

Near the Cross Emmaus



October 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Follow-up Meeting

Walk #45 & #46
11:00 am –12:00pm
FUMC Jonesboro
Fellowship Hall
Saturday
November 4th

November Gathering

12:00 PM
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December Gathering

12:00 PM
FUMC Jonesboro
Fellowship Hall
December 2nd

Community Lay
Director
Grant McDaniel

Community
Spiritual Director
Emmett Smith

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Ballot
Information

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Andy Adams, First United Methodist Church - Jonesboro. Andy began his Emmaus Journey on Walk #35 in the spring of 2015 at the table of Thomas. Since then, he has worked as part of the kitchen crew on Walk #39, and was called to be the Kitchen Coordinator for Walk #43. He and his wife, Cammie, have been married for 18 years, and are the proud parents of 3 children ages 17, 15, and 12. Andy is a regular attendee of the Mighty Warrior Reunion Group, and Kingdom Men Bible Study at FUMC. He is employed as the Service Center Director at Averitt Express Trucking Company. His Emmaus Pilgrimage can be summed up in a quote from Pastor John Miles from his talk about the obstacles to grace, "I can't. He can. I'll let him."

Allan Jones, The Journey-Jonesboro. Allan has been married to Wendy Jones for almost 28 years and they have 3 children. Weston (23) John Henry (20), and Allison (15). Allan works at the Health South Rehabilitation Hospital of Jonesboro. Allan did his Pilgrim walk on Walk #70 at the Noah's of Ark Community. When he moved his family to Missouri he became part of the Show Me The Way community and worked several walks there. After moving back to Jonesboro Allan worked as ALD on walk #1 at the NEAR the Cross community and eventually was Lay Director on Walk #9. Emmaus has had a Huge impact on Allan and Wendy, they were those people who wouldn't shut up about it after going on their initial pilgrim walk. Not Sorry! Allan's favorite part about Emmaus is hearing the pilgrims get up and tell about their experience over the weekend and getting to hear so many pilgrims say "I knew God loved me, but I never knew how much until now." Allan has enjoyed bonding with the other workers on each walk he has helped with and the joy that comes with helping reveal the Holy Spirit to pilgrims.

Paula Hensley, Near The Cross Walk To Emmaus #4, Table of Mary. Paula is married to Keith Hensley, they have been married for 25 years. They have two sons, Keith (Mitch) Hensley, who has also been on the Emmaus Walk and has served on the agape and music team, and their youngest son Benjamin Hensley. Paula has had the privilege to serve on several walks. She has worked in the kitchen twice, as Assistant Music Coordinator (2), and Music Coordinator, Assistant Table Leader, Table Leader, Assistant Lay Director (3) Lay Director on Walk #42 and was also Board Representative on Walk #44. Paula filled the Board Newsletter position for Colleen Wise and has also helped with Walk #45 and #46 Registration. She is a member of the CUMC Kingdom Seekers reunion group. Paula is very passionate about NTC Walk to Emmaus and considers it a blessing to serve. She believes that Emmaus is such a special place filled with His love and grace.

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Kathy Roberson Near the Cross Walk to Emmaus #16, Table of Mary. Her Daughter Harmony West attended the Walk with her. Their sponsor was Shane West. Kathy has served the Emmaus Community on the prayer team 3 times, a table leader 2 times, kitchen team, and the Agape team 2 times. Kathy credits God working through an Emmaus connection that led to her marriage to Randy. Bind Us Together in Love was the closing congregation song in their wedding. Kathy is a registered nurse. She has four children. Randy and Kathy attend St Paul United Methodist Church in Searcy. An Author of Sunday School Lessons in the past, Kathy has a goal of being published again with devotions in the Upper Room Magazine. She has attended the home of Emmaus in Nashville, Tennessee while on her way to a Christian writers conference. Kathy supports the local community walks and intends to expand a focus nationally and internationally through writing and prayer. She considers serving in Emmaus an honor, while continuing to learn to walk as Jesus Walked. Emmaus is a safe place of Grace.

Travis Emery Near The Cross Walk to Emmaus Walk #3. Travis is married to Casey Emery and they have a daughter names Ava Noel. Travis has been involved with Emmaus for many years and has worked as Assistant Table Leader, Table Leader (2), Assistant Lay Director, Lay Director on Men's Walk #29 and has also worked on the Kitchen Team Twice.

CLERGY NOMINEES

Carol Moore, Pastor of Bradley United Methodist Church, Bradley. Carol's Pilgrim walk was Walk #85 or #86 at Noah's of Ark where she sat at the table of Ruth. She was a lay person at the time preparing to retire from teaching because of multiple sclerosis. She was also wrestling with a call from God. It was during her Emmaus Walk that she finally surrendered to God and began exploring her call. She became a licensed minister in the United Methodist Church in 2006. She married David Moore, an elder in the United Methodist Church in 2007 when they began working as a team for the Lord. Together they have 5 children, two sons and three daughters. Their children live in Camas (Washington), Dallas (Texas), Centerton (Arkansas) and Rogers (Arkansas) and Rogers (Arkansas). They have 13 grandchildren. Carol has served on agape teams and as an assistant table leader and on spiritual teams of Chrysalis walks. She sees Emmaus as Critical to bringing passion back into the church. Her goal is to get as many of her church members as possible to attend Emmaus.

David A Moore is presently the pastor of Magnolia Asbury and McNeil United Methodist Churches. He is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church. He has been pastoring for 42 years. David's pilgrim walk was #96 at Noah's of Ark where he sat at the table of Luke. He was a clergy at the time, pasturing at Camden Fairview United Methodist Church. The walk brought to David the possibilities of others experiencing the true walk with Christ as they offer agape love and grow deeper in the faith. He married Carol Reese Oliver in 2007 together they have 5 children and 13 grandchildren. David has served on three walks, both men and women's, as assistant spiritual director. He believes the Emmaus Walk to be a great opportunity for the church to experience renewal as result of the pilgrims attending from the local Church. He feels so strongly about this that he has secured financial backing from the church budget to sponsor pilgrims on upcoming walks.

NEAR THE CROSS BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

The board consist of twelve laypersons and three clergy elected at large generally. Five members are elected yearly, each serving a three-year term. This provides the opportunity to maintain continuity for the board, yet allows new members to be added each year. Such a procedure sustains the viability of the board and simultaneously maintains the vitality of the board. Please read through the nominees and cast your vote!

If both spouses are Emmaus Members, you may vote with separate emails/ballots.
Deadline: Must be **Postmarked by October 30th OR** either Emailed or hard copy delivered by **NOVEMBER 2ND**.
Vote for (4) Lay Positions and for (1) Clergy Position. Submit ballots by mail or email to :
NEAR the Cross c/o CH Overbay, 2305 Paula Drive, Jonesboro AR 72404 **OR**
overbaych@gmail.com

You may email CH Overbay at overbaych@gmail.com
***Voters please email your Name (or both Names).

2018-2020 Lay Board Nominees

- Kathy Roberson Andy Adams Allan Jones Travis Emery
 Paula Hensley

2018-2020 Clergy Board Nominees

- Carol Moore David Moore

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Welcome New Members

Pilgrims Walk #45

Michael Booker	Chris Metcalf
Brad Crowell	Travis Nodine
Neal Daugherty	Shannon Rose
Darryl Droomgroole	Ed Ross
Steve Ewart	Jon Sanders
Jerome Jolly	Jacob Strano
Tim Frego	Chris Thomas
Michael Manning	Matt Vaught
Daniel McCormick	

Pilgrims Walk #46

Tonya Bicker	Angela Panneck
Laura Brown	Jenny Phillips
Leslie Cange	Tyrenia Psyskacek
Laura Cleveland	Meagan Rice
Melinda Dunlap	Bobbie Sietz
Marie Duval	Brooke Smith
Gena Granberg	Sherry Sowell
Leota Holcomb	Sharon West
Robin Humphries	Jennifer Worbington
Chrystal Jolly	