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The Athens Area Walk to Emmaus & Chrysalis Newsletter

COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR JUNE

Athens Area Chrysalis Flight

Chrysalis Flight #15
Hartwell Mennonite Camp, Hartwell, Georgia
Thursday, June 9 - Sunday, June 12, 2004

Send-off - Thursday, June 9, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.
Candlelight - Saturday, June 11, 2004 at 8:00 p.m.
Closing - Sunday, June 12, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.

**ALL FLIGHT EVENTS TAKE PLACE AT THE HARTWELL
 MENNONITE CAMP!**

DIRECTIONS: Hartwell Mennonite Campground is about 8.5 miles north of Royston on US 29. After the water tower on the right, the campground is on the left on the curve.

NOTE FOR SEND-OFF: Please remember that the Caterpillars have not been on the weekend and could be put off by too much exuberance in greeting. Please hold off on the great demonstration of love and be more reserved.

Wear name tags, but not crosses! Reunion groups, we need agape!

Can you help with set-up and take-down for the Flight?

Set-up for the Flight will be Thursday, June 9, 2005 at 8:00 am. All able-bodied persons who can help are welcome. The larger number of persons helping means the quicker all is ready to go and not just a few are overly tired. It is planned to start take-down at 2:00 pm before Closing of the weekend on Sunday, June 12, 2005.

Athens Area Gathering

Friday, June 10, 2005 at 7:30 pm
Tuckston United Methodist Church
4175 Lexington Road
Athens, Georgia 30605

CHURCH PHONE NUMBER: 706.353.1311

Come to the gathering on Friday night and then go to Candlelight on Saturday night! Show the caterpillars the love of Jesus!

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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A Message from the Board

Dear brothers and sisters,

Chrysalis for the young bulls, or should I say warriors, is rapidly approaching and I wanted to remind everyone that agape is needed, the prayer vigil has openings and there is still room for a few more caterpillars.

We have all been blessed by our Emmaus or Chrysalis experiences and now it is time to step up and become what we preach and teach, servants encouraged in the love of Christ. Get with your Reunion Group and make something for these boys. I did, after Rhonda Whitfield guilted me into it. I had better things to do until she gave me one of those "if you're gonna talk it, walk it, stares" yesterday. I just love her! She bought everything and encouraged the rest of us to assemble as instructed. Time flew; and afterward we did our business with God in reviewing our service sheet and prayed. I went home and ran, up hill and down hill, thinking about how blessed I am to have a friend that loves me so much that she tells me in very few words that there is nothing more important than being Jesus to someone else. For the rest of you Rhonda's out there, grab a Steve by the ear and lead him in the way of the Lord, making agape, signing the prayer vigil and coming to the campground so some young man can see Jesus in his eyes.

Also, please pray for the Sykora family as Joe prepares for flight.

Your brother,
Steve Ebbert



Child Care

The AAWTE board has voted to terminate its' involvement with the child care that has been provided during the special events held on the Walk weekends for the reason that the service carried too much liability to the board members, individually. There is simply not enough insurance available to protect each board member should an incident happen and we are pursued by a claimant.

We have struggled with this issue for the last couple of years as the Upper Room allowed us to continue the service at our own peril. We have come to the realization that we cannot continue to expect people to willingly serve on a board that puts them at risk and that is exactly what we have done ever since we started the service.

Originally, sponsors and sponsor churches made arrangements, as acts of agape, for their pilgrims' child care needs and the board feels that this should continue.

This change will not affect gatherings as each host church is responsible to provide child care for the Emmaus community and will continue to do so.

Your brother,
Steve Ebbert

Points to Ponder

With all of the problems that we are facing today, we need to be a beacon of light to those who do not have Jesus in their lives.

When everything around us does not make sense and the whole world is in a heightened state of awareness and panic because of what may or may not happen, we have a peace that we can extend to those around us.

Terrorist warnings, wars and rumors of wars, gasoline prices at an all-time high, unemployment, under-employment, and, unfortunately, no end in sight for any of these issues that cause panic.

No matter what we may face, we must remember that we have a Savior who willingly gave His life so that we might live! He now sits at the right hand of God the Father interceding for us. When we have that relationship, nothing that the world can throw at us will be a lasting tribulation, for we are promised a peace that passes understanding.

What do we do with that peace?

We must share it! We must let others know that things of this world are only temporary. We must let them know that there is a Savior who loves them. We must spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through our actions and through our words. We must let our words be His Words.

Jesus left this world with a "Great Commission" to spread the Gospel. It is our responsibility to others and to Jesus to do just that. Now, more than ever, people need Jesus. He will be there for us when we share His Word.

Remember . . .

Christ is counting on you!

Are you counting on Christ?

Registration News

It was AWESOME to have 48 of the 62 Pilgrims who attended the Spring Walks present at the Gathering on May 13th. The Men and Women listed were able to attend:

Men

Jerry Wilson
Jack Murray
Robbie Bryan
Rick Lanard
Ryan Melton
Robert Martin
Kinsey Phillips
David Moon
Don McKenzie
Jimmy Skrine
Jimmy Richardson
Mark Costello
Mickey Register
Jesse Johnson
Russ Daniel
Mike Greenhaw
Kenneth Bradley
Kelly R. Mills
Neil Jones
David Williams

Women

Sarah Bryan
Julie Lanard
Andrea McKenzie
Joyce Phillips
Renee Moon
Missy Melton
Kelley R. Mills
Trish Edwards
Annette Jackson
Nancy Williams
Christen Richardson
Pat Pastorek
Kim Costello
Mary McClure
Christine Register
Julie Powell
Erin Thompson
Wynette Flanagan
Julie Escobedo
Marion Hill
Dolores Lewellen
Judy Madden
Cookie Daniel
Linda Greenhaw
Ansley Burns
Joan Frazier
Jean Pugh
Boram Yi

We missed all those Pilgrims who were unable to attend and look forward to seeing them again in the near future.

REGISTRATION FOR BOTH THE FALL MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WALK IS NOW OPEN. As each member of the community is aware, Emmaus lives through "good sponsorship." While Emmaus is open to everyone, it is not for everyone due to varied circumstances. As you are considering sponsorship, first pray, then pray, then pray some more. The purpose of Emmaus is for the development of Christian leaders and the renewal of the church in ministry. The aim of the Walk is to bring spiritual revitalization to Christian's who will, in turn, bring new life and vision to the work of the church in congregation, home, workplace, and community. The aim of sponsorship is to build up the Body of Christ which includes pastors as well as laypersons. Select wisely, after much prayer and deliberation, prepare wisely, through attention to detail and thoughtful acts of agape, and then allow your Pilgrims(s) to meet God in their own way on the Walk to Emmaus.

I look forward to processing your sponsorship applications.
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Kent Lawrence

Chrysalis News

Chrysalis Board Meeting

There will be no Chrysalis Board meeting in June due to the Flight. Attend flight events.



Chrysalis Boy's Flight #15 REGISTRATION UPDATE

Registration is coming to a close with the flight dates only a matter of a few days away. If you still feel led to sponsor a young man, please contact Laura Ebbert immediately to check on space availability.

Please pray about those persons you would like to sponsor and others whom God would lead you to sponsor. Applications can be downloaded from the community website at www.fourthdays.org or you can contact Laura Ebbert at (706) 543-5399 and she will mail you one.

Chrysalis Girl's Flight REGISTRATION UPDATE

Team and caterpillar applications are coming up very soon for the November Chrysalis Flight! Please consider working and/or sponsoring a young lady for the Flight. The dates are November 25-27 for caterpillars and November 24-27 for team. Remember this flight takes place during Thanksgiving holidays.

Thanks,
Julie Cornelius upcoming Lay Director



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

Would your church like to host a gathering in 2005?

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

Gatherings are held monthly except April and October when the Walks are held. Following is the schedule to date. Please mark these on your calendar and prayerfully consider having your home church host one of the open slots.

- July 8: Tuckston UMC - joint gathering and HOOT
- August 12: open
- September 9: open
- October: no gathering, work walks!
- November 11: follow-up gathering at Athens FUMC
- December 9: open

Upcoming Emmaus Walk and Chrysalis Flight Dates

Following are the dates for the Walks and Flights for the next two years. Plan now to work one of these weekends or to attend Send-off, Candlelight and Closing!

Fall 2005 - Emmaus

- Men's #26 Oct 13-16
- Women's #27 Oct 20-23

Winter 2005 - Chrysalis

- Girls - November 25-27

Community News

A Reunion Group is forming in the Habersham County area. Please call Elaine Allen at 706-776-6534 or e-mail her at ima_writer47@hotmail.com or call Sue Fosbrook at 706-894-2324 or e-mail at suefos@alltel.net. The next meeting is Wednesday, June 22 at 11:00 am at the Cornelia UMC.

