

# Near the Cross Emmaus



March 2017

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### March Gathering

12:00 PM

FUMC Jonesboro  
Fellowship Hall  
Saturday, March 4th

Community Lay  
Leader  
Grant McDaniel

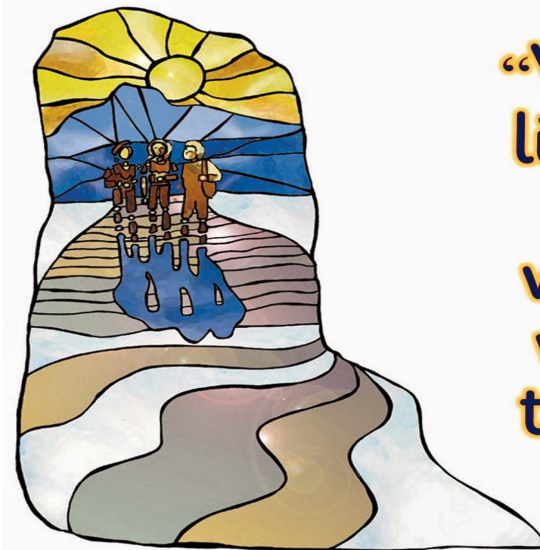
Community Spiritual  
Director  
Emmett Smith

Treasurer  
Jeff Wicker

Secretary  
C H Overbay

Registrar  
Joe Ferguson

Newsletter Editor  
Paula Hensley



“Wasn't it  
like a fire  
burning  
within us  
when he  
talked to  
us”

## Upcoming Near the Cross Walk to Emmaus

**Men's Spring Walk #43**  
**March 30th - April 2nd**

**Lay Director**  
**Chris James**

**Spiritual Directory**  
**Bill Fish**

**Women's Spring Walk #44**  
**April 6th - 9th**

**Lay Director**  
**Lisa Lawrence**

**Spiritual Director**  
**Carol Moore**

Please visit Near the Cross website and sign up for the prayer vigil for these upcoming walks. Remember to be in prayer for the Pilgrims, Lay Directors, and Walk #43 and #44 Team Members.

[nearthecrossemmaus.org](http://nearthecrossemmaus.org)



## Until We Meet Again

It is always hard to say goodbye. Jim and Colleen Wise have been a part of NTC Emmaus from it's infancy days. In developing a new community in NEA the board needed a CPA and heard of a lady in Cherokee Village that had attended a walk in Texas who was just that—and this is when Colleen Wise came on board. Colleen said that Emmaus was so open and kind and had a huge impact on her during a difficult time in her life. Jim Wise attended NTC walk to Emmaus #3, also a very hard time for him as his son Tim was being sent over seas. Tim was in the Navy. God had put other Veterans on this walk to be there for Jim during this difficult time. NTC will always hold a special place in their hearts, just as Colleen and Jim hold a very special place in ours.

We would see Jim at Candlelight handing out the candles and songbooks and Colleen served in many areas but her favorite was always at the table and giving talks. Jim and Colleen are moving to Reddington Shores, FL near Tampa to be close to their children. We here at NTC pray you both abundant Joy and days filled with love –may your cup runneth over. Yes, it's hard to say goodbye so instead — until we meet again.

One of Colleen's favorite scriptures is John 10:10

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

*Stay tune for more History of NTC Walk to Emmaus.*

**\*If you are searching for a way you can serve with NTC Emmaus, we have just the thing for you. We need a volunteer to take the position of handing out the candles and song books at candlelight service. Please contact Grant McDaniel or Kathy Murphy.**

## February Gathering

C H Overbay did a wonderful presentation on Sponsorship. The presentation was informative and had helpful guide lines for sponsorship. The presentation covered what questions to ask before sponsorship, why and who to sponsor, as well as being a good sponsor. What is the sponsors responsibility and what is required of the sponsor. It also had helpful tips on Registration and how to register and the results of good sponsorship. Coming soon will be a presentation on Reunion Groups and sure to be most helpful.

## February Board Meeting

January meeting was approved. Jeff Wicker gave the treasury report and recommendations, motioned carried. C H Overbay gave the registrar report for Joe Ferguson. Kathy Murphy opened the floor for discussion for the snack table proposal. Stacy West and Garry Brooks will be creating a menu for the snack tables on the walk. Menu will cover diabetic options as well as gluten free. Motioned carried.

### Social Media

Brian Stahl announced that the Electronic Registration and Prayer Request is done. The motion was made to make the registrations, work applications, and sponsorship forms available online through google. Motion carried. These applications are now available online. **Great Job Brian.**

Please visit NTC website.

**\*If you or if you know of anyone who is good with pictures or designing for our website please contact Brian Stahl . There is a good opportunity here for those blessed with the gift of creativity to share their talents.**



## Men's Walk Team Roster

### Lay Director

Chris James

### Assist. Lay Directors

Dwight Whittenburg

Clay McDaniel

Allen Craig

Jeremy Bennett

### Spiritual Director

Bill Fish

### Assist Spiritual Directors

John Miles

Jim Markley

Bill Cecil

Jim Medlock

### Board Rep

Grant McDaniel

### Table Leaders

Darin Kincannon

David Malone

Greg Clark

C H Overbay

Robert Bradley

### Assistant Table Leaders

Danny Blankenship

Eddie Rose

Tony Byrd

Brian Stahl

Chris Halk

### Music

David Belk

Keith (Mitch) Hensley

### Coordinator

Kevin Lawrence

### Prayer Team

Charlie Evans

Jeff Branch

Stacey George

### Agape Team

Tracie Fletcher

Mark Jordan

Kati Walters

Phil Burton

Allen Jones

Donald Mayes

Christie Prestidge

### Kitchen Team

Andy Adams

Jamie Jordan

Jim Greul

Chad Stoddard

Tanner Friar

Rhonda Carlson

Brian Tullos

Brooke Conley

### Alternates

Marvin Day

Garry Brooks

## Women's Walk Team Roster



### Lay Director

Lisa Lawrence

### Assist. Lay Directors

Jenna McDaniel  
Holly Whittenburg  
Michelle Young  
Susan Meredith

### Spiritual Director

Carol Moore

### Assist Spiritual Directors

Wayne Baldwin  
David Moore  
Jim Stillwell  
George Odell

### Board Rep

Paula Hensley

### Table Leaders

Cindy Craig  
Wendy Jones  
Christy Lemmons  
Lois Anderson  
Angela Newby

### Assistant Table Leaders

Jamie Stahl  
Casie Horton  
Danna Deaton  
Jennifer May

### Music

Janea Spades  
Stacy West

### Coordinator

Jill Belk  
Sherri Slaven

### Prayer Team

Richy Slaven  
Haley Mitchell  
Jenny Keller

### Agape Team

Shelly Burton  
Brittany George  
Felicia Long Cobb  
Terry Howard  
Carol Ann Howard  
Brian Graf  
Waylan Deen

### Kitchen Team

Roxie Bradley  
Aaron Arnell  
Caity Kyle  
Jessica Halk  
Tricia Brown  
Marietha Leonard  
Chris Goerge  
Lisa Girard

### Alternates

Alice Jane Blankenship  
Kathy Murphy  
Rene Owens  
Candace Eubanks