



Heart of Florida

Walk to Emmaus

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The Newsletter of the Heart of Florida Emmaus Community

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Gathering

Saturday, September 11, 2010

at

First United Methodist Church

310 S. Broadway Ave.

Bartow, Florida 33830

863-533-0904

5 - 7 PM

Bring a covered dish

Child Care will be provided!!

The Dinner will be held in the Education Building

455 S. Broadway

Bartow, Florida

Mark your calendar and don't miss out on this wonderful time of fellowship!

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

POST WALK Gathering November 13, 2010

Winter Haven United Methodist Church

Men's Spring Walk #22 March 17-20

Women's Spring Walk #22 March 24-27

Thursday, September 2nd is the beginning of Team Training for the Fall Walk.

The Lay Directors for Heart of Florida Walk Number 22, Dawn Eller and Tom Selander have established their teams for the walk.

The women's walk is still in need of some help and if you are interested please give Dawn Eller a call.

This is the blended schedule for the Heart of Florida Team Training:

WEEK 1 – Thursday September 2nd

7:00 – 9:30 PM Team Orientation, Introductions, Job Assignments

WEEK 2 – Thursday September 9th

7:00 -9:30 PM **Priority Talk** is previewed, discussed, critiqued, Table and Angel Training.

WEEK 3 – Saturday September 18th

(Meet at 8:30) 9:00AM - 4:00 PM **Discipleship Talk and Perseverance Talks**, as well as six others will be previewed, discussed, and critiqued.

WEEK 4– Thursday September 23rd

7:00 -9:30 PM. Two talks will be previewed, discussed and critiqued

WEEK 5 –Thursday September 30th

7:00 – 9:30 PM Previewing Two talks will be previewed, discussed and critiqued.

WEEK 6– Thursday October 7

7:00 -9:30 PM. Weekend preparation and critique **one talk**. Questions answered concerning the forthcoming weekends.

Week 7 –Thursday October 14th

7:00 -9:30 PM **Means of Grace Talk** is previewed. Teams go to chapel for worship & Dying Moments Communion.

Week 8 – Thursday October 21st 5:30 PM Team Dedication and Gathering. The community is invited.

Worship for the Team Trainings begins at 7:00 PM at First Presbyterian in Bartow and the Community is invited to come and worship with the teams.

It is most important that if you are serving on team that you participate in each of these training sessions. This prepares the team by giving the members an opportunity to know each other, learn what role you have in the preparation of the team and to bring a spiritual bond and cohesiveness to the team.

Please pray for those who have answered the call to serve on the teams.

GOD'S TEAM MEN'S WALK #22

Tom Selander	Rodney Allen	Jeff Dodson	Dennis Guenther
Roy Lowe	Ralph Waters	Kent King	Hank Henry
Gordon Halley	Fred Ball	Jim Nunnallee	Charley Phluger
Keith Reilly	Ronny Mincey	Bob Devlin	Jeff Brewington
Larry Myers	Kirk Reynolds	Dennis Autrey	Eric Garnett
Bob Seib	Charley McKnight, JR	Albert Reese	Steve Jones
Nate Guterias	Elmo Bennett	Alex Chatfield	Norm Smith
Tom Harless	John Berry	Barney Moore	Bob Sarvis
Jerel Eller	Ajay Rice	Duane Nuzum	Randy Baker
Tom Acey	Joe Pratt	Anthony Dupree	Charley McKnight III
Bob Stephens	Keith Reeves	Rich Thompson	Joe Mclaulin
Jim Bright			

GOD'S TEAM WOMEN'S WALK #22

Dawn Eller	Kathy Bryant	Gerry Hubbs	Dottie Walters
Karolyn Nunnallee	AC Bryant	Val Hattery	Faye Sarvis
Elinor Pfluger	Flora McClain	Betty Conklin	Bobbie Skukowski
Kim Travolina	Jody Murphy	Bonnie Dodson	Patti Berry
Dot Henry	Debbie Jones	Jennifer Barnes	Melinda Devlin
Dawn Ewing	Lee Autry	Shirley Huff	Jenny McClaine
Dorothy Smith	Janet Nuzum	Susan Katsoff	Linda Harrell
Patty McKnight	Ginny Pelkey	Sandy Mincey	Peggy Obel
Toni Griffith	Courtney Schulz	Ginger Selander	Melba Base
Marty Vanaskey	Jerrie Harn	Jeanne Icenhour	Dottie Pratt
Glenda Sparrow	Marilyn Nickelson	Kim Allen	

The Women's Team is still in need of some help. Pray to know what the Lord would ask of you. Then contact Dawn Eller and let her know you are willing to be the hands and feet for Jesus.

Supporting the teams/pilgrims

A walk can never take place without the Alumni. There is no one better qualified to invite someone to go on an Emmaus Walk than one who has experienced it. Your role is as important as actually serving on a team, for without you these walks could not take place. Your role is to share with others at your church how Emmaus has blessed you and encourage them to find the same joy you found there. **You are also needed** to sponsor pilgrims, as well as be a part of Send Off, Candlelight and Closing. Remember how you felt when you were on your walk. This is an opportunity for you to renew friendships made when you took your walk. Call those who were part of the walk you were on, ask them to be there, renew your friendships as you provide the prayers and support to the pilgrims and the Team on Walk #22. Christ is counting on you!

FROM YOUR HEART OF SUNCOAST CHRYSALIS LIAISON:

Let's talk sponsorship. You all have been on an Emmaus weekend because someone prayed and was led to sponsor you. The same thing applies to Chrysalis – pray and let the Spirit lead you to the person God wants you to sponsor. "Sponsors help make God's love real to young people through personal agape, prayer for each participant, sponsors' presence at Candlelight and Closing, and assistance in follow-up" (*The Upper Room Handbook on Chrysalis*, p. 44). The responsibilities of a Chrysalis sponsor include guiding new Butterflies to Next Steps (Reunion) groups, encouraging connections to church and youth group, and support in sponsoring other young people to Chrysalis. Who should attend? Students who are 15 AND in the tenth grade up to freshmen in college are eligible to attend a Heart of Suncoast Chrysalis Flight. "Chrysalis is especially meaningful for young people who are ready to think about and discuss the realities and struggles of life on a more adult level: What am I going to do with my life? What kind of person do I want to become? What do I believe? What kind of relationships are lasting and most meaningful? What does it mean to live as a Christian, and how can I do it?" (*The Upper Room Handbook on Chrysalis*, p. 46) Here are some likely candidates: young people who already attend church and youth groups; leaders in the church youth group; mature youth and campus leaders; youth in the church who are not involved in the youth group activities; youth of various races, economic backgrounds and churches.

Now that you've prayed, prayed, and prayed some more about whom you will sponsor, go to <http://www.heartofsuncoastchrysalis.org/forms> to download a Caterpillar application (it has 2 pages, we need both of them) and a sponsor form and send it to the address at the bottom of the application. Remember, the weekends are October 16-18 for the girls and October 23-25 for the boys.

Please also consider coming out and supporting the weekends by helping in the kitchen any time and by attending Send-off (Saturday morning, 8 am), Candlelight (Sunday evening, 8 pm), or Closing (Monday afternoon, 4 pm). WE love agape – especially the homemade edible variety! Courtney Schulz

Visit the Heart of Florida Website today at
www.hof-emmaus.org

Here are a few things that are on the website:

Directions to Masterpiece Gardens and churches where gatherings are held

Forms – Reservation for Pilgrims, Sponsor’s form, Team Application

The newsletters are also posted there. We are hoping some of you might prefer to read your newsletter online instead of receiving it by mail. If you would like to receive it via the website instead of snail mail – please email Sharon Harris at info@fpcbartowfl.org.

There is also a **Heart of Florida email group** – sign up for this group and receive e-mail communications about upcoming events as well as prayer concerns.

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