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The September Gathering is September 20th at 7:30 pm at the Trinity Campus of BSUMC 22703 Augusta St, Greenville, SC 29605 for an evening of fellowship and worship. Bring your favorite snacks to share.

**September 2019 Edition**

**Happy September!!!**



It is September and the Walks are the first two weekends of October. It is time to sponsor someone and time to sign up to volunteer to help with the Walks in the Kitchen, with setup, clean up, to bring refreshments, the [72 hour prayer vigil](#), or help with transportation. This act of selfless service is part of the Christian walk. Remember your walk experience? It takes many hands and feet to put together a weekend and we need you.

Visit the [Foothills Emmaus website](#) to find the signups. The signup lists are broken up by Day, so you can pick the day you want to help and then signup for the role you want to fill.

We look forward to see you there and are excited to see who you sponsor.

-Roy Richardson

Walk 38, Table of Luke

Newsletter chair



**Fall is in the air! October, as well as all the pumpkin spice you can stand, will be here before you know it. Time to consider being "blessed to be a blessing" and share the gift of Emmaus by prayerfully sponsoring those who are on your heart to attend the walk this fall!**

**It is also time to start thinking about providing snacks and drinks for the pilgrims! Think the wonderful snacks you enjoyed during your weekend!**

**Homemade snacks are always the first to disappear from the table, so be thinking of your most prized cookie, brownie or candy recipe - and send a batch to the camp. Fruits (grapes, strawberries, clementines, etc) and veggie trays (with dip) are always a big hit - as well as the salty snacks (individual packages are best). And bottled water by the case is a must have!!!**

**There are also two great opportunities to be involved! The following are great activities for friends, reunion groups, or tables from past walks to reunite and serve together!**

**First, to provide and serve simple Refreshments at Send-Off (cookies, drinks). Be the friendly face who welcomes them as they tentatively embark on their weekend. Table covering, cookie trays, cups and napkins will be provided for you at the send-off location.**



**Second, to serve Ice Cream at the camp following candlelight - and enjoy serving the pilgrims after their heartwarming experience. Everything is provided! We just need hands to set up and serve!**

**Sign up sheets will be at the September Gathering and online! Please call with any questions!**

**Look forward to seeing you at the Gathering and the Walks!**

**Andrea Young,  
Refreshments**

**864-360-7006**



### **40 for Emmaus**

**It is an exciting time for the Foothills Emmaus Community with the upcoming walks around the corner in just a month. It is also an exciting time for Emmaus Ministries world-wide as we celebrate 40 years! Just think...for 40 years people have been experiencing life-changing spiritual growth...imagine all the stories that could be told over the course of 40 years. Over one million people have gone on The Walk. Since it began, Emmaus Ministries has expanded to also include:**

- **Chrysalis which is a “flight” for teens in high school**
- **Journey to the Table is for college age ministries**
- **Face to Face which is a journey for men and women 60 years of age or older**
- **Discovery Weekend which is a ministry for middle school students**

**Emmaus Ministries is looking ahead to the next 40 years. Goals for the future include:**

- **Increasing the number of participants across all Emmaus programs**

by 4%

- **Developing 8 new international communities in the next five years**
- **Increasing partnerships with churches to use Emmaus programs as an instrument to develop lay and clergy leaders**
- **Empowering communities to increase focus on the Fourth Day commitment both within the community and the greater world**
- **Assisting communities in reaching churches not currently involved in Emmaus**
- **Expanding Face to Face and Journey to the Table to communities around the world**
- **Increasing the number of non-English Emmaus events in the United States**

In order to work toward these goals, Emmaus Ministries is inviting people to commit to giving \$40 per year for five years toward the operating fund which is the financial backbone of the ministry. Your giving will help to support updates to Emmaus core materials; the network of Communicators, Consultants, and Trainers working with staff and communities; and the development of Ministry Manager, the new community management system.

Together we can live out our call to renew Christian disciples and strengthen local churches. You can make your commitment online by visiting [emmaus.upperroom.org/gives](http://emmaus.upperroom.org/gives), calling 615-340-7288, or mailing checks to The Upper Room, P.O. Box 305150, Nashville, TN 37230-9891. Make checks payable to The Upper Room and write in the memo Emmaus Operating Fund.

**Who will you Sponsor?**

**Give the Gift**

**“Good Sponsorship is Vital to Emmaus”**

In the Emmaus handbook, one chapter is devoted to explaining all about “sponsorship”. There are 5 pages that explain how important it is and it tells us is the most important role we have as servants in Emmaus. Now, I can sum it all up a little differently and little faster- **WE**

**NEED PILGRIMS!!! And without pilgrims we will not have a walk!**

**Training starts this Saturday and the teams need your pilgrims names so they can begin praying for them! Who is it that you are sponsoring? Please get your applications in ASAP!**

**If you need applications go to the Foothills Emmaus web-site. There's a form for your pilgrim to fill out and also one for you to fill out as their sponsor.**

[Here is the link to the form to download](#)

**Please mail them to: Foothills Emmaus, P.O. Box 25024, Orchard Park, GREENVILLE, SC 29616.**

**Decolores!**

**Lou Ellen Davis**



**Men's Fall Walk #56 October 3-6, 2019**  
**Women's Fall Walk #56 October 10-13, 2019**

**Fall 2019 Walk Dates**

**There is a picture making the rounds on Facebook that depicts a message board. At the top, it says "Dear Jesus," then there is a huge jumble of letters, and at the bottom it says "Amen." We know that Jesus hears our desperate pleas even when we don't have the words**

to say what is most troubling to us.

But friends, we can all be praying specific prayers right now for the upcoming Walk. We can pray that the sponsors are following God's lead on who to sponsor for the Walk, we can pray that the invitees will take the bold step of saying "yes!" We can pray for the teams as they prepare for the Walk, and for their upcoming weeks of practice. We can pray for the camp facilitators that they do their part to make the weekend flow smoothly. We can pray for the various Board chairs and committees as they complete their work. We can pray that volunteers sign up, that their schedules are free to help, that they have the desire to serve these Walks. You can even pray that you will grow and be blessed during these Walks.

Things happen when we pray!

As vital as it is to pray during this season of preparation, we also need your prayers during the walk. If you can sign up for a specific timeframe, that is great. Remember how you felt when you saw the list of names on that 72-hour prayer vigil list? That is a moment that I will never forget, and I'm sure it is the same for you. But don't just pray during that time slot. Pray without ceasing! God does hear us when we pray.

The link for the prayer vigil is:~

<http://www.mccormickfbc.org/cf/prayervigil.cfm>

If you are unable to sign up via the website, please feel free to contact me at [fourthdaymom@yahoo.com](mailto:fourthdaymom@yahoo.com) or 864-357-4022 and I will help you sign up.

Your prayers help work miracles!

DeColores –

Dale Henry

Prayer Chair

Walk 27



**Upcoming Events**

Gathering dates and locations for the rest of the year are:

**July 19 New Beginnings UMC, Boiling Springs**

**August 16 First UMC, Laurens**

**September 20 Trinity Campus of Buncombe Street UMC**

**October 18 Mauldin UMC**

**November 15 Hopewell UMC**

**December 14 UMC of the Covenant** **Note: Saturday 6:30 covered dish dinner followed by worship**

Please remember that just like your walk, we will have plenty of Agape snacks. So don't forget to bring some snacks to the gatherings to share with the community



Find us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/48270156719/>



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