

ALDRSGATE PILGRIM

Spring 2017

Reflections from our Lay Director

It has been a busy Spring in Aldersgate Emmaus – three walks in the last two months. We are indeed blessed with more than 80 new babe chicks who experienced God's Grace through the weekend. Of course, we will continue our efforts with additional walks already on the books for 2017 and 2018. The Board of Directors has scheduled Men's and Women's walks in October and March and an additional Women's Walk in April. God has blessed us in so many ways.

Now as we look forward to summer, I have a two-fold challenge for the Aldersgate Community.

1. We need to fill our upcoming walks. That means we look to the community to prayerfully identify couples and singles in your community who are good candidates for the Walk to Emmaus.
2. Like other Christian communities, we must always be aware that we include the younger community. Without younger pilgrims to carry on the amazing grace our walks offer, we will not be able to sustain our mission.

The Church needs lay leadership to grow and thrive and meet the needs of this troubled world. Think about the younger couples in your church who might be ready to take the next step toward lay leadership. While we welcome older Pilgrims, it is really younger church attendees who will become the lifeblood of the future.

So who make good candidates for the walk? We are not looking for saints; we are simply seeking Christians who are looking for a deeper relationship with Christ. Won't you help us fulfill our mission and invite those who may benefit from the weekend to attend one of our upcoming walks? When you invite them tell them what the walk has meant in your life and the positive changes that have resulted.

DeColores!

Clint Moles

Aldersgate Emmaus Lay Director

When to Wear Your Emmaus Cross During the Weekend

Some questions have come up over the last few weeks about when during weekend events the community should wear their Emmaus Cross. Since there was some confusion, Clint Moles, Community Lay Director, reached out to The Upper Room for guidance. The Upper Room is the governing body that assures a consistent Emmaus experience across the country.

Here is what we were told.

- Crosses should not be worn to Send Off since it creates an unnecessary separation between the team, community and pilgrims.
- The wearing of an Emmaus cross to candlelight is completely up to each individual community member. There is no rule regarding the wearing of crosses at Candlelight. However, wearing the Emmaus cross and name tag does create a convenient reminder for community members who may not see each other often.
- Team members should not wear their crosses during the weekend until the Pilgrims receive their cross at the closing. (An exception is made for speakers who want to wear their cross while giving their talks.)
- Sponsors and community members who attend the closing ceremony are encouraged to wear their crosses. Since the Pilgrims receive their crosses just before the community arrives, wearing your cross enhances the spirit of community.

Wearing our Emmaus crosses is a special reminder that Christ is counting on each of us.





Short, Clean, Funny Jokes

It was hard getting over my hokey pokey addiction, but I've turned myself around.

*Why don't oysters share their pearls?
They are "shell-fish".*

*Why doesn't Dracula have any friends?
Because he's a pain in the neck.*

*Why was the Math teacher such a good dancer?
She had algorithm.*

*Why did the chicken cross the playground?
To get to the other slide.*

*Why was the computer so tired after jumping out of his car?
He had a hard drive.*

*What do you call a sheep covered in chocolate?
A candy Baa.*

*What do you call a number that wanders around?
A Roaming numeral.*

*What is Spiderman's ideal job?
A web designer.*

*What did one flag say to another flag?
Nothing, it just waved.*



Your green agape gifts help Aldersgate Emmaus fulfill our mission of empowering leaders to be the hands and feet of Christ. Did you know green agape is used to purchase weekend supplies and provide scholarship opportunities to pilgrims and team who may not otherwise be unable to attend a weekend?

Aldersgate Emmaus scholarships are used to pay up to half the cost of attending. Sponsors are encouraged to seek scholarships first from the Pilgrim's church or local Emmaus community. If no local scholarships are available, Aldersgate scholarship applications are available at aldersgateemmaus.org. Scholarships are supported by our Green Agape donations; your generosity can make a difference.



Upcoming Weekends Mark Your Calendars



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

2017 Walks

Men's Walk #151
October 5 - 8, 2017

Women's Walk #151
October 12 - 15, 2017

2018 Walks

Men's Walk #152
March 1 - 4, 2018

Women's Walk #152
March 8 -11, 2018

Women's Walk #153
April 5 - 8, 2018

Men's Walk #154
October 4 - 7, 2018

Women's Walk #154
October 11 - 14, 2018



Did you know the Aldersgate website has all the latest application forms and information you will need to be a successful sponsor? You can download a sponsor's guidebook and even show your Pilgrim information about the accommodations at the Warren Willis Camp.

Check out www.aldersgateemmaus.org.

2017 Aldersgate Board of Directors

At-Large Board Members

Clint Moles, Community Lay Director (Chrysalis, Trailer)

Terry McCorvie, Asst. Community LD (Communications)

Kevin Early, Treasurer

Regional Board Members

Will Eldridge, South Brevard (Training)

Frank Pifer, Citrus (Secretary)

Walter Dry, Hernando

Jim Hall, Hillsborough (Scholarships)

David Love, North Lake (Music)

Calvin Casey, South Lake

Elaine Gillam, Marion (Registrar)

Darcy Rainey, East Orange

Tim May, West Orange

Barbara Paige, Pinellas (Agape Chair, Library)

Bill Wendell, Seminole

Joel Douthett, Sumter (SOPs)

Clergy Members

Spiritual Director, Vacant

Rev. Sandy Rogers, Asst. SD

Non-Voting Members & Contact Persons

Lisa Ralph, Past Community Lay Director

Kathleen McCorvie, Team Registration and Leadership Selection

Dan Tesenair, Web-servant



The Aldersgate Board of Directors meets every other month to oversee issues and policies that are vital to the Walk to Emmaus.

Above: Clint Moles, Community Lay Director, Terry McCorvie, Asst. Community Lay Director and Rev. Sandra Rogers, Assistant Spiritual Director listen to a discussion about scholarships.

Right: Board meetings are held every other month. Pictured left to right are Tim May, West Orange rep, Calvin Casey, South Lake rep, Bill Wendell, Seminole County rep and Frank Pifer, Citrus County rep.

YOU CAN HELP!

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

Alachua, Osceola, Pasco, and North Brevard

Willing to serve? Contact:

laydirector@aldersgateemmaus.org



Community Activities

Editor's Note: We are always looking for news about community activities. Please send your pictures and captions to terrymccorvie@gmail.com.



The West Orange Community Gathering was held March 17th at Windermere Union Church. The theme for the event was "Love Your Neighbor." Music included the Beatles hit "All You Need is Love".

Above: Del Harriman shared his life story in an emotional 4th day talk. Left: Del and Phyllis Barry, Scott Ziegler and Dawn Eckbreth had some time to catch up. And of course, there was plenty of food!



Emmaus Gathering
Worship Together - Grow Together



Saturday, May 6th

HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2200 LITTLE RD, NEW PORT RICHEY
(727) 372-4689

4th Day begins at 4:00 pm
Gathering at 5:30 pm
Potluck - Bring a dish to share
Fun Fellowship Praise Worship Food



Childcare available with reservations by calling Dawn Carr at 727-378-6058



Men's Walk #149 - March 2-5, 2017

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	SPONSOR	CHURCH
Acton	Buddy	Mel Paisley	New Covenant UMC
Baatz	Scott	Steve Kolesar	Mariner UMC
Bonnette	Chris	Terry McCorvie	St. Luke's UMC
Carr	Jim	Bill Young	Salvation Army, Orlando Citadel
Callaghan	Gary	Mel Paisley	New Covenant UMC
Click	Bob	Steve DeDea	Curlew UMC
Cox	Rev. James	Jack/Virginia Walz	Mariner UMC
Dunne	Mike	Sherry Meaders Dunne	Satellite Beach UMC
Gonzalez	Frank	Jimmy Marshall	FUMC Mt Dora
Gotwalt	Rick	Warren Green	Satellite Beach UMC
Janesick	Jerry	Ron Wilensky	Windermere Union Church
Koehling	Bob	Rick and Linda Fabing	New Covenant UMC
Koltes	John	Jerry Saltness	Hope Lutheran
Layton	Troy	Dennis Murray	FUMC Orlando
Long	Tom	Don Ventresca	Palm Harbor UMC
Loudermilk	Ken	Marielle Crawford	Lady Lake UMC
Martin	Ryan	Frank Hearne	FUMC Lutz
McKee	Russ	Matt High	Harvester UMC
Mitchell	Gary	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	Bartley Temple UMC
Picking	Bill	Burt Miracle	Bellevue UMC
Robley	Tabor	Art Munns	Cornerstone
Sheehan	Tom	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	Bellevue UMC
Smith	Brady	Carolyn Shields	Good News Church
Watson	Mark	Payton Montague	Bridgepointe



Women's Walk #149 - March 9-12, 2017

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	SPONSOR	CHURCH
Acton	Sharon	Cherie Paisley	New Covenant UMC
Bildstein	Janet	Val Hoopengardner	Lady Lake UMC
Bittle	Audrey	Wanda Barker	St. Paul UMC
Bonnette	Karen	Kathleen McCorvie	St. Luke's UMC
Bradley	Betty	Nancy Casto	New Covenant UMC
Carr	Dayna	Judy Young	Salvation Army, Orlando Citadel
Carts	Judy	Roger Kassing	New Covenant UMC
Click	Rhonda	Rosemary Ash	Curlew UMC
Cook	Carrie	Betsy Collins	FUMC Inverness
Cook	Bonnie	Marilyn Swinehart	Hope Lutheran
Cote	Janet	Jerry & Joe Bressin	FUMC Tavares
Day	Evelyn	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	Bellevue UMC
Dispensa	Ginger	Bob & Irene Benac	Bellevue UMC
Drielts	Dolores	Gary and Cam Bullock	Palm Harbor UMC
Dutton	Roilynn	Don Sansone	Tavares UMC
Fichtner	Roxann	Rita Doucette	Bellevue UMC
Hupchick	Kathi	Betsy Collins	Church of God
Koehling	Ann	Linda Faring	New Covenant UMC
Latham	Suzanne	Valerie Hoopengardner	Lady Lake UMC
Layton	Betty	Marty Murray	FUMC Orlando
Lilly	Kelly	Diane Culler	UCUMC
Loomis	Jill	Sue Blanchard	Heritage UMC
Maden	Pam	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	FUMC Ft. Lauderdale
Martin	Shira	Tracey Shadday	FUMC of Lutz
Mitchell	Mary	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	Bartley Temple UMC
Pennington	Julia	Charles Pennington	FUMC Orlando
Robinson	Wilma	Valerie Hoopengardner	Lady Lake UMC
Schultz	Marie	Margaret Alderman	Palm Harbor UMC
Sims	Barbara	Dr. Conrad Lobley	FUMC Orlando
Smith	Caiti	Carolyn Shields	Good News Church
Smith	Linda	Sarah Marshall	FUMC Mt. Dora



Women's Walk #150 - April 27-30, 2017

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	SPONSOR	CHURCH
Baggott	Casey	Pastor Kris Schonewolf	UCC Vero Beach
Betts	Sharon	Muriel Anderson	Hope Lutheran
Bollinger	Cheryl	Lin Wilensky	Windermere Union Church
Boorse	Janice	Rhonda Click	Curlew UMC
Burgess	Tina	Jeannie Craven	Bellevue UMC
Butterfield	Ann	Nancy Casto	New Covenant UMC
Carter	Henny	Rev. Cox	Mariner UMC
Dorman	Shannon	Salley Martin	St. Luke's UMC
Egger	Bonnie	Joanne + Carolyn DeGraff	Bellevue UMC
Fichtner	Maxine	Roxann Fictner	Oklawaha UMC
Flowers	Jo Anne	Evelyn Day	Bellevue UMC
Gilpatrick	Gloria	Sharrett Henderson	Indian River City UMC
Grimshaw	Rita	Ann Danshaw	Christ by the Sea UMC
Haines	Bonnie	Glenda McComb	Assemblies of God
Harris	Lorraine	Peggy Dresser	New Covenant UMC
Hughes	Rachel	Pastor Pam DeDea	Curlew UMC
Keillor	Tenesa	Travis & Tina Oaks	Baptist/Bethel UMC
Luecking	Christine	Michelle Crannen	Indian River City UMC
Molloy	Laura	Judy Ulmer	Zellwood UMC
Monteiro	Deby	Beth Minks	Cornerstone Church
Newberry	Joanne	Joanne + Carolyn DeGraff	Bellevue UMC
Noren	Dee	Darcy Rainey	Aloma UMC
Sapp	Bonnie	Chaplain Tammy Fisher	Fire Cathedral Intl Church
Sullivan	Kristy	Linda Gramlich	St Vincent D'Paul Wildwood
Wiegand	Sue	Margaret Walker	Hope Lutheran
Williams	Brenda	Brenda & Richard Crowe	Bellevue UMC