

ALDERSGATE PILGRIM

Fall 2016

What does DeColores mean to you?

Well, it literally means “The Colors”. It’s the song traditionally sung at Emmaus weekends that praises the beauty of the diversity and simplicity of God’s creation. It’s also that song that we must sing before entering into the Dining Hall. Also, “DeColores” has come to be used as a greeting for those who have attended an Emmaus weekend.

DeColores, DeColores the fields love to dress in all during the springtime.

DeColores, DeColores the birds have their clothing that comes every season.

DeColores, DeColores the rainbow is vested across the blue sky.

DeColores and so must all love be of every bright color to make my heart cry.

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It reminds me of the realization that we are loved by God in a way that is unparalleled and unconditional and shares a feeling inspired by God’s handy-work of an incredible rainbow.

So what does it mean to you? Have you sang it lately? If not, I encourage you to attend a gathering or work on a team. It’s one of those songs I love to sing fast, with energy and a big smile.

So... get your Rooster on and start singing and you’ll soon understand the meaning of DeColores.

And DeColores.....

Your Community Lay Director 2016

Lisa Ralph

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Redesigned, Mobile-friendly, Website Coming Soon

Over the next few months, we will be rolling out an updated design for the Aldersgate Emmaus and Chrysalis web sites. The new design, over a year in the making, will feature a simplified color scheme and a separate “home” page. This new theme has also been designed from the ground-up to work across all platforms, from your home PC to tablets & mobile phones.



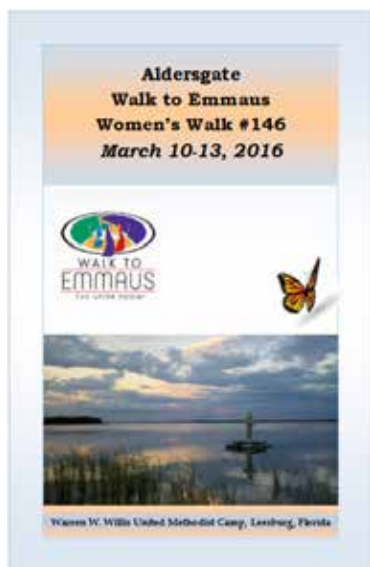
The home page prominently displays pertinent information about our community, such as upcoming events and latest articles, and even has a real-time countdown clock for the next weekend.



Web servant Dan Tesenair says, “I hope the new design will make it easier to find Emmaus information for both Pilgrims and Emmaus Community members.”

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Volunteers Needed to Help Publish Weekend Booklets



Aldersgate Emmaus is searching for one or more people with an eye for design to join the team that produces the weekend Pilgrim booklets. These booklets are often kept for many years by Pilgrims as a remembrance of their Walk.

During each Walk, pictures are taken and the booklets are printed during the weekend so they are ready for the Pilgrims by Sunday afternoon. If a few of us combine our time and talents, we can trade

off tasks and weekends. Knowledge of Adobe InDesign or Microsoft Publisher is helpful, but not required. If you are interested, contact Terry McCorvie at terrymccorvie@gmail.com or 407-616-6758.

2017 Board Leadership Selected

At the June meeting, the Aldersgate Emmaus Board of Directors elected the following officers to lead the Emmaus community in 2017.

Community Lay Director	Clint Moles
Asst. Community Lay Director	Terry McCorvie
Treasurer	Kevin Early
Secretary	Frank Pifer

Sponsorship Tip!



Start gathering letters for your Pilgrim immediately so you don't have to scramble at the last minute. Send requests for letters from family and friends by email, letter or phone call.

Give them a deadline of at least a WEEK before the walk. Be very clear the letters are NOT to be sent to the Pilgrims. Follow-up as needed until you have all letters returned.

Bring your letters to Send-off on Thursday night of the weekend, if possible.



Upcoming Weekends Mark Your Calendars



All scheduled Emmaus Walks will be held at the Warren W. Willis UM Camp in Leesburg, FL.

2016 Walks

Men's Walk #148

October 6 - 9, 2016

Women's Walk #148 (FULL)

October 13 - 16, 2016

2017 Walks

Men's Walk #149

March 2 - 5, 2017

Women's Walk #149

March 9 - 12, 2017

Women's Walk #150

April 27 - 30, 2017

Men's Walk #151

October 5 - 8, 2017

Women's Walk #151

October 12 - 15, 2017



Chrysalis flights are held at Crystal River United Methodist Church

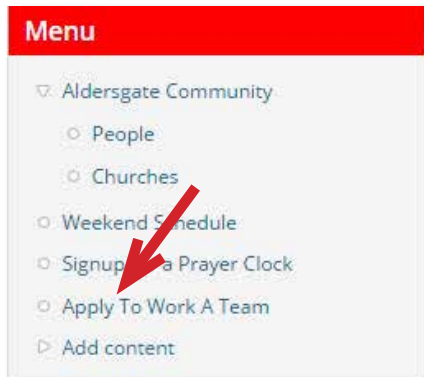
Girls' Chrysalis Flight #78

Jan 14, 2017

Boys' Chrysalis Flight #79

Feb 18, 2017

Leadership Confirmed, Teams Forming for Spring 2017 Walks



Leadership has been confirmed for the three Spring 2017 Emmaus walks in March and April and teams are forming now.

If you are interested in serving on any of the walks below, submit a team

application by going to www.aldersgateemmaus.org. You'll need to login or create an account if you don't already have one. Then select "Apply To Work a Team" from the menu on the right side of the home screen.

The leadership teams for the Spring 2017 walks are shown below.

Men's Walk # 149 (Mar 2-5, 2017)

Spiritual Director	Dr. Joe Jursa
Asst. Spiritual Dir.	Rev. Terry Wines
Lay Director	Dick Laye
Asst. Lay Director 1	Mark Patton
Asst. Lay Director 2	Dan Tesenair
Asst. Lay Director 3	Bill Wendell
Outside Coordinator	Harris Hill
Board Representative	Joel Douthett
Music Director	David Love
Asst. Music Dir.	Payton Montague

Women's Walk # 149 (Mar 9-12, 2017)

Spiritual Director	Rev. Janine Clontz
Asst. Spiritual Dir.	Rev. Sandra Rogers
Lay Director	Jayne Stanley
Asst. Lay Director 1	Kathleen McCorvie
Asst. Lay Director 2	Rise Wilson
Asst. Lay Director 3	Beth Minks
Outside Coordinator	Joline Krolicki
Board Representative	Bonnie Wendell
Music Director	Nicole Logan
Asst. Music Dir.	Katelyn Kellogg

Women's Walk # 150 (Apr 27-30, 2017)

Spiritual Director	Chaplain Tammy Fisher
Asst. Spiritual Dir.	Rev. Pam DeDea
Lay Director	Glenda McComb
Asst. Lay Director 1	Kim Moles
Asst. Lay Director 2	Debbie Snow
Asst. Lay Director 3	Alyssa McNabb
Outside Coordinator	Lisa Ralph
Board Representative	Barbara McNabb
Music Director	Sandy Walker
Asst. Music Dir.	Pat Bailey
Asst. Music Dir.	Jane Wagner



Did you know the number of Pilgrims from any one church is limited to no more than six (6) per walk? That way there won't be more than one person from a church at each table.

Did you know a page describing the accommodations at Warren Willis Camp is available at the [Aldersgate Emmaus website](#)? It might help ease the concerns of Pilgrims about going to a "camp" for their weekend.



Volunteers are needed to serve on the Aldersgate Emmaus Board. There are openings for several regional representatives:

**Alachua
North Brevard
Osceola**

Willing to serve? Contact:

laydirector@aldersgateemmaus.org

Community Activities ...



West Orange Gathering

The West Orange Gathering will be held Friday, September 23rd at St. Luke's UMC in the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. There will be music, a pot luck dinner and 4th Day talk.

East Orange/Seminole Gathering

The Gathering is held at 5 p.m. every first Sunday of the month at Carillon United Methodist Church, 1395 Campus View Court Oviedo.

South Lake Gathering

The South Lake community will gather at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2nd, at the FUMC Clermont Social Hall at 950 7th Street Clermont, FL 34711. There will be a pot luck lunch.

West Coast Gathering/4th Day Follow-up

The last West Coast Gathering of 2016 will be held November 5th at Palm Harbor UMC, 1551 Belcher Road, Palm Harbor. Sponsors are asked to bring their babe chicks to 4th Day Follow-Up training starting at 4 p.m. The Gathering will follow immediately after, beginning at 5:30.

Looking for a Host Church for the Next Central Florida Cluster

If your Emmaus community or Reunion group would like to host the next Central Florida Cluster, contact Lisa Ralph,

laydirector@aldersgateemmaus.org

Green Agape Needed for Scholarships

Green Agape is needed to provide scholarships for Pilgrim and Team members who need financial assistance to attend a weekend. If you would like to donate, please send a check to Aldersgate Emmaus addressed to: Aldersgate Emmaus, PO Box 917209, Longwood, FL 32791. Be sure to designate your is check for "Scholarships".

Christmas House Planning

Christmas House is an annual fund raiser for Aldersgate Emmaus and Chrysalis scholarships. It takes place on the campus of First United Methodist Church Clermont from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, December 3rd in conjunction with the Clermont Christmas Parade.

We welcome volunteers to work on decorating the day before, participating in the house activities the day of or even helping with clean-up when it is done. We can also use donations of items/gift cards/services for the raffle baskets and crafts for the boutique. Christmas crafts are an especially big seller.

Contact Clint Moles at molesaeb@gmail.com if you can volunteer or donate

Aldersgate Emmaus
Christmas House
Saturday, December 3
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: Asbury House at the
First United Methodist Church of Clermont
949 7th Street, Clermont FL

Take a Picture with
Santa Claus

- ❖ Free Cookies and Lemonade
- ❖ Christmas Craft
- ❖ Storytime with Mother Goos
- ❖ Christmas Boutique
- ❖ Opportunity Drawings
- ❖ Hot Dogs and Sodas available for purchase

FREE ADMISSION
Donations accepted
Proceeds benefit the
Aldersgate Emmaus Scholarship fund

4th Day Opportunities ...

For years an organization called Living In Faith has looked for unique ways to minister to children in Cuba and Haiti. Some of the ways include bibles, vitamins and eyeglasses. Their newsletter shares about how Living In Faith is "Changing a Generation" for Jesus. The newsletter can be downloaded at livinginfaith.net/downloads. Financial donations can be made through their PayPal link or by making a check payable to Living In Faith, PO Box 271883 Tampa, FL 33688. For more information about how you can serve or donate, contact them at contact@livinginfaith.net.



New Website (continued from Page 1)

In conjunction with the new design, we will also be merging the Aldersgate Emmaus and Chrysalis sites into a single, unified site which will allow easier access to information in both communities and negate the need to maintain a user profile on both sites.

Look for more information about these upcoming changes in the near future.



Chrysalis Flights Set for 2017

Chrysalis is open to young adults between the ages of 13 and 17 from any Christian denomination. It is for all those who desire to grow deeper in their relationship with God and others. "Butterflies" are invited to join their brothers and sisters in Christ for this three day experience of worship, prayer, fellowship, creative expression, singing, recreation, and discussion. Kim Moles has taken over the reigns as head of the Chrysalis Steering Committee.

Girls' Chrysalis Flight #78

Jan 14, 2017

Boys' Chrysalis Flight #79

Feb 18, 2017

Location for Both Flights:

Crystal River United Methodist Church
4801 N Citrus Ave, Crystal River, FL 34428

For more information about Chrysalis, check out the website at aldersgatechrysalis.org.

The screenshot shows the website header with navigation links: HOME, WHAT IS EMMAUS?, ATTENDING, FOURTH DAY, ABOUT ALDERSGATE, CONTACT US, MY ACCOUNT, and LOG OUT. The main heading is "SIGNUP FOR A PRAYER CLOCK". Below this is a table of current weekends scheduled for the Aldersgate Emmaus community.

Date	Name	Slots Filled
Oct 06-09, 2016	Men's Walk to Emmaus #148	59/144
Oct 13-16, 2016	Women's Walk to Emmaus #148	21/144
Mar 02-05, 2017	Men's Walk to Emmaus #149	1/144
Mar 09-12, 2017	Women's Walk to Emmaus #149	0/142
Apr 27-30, 2017	Women's Walk to Emmaus #150	0/144
Oct 05-08, 2017	Men's Walk to Emmaus #151	N/A
Oct 12-15, 2017	Women's Walk to Emmaus #151	N/A

Below the table is a "MENU" section with links: Aldersgate Community, People, Churches, Weekend Schedule, Signup for a Prayer Clock, Apply To Work A Team, Data Vacation Tool, Add content, and Community Resources. There is also an "UPCOMING EVENTS" section listing: Board of Directors Meeting (September 17, 2016 - 9:00am) and Walk to Emmaus #149 Leadership Training (September 17, 2016 - 1:00pm).

The new website design will feature easier navigation and more prominent use of graphics.

Accessibility from a variety of devices will also increase usage.