



“Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving.”

Colossians 4:2

It is ten o'clock on Thursday night. I have just finished my hour of praying for the Men's Walk. It is an interesting experience to try and stay focused for one hour, especially for a Men's Walk when I have never experienced one of those, only a Woman's Walk. As I was praying through that time I remembered that the men were probably just finishing watching "the film." I have conflicting feelings about that film. Some of it is not the least bit scriptural, but religious fantasy. Some of that film challenges my sense of complacency about the role I have in helping show the Kingdom of God. I miss some of the parts that the newer film cut out from the old, and wish I could have done the editing. I laugh with others about that film and simmer "Oh! Nathaniel" like the heroine on the screen. I become again like a pilgrim, wanting to know what God is expecting of me, wanting to know what lies ahead, reacting to the instructions not to anticipate or judge until the experience of life is over.

As I pray for these men I so want them covered by God's Spirit. I want them to be able to trust in God's leading and not be afraid of the gifts that lie in the experience before them. I get excited realizing how much grace is coming their way. I envy them the unfolding of God's love. I pray for the leaders that they walk so closely with God that God is in their very breath. I realize I can't wait to see what will happen at the end of this Walk!

Is that not the way prayer is? If we put ourselves in God's presence and connect with his will, our Spirits become alive and quickened. We become aware of the circumstances regarding those we are praying for. We become aware that God wants more for them than even we do and we are so thankful that that is so. We recognize that we are all united in Christ and that God can do anything and all things. We stand in awe of God and God's desire to partner with us in his plan for salvation for all who would call on his name. It is a humbling, mind opening, life altering and exciting experience. I wonder why I don't pray more often than I do.

Have you forgotten what a gift prayer is? Do you remember the difference it made when people prayed for you? Our Emmaus community needs your prayers. Our Walks need your prayers. Our Board needs your prayers; our future is dependant on prayers that we might hear and respond to God's direction for us. As we bid thanks and God bless to the retiring officers that served us so loyally and faithfully for the last three years, our new incoming officers are counting on your prayers to keep them committed as disciples and representatives for you. Can you be a committed prayer partner?

In Christ,

Can you believe the Fall Walks are over? It seems like we were just planning them! Many thanks go out to Steve and Beverly for being obedient servants and answering the call to serve as Lay Directors for the Fall Walks. As hard as it is to believe, it is now time to turn our focus to the Spring Walks. We were asked on Sunday to pray for ordered steps for our new Lay Directors, Richard Higgins and Sandra Stevens. I ask for the same prayers for the team selection committee as they meet to choose the head positions for these Walks. Above all, ask God to lead and guide us in every decision that is to be made. Begin now to pray that God will place on your hearts whom He wants YOU to sponsor in the Spring.

Make a commitment to pray for the leaders and the pilgrims. This is a team effort and everyone must be involved, either by working, sponsoring or praying!!!

To our new brothers and sisters in Christ from Walks # 42 and # 43, WELCOME!! It is such a blessing to welcome you into the Northwest Georgia Walk to Emmaus Community. This stage of your walk may be over, but your walk is far from finished. I challenge you to become involved with your community. Attend the Follow-Up meeting on Thursday evening at Hollydale UMC, attend Gatherings like the one at Hollydale on November 17th, sponsor a pilgrim and above all, come back and experience Emmaus in a servant's role....YOUR LIFE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME.

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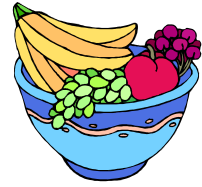
Pat Stevens
Community Lay Director
NWGWTE # 18

AT HIS FEET

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last...”

John 15:16

WE GATHER TOGETHER.....



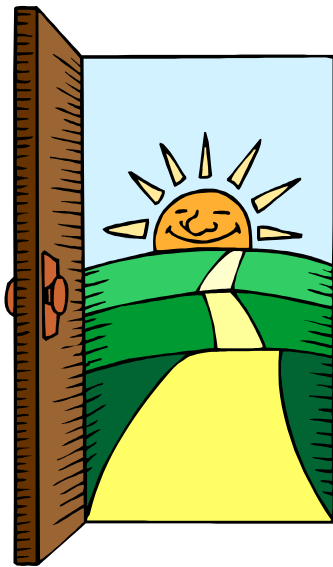
November 17th Hollydale UMC

*We GRAZE at 6:00 pm
and PRAISE at 7:00 pm!!*



Directions to

Hollydale UMC
2364 Powder Springs Rd.
Marietta, GA 770-943-2273



From I-75/575: Go west on Barrett Parkway for approximately 11 miles to Powder Springs Road. Turn left onto Powder Springs Road. Church is approximately 1 mile on the left.

From I-20: Exit Thornton Road north (towards Dallas) and travel 1.2 miles to Maxham Rd. Turn right onto Maxham and travel approximately 4.7 miles (road name changes to Austell Rd.) Turn left onto East-West Connector (or Barrett Pkwy.) and go approximately 2 miles to Powder Springs Rd. Turn right onto Powder Springs Rd. Church is 1 mile on the left.

Your community has recently purchased a Phone Tree software package to help remind us of important upcoming dates. Would you like to help us pay for this project? If so, just come to the next Gathering, make your check out to NWGWTE and earmark it for the Phone Tree.

Your NWGWTE Community is a 501(c)(3) organization which means your donations are tax deductible.



Chrysalis News:

The **Boys Chrysalis flight will be July 17 - 20, 2008** and the **Girls will be July 24 -27, 2008**. Becky Davis will be the Lay Director for the girls and she can be reached via email or phone, becky@daviscore.com 706-777-3364. Please be in prayer for Becky as she has started praying about the team that God would have for the summer. If you love youth and love to see amazing changes call Becky or email her and let her know that you would like to work the weekend. Also be in prayer for the Caterpillars whom God would have you sponsor; summer is a busy time for the youth so be in prayer for who God would put on your heart to sponsor. The Boys Lay Director for July 24-27, 2008 will be Larry Mahle and his information is as follows: ljmahle@bellsouth.net 770-489-2998. We also have open board positions! If you are interested in serving God in this way please let me know. If you have questions or concern please feel free to contact me.

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Emmaus News:

As winter approaches we have some nice De Colores shirts for sale. If you are interested please let me know. We have other items available (t-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, cookbooks)for sale as well.

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