



# Heart of Florida

## Walk to Emmaus

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## Gathering

Saturday, March 13th, 2010

at

**Mulberry United Methodist Church**  
**306 North Church Ave. (State Rd. 37)**

**863-425-3401**

**5 - 7 PM**

Bring a covered dish & your prospective pilgrims  
Child Care will be provided!!

**Mulberry UMC is located on the west side of SR 37**  
**2 and a half blocks north of SR 60**  
(There is parking north and south of the sanctuary)

*Mark your calendar and don't miss out on this wonderful time of fellowship!*

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### Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

#### Spring Walks

**Men's Walk #21 April 15-18, 2010**

**Women's Walk #21 –April 22-25, 2010**

**Masterpiece Gardens, Lake Wales**

#### Post Walk Gathering:

**May 1st, 2010 at**

**First UMC, Lake Wales**

## . . . from Our Community Lay Director

*Greetings HOF Community,*

*With the coming of the New Year, many have that feeling of "out with the old, in with the new." For some this is difficult, yet we anticipate the "new" with a renewed sense of excitement. As we say farewell to some wonderful people who have served the Heart of Florida Community by sitting on the Board, we welcome new faces. I am please to present the recently elected members of the Heart of Florida Emmaus Board of Directors to you: Hank Henry, Gerry Hubbs, Kent King, Ruthann Kleinhans, Bob Sarvis, and Courtney Schulz. Please keep these new members as well as the rest of the Board in your prayers as we continue to serve the HOF Emmaus Community.*

*Take time to reread the passage from Luke 24 as Jesus met the Disciples on their journey on the road to Emmaus. Just as the passage states, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" Remember how you felt following your Walk to Emmaus? Have you allowed the fire to go out or diminish its intensity? Well, now my brothers and sisters is the time to rekindle the flames. We can rekindle the flame in our hearts by serving Jesus and helping our Emmaus community. We can serve through prayer, sponsorship, and service tour community, as well as helping others to be accountable.*

*Please keep Joe Hart and Heather Beato in prayer as they serve as Lay Directors for the Spring Weekends, the team members and especially the Pilgrims who will soon experience their Walks to Emmaus.*

*As we begin this year, it is my prayer that God will bless each one of you beyond measure.*

*I humbly serve,*

*Karolyn Nunnallee*

*Heart of Florida Community Lay Director.*

### Heart of Florida Board of Directors

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Term Ends</b>	<b>Hometown</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>Term Ends</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
<b>Dawn Eller</b>	2010	Sebring	<b>Ronnie Mincey</b>	2010	Fort Meade
<b>Eric Garnett</b>	2011	Winter Haven	<b>Karolyn Nunnallee</b>	2011	Ft. Meade
<b>Toni Griffith</b>	2011	Lake Wales	<b>Bob Sarvis</b>	2012	Bartow
<b>Hank Henry</b>	2013	Bartow	<b>Courtney Schulz</b>	2012	Bartow
<b>Gerry Hubbs</b>	2012	Lakeland	<b>Tom Selander</b>	2010	Orlando
<b>Dave Huff</b>	2011	Trilby / Blanton	<b>Kim Travolina</b>	2011	Davenport
<b>Kent King</b>	2012	Orlando	<b>Wade Willey</b>	2010	Lakeland
<b>Ruthann Kleinhans</b>	2012	Welsey Chapel			
<b>Rev. Roy Lowe</b>	2011	Bartow			
<b>Honorary Members</b>					
<b>Jim Hatch</b> (Founding Spiritual Director)		Bartow	<b>Jim Nunnallee</b> (Data Base)		Fort Meade
<b>Bill Dwinell</b> (Web Master)		Lake Placid			

## Teams Men's Walk #21

Rodney Allen	Fred Ball	Doug Baulch	John Berry
Bob Butcher	Greg Drees	Shaun Flores	Joe Harrell
Joe Hart	Jim Hatch	Dick Hewitt	Jeff Kantz
Sheldon Katsoff	Bill Kleinhans	Bruce Lee	Mac McClaine
Don Miller	Barney Moore	Jeff Moss	Duane Nuzum
Jim Nickelson	Mike Oakley	Tony Perry	Charles Pflugger
Dave Pischel	Larry Powell	Bob Sarvis	Danny Shafer
Bob Schulz	Thomas Selander	Bob Stephens	Ralph Waters

## Women's Walk #21

Heather Beato	Dawn Eller	Faye Sarvis	Jeanne Icenhour
Gerry Hubbs	Janet Nuzum	Linda Balliet	Tina Shafer
Shirley Huff	Faye Myers	Jolee Miles	Barb Hart
Renee Harrell	Dottie Pratt	Cynthia Lee	Michelle Brewington
Flora McClaine	Sheila Hewitt	Susan Garrett	Lori Bellotte
Ginger Selander	Kathy White	Courtney Schulz	Christina Nickelson
Krista Thompson	Mollie Thompson	Jenny McClaine	Ruthann Kleinhans
Candy Pischel	Kathy Bryant	Debbie Jones	Betty Parslow
Patti Berry	Kathy Moss	Sandy Mincey	Charissa Kessler
Keith Thompson	Jaime Woechan	Danna Harrison	Dianne Baulch

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## Agape – Acts of Love

Emmaus is an event unlike any other religious program or retreat. It is an extraordinary act of love – people loving other people into a deeper realization of God's love. The purpose of agape for the weekends is to show our love in special and unexpected ways. It is our opportunity to give of ourselves in support of one another in the decision to walk in the grace of Jesus Christ, and sacrificing to make this three day walk with God possible for others. Remember how excited you were when you received your little trinkets expressing love or were delighted to taste that homemade cookie? Now it is time to pass that feeling on!

Think about your agape offerings – food, bed, table or dining room agape. Choose to make this a true LOVE offering. Ask yourself "Do I grab a plate of brownies at Publix as I head to Send Off?" "What bed agape can I pick up at Wal-Mart?"

How about making a love commitment? "I will make the time on Wednesday night to bake a batch of brownies from scratch." "I will work with my accountability group to make special gifts for each person." As I do so, I will pray for the weekend, for the pilgrims, for the team, for the Spiritual Leaders." During your time to make or gather agape, remember to weave in the LOVE and be thankful for the blessings God has provided.

**Homemade, Handmade, Lovemade – these are agape gifts from our hearts.**

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# Chrysalis News

Chrysalis Girls' Flight is coming up, **February 6-8** at Rotary Camp Florida in Brandon. The sendoff is at 8 am the 6<sup>st</sup>, Candlelight at 8pm the 7<sup>th</sup>, and Closing at 4pm the 8<sup>th</sup>. Applications to send a youth are on the website at [www.heartofsuncoastchrysalis.org](http://www.heartofsuncoastchrysalis.org). The minimum requirements are that they be 15 years old AND in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Our own Courtney Canady is the LD for the flight, and we hope to have a lot of participation from HOF. Any questions can be directed to Heather Beato: [hbeato@sao10.com](mailto:hbeato@sao10.com) or 863-661-3682.

Boys' Flight was held January 29-31..

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## Board Resolution

The Board has passed the following motion: 10% of the balance in the Emmaus bank account will be tithed to start up Emmaus communities and the HOF community will continue to tithe 10% of all income twice a year, May and November.

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Here are a few things that are on the website:

**Directions** to Masterpiece Gardens and churches where gatherings are held

**Forms** – Reservation for Pilgrims, Sponsor's form, Team Application

There is also a **Heart of Florida email group** – sign up for this group and receive e-mail communications about upcoming events.

**The newsletters are also posted there.** We are hoping some of you might prefer to read your newsletter online instead of receiving it by mail. If you would like to receive it via the website instead of snail mail – please email Sharon Harris at [info@fpcbartowfl.org](mailto:info@fpcbartowfl.org).

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