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COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

Athens Area Gathering

Friday, February 14, 2003 at 7:30 pm

**Tuckston United Methodist Church
4175 Lexington Road**

Athens, Georgia 30605

Bring your Worship Books!

Our next gathering is almost upon us. Please mark your calendars for Friday, February 14 at 7:30 pm. Come join us as we pray, praise, and fellowship.

DIRECTIONS: Get off the Athens bypass (Loop 10) at Lexington Road (Highway 78) and drive east (away from downtown Athens). Drive approximately three miles to the intersection of Highway 78 and Gaines School Road. Go through the intersection (BiLo's will be on your left); Tuckston is down 200 yards on your left. If you pass Lord and Stephens Funeral Home or the Wal-Mart, you've gone too far.

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### **Georgia Foothills Gathering**

**Friday, February 14 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Gainesville First United Methodist Church**

**2780 Thompson Bridge Road**

**Gainesville, Georgia**

For those who are in the new Georgia Foothills community and for those who want to support this community, all of the gatherings will be on the second Friday night of the month and will always be at Gainesville First United Methodist Church.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Athens: Go to Gainesville by Highway 29 North. In town, follow 129/60 until it splits immediately after the First Baptist Church. Take the left-hand turn (this will be Highway 60 North heading toward Dahlonega). Drive approximately 2 1/2 miles. When you cross over Lake Lanier, there will be a sign for the church. The church entrance will be your next right.

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*Visit us on-line at [www.fourthdays.org](http://www.fourthdays.org) for all of your team applications, Pilgrim and Caterpillar applications, and back-issues of De Colores*

## Treasurers Note

To The Athens Area walk to Emmaus Community:

We are winding down our first year without our brothers and sisters in the Foothills Community. Though I know we are all saddened by the fact that we never get to see many of our old friends from up yonder, we are gladdened by the fact that they are doing well. Because of the spin off of the new community, this last year has also been a new beginning for our community. We have had to make some adjustments, but, all in all, our growing pains have been small.

This year we added 144 new members to our community in the course of our spring and fall walks. We also donated a total of \$5000.00 to our brothers and sisters in the Foothills Community to help them get up and running. The money was available at the beginning of the year because we had extra funds due to several very good years when we were still one very large community. However, over the course of the last eleven months, the operating costs for the walks have increased. We lost several folks to the Foothills community who had been providing us with AGAPE in the form of accounting skills, printing, etc... With the loss of these folks, we acquired some new and increasing expenses, including increases in the cost of the campground rental and cleaning fees (making up for several years of no change), rising food costs and insurance along with postage and printing.

So, as you are aware, in order to help off set these rising costs, we have increased servant fees to \$85.00 and pilgrim fees to \$80.00. This increase in fees is modest and will not completely meet the community's financial need, so we encourage you to prayerfully search your hearts and consider making a donation. Remember, no gift is too small and all gifts are tax deductible. When making a donation please include your name and address so that we may send you a receipt for your records. Remember, Athens Area Walk to Emmaus is a nonprofit organization. Another way that you can help to maintain the community's financial health, is by being a good steward of the community's funds when you are in a position to spend them. All in all it has been a blessed year and there is no doubt that God is with us and will continue to be with us as we do His Will in the coming year.

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Cay Quillian-Carr



## Team Selection

Team Selection for the Spring Walks was held on January 11. Both teams were blessed with many willing servants. If you applied to work and you have not been contacted, please let me know. My e-mail address is: rwhitfi280@aol.com or you may call me at 706-742-8496.

The dates for the Men's Fall Walk is October 16-19 and the Fall Women's Walk is October 23-26. Please begin to prayerfully consider serving on one of these teams. Team Selection will probably be in late June or early July. De Colores! Rhonda Whitfield

God bless you all for your servants heart!  
De Colores!  
Rhonda Whitfield  
Board Representative for Team Selection

## Upcoming Walks and Flights

**2003**

**Spring:**

Men's Walk: March 27-30

Women's Walk: April 3-6

**Summer:**

Female Flight #13 and Female

Journey #1 June 19th - 22

**Fall:**

Men's Walk: October 16-19

Women's Walk: October 23-26

**Winter:**

Male Flight #13 and Male

Journey #1 December 26th - 29

## Chrysalis News



1) MUSIC Team training - If you are interested in serving on a Chrysalis MUSIC team, you MUST attend a Music Training. Our next one will be February 8th at Gordon's Chapel UMC from 10:00 - 12:00. For more information, contact Wayne Brubaker.

2) CHANGE!!! Something NEW is coming - our next Flight this summer will be a little different than in the past. It will be ALL FEMALE, however, we will still have 2 conference rooms. In one conference, we will have a FEMALE Chrysalis Flight (#13). In the other conference room, we will have a FEMALE Journey (#1). A JOURNEY is basically the same as a Chrysalis Flight, except College-aged young adults attend.

So, If you know of a FEMALE who you feel God would like for you to sponsor, please complete the application and send it in! Our applications are still found on the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus web-site.

We will still require at least 120 pieces of AGAPE (again, it will be equivalent to 2 Walks), and lots of AGAPE FOOD and PRAYER!

## Pilgrim Update

In mid-February, acceptance letters will be mailed to prospective Pilgrims. At this time (January 24), only 16 men had applied to go on the Walk, while 16 women had sent in applications. Many of us know that the number of desired Pilgrims is 36 per Walk. That's 72 total folks for both Walks—42 more than we have applications for presently.

I know that God has His Hand on this ministry & will continue to bless it by providing men and women to go on the Walks who will work for His Kingdom. The people He wants will go on these Walks—but we must do our part. What can we do to help Him?

First pray, and then pray, and then pray some more. Pray for people you are considering sponsoring. Remember—Emmaus is for the development of leaders in the church. Pray for their receptiveness to your invitation. And pray for the Walks themselves.

We need couples and (as always) single men. Applications may be found on the Community website: [www.fourthdays.org](http://www.fourthdays.org). If you don't have Internet access, contact me and I'll send you one ASAP.

Sponsors, please be in contact with your Pilgrim around February 22 to make sure the included postcard is mailed back. Encourage your Pilgrim to send back his or her postcard within a week of receiving it.

In servanthood,  
Keith Wilson  
706.549.2199  
[kwilson99@charter.net](mailto:kwilson99@charter.net)

## Message from the Athens Area Walk to Emmaus Board

On Sunday, January 5, 2003, Your Board met and elected officers and appointed chair persons for the current year. We welcome our newly elected board members, Jenni Andrews, Amy Smock, and Steve Ebbert, and our new Assistant Spiritual Directors - Bill Emerson and John Turlington. We sincerely thank those persons rotating off; Linda Black, Carolyn Loe, Dan Maxey, Dick Hoard and Perkins Williams for their hard work and dedication to this Board and our Community.

The "anointed" leadership of Perkins Williams as our Chairperson this past year has surely been a blessing to us all. Perkins, we thank you and may God bless you!

Although we have made much progress this past year we certainly have many challenges ahead and we ask that the Community pray for this Board as we labor together to serve our Lord, the Pilgrims and our Community. We meet on the first Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. We would covet your prayers at that time.

At this time we do not have the position of Childcare Ministry Chairperson filled. We are prayerfully seeking persons who might have a calling to "step up" to this wonderful experience of caring for our little ones during Candlelight and closing. The Spring Walks are almost here. Could that person be you?

Please know that the board is here for you and we welcome your suggestions, support and concerns. Again, please pray for the Emmaus Community worldwide, the Athens Area Community, the Board, the upcoming walks, the Pilgrims that will be coming and for the team members that will lead them. And pray that God will reveal His immediate plans for you to His Glory in the Athens Area Emmaus Community.

De Colores!  
Tom Coley  
Emmaus Board Chair, 2003

## Community News

Baby Announcement::

Jason and Jill Greene are happy to announce the arrival of their first baby , a girl !

Morgan O'Neal Greene

Born: December 21, 2002

5 lb 12 oz

( proud grandparents are Joy and Jim Meunier)

## Agape Needed!

Please call or email Mary Brubaker with your specific agape items before the walks. We do not want to have duplicates if we can avoid it. (743-5058 or [jbmbwb@juno.com](mailto:jbmbwb@juno.com).)

## Church Hosts Needed for 2003 Gatherings

Following is the remaining schedule for gatherings for 2003. Prayerfully consider having your church host a gathering.

March 14: OPEN

April 11: OPEN

May 9: OPEN

June 13: OPEN

July 11: OPEN

August 8: OPEN

September 12: OPEN

October: NO GATHERING — Work or participate in the Walks

November 14: OPEN

December 12: OPEN



Be the first to call or e-mail and get the month you want!!! Please give Jerry Kiser a call at 706-769-1231 (leave message) or e-mail him at [bigguyjk@bellsouth.net](mailto:bigguyjk@bellsouth.net) as soon as possible.

God bless you!



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