

# Northwest Georgia Walk to Emmaus

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**Greetings Emmaus Community,**

"But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." Acts 6:4

As I sat at closing for Men's walk #57 and Women's walk #60, thirty-one times I heard each of the new pilgrims introduce themselves and heard what the weekend meant to them and what they intend to do with it. My heart was moved and I reflected back on walks from the past and what was said to the community and sponsors. We are truly a blessed community. To all those who have recently made their walks welcome. I am praying that you will come and serve on the next set of walks.

Reflect back on your weekend and remember all the prayer that went into the weekends. That prayer does not stop we are surrounding you in prayer still. We leave a weekend full of the Spirit, full of the things we are going to do when we get home. However, we come to life. This is even for those of us who have been around a long time. As we know Satan does not want us to do anything that will bring glory to God or bring more into His kingdom. He certainly does not want us as leaders to go back to our local churches and get involved. Therefore, we must we pray fervently about not only each walk but for each other.

We all have life issues that cause us to wonder where God is, and Satan loves to put doubt in our minds. This is why Reunion groups are so important. If you are looking to get connected with a reunion group let your Reunion Group Chair Calvin Waddell or myself know and we will get you connected. If you have been a table leader or assistant table leader I encourage you to send those at your table a card letting them know you are still lifting them in prayer. Remember what it was like when you went home, a card changes everything, or even a phone call. Should you need someone's information let me know and I will get it to you.

I look over previous rosters periodically and pray for the names on it. Over the years I have been blessed to serve with many wonderful Emmaus Brothers and Sisters. Many times I have went to my mailbox and found an encouraging card just when I needed it most. I have also received phone calls, people just letting me know they are thinking about me. This is why I love my Emmaus family, because

I know that even though I do not talk to them often they love me and care about me, and we care and love you too.

Understanding that Jesus prayed for us, should encourage us to pray for others as well. We have an opportunity to give back as we have begun planning for the next set of Walks. The spring walks are Men's walk #58 March 1 - 4, Gary Greiner Lay Director, and Women's Walk #61 March 8 - 11, Marcia Dillard Lay Director. Take time to pray for these Lay Director's as well as for the teams that will be formed. Also, pray for the pilgrims who will be coming on the weekend. If you want to pray for them by name you can look at the Northwest Georgia Facebook page and as names come in they are posted. For those who do not have Facebook, let me know and I will text you names as they come in. Prayer and staying in the word is our foundation and it was apparent on this set of walks that you prayed for the pilgrims and allowed God to lead you in sponsoring them. Thank you, for sponsoring well.

Our next gathering is also the follow-up for the new pilgrims. We ask that the new pilgrims be there at 5:30 to go over materials that will be helpful as you continue on your fourth days. Join us at Villa Rica First UMC, we will graze at 6:00 and praise at 7:00. Looking forward to seeing all of you at the gathering.

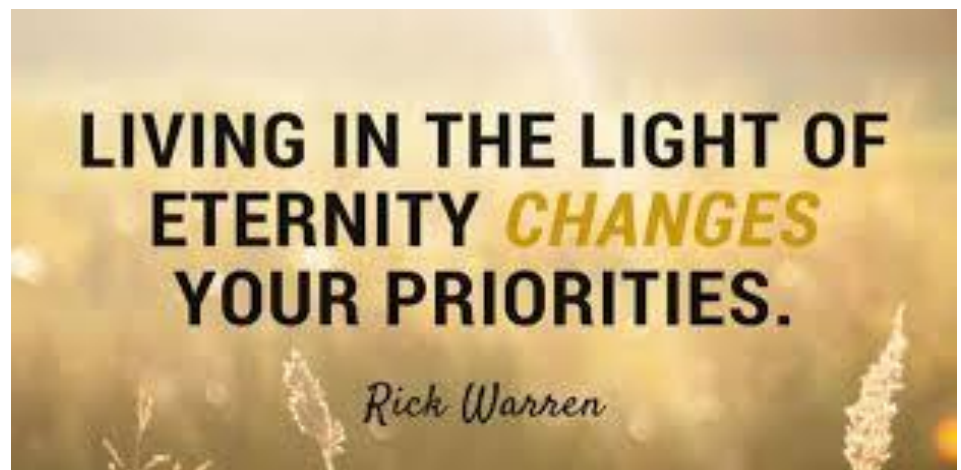
We were blessed to have the International Lay Director, Greg Engroff serve with the men. He did not come to critique us but to serve alongside with us. However, given my commitment to the community that I would work diligently to bring us back to the Bible and Upperroom Handbook, I did ask Greg to give us some pointers on where we need to focus. He did not really have too many concerns, however the couple he did have we are working on. That was dying moments and candlelight. He also said at closing on the men's weekend that, "I have been in Emmaus for 30 years, and I have never seen a men's kitchen work so seamlessly." Kudos to all those that helped with that Kitchen team.

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Judi Rainey

Community Lay Director

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# Upcoming Weekend Info.

- ✦ **NWGWTE Men's Walk #58** will be held on March 1-4, 2018. The Lay Director for this weekend will be Gary Grenier.
- ✦ **NWGWTE Women's Walk #61** will be held on March 8-11, 2018. The Lay Director for this weekend will be Marcia Dillard.

Please be in prayer for these weekends. Please be praying regarding potential pilgrims you can sponsor. Please pray about serving on these weekends. Sign-up sheets will be available at upcoming Gatherings.

**You're  
Invited**

The September Gathering/Follow-Up will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at  
Villa Rica 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church.  
1789 Carrollton-Villa Rica Highway  
Villa Rica, GA 30180

Follow-Up will begin at 5:30 for all NEW pilgrims. At this meeting, you will learn more information about serving on teams as well as sponsoring pilgrims for upcoming weekends. **NEW PILGRIMS PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND!!**

The Gathering will start at 6:00 with a covered dish dinner (new pilgrims don't need to bring anything this time). We will join together for Praise and Worship at 7:00.  
Childcare will be provided.

Directions will be available on the website.

Faith can move mountains,  
but don't be surprised if  
God hands you a shovel.

~ Author Unknown ~

# The Board Needs YOU!

We are approaching Board elections for the next year. In order to continue moving our community in the right direction, we NEED committed people to serve on our Board of Directors. Board members are asked to commit to a 3-year term. **To be eligible to serve on the Board, you have to be active in a Fourth Day community for a minimum of 1 year, and have served on a minimum of 3 teams (atleast 1 of which has been in NWG).** If you would like to serve on the Board, or wish to nominate someone please contact a member of your Emmaus Board.

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but  
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CAN  
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## Gathering Hosts Needed

We are looking for churches that are willing to host Gatherings for the upcoming year! If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Linda Wallace.

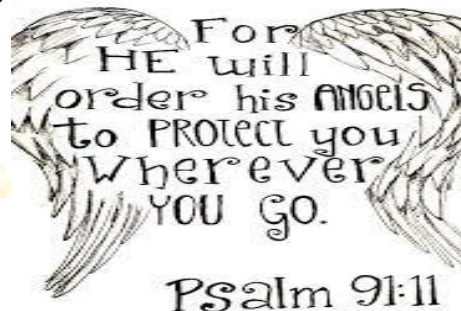
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## Communication Updates

There are several ways to communicate and stay in touch with your NWGWTE community:

- ✚ Visit our website [www.nwgte.com](http://www.nwgte.com) to find applications, upcoming walk information, Gathering directions, and other community info.
- ✚ Like us on Facebook: "Northwest Georgia Walk to Emmaus"
- ✚ Email us at [nwgteneeds@gmail.com](mailto:nwgteneeds@gmail.com) to share any prayer requests or contributions for the monthly newsletter.

We look forward to hearing from you, and staying in touch in the future!





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