



Walk to  
**Emmaus**  
THE UPPER ROOM®

Central Alabama Emmaus Community

*the 4th day newsletter*

*April 17, 2012*

A MESSAGE FROM WALK #146 LAY DIRECTOR

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phil 4:13. Why I ever rely on my own abilities is beyond me. As I prepared for this Walk, it was clear when I was allowing God to direct my paths and when I foolishly tried to do it on my own. The past couple of months have been a true lesson in submission and humble servanthood. God can and does use our concerted efforts for His glory.*

*The full extent of His adequacy is yet to be seen in the unfolding of these three days. I trust and am praying that each pilgrim will experience the unconditional love of our Father, and His grace and mercy, in a new and very real way. And, that as a result of meeting the risen Lord on the road to Emmaus, we will never be the same.*

*Thank you to each sweet brother and sister in Christ who has helped make this weekend possible. You are truly a blessing to me, and I very much appreciate the time and energy you have committed to serving the Women of Walk #146.*



*Grace and peace,  
René Waldrop  
CAEW #75, Table of Mary*

**Women's Walk #146**

**Apr 18-21**

**Rene' Waldrop - Lay Director  
East Alabama Cluster**

**Times To Remember**

**Wednesday 7pm Send-Off**

**Friday 7pm Candlelight**

**Saturday 7am Serenade**

**Saturday 4pm Closing**



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# Our Eyes Will See Clearly

These trials are almost over it's just a few more days  
Then our Father will command us to leave our lonely graves  
We will meet Him in the distance to live with Him on high  
In the glorious New Jerusalem we will tell this world good bye

He will welcome us with arms spread wide and walk us to our home  
We will live with Him in eternity and nevermore shall roam  
We will gather with our loved ones there and sing with the angels too  
Our voices all in harmony we begin our life brand new

We will walk with Him down streets of gold in awe of what we see  
Knowing that forever more this land is where we'll be  
We will visit with the saints of old and listen as they tell  
Of how the God that saved them saved you and me as well

Then time will come when we can sit and ask God of the times  
When we had felt so all alone in the valleys of our minds  
All along He will answer and show us that through those days  
He was always gently guiding to bring us closer to His ways

God will lift the veil away and our eyes will clearly see  
Our life was all planned out for us the way He wanted it to be  
Before you were ever thought of by your parents for your birth  
God had you in His mind and heart for your special place on earth

## 2012 Walk Dates to Remember

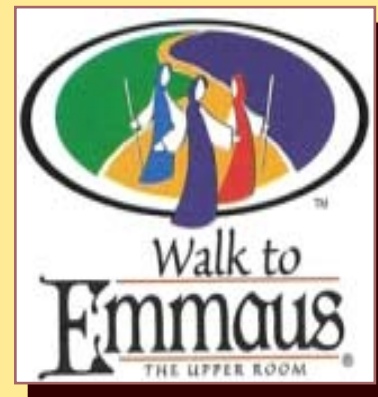
**Men's Walk #147 May 16-19**  
Mike Whitt - Lay Director  
Valley Cluster

**Women's Walk #148 Aug 22-25**  
Rita Carswell - Lay Director  
Prattville Cluster

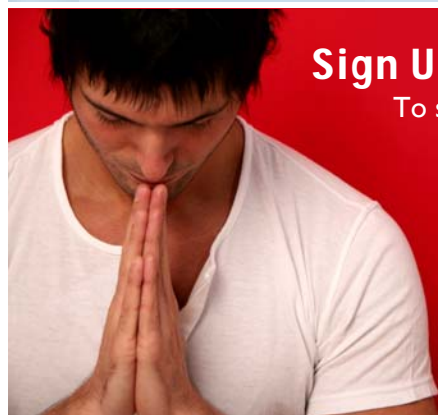
**Men's Walk #149 Sept 19-22**  
Waldo Edwards - Lay Director  
Elmore Cluster

**Women's Walk #150 Oct 17-20**  
Lynn Mitchell - Lay Director  
Lake Martin Cluster

For additional Emmaus and Chrysalis information and updates, periodically refer to our website at [www.caew.org](http://www.caew.org)  
*Remember, God equips & gives you the means & strength you need to serve, and bring others to Christ.*



**Agape Needs:**  
**65 of each item for All Walks**



## Sign Up For Emmaus Prayer Vigils

To sign up for a prayer vigil for Emmaus Walks locally and around the world go to:

<http://www.3dayol.org>

click on the walk number on the schedule and look for sign up information.

## Community Prayer Requests

<http://www.caew.org>

## Pilgrims of Women's Walk #146

Pilgrims		City	Church	Sponsor(s)	
Brenda	Bounds	Autaugaville	Crosspoint Christian - Selma	Mike & Dena	Cutler
Kim	Bryan	Auburn	First Baptist - Opelika	Jenni Day	Rene' Waldrop
Libby	Byrd	Auburn	More Than Conqueror Faith - B'ham	Darlene	Gill
Christi	Chapman	Opelika	First Baptist	Clint	Chapman
Cecilia	Clark	Lafayette	Airview Baptist	Krystal	Tumlin
Mary	Davis	Clanton	First Baptist Clanton	David	Edwards
Sonia	Devine	Wetumpka	Eastmont Baptist	Jamie Brown	Lisa Howe
Jean	Fuller	Opelika	Living Waters Ministries	Gayle	Berry
Judy	Fuller	Montgomery	Eastmont Baptist	Deborah Messick	Arnold Fuller
Myril	Giddens	Alex City	Rocky Creek	Sundra & Randy	Kinman
Amy	Hayworth	Auburn	AUMC	Ashley Belcher	Jamie Brown
Hayden	Helms	Cecil	St. James UMC	Lisa	Helms
Courtney	Ingram	Opelika	Providence Baptist	Ben	Ingram
Kathy	Jones	Greenville	Antioch East Baptist	Deborah Messick	Brad Jones
Karen	Lashley	Opelika	Journey Church	Vic	Anthony
Melonie	Latshaw	Eclectic	Beacon of Hope Church of God	Jamie	Brown
Angela	Ledbetter	Dadeville	Providence	Karesa	Adams
Brandi	Lynch	Alex City	Alex City UMC	Ronnie	Lynch
Cynthia	Lynch	Alex City	Alex City UMC	Ronnie	Lynch
Pat	McCormick	Prattville	Hunter Hills COC	Gayle Anderson	John Murphy
Susan	Miles	Alex City	First Baptist-Alex City	Christine	Cromer
Shelly	Montreuil	Montgomery	Frazer UMC	Dana	Pouncy
Jo	Oswald	Eclectic	Eclectic UMC	Donna	Goodwin
Amy	Owens	Auburn	First Baptist Opelika	Debra	Walters
Dana	Redden	Montgomery	Eastmont Baptist	Deborah	Messick
Missy	Shumate	Auburn	Cornerstone UMC	Jennifer	Spencer
Virginia	Singleton	Opelika	True Deliverance Holiness	Tricia Wilkerson	Whit/Leslie Wisner
Barbara	Smith	Montgomery	First Baptist	Helen	Johnson
Cindy	Smith	Cecil	Woodland UMC	Laura	Lane
Beth	Tatum	Auburn		Vickie	Cooper
Jo	Tatum	Prattville	Hunter Hills COC	Gayle Anderson	John Murphy
Jeannie	Volpe	Wadley	Community Life - Roanoke	Tammy	Culbertson
Maria	Wallace	Opelika	Pine Grove	Matthew Arnold, Kimberly	Rutledge, Melissa Harris
Kimberly	Whitehurst	Alabaster	First Baptist of Alabaster	Daryl	Whitehurst
Dot	Wilkinson	Selma	First Presbyterian	Julie	Ford
Misty	Wilkinson	Selma	Elkdale Baptist	Allen	Wilkinson
Karla	Wilson	Opelika	First Baptist	Rene	Waldrop



## Conference Room - Women's Walk #146

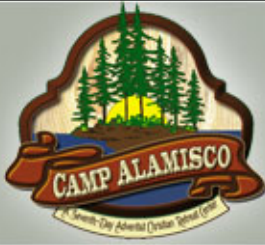
Lay Director	René Waldrop
Assistant Lay Directors	Shay Baugh Rita Carswell Jenny Lyn Henig Kathy McWhorter
Spiritual Director	Rev. Larry Anderson
Assistant Spiritual Directors	Rev. Deborah Born Rev. Lu Anne Houser Rev. Steve Kopp
Music	Joy Samford Karen Dean
Media	Lindsay Griffies
Table Leaders	Thinia Biblis Kelli Harris Linda Pearson Sybil Pemberton Sue Olson Tricia Wilkerson
Assistant Table Leaders	Catherine Gilmer Katie Hagood Raylaine Henderson Carolyn Robinson Tennie Sandord Tracy Teel
Board Rep.	Wendy Rajan

## Work Areas - Women's Walk #146

SUPPORT AREA	CHAIRPERSON
AGAPE	Jamie Brown
BEDTAGS	Sandra Many's Reunion Group
BOOK COVERS / BAGS	Darlene Gill
BOOK TABLE	Helen Johnson
CANDLELIGHT	Cindy & Frank Clem
ENTERTAINMENT	
FRIDAY NIGHT PARTY	Melissa Harris, Kimberly Rutledge
GREETERS	Bob Money, Leonard Bell
HOUSING & REGISTRATION	David Hagood
LOGISTICS	Dan Goslin
MEAL PREPARATIONS	Bob Money
MEAL SERVICE	Debra Lee Walters, Tracy Smith, Helen Johnson
NAME TAGS	Brenda Easterwood
NEWSLETTER	Sherry Watkins
PHOTOGRAPHY	Rita Harman
REFRESHMENTS	Lynn Sherrer
SERENADE	Kay Walters
SPEAKERS' PRAYER CHAPEL	Laura Zutter, Shanda Foster's Reunion Group
SPONSORS' HOUR	Ashley Belcher, Jamie Brown
72 HOUR PRAYER VIGIL	Leslie Wisner
WORSHIP	Claire & Charlie Goldman, Scott Morgan



**Welcome To The Men of Walk #145**



**In Case Of Emergency**  
**Camp Alamisco**  
**256-825-9482**

**LOST YOUR BADGE?**

Contact

**Brenda Easterwood at**

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The cost to replace a lost badge is \$2.



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Please send me articles, updates, cluster & reunion group photos and information to share with the Emmaus community.

Address, contact phone, or email changes?

Help keep your information updated. Go to

[www.CAEW.org](http://www.CAEW.org)

If you don't have email or computer access, call anyone in the Community to assist you with any update needed to your current address, phone or other information.

Emmaus Work	2012 Community
72 Hour Prayer Vigil	<u>Wendy Rajan</u>
Agape	<u>Lynnie Kopp</u>
Book Table	<u>Pat Barnt</u>
Candlelight	<u>Don Ingram</u>
Food Preparation	<u>Robert Turner</u>
Friday Night Party	<u>Tracie Starr</u>
Greeters	<u>Kathy Nichols</u>
Housing and Registration	<u>Kathy Nichols</u>
Logistics	<u>Danny Sanford</u>
Meal Service	<u>Rita Carswell</u>
Music & Media	
Photography	<u>Sharon Irish</u>
Refreshments	<u>Tracie Starr</u>
Serenade	<u>Michelle Granberry</u>
Speaker's Prayer Chapel	<u>Wendy Rajan</u>
Sponsor's Hour	<u>Kay Morris</u>
Supplies	<u>Judy Lovelady</u>
Worship	<u>Darrell Pearson</u>
Registrar - Men's	<u>Jim Snyder</u>
Registrar - Women's	<u>Lynn "Mo" Moseley</u>
Name Badge Coordinator	<u>Brenda Easterwood</u>
Community Website Coordinator	<u>Allen Brewer</u>
Community Newsletter	<u>Sherry Watkins</u>
Community Spiritual Director	<u>Jamie Barkley</u>
Community Lay Director	<u>Darrell Pearson</u>
Community ALD	<u>Don Ingram</u>
Community Treasurer	<u>Michelle Granberry</u>
Community Secretary	<u>Sharon Irish</u>
Communications Coordinator	<u>Pat Barnt</u>
Community ASDs	<u>Dru Mattox, Mike Wells</u>
	& <u>David Waldrop</u>
Chrysalis Committee Chairperson	<u>Angi Rhymes</u>

## 2012 CAEW—CLUSTER INFORMATION

**East Alabama Emmaus Cluster:** Contact – Sharon Irish  
mail: [sharonandart@bellsouth.net](mailto:sharonandart@bellsouth.net) - 334-887-5762  
Covered dish dinners are on the first Tuesday following each walk at 6pm at Auburn UMC or Trinity UMC (Opelika).

**Elmore County Emmaus Cluster:** Contact – Shirley Esco  
email: [dsesco9696@dishmail.net](mailto:dsesco9696@dishmail.net) - 334-569-3909  
Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at Elmore UMC.

**Lake Martin Area Emmaus Cluster :** Contact – Jim Ferguson  
email: [thefergusons73@gmail.com](mailto:thefergusons73@gmail.com)  
Meets on Mondays following a walk at 6:30pm and have a covered dish dinner. Rotate between Flint Hill UMC, Dadeville FUMC, Trinity UMC, and Hillabee Baptist.

**Millbrook Miracles Emmaus Cluster:** Contact – Jamie Brown  
email: [jybsphr03@aol.com](mailto:jybsphr03@aol.com) - 334-462-0300  
Meets at 12 noon on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month for a covered dish meal. Odd numbered months at Millbrook FUMC and even numbered months at Robinson Springs UMC.

**Montgomery Emmaus Cluster:** Contact John Morris  
[JMorris1050@yahoo.com](mailto:JMorris1050@yahoo.com) - 334-277-2392  
Covered dish dinners are held at Aldersgate UMC on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm

**Prattville Walkers Emmaus Cluster:** Contact Brad Zimanek  
[iowahawks22@msn.com](mailto:iowahawks22@msn.com) - 334-717-0739  
or  
Ed Reschke – [ereschke@hotmail.com](mailto:ereschke@hotmail.com)  
Bring snack and drink to share. Meetings on 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 6:30pm at Trinity UMC in Prattville.

**Selma Emmaus Cluster:** Contact – Shelton Nichols  
email: [sheltononree@charter.net](mailto:sheltononree@charter.net) - 334-875-2252  
Covered dish dinners held the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm at Church Street UMC in the fellowship hall.

**Valley Emmaus Cluster:** Contact – Gary Harris  
Email: [music@lumchurch.com](mailto:music@lumchurch.com)  
Covered dish dinners are held at various church locations at 6:30pm on the Tuesday following each walk. If walks are back to back, the two walks are combined in one dinner after the second walk.



## Do You Have A Servant's Heart?

Has God blessed you with the insight to see the needs of others and reach out in compassion and understanding even when they, themselves, cannot reach out and ask for help?

This month I had the rare opportunity to not only reach out and touch a few lives, but to be blessed in return. I say rare because in my own experience, it's either been one or the other—not both at the same time. I used to believe that it was because giving and receiving at the same time would take the focus off what God intended for us, or the other party, to learn.

But this month, as I was fulfilling God's desire for me to serve others, He sent others to act as servants to my family. And you know what I learned? Humbling yourself to receive God's blessings is just as important as humbling yourself to give God's blessings to others. Whether you give or you receive, you must first humble yourself before the Lord and let His will take precedence over your circumstances, your emotions, your finances, and your actions.

It doesn't matter what you own, how much money you have in the bank, how talented or educated you are, or how many people you know. If God calls you to have a servant's heart, He will make a way for you to accomplish what He has put on your heart to do.

A servant's heart has more to do with your relationship with God than it has to do with your desire to be recognized for your good deeds. Having a servant's heart is one the most beautiful expressions of love I know. It's showing your love to another human being by simply being who God intended you to be. It's about seeing a need and fulfilling it without any strings attached. It's about making yourself uncomfortable so that someone else could be comfortable. It's about showing Christ's love through your actions and words. And finally, it's about touching the lives of those around you with such a gentle kindness that your act will be remembered for years to come.

Pay attention when God calls you to serve others. Listen with your heart, not your mind. Hear what God wants you to do—not what you think should be done.

You might think a check to pay a bill will solve someone's problem, but that might not be what God wants you to do. God may want you to teach that person how to budget his income so that he's not in the same boat next month. You might think a prayer is all that is needed, but God might want you spend quality time with that person. You might think a having a garage sale to remove clutter from someone's life will help her get more focused, but God might want you to help that person reorganize her life by ministering to her soul while you weed through her material possessions.

Taking the time to listen to what God wants you to do, humbling yourself to do what He has called you to do, and then faithfully following His orders regardless of how uncomfortable it makes you is truly what a servant's heart is all about. It's selfless love at its best and God couldn't ask for a better gift or testimony of your relationship with Him.



## Progressive Servanthood

Emmaus leadership begins and ends with anonymous positions of servanthood. Areas of servanthood can include working in the kitchen, helping unpack the equipment for the walk and packing it back up at the end of the walk, praying in the chapel, helping sort and deliver the agape gifts, and even cleaning bathrooms. This kind of sacrifice and servanthood is the heart of Emmaus and is where the development of Christian leaders begins.

Here in the Central Alabama Emmaus Community, we have a plan for Progressive Servanthood. It is as follows: first you participate in a Support Area in anonymous Servanthood. Working in the Support Areas of the Walk to Emmaus is a continuous act of service and is a humble act of agape. Serving as a member of a Support Team calls for each person to "die to self" and focus on being the hands and feet of Christ to serve the pilgrims and the Emmaus Community called for in the Christian Action talk given during each Emmaus Walk. The purpose of Progressive Servanthood is not to "earn" favor or position, but to serve. Volunteering to set-up and to take-down the equipment for a walk, to assist in cooking a meal or washing a pot after the meal, serve in the Speakers Prayer chapel, distribute agape, set up and take down for candlelight, set up the alters for worship are all vital task that must be accomplished for each walk. Approximately 75-100 servants are required to support and effectively put on a Walk to Emmaus.

After serving in Support Areas for a minimum of 4 times, you could be asked to co-chair an area. This task is designed to acquaint you not only in the specific requirements of the particular Service Area, but in the task of assisting the chairperson in building a team of volunteers to make sure the task is accomplished. The next step is assuming the role of chairperson for a Support Area. The chairperson must learn the task needed for that particular service area, build a team of volunteers making sure that there are sufficient team members to carry out the mission of that particular Support Area. You will be blessed in knowing that your service may make it possible for a new pilgrim to experience God's grace and love in a real and unique way for themselves as you did when you took that journey.

The Board of Directors for CAEC has established requirements for each position for the Conference Room Team. The current requirements are listed on the CAEW website under the Team Selection tab. I would encourage each of you to go to [www.caew.org](http://www.caew.org) and review that policy.

This policy first reminds us that those asked to serve in the Conference Room should have demonstrated and continues to demonstrate the servant's heart through anonymous servanthood. The servant leader should be an active member of their home church, participate in their local cluster activities and belong to an active reunion group. These are all things stressed in the 4th Day Talk. **It is important to note that being asked to serve in the Conference room does not assure that the person will move to the next step of the progression.**

Entry positions and the specific qualifications are as follows:

### 1. Assistant Table Leader

- ◆Not eligible until one year after original walk.
- ◆Chaired at least one service area.
- ◆Serve in the background a minimum of 4 times.
- ◆Served in the background at least once during the last 3 yrs

### 2. Table Leader

- ◆Served as Assistant Table Leader two times.
- ◆Served in the background at least once during the last 3 yrs.

### 3. Assistant Lay Director

- ◆Served as Table Leader 3 times.
- ◆Served in the background at least once during the last 3 yrs.
- ◆Presented a minimum of two different talks.

### 4. Lay Director

- ◆Served as Assistant Lay director a minimum of 3 times.
- ◆Served in the background at least once during the last 3 yrs.
- ◆Presented a minimum of 4 different talks.

Emmaus leadership begins and ends with anonymous positions of servanthood. This kind of sacrifice and servanthood is the heart of Emmaus and is where the development of Christian leadership begins. The Upper Room states, "Those who seek important jobs probably need to be assigned more humble tasks for their own sake as well as for the good of the community." Those who are willing to first give themselves fully and joyfully to the most humble of task in the Support Areas are probably the ones who eventually need to be with the pilgrims in the conference room. These servants can set the example and share their spirit of silent servanthood.

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Darrell Pearson, CAEC Lay Director

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