIO Party-Walks #88,#89
<u>September 30, 2014</u>	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	Sustaining the Spirit (Statesboro First United Methodist Church)
<u>October 25, 2014</u>	<u>6:00 p.m.</u>	Community GATHERING
<u>November 1, 2014</u>		SERVANT Applications deadline for Spring Walks
<u>December 6, 2014</u>	<u>6:00 p.m.</u>	Community GATHERING

"Let everything that has breath, praise the LORD." Psalm 150:6

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