

NEAR the Cross Emmaus

Walk Dates:

Men's Walk #3
March 29-April 1,
2007
Lay Director: Kevin
Lawrence

Women's Walk #4
April 19-22, 2007
Lay Director: Linda
Secor

Men's Walk #5
Sept. 20-23, 2007

Women's Walk #6
Oct. 4-7, 2007

Walks will be held
at Mt. Zion
Baptist
Association
Campground, just
outside of
Walcott.

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Proposed Changes to By-Laws

The Board of Directors has some proposed changes to the By-Laws that need to be submitted to the community before a vote at the next Board Meeting. The changes are being made to the separation of committees for NEAR the Cross. The new committees would be:

- *Registrar
- *Agape Acts
- *Newsletter
- *Kitchen
- *Music & Entertainment
- *Team Selection & Training
- *Follow up meetings, audits & 4th Day reports
- *Literature
- *Gatherings & Group Reunions
- *Send-off & Sponsor's Hour

- *Candlelight & Closing
- *Prayer Chapel & 72 hour prayer vigil
- *Facilitator
- *Housing/Transportation & Luggage.

If you have any comments that you would like considered before the vote, please contact Gundel Martin, Board President at jerryandgundel2003@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Spring Walks

We have the final dates for our 2007 walk schedule! Please note the dates to the left. Currently, for walks #3 and #4, we have 6 men signed up, and 24 women. We need **at least 20** men signed up by March 9th. So, that leaves 14 spaces that we need to fill in order to have Walk #3. Our maximum number of pilgrims for each walk is 30, so when we hit that mark, Perry will start a waiting list for the next walk.

Individual reunion groups are being asked to make desserts for the upcoming walks. This would be for the meals. Contact Gundel Martin if you are interested in providing the dessert for the meal.

We need volunteers to be helping on the silent servant teams for each walk. For example; luggage, snacks, hospitality, transportation, equipment hauling (both ways) set up and take down, prayer vigil etc. If you

would like to be a part of an upcoming walk in these ways, please contact Gundel Martin.

Upcoming candlelight dates are March 31, April 21, September 22, and October 6. Please put these on your calendar and make plans to be the face of Christ to our pilgrims!!

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Come and join us for our next Gathering!

Saturday, February 3rd is our next community gathering at Jonesboro FUMC. Potluck begins at noon with the gathering to follow at 1 pm. Karen Holland will be giving our Fourth Day talk. Childcare will be

available for the gathering as well as a table with unique Emmaus items to purchase.

We will do the "floating reunion groups" that we tried last month and have a short training on

what it means to sponsor a pilgrim for a walk.

We hope to see you there!

The date of the March gathering is Saturday, March 3rd.

Now is the time to be putting together agape for the men's and women's upcoming walks. Please remember to not include personal names on the labels, only reunion groups, city or church. It is also helpful for the agape team to have the agape counted and marked for

"pilgrims only" or "entire team". Approximately, 30 pieces will be needed for pilgrims, and 75 items for the entire team.

We also need individually wrapped candy for the table, and canned soft drinks.

Please label all agape letters with the first and last names of the pilgrims and bundle them together. As a sponsor, you should secure approximately 8-10 letters for your pilgrim.

Thank you for all the contributions to make the walks meaningful to our pilgrims!!