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COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR DECEMBER



Follow-up HOOT

Friday, December 9, 2005 at 6:30 pm
Young Harris Memorial United Methodist Church
973 Prince Avenue
Athens, Georgia 30606

CHURCH PHONE NUMBER: (706) 543-2612

**Hamburgers and Hot Dogs provided.
Bring side dishes, desserts or drinks.**

See your friends from the flight and have a chance to talk about
your experiences since the flight.

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### Athens Area Gathering

Friday, December 9, 2005 at 7:30 pm  
Young Harris Memorial United Methodist Church  
973 Prince Avenue  
Athens, Georgia 30606

Come and join the worship, fellowship and fun at 7:30pm as we  
transition into a joint gathering.

CHURCH PHONE NUMBER: (706) 543-2612

**BRING YOUR WORSHIP BOOKS !**

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MERRY CHRISTMAS !!!

Visit us on-line at www.fourthdays.org for all of your team applications,
Pilgrim and Caterpillar applications, and back-issues of De Colores

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Thankful for Your Love

In 2001, I received a call from the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus Board of Directors. One of the Assistant Spiritual Directors on the Board would not be able to complete his three-year term. Would I be willing to take his position and fill this role on the Board? Of course, I said yes. Then, as my period of service was about to end, I was nominated and elected to the position of Community Spiritual Director to begin serving in January of 2003. For the last three years, I have had the honor and privilege of serving in this role.

I cannot begin to express the joy I received from serving my brothers and sisters in Christ in the Athens Emmaus community. I have seen what happens when commitment and dedication to God are the foundation on which a Board of Directors fulfills its mission. I have witnessed God select each Emmaus team and seen the humility with which each member has served. I have watched God transform lives during the walks and create enthusiastic servants for the Kingdom of God. I have served with you, laughed with you, cried with you, hugged you, and most importantly, prayed with you. In my commitment to God and you, I have been blessed beyond my imagination.

So, I thank each member of the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus community for your love and support during these last three years. I know that you will join me in lifting up David Moore in your prayers as he begins serving you as the Community Spiritual Director in January. And, of course, I look forward to the future where I can continue to serve God by serving with you, laughing with you, crying with you, hugging you, and most importantly, by praying with you.

In His Love,
Len Bernat
Community Spiritual Director

Would your church like to host a gathering in 2006?

If you're interested, please contact Jim Wood at 706-549-5234 (leave message), cell # 706-540-4448 or email: **Woody_1946@hotmail.com**.

Gatherings are held monthly except April and October when the Walks are held. Call or email for available dates.

Appleton, Wisconsin update

Thank you to all those who have sent in applications to work the Minnesota outreach walks for the Fox Valley Walk to Emmaus in Wisconsin. We are so excited by the response. If you want to work the 2006 walks (May 11-14 for men; May 18-21 for women) but have not filled out an application, you can get a hard copy from Deb Williams (706-769-9169) or email me at zimanekj@hotmail.com and I'll email you a copy. Please send it in as soon as possible so Minnesota can begin team selection before mid-December. Cost to work is \$135. All positions are needed except for kitchen, as the camp provides that. God bless you all. Thank you for helping to make this dream come true for us!

Jill Zimanek



New Emmaus Board Members

First of all, it is necessary to thank each and every person who was willing to be obedient to God's call upon them. They answered that call when they were asked to prayerfully consider being a part of the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus board.

The results are in. The new board members are Beth Larocca-Pitts, Martha Aechbacher, Bob Bohler, Lamar Wages, David Stephenson, and Randy Woods.

Please keep these servants in your prayers as they seek God's guidance so that they can guide our community for the next three years.

Email Signup

For those of you who just completed your weekend, welcome to the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus / Chrysalis community. We have a long standing tradition of prayer. We have established two email lists - a prayer chain and a daily devotional - that allows the members of the community to stay in touch and to lift up prayer concerns. Please prayerfully consider signing up for these email lists.

Follow these instructions to sign up.

1. Go to the following web site(s) (You can also go to [tp://www.fourth-days.org](http://www.fourth-days.org) and click on the "Community Links" button to select and sign up for the lists.

2. You will then need to type in your email address and then click on the "Send" button.

3. This will take you to a page that will say "Invitation Sent."

4. You will need to check your email to verify your email address.

5. Once you receive an email from Groups@AOL, click on the link at the top of the email that says "Click here to confirm your e-mail address."

6. This will take you to a web page that will confirm your subscription and give you membership options. You may choose either option.

NOTE: You will need to enter a unique screen name. AOL cannot have two people with the same name. If it will not let you sign up, simply try again with another name.

Athens Area Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis Prayer Chain

<http://groups.aol.com/aaweprayer>

Be Still - Devotionals for Daily Living

<http://groups.aol.com/bestilldevotions>

Athens Area Girl's Chrysalis Flight #15 - Update

We had 25 beautiful butterflies experience Chrysalis Flight #15 during Thanksgiving Weekend. The team acted as servants so that the ladies experienced Jesus' love deeply during the three days. Thank you to all who participated by praying, working, sponsoring, and attending events during the weekend. We praise God for His mighty displays of power and grace. A glorious moment took place on Saturday when a rainbow was spotted above the building where the conference room is. It was as if God was smiling on us. Weather did not cause difficulties for us at candlelight or even the cross ceremony. The schedule was kept always within minutes of the specified time which had been a prayer request of mine. The speakers taught us so much in their talks. They spoke from the heart and expressed truths from God's word. During the poster parties, we laughed at the funny skits and marveled at how complete the posters were regarding the talks. I recall moments of dancing and singing in the conference with the Music Team leading. The ladies displayed much energy! Tears of understanding were shed after Candlelight and at the Closing Ceremony. Praise the Lord for His magnificent work. Steve Ebbert and Amy Smock will have a blessed time on the upcoming Flights.

Julie Cornelius



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Wesley Chapel
Oconee River Methodist Church
Toccoa FUMC
Wesley Chapel
Tuckston UMC
The Morton
Oconee River Methodist
Wesley Chapel Comm. Church
Jefferson UMC
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Tuckston UMC

Chrysalis Board Meeting

The Chrysalis Board will meet on December 9, 2005 before the HOOT.



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He had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. (Luke 24:35)

**Be Still . . .
 Devotionals for Daily Living**

I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations;
 I will sing of you among the peoples.
 For great is your love, reaching to the heavens;
 your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;
 let your glory be over all the earth.
 (Psalms 57:9-11 (NIV))

The Psalmist spoke truth and wisdom when these words were written. What was true then is still very true today.

In this Christmas season, we are constantly reminded of how great God's love for us is. Celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ is a constant reminder of God's love. God is faithful in keeping His Word. All throughout the Old Testament, God promised to send a Savior to reconcile man with Himself. In this season, we are witness to the promise kept. It is a yearly celebration of that promise. At the same time, we must keep our eyes focused on the other promises of God, especially the one that says that Jesus will come again.

In this holy season of new birth, we must not forget that Jesus grew up and died on the cross, was resurrected and will come again.

Christmas is only the beginning of the fulfillment of God's promise and not the culmination.

MERRY CHRISTMAS !

**Upcoming Emmaus Walk
 and Chrysalis Flight Dates**

- Spring 2006 - Emmaus**
 Men's #27 March 30-April 2
 Women's #28 April 6-9
- Summer 2006 - Chrysalis**
 Boys - June 8-11
- Fall 2006 - Emmaus**
 Men's #28 Oct 12-15
 Women's #29 Oct 19-22
- Winter 2006 - Chrysalis**
 Girls - November 23-26
- Spring 2007 - Emmaus**
 Men's #29 April 12-15
 Women's #30 April 19-22
- Summer 2007 - Chrysalis**
 Boys - June 7-10
 Girls - June 14-17
- Fall 2007 - Emmaus**
 Men's #30 Oct 11-14
 Women's #31 Oct 18-21