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**NEXT CLUSTER MEETING**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

6:00 P.M.

NORTH WOOD UMC

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Worship Guide

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Joyful Noise Voice

An Emmaus Friend

-AND YOU!!!

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**2026 ALABAMA WALKS**

#538 February 19-22 Women

#539 March 5-8 Men

#540 March 19-22 Women

#541 April 23-26 Women

#542 May 14-17 Men



*Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. —2 Corinthians 5:17 KJV*

## 2025 Memorial Service

Each year in December, our Cluster holds a memorial service for those who have passed away during the year. During this part of the Cluster meeting, each name is called and a candle lighted in their memory. Family members and friends are given the opportunity share their remembrances. Family members are invited to take their loved one's candle with them when the service is over.



Below is a list of those known who passed in 2025. If you know of others, please contact Cluster Leader Stephanie Higgs or Lynda Bottcher.

JIM ANDERSON - #361

JOHN HARDEMAN - #183

LINDA PERSALL - #198

WALTER CASH - #78

CHRIS JOHNSON - #67

PAT TORBERT - #160

JUDY GULLETT - #362

ROSE MARIE MCFALL - #189

ELAINE WHITE - NC #26

## Upcoming Walks



### FIRST THREE WALKS OF 2026

The last Walk of 2025 is over, and we are now looking toward the first three of 2026. While it's early, numbers are moving up and it's an exciting time! Please take note of these first listings and make your plans!

**WALK #538**—The first Walk of the year will be held on February 19-22 and will be led by the Holy Spirit and Barbara Harris. The Spiritual Director is Mark Adams, and the team will come from the Gadsden/ Marshall Cluster Grouping.

At this time in November, there are only **FIVE** ladies assigned to #538, but we have **TWO** of them!

#### **PILGRIM / HOMETOWN / SPONSOR**

**Monica Higgs / Florence / Larry White & Jennifer Bennetch**

**Charlotte Tabereaux / Florence / Chris Burcham**

**WALK #539**—Walk #539 is the first Men's Walk of 2026. The date is March 5-8, and it will be led by the Holy Spirit and Tom Panucci with Spiritual Director Chris Whitehead. This is a Walk from the Huntsville Cluster and at this point in time, there are already **EIGHT** men assigned. And guess what!?! We already have **ONE** of them!

#### **PILGRIM / HOMETOWN / SPONSOR**

**Daniel Green / Tuscumbia / Shawn Gober**

**WALK #540**—March 19-22 is the date for #540, and it will be led by the Holy Spirit and Lucy Thraillkill, with Spiritual Director Vicki Cater. This is a B'ham South/South Shelby/B'ham East Cluster Grouping Walk, with B'ham South leading the way.

To date, there are **TWO** ladies assigned to #540, but neither is from the Shoals. This is a good time to get your Pilgrim all set to go!

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- 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE**  
Jan—North Wood UMC  
Feb—Tuscumbia First Methodist  
Mar—North Wood UMC  
Apr—Tuscumbia First Methodist  
May—North Wood UMC  
Jun—Tuscumbia First Methodist  
Jul—North Wood UMC  
Aug—Tuscumbia First Methodist  
Sep—North Wood UMC  
Oct—Tuscumbia First Methodist  
**Nov—North Wood UMC**  
Dec—Tuscumbia First Methodist

# The Apostle

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## New Board AEC Member Named

Each year a new director is named from each Cluster Grouping to the Alabama Emmaus Community Board of Directors. This person replaces a member of the board who is completing a two-year term.

This year in our grouping, it was the Athens Cluster’s turn to name a new director. After being unable to find a candidate from Athens, Moulton was next in turn, but there was no one available from Moulton. This gave the turn back to the Shoals, and Celia Rudolph has been named to serve the 2026-2027 term.

For these two years, our Cluster Grouping will have two Shoals members of the AEC Board of Directors. Congratulations, Celia!

## Twesme to Serve on Team Selection Committee

Revonda Twesme was named to serve on the Cluster Grouping Team Selection Committee for the Shoals Cluster. Revonda was selected during our recent election. She will begin a two-year term in January, serving along side Jean Peeden, who will be serving her second year.

Each Cluster Group selects two from their Cluster to serve on the committee, each serving on a two-year staggered term. Selections are held each year with one coming on and another coming off from each cluster.



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Join the Alabama Emmaus Community Facebook group for online information about Emmaus events. Search for Alabama Emmaus Community.

## Reunion Groups

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|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Band of Brothers       | First Light        | Girls Rejoicing in the Spirit |
| Hearts Desire          | His Girls Friday   | Old Friends, New Friends      |
| Prayer Breakfast       | Sons of the Light  | The Son Risers                |
| Thursday’s Lunch Bunch | Women of the World |                               |

For day/time and place click [Reunion Groups](#) or visit [www.shoalscluster.com/reunion-groups](http://www.shoalscluster.com/reunion-groups).