

# Near the Cross Emmaus



January, 2022 Newsletter

**"Willie Frazier, Noah's of Ark, Walk to Emmaus 118, Table of Mark."**



Happy New Year! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas. We have a gathering January 8th at Jonesboro FUMC at noon with potluck, singing, fourth day talk, and fellowship. Hope to see everyone there.

My term as Board Chair has come to an end but my love for Emmaus and you continue to burn strong. The Walk to Emmaus is designed to strengthen Christians in their walk with Jesus. Most of us experienced the Walk for the first time and were overwhelmed (Mountain Top) with the Agape Love that is showed through the Body of Christ. No matter what your initial reaction was to the Walk, it all started by sponsorship. Someone had to sponsor us. I want to ask you to pray. Ask God to put someone on your heart who could benefit from the Walk to Emmaus... Who is it? Get ready for the devil to attack. He has probably already started on most of you. But don't give in to him. Hold strong to the name that God has put upon your heart. That person needs to hear from you and you can let them know, "God put your name on my heart when I was praying, and I would love to sponsor you for the Walk to Emmaus." Is the devil working on you? Are you arguing with God over the name that he put on your heart? Maybe, you have a good excuse for not calling, like I don't know his or her number, or don't know where to get an application. Applications can be found at our website

"nearthecrossemmaus.org" under the resources tab. Well don't give up. You may have to put in a little work to make it happen but you can trust God. The person that God has put on your heart most likely will not call you today and ask you if you know of any spiritual retreats that they could attend. If they do, please let me know, we know nothing is impossible with God. What I would love to see is not only a full Walk, but a waiting list for the next Walk because we are at max capacity.

Angela Newberry and Chris George are the Lay Directors for the spring walks. Men's Walk #55 April 21-24, 2022 and Women's Walk #56

April 28-May 1, 2022. Write those dates down on your calendar or put them in your phone. We need you to come and help; camp setup, send off, sponsor hour, luggage, transportation, bring agape, entertainment, candle light, write letters, closing and most important pray. Start praying now for the walks and sign up for the 72 hour prayer vigil. If you would like to work on Walk #55 or #56 it might not be too late. The board has approved the list of workers for the spring walks. Not everyone will be able to work the walks into their schedule, so there could be some openings. Please let me know if you would like to work (870-810-2109) and I will help you get a work application turned in. They are also at the "nearthecrossemmaus.org" website.

The Board will be selecting committee positions January 8 before the Gathering. We have 14 committees; registrar, agape, newsletter, kitchen, music/entertainment, team selection, follow-up/reunion group, gathering, candle light/closing, prayer/sponsor hour, facilities/logistics, transportation/luggage, media/literature, community training. Each board member accepts one of these assignments then forms a committee of 3 to 7 people to help with duties. All of this is to ensure that we are prepared and ready for the upcoming Walks so the pilgrims can experience the Walk to Emmaus. If you would like help with one of these committees, please come to the Gathering January 8th and get with the board member who is over it.

I do not want to take you away from God's work in your life. We all should be busy being the hands and feet of Christ. I'm not here to tell you what that is. If God wants you to be at the ball game instead of an Emmaus Gathering, that is between you and him. I am certain that you can witness and share Jesus with someone no matter where you are at. I just want you to know that I would enjoy and be blessed with your presence. Hope to see you January 8th at 12pm.

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Willie Frazier



Save the Date for  
2022 Spring Walks

April 21-24:  
Men's Walk



April 28-May 1:  
Women's Walk

Say YAY for the  
November Gathering!

Saturday, January 08, 2021

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First United Methodist, Jonesboro

801 South Main, St.

Bring dish for fellowship

4th Day Speaker and Holy Communion