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Let all things be done decently and in order.

I Corinthians 14:40

- 2022 CLUSTER BOARD**
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- Mike Creecy
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- 72-HOUR PRAYER VIGIL**
Katie Dobbins
- INFORMATION TABLE**
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- WEB SERVANT**
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- PAST CLUSTER DIRECTOR**
Clay Hammond

**#505 TO BE
SEPTEMBER 22-25**

Walk #505 will be led by the Holy Spirit and **Frederick Martin**. The Spiritual Director will be Mac Buttram and the team for this Walk is from our Cluster Grouping. Currently there are **24** men assigned to this Walk, and the Shoals now has **TWO** of them!

#505
Justin Miller – Florence
Larry White - Florence

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Justin Bob & Julia Young
Larry Jean Peeden

Be sure to make your plans for Candlelight and get those letters written!



WALK #506 IS OCT. 20-23

This Women's Walk will be led by the Holy Spirit and Rhonda DeHaven. Kelly Clem will be the Spiritual Director. The team will be fielded from the Gadsden/Marshall/ Cherokee-DeKalb Cluster Grouping. At this time, there are **27** ladies assigned to #506, but there are none from the Shoals area. This Walk is basically full, and no applications will be accepted after October 19 in any case.



GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Bud Bottcher Memorial Golf Tournament is being planned for April of 2023. At the September Cluster Board Meeting, Joe Peeden named those willing to serve to a planning committee. He will be determining which golf course will be the site and firming a date for the event, If you would help, let Joe know.

NEXT CLUSTER MEETING

TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

6:00 p.m.

NORTH WOOD U M C
1129 WILLS AVE. – FLORENCE, AL

BRING:
COVERED DISH

Worship Guide
Name Badge
GOOD JOKES
Joyful Noise Voice
An Emmaus Friend
-AND YOU!!!

(NURSERY PROVIDED)

REMEMBER!
WE'RE MEETING AT
NORTH WOOD UMC
THIS MONTH!!!!



#507 WILL BE NOV. 10-13

Walk #507 will be led by the Holy Spirit and Bruce Parris from the Huntsville Cluster. Mac Buttram will serve as the Spiritual Director. There are currently 24 men assigned to this Walk and **ONE** of them is from the Shoals!

#507

Billy Hunt - Florence

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Billy April Vaden

The current maximum for a Walk is 28 Pilgrims, so if you have one in mind for this date, the application would have to be turned in by October 31.

2023 CLUSTER BOARD SLATE

According to our bylaws, the nominees for the 2023 Cluster Board are to be published here for membership notification prior to election. This election will take place at the upcoming September Cluster meeting – held this month at North Wood United Methodist Church. The nominees listed below have agreed to serve. Nominations may be made from the floor, but those named must be qualified and have also agreed to serve.

- Cluster Leader – Janice Alcorn
Asst. Cluster Leader – Leasha Laster
Spiritual Director – Bart Bowlin
Asst. Spiritual Director – Rudy Guess
Past Cluster Leader – Joe Peeden
Cluster Coordinator - Stephanie Hipps
Music – Chad Kennington
Secretary – Jane Almond
Asst. Secretary – Patricia Jester
Treasurer – Anita Whitaker
Asst. Treasurer – Mitch Dobbins
Communications – Allison Brooks
Database – Jonathan Killen
Agape – Brenda Quesenberry
Agape Assistant – Jean Peeden
Sponsorship – Pete Peeden
Reunion Group Coord. Celia Rudolph
Reconnection Coord. - Georgia McCaig
72 hour Prayer Vigil – Katie Dobbins
Cleopas Connection – Lynda Bottcher
Cleopas Connection - Revonda Twesme
Cleopas Connection – Mike Creecy
Information Table – Sue Peeden
Webmaster – Jimmy McCollum
Newsletter – Lynda Bottcher

As soon as the 2023 Cluster Board is approved, they will meet to name a new person to our Cluster Grouping Team Selection Committee. When that committee is updated from all three Clusters, it will name the 2023-2024 member of the Alabama Emmaus Board of Directors



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- 2022 ALABAMA WALKS**
- #505 Sep 22-25 Men
#506 Oct. 20-23 Women
#507 Nov. 10-13 Men
- 2023 ALABAMA WALKS**
- #508 Feb 2-5 Women
#509 Mar 2-5 Men
#510 Mar 23-26 Women
#511 Apr 20-23 Women
#512 May 4-7 Men
#513 Aug 10-13 Men
#514 Sep 14-17 Women
#515 Sep 28-Oct 1 Women
#516 Oct. 19-22 Men
#517 Nov. 9-12 Women

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RG CORNER

Here's an idea! Why not make sure everyone in your Reunion Group attends the Cluster Grouping Picnic noted a few columns over? Even if you have members who have not yet attended a Walk, that's even better! It can be a time to share the Emmaus friendship and fun with them. You could also coordinate the food your group might bring – like who might bring meat, who might bring veggies or fruit, and who might bring dessert. Make it a time to remember!



SPONSORSHIP 101

In the last few months, the Cluster Board has voted to pay the fee for all Shoals area Pilgrims. If you usually pay the fees for the Pilgrims you sponsor, you could simply put that money into the Pilgrim Fund and let the Cluster handle it. Or, if your Pilgrim is paying their own fees, let the Treasurer know and the Cluster will pay. One thing you do need to know is that either you or the Pilgrim is to pay the \$30 registration fee. The Cluster will pay the remaining \$170. The policy parameters are still being developed, be on the alert for updates to it. As

this comes together, you'll begin to see the rationale for all planned fundraisers by the Cluster. Included is the golf tournament and the auction, both being set for 2023. On this note, be sure to follow all the details here in the newsletter and at the meetings as the committees are being formed for these events. It takes all of us pulling together to make these things happen. And what a great result if every single person who wants to be a Pilgrims is able to because there is no funding issue!!! God is good!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Shoals Cluster Leader **JOE PEEDEN** – (256) 627-1174
Cluster Spiritual Director **BART BOWLIN** (256) 762-2011
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Community Treasurer **Jim Sims** – (205) 531-4965
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Emmaus Family Picnic



St. James UMC in Florence
October 2nd 2022
4 pm at the pavilions
Potluck, Friends
and Fellowship

HERE IT IS!

Our Cluster Grouping picnic that includes Athens and Moulton. All the details are above – potluck – 4:00 p.m. – St. James UMC in Florence. Bring anyone you wish, including children!

2022

MEETING SCHEDULE

At this time, all Cluster meetings except September are at Tuscumbia FUMC the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.. **SEPTEMBER WILL BE AT NORTH WOOD UMC IN FLORENCE.**