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As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. — Luke 24:15-16 NIV

NEXT CLUSTER MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024
6:00 P.M.

TUSCUMBIA FIRST

104 THIRD STREET
TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

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Worship Guide

Name Badge

GOOD JOKES

Joyful Noise Voice

An Emmaus Friend

-AND YOU!!!

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Billy Graham on Fatherhood

"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."—1 Corinthians 16:13-14, ESV

Billy Graham was known to the world as "God's Ambassador" and "Pastor to Presidents," but to his five children, he was just "Daddy." Below are two of his quotes about fatherhood, family and faith.

"A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, unnoticed, and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society."

"The greatest tribute a boy can give to his father is to say, 'When I grow up, I want to be just like my dad.' It is a convicting responsibility for us fathers and grandfathers."



Billy Graham at his home in Montreat, North Carolina, with his two sons, Ned and Franklin, in 1965.

Upcoming Walks

WALK #523 SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 8-11—Walk #523 will be led by the Holy Spirit and Terry Lewis, with Byron Vance as the Spiritual Director. The team will come from the Huntsville Cluster. To date, there are 18 men scheduled to attend this Walk. While this number is sufficient for the Walk to go forward, more could be added if you have someone in mind. At this time, there are no Shoals men assigned to #523. The Walk date is the same weekend as the Annual Training Event which will be held August 9-10. The Memorial Service is a part of this event and will be on the evening of August 9. The Training Event is comprised of classes held on Saturday the 10th. These classes cover the duties of team members during the weekend of a Walk. See related article in this issue.

SEPTEMBER 12-15 IS THE DATE FOR #524—The Holy Spirit and Roxann Edsell will lead Walk #524. The Spiritual Director for the Walk will be Lori Carden. Team members will come from the South Shelby/Birmingham East and Birmingham South Cluster Grouping. As of this issue, there are 22 ladies assigned to this Walk, and we have ONE of them!!!! **Pam Jones of Florence sponsor by Stephanie Hipps and Willie Jones.** It appears this Walk is filling fast, but you could probably still get YOUR Pilgrim on if you get busy right now!

#525 WILL BE SEPTEMBER 23-29—This Men's Walk will be held Sept. 26-29 and will be led by the Holy Spirit and Al Killen. The Haleyville/Franklin/Marion County Cluster Grouping will field the team, and Mitch Nethery will be the Spiritual Director. Currently, there are seven men assigned to Walk #525, but so far, none of the seven is from the Shoals. With three months to prepare, you have time to get your Pilgrim's application submitted, prep his family, and tend to all the other details you're responsible for as a sponsor! And remember, the Shoals Cluster will pay all but the \$30 registration fee for your Shoals area Pilgrim to attend. You will have to contact the Cluster Treasurer, Anita Whitaker, and supply the information regarding your Pilgrim. The remaining \$170 will then be paid.

2024 ALABAMA WALKS

#523 August 8-11 Men

#524 September 12-15 Women

#525 September 26-29 Men

#526 October 17-20 Women

#527 November 7-10 Women

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Jun—Tuscumbia First Methodist

Jul—North Wood UMC

Aug—Tuscumbia First Methodist

Sep—North Wood UMC

Oct—Tuscumbia First Methodist

Nov—North Wood UMC

The Apostle

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Annual Training Event

The Annual Training Event is a session presented at Camp Sumatanga each August by the Alabama Emmaus Community to share information about all aspects of serving on a Walk team. Even if you've served numerous times already, this is a great opportunity to learn what's new, meet new folks from all over the Community, and see old friends! This year the event is August 9-10. The evening of the 9th the annual Memorial Service will be held in the McKinney-Atkins building to honor the memory of those who have gone to be with the Lord from May of 2023 through May of 2024.

On Saturday the 10th, there will be classes all morning, covering all the responsibilities of Walk team members. There will be the opportunity to take at least two, if not three during the morning. If you want to attend both the memorial service and the training classes, you may want to spend the night at Camp. If you only plan to attend the classes, you can drive to Camp on Saturday morning. In any case, there is a registration form to cover any and all of this, and it is due by August 1. The registration form can be found on the last two pages in the April issue of [The Grapevine](#), or on the Shoals Cluster website, at shoalscluster.com. See you there!

Reunion Groups

Dinning with Jesus
Girls Rejoicing in the Spirit
Old Friends, New Friends
The Son Risers

First Band of Brothers
Hearts Desire
Prayer Breakfast
Thursday's Lunch Bunch

First Light
His Girls Friday
Sons of the Light
Women of the World

For day/time and place click [Reunion Groups \(shoalscluster.com\)](http://shoalscluster.com)

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