



## Community Humble Servants

**Lay Director**  
Jane Hagler

**Spiritual Director**  
Terri Milstead

**Asst. Lay Director**  
Butch Fennell

**Asst. Spiritual Director**  
Ted Anderson

**Community Coordinator**  
Angel Rait

**Treasurer**  
Kathy Mitchell

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Stephen Milstead

## Change

*By Jane Hagler, Community Lay Director*

As I get older time seems to move faster. It is hard to believe August is here already. I hope that everyone has been enjoying their summer. August is a busy time for Alabama Emmaus. Walks start back again after the summer break. Then there is the Memorial Service and Training event. That is always a meaningful and helpful weekend. There is also another thing that happens at the first of August that some may not realize. A new Community Spiritual Director (CSD) begins their term. Paul Vick has served the Community with energy, wisdom, and God's Grace for the last two years. One year as Assistant CSD, then as CSD. Terri Milstead moves from Assistant to CSD. I would also like to welcome Ted Anderson as the new Assistant CSD. I want to thank them for their willingness to serve the Community.



There is another change that will happen at the end of the year. As some of you know, Angel Rait who has been the Community Coordinator for about five years will be retiring. Several resumes were received, and the Board wants to thank all who applied. Lane Berry has agreed to be the new Coordinator. Lane has been very active in the Community for many years and brings a great amount of knowledge to the job. Angel and Lane will be training until the end of the year.

I ask God's Blessings on all of us as we move into the fall if this year.

De Colores,  
Jane Hagler

Alabama Emmaus Walk # 32

## Shining God's Light

*By Terri Milstead, Community Spiritual Director*

*14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15 People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." - Matthew 5:14-16*

These verses from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount have long been guiding principles for my Christian journey. These lines remind me that when I am identified as a Christian, I am being watched. Knowing this, I fervently pray that those watching look beyond me and to the One I am pointing to: the God who gives me a light that shines through my brokenness and flaws.

Is this not the beauty of the Alabama Emmaus Community?

Is this not the beauty of the walks that we have all been a part of, both as pilgrims and as humble servants of one variety or another?

Isn't what we do here all about shining God's light?

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# Milstead (continued from Page 1)

Whatever part we take in walks, whether it is in the conference room or on the back halls, in the prayer chapel or in prayer in our homes, as sponsors or as candlelight participants, together we are the light of the world, a city on a hill.

We are already this bright light, this shining city. But we are called to be and do so much more. We can not sit and be content with what we already are as we wait for what will come. Let us not hide our light under a bushel basket that way.

May we, as individuals and as a community, continue to listen for how God is calling us to shine our light in this world. May we, those equipped and empowered by the Holy Spirit, carry the good news of Jesus Christ wherever we go. And, may we do all our work, humbly and obediently, such that God receives all the glory.

De Colores.



## Alabama's Young Adult Chrysalis



Alabama's Young Adult Chrysalis is a three-day spiritual renewal retreat for ages 18-28. Like the Walk to Emmaus, the weekend is filled with talks, food, fellowship, and sharing the love of Christ. "Butterflies" hear talks similar to Walk to Emmaus talks, but with a focus on the needs of young adults in today's society. At the Alabama Emmaus Training Event this month, Bain Brown, Assistant Community Lay Director for Alabama's Young Adult Chrysalis, spoke to the gathering about YAC and had a request and an invitation.

The request was to sponsor young adults for the upcoming Flights - no matter where they are in their walk with Christ. And, attending a Chrysalis flight does not preclude someone from going on an Emmaus Walk in the future. There is a participant application on the Alabama YAC website at <https://www.alabamayac.com/applications>.

Bain also invited everyone to get involved. On the same page of the website as the participant application is an application to serve. Chrysalis Flights can use back hall and conference room servants.

Another way to get involved is to attend a Flight Candlelight. Chrysalis Candlelights begin gathering at 7:45 PM on Saturday night, just like Emmaus walks. For more information, visit the website.

### 2023 Chrysalis Schedule

| <u>JOURNEY</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>GENDER</u> |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| 108            | Oct 13-15   | Young Ladies  |
| 109            | Dec 1-3     | Young Men     |

## Upcoming Walks

| Walk | Date          | Lay Director   | Spiritual Director | Cluster                             | Board Rep                    |
|------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 514  | Sept 14-17    | Lisa Smith     | Terry Bentley      | Gadsden/Marshall                    | Lane Berry<br>Debra Baker    |
| 515  | Sept 28-Oct 1 | Sherry Johnson | Sherill Clontz     | Huntsville                          | Ken Albrecht<br>Anne Parris  |
| 516  | Oct 19-22     | Bill Rush      | Gary Formby        | B'ham South/B'ham East/South Shelby | Julie English<br>Denise Cone |
| 517  | Nov 9-12      | Vickie Johnson | Jeff Armbruster    | Franklin/Haleyville Marion          | Jackie Mize<br>Lynda Hall    |

**\*Men's Walk**

Reminder: Candlelight service begins at 7:45; Closing begins at 4:45. Please remember that children are not to be present in Hutto or at meals during a walk!

## Upcoming Walk Schedule

| WALK       | DATE             | GENDER     |
|------------|------------------|------------|
| 514        | Sep 14-17        | Women      |
| 515        | Sep 28-Oct 1     | Women      |
| <b>516</b> | <b>Oct 19-22</b> | <b>Men</b> |
| 517        | Nov 9-12         | Women      |
| 518        | Feb 1-4          | Women      |
| <b>519</b> | <b>Mar 7-10</b>  | <b>Men</b> |
| 520        | Mar 14-17        | Women      |
| 521        | Apr 18-21        | Women      |
| <b>522</b> | <b>May 2-5</b>   | <b>Men</b> |

## Praying For You

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to members of the Emmaus Community and their families in the loss of loved ones.

To **Kay Bissonette (126)** in the loss of her husband, **Jim Bissonette (125)**

To the family of **Charlie Mahoney (219)**

To the family of **Ann Yow (294)**

To **John Schuessler (42)** in the loss of his wife and to **Jimmy Sandlin (44)** in the loss of his sister, **Cindy Schuessler (21)**

To **Berry Thompson (296)** in the loss of his wife, **Judy Thompson (301)**

To **Gail Camp (266)** in the loss of her husband, **Frank Camp (266)**

To **Darla Burbank Benefield (437)** in the loss of her husband, **Rev Stephen Benefield (463)**

### *The Grapevine*

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## NEW

*By Angel Rait, Community Coordinator*

*Isaiah 43:19 "Behold, I am doing a new thing;....."*

Just the thought of doing a **new** thing sounds exciting, right? Some **new** experiences in our life are planned while others are a result of "God moments". My Granddaughter is so excited about starting Kindergarten. It's a big deal and a **new** thing for her and involves the joy of such activities as getting **new** clothes and **new** school supplies. There will be a **new** classroom and a **new** teacher. All these things are something **new**, never done before!

We are blessed with many Pilgrims scheduled for Walks after our summer break. They will come to camp and experience something **new**. The definition of **new** is "something that did not exist before, discovering for the first time".

Things such as:

- Being silent for 9 hours.
- Being eager to take notes.
- Enjoying creating posters.
- Receiving communion every day.
- Establishing many new life-long friends in just 72 hours.
- Laughing until you cry; crying until you laugh.
- Singing at the top of your lungs, whether you can sing or not.
- Experiencing the feeling of complete freedom.
- Feeling the love and grace of God as never before.

So many **new** things on an Emmaus Walk, and many more not listed. But the best **new** thing you can do is to go home and tell others. Isn't that what Jesus wants us to do, tell others how you came face to face with Him?

"Behold, I am doing a **new** thing...."! Are you sharing with others something **new**? A **new** start, a **new** opportunity, a **new** perspective. Some of us came home from our Emmaus Walk a different person, a **new** creation. As we accept a change of newness, may we celebrate and be filled with joy because God is with us, the old is gone and the **new** is here!

Allow God to do something **NEW** in you:

**N** - Nudge you and

**E** - Equip you for

**W** - Whatever is in your path!

Angel Rait  
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Table of Martha

**Alabama Emmaus Walk 514  
September 14-17, 2023**

**Lay Director** Lisa Smith - Perseverance

**Asst Lay Directors**

Teresa Walker  
Laurie Douthit  
Barbara Harris  
Melissa Lett - Fourth Day  
Sharla Parris  
Paula Wright - Priority

**Spiritual Director** Terry Bentley - Means of Grace

**Asst Spiritual Directors**

Dee Dowdy - Obstacles to Grace  
Vicki Mann - Prevenient Grace  
Chris Herbert - Sanctifying Grace  
Paul Vick - Justifying Grace

**Music Chair** Rhonda DeHaven

**Asst Table Leaders**

Misty Brogdon - Changing Our World  
Tami Kelly - Priesthood  
Shalynn Kilpatrick - Christian Action  
Andrea Marbut - Discipleship  
Bobbie Reeves - Life of Piety  
Lisa Socha - Body of Christ  
Lisa Verciglio - Study

**Table Leaders**

Cindy Cash  
Joanne Bailey  
Nancy Beason  
Susan Greene  
Lorie Hannefield  
Lisa Saylor  
Pam Walden

**Board Reps** Lane Berry  
Debra Baker

**Committees**

**Agape** Charlie Baker 256.558.1444  
**Food Service** Bob DeHaven 205.835.0686  
**Refreshments** Leslie Colegrove 256.390.8318  
**Prayer Vigil:** Gail Hiatt 256.659.6161  
**Housing** Will Clay 256.393.1705  
**Candlelight** Josh Brogdon 205.559.2705  
**Cleanup** Kelly Saylor 256.509.5285  
**Closing** Jacque Clay 256.490.5008  
**Entertainment** Carol Scroggin 706.766.4102  
**Follow-Up** Nancy Parker 256.312.1146  
**Prayer Chapel** Diane Bentley 256.393.9200  
**Sponsor's Hour** Jim Harris 256.572.3026  
**Worship :** Debra Carmack 256.312.5607  
**Photographer** Andy Powell 256.478.7611  
**Humble Servant** Mike Smith  
Todd Walker

**Pilgrims**

| Name              | Location     | Sponsor                                   |
|-------------------|--------------|---|
| Vandana Massey    | Alabaster    | Connie Mullis & Werner Beiersdoerfer      |
| Ester Griguhn     | Anniston     | Judi Vick                                 |
| Gay Mori          | Arab         | Gayle Buchanan & Brooke Frazier           |
| Penny Boyett      | Athens       | Leah Beth McNutt & Claire Jones           |
| Trina Stephens    | Boaz         | LaShea Hicks & Jonathan Hicks             |
| Zendy Martinez    | Breman       | Kay Parker Phillips & Denise Nails        |
| Diana Gammon      | Cleveland    | Theresa Lindsay & Peggy Lindsay           |
| Debbie Warrington | Columbia, SC | Judi Vick                                 |
| Shana Walker      | Columbus, MS | Sarah Rickert                             |
| Cynthia Earp      | Gadsden      | Annette Hawkins & Jerry Stillson          |
| Brittany McCarthy | Gadsden      | Erika Westcott, Ted Anderson & Tim Cotton |
| Linda Rediker     | Gadsden      | Mike Smith & Bridget Whitley Dowdy        |
| Kellie Grubbs     | Heflin       | Jay Grubbs & Steven Lines                 |
| Crystal Charcandy | Helena       | Kristy and Gene Ingram                    |
| Ashley Lord       | Helena       | Kristy and Gene Ingram                    |
| Wendy Kirk        | Huntsville   | Cathy Saik & Deb Callins                  |
| Laverne Jones     | Morris       | Cynthia Dugger & Bernie Scott             |
| Pricilla Jones    | Moundville   | Lynn Gregory                              |
| Connie Estes      | Northport    | Norma Lemley                              |
| Donna Kernop      | Northport    | Liz Moxley & Joy and Bobby Jones          |
| Wendy McMillian   | Northport    | Danny and Norma Lemley & Danielle Eppes   |
| Sherrelle Helms   | Pell City    | Bernie Scott & Jenni Scott                |
| Amy Kay           | Pell City    | Katrina Upchurch                          |
| Reva Kochan       | Piedmont     | Judy Hay Anderson & Ted Anderson          |
| Dawn Bowdon       | Springville  | Kim Burckhard, Pam Bowden & Kay Cherry    |
| Pat Limbaugh      | Sylacauga    | Kim Warren & Dan Limbaugh                 |
| Heather Collum    | Tuscumbia    | Beth Wilcoxson                            |





**Alabama Emmaus Walk 515  
Sept 28 - Oct 1, 2023**

**Lay Director:** Sherry Johnson

**Assistant Lay Directors**

Layne Salvador  
Sandra May  
Laura Bracey - 4th Day  
Debbie Weaver  
Hillary Dunham - Priority  
Leigh Martin

**Spiritual Director** Sherill Clontz - Means of Grace

**Assistant Spiritual Directors**

Todd Owen - Prevenient Grace  
Sherry Harris - Justifying Grace  
Robert Sparkman - Obstacles of Grace  
Mac Buttram - Sanctifying Grace

**Music Chair** Ken Mason

**Assistant Table Leaders**

Gail Johnson - Christian Action  
Amy Boyle - Priesthood  
Sarah Finley - Life of Piety  
Amy Key - Growth Through Study  
Margaret Darnell - Discipleship  
Leslie Comer- Changing Our World  
Mary Beth Pendley - Body of Christ

**Table Leaders**

Dawn Knox  
Lynne Starnes  
Leigh Helveston  
Diann Haas  
Sarah Melendez  
Cathy Johnson  
Amy Billings

**Board Reps:** Ken Albrecht  
Anne Parris

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**Food Service** Bill Johnson 256-468-6488  
**Refreshments** Frank Barger 256-585-7787  
Rolo Weaver 256-656-0483  
**Prayer Vigil** Jane Smith 256-883-4409  
**Housing** John May 703-307-3533  
**Candlelight** Tim Cotton 256-684-9600  
**Clean-up** Chet Johnson 256-714-1908  
**Closing** Debbie Youngs 256-651-4947  
**Entertainment** Spike McRoy 256-694-9254  
**Follow-up** Sandra Jones 256-479-2832  
**Prayer Chapel** Rica McRoy 256-527-2906  
**Sponsors' Hour** Tom Panucci 256-658-9191  
**Worship** Tara Dombrowsky 256-714-2466  
**Photographer** Terry Lewis 256-755-1821  
**Humble Servant** Chet Johnson 256-714-1908

**Pilgrims**

| <b>Name</b>      | <b>Location</b> | <b>Sponsor</b>                           |
|------------------|-----------------|--|
| Jane Thompson    | Alabaster       | Heather Biciste & Jack and Joanne Bailey |
| Kristina Heflin  | Albertville     | Terri Barnard                            |
| Stephanie Wahl   | Altoona         | Misty Brogdon                            |
| Joy Tarpley      | Cleveland       | Crystal Payne                            |
| Kathy Howse      | Columbus, MS    | Deborah Clinton & Mary Lynn Whitten      |
| Shana Walker     | Columbus, MS    | Sarah Rickert                            |
| Tiffany Clayton  | Columbus, MS    | Sarah Rickert                            |
| Sherry Lancaster | Cullman         | Shirley Hays & Wendall Copeland          |
| Janet Mann       | Guin            | Joan Canterbury & Barbara Stanford       |
| Ashley Bice      | Guntersville    | Charlotte Watts & Jim Harris             |
| Susan Briscoe    | Guntersville    | Debbie Newman & Barbara Harris           |
| Ellie Burns      | Guntersville    | Charlotte Watts & Barbara Harris         |
| Sherry Taylor    | Hampton Cove    | Pam Congo & Sandra Jones                 |
| Beth Douglas     | Hoover          | Susan Blackmon                           |
| Adina Payton     | Huntsville      | Frank Barger                             |
| Delee Steen      | Huntsville      | Donna Johnson & Pat Thorn                |
| Melissa Ward     | Huntsville      | Chad Steed                               |
| Glynn Goble      | Meridianville   | Chrystal Whitehead                       |
| Denise Collins   | Northport       | Jill Hannah & Joy Jones                  |
| Teresa Ford      | Talladega       | Teresa A. Harris                         |
| Jaime Newill     | Valley          | Keith Minix & Stephanie Kirby            |
| Lenora Wisdom    | Vernon          | Michael Wisdom & Eric Terrell            |
| Dewana Smith     | Winfield        | Joan Canterbury & Barbara Stanford       |

