

# Living Water Emmaus Newsletter— October 2009

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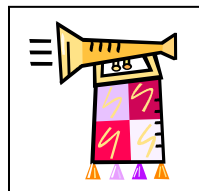
## Eat More Chickin'

### October Gathering at First UMC Alachua

**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00p.m until 8:00 pm.** Come join us for a great evening of fun and fellowship---and food, in beautiful downtown Ala-chew-way. If you need child care, please contact Jeff VanValey at (352) 514-5958, or email: [oldyouthguy@windstream.net](mailto:oldyouthguy@windstream.net)

How can I get more involved in our Emmaus Community? The best way is to come to the monthly Gatherings. You see your friends there and you'll meet new friends. Mark your calendar; bring a friend(s) that might want to know more about Emmaus. We welcome any visitors.

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**Calling all churches!** Would you like to host a Gathering at your church in 2010? The meeting to be held on Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> has been **rescheduled to Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM.** The location is TBD.

At this meeting, you will learn the components of a Gathering, what is needed to host a gathering, and how to make hosting a Gathering both easy and fun!

We will also begin scheduling the 2010 gatherings for the LWE community. **All current gathering host contacts should attend this meeting.** If you will be attending this meeting or have questions please contact Margaret Myers at 386-454-8259 or [mcmyers@windstream.net](mailto:mcmyers@windstream.net).

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**Technical difficulty:** Some of you might receive this month's newsletter more than once; some only once and some (the very lucky ones), not at all. Our Registrar is out of town this weekend. Bear with me; when she gets back it will be done right!



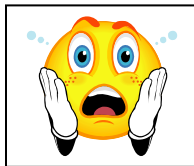
**Walk to Emmaus #2: April 15th-18th (men) and April 22nd-25th (women).**

Now—right now, is the time to begin praying in earnest for God to guide you for extending invitations to a husband and wife for their Emmaus Walk. It's almost a certainty that if you're reading this newsletter, you attended your Emmaus Walk *only because* someone extended an invitation to you.

Now is the time for prayer about sponsorship, prayer for the teams that will work Walks #2 and prayer for God's unfathomable ***prevenient Grace*** to go before us and touch the lives of our next group of Pilgrims. Don't wait to begin your sponsorship.

**Applications** All applications---Team Member, Sponsor, and Pilgrim forms can be downloaded from our website: [www.livingwateremmausfl.org](http://www.livingwateremmausfl.org).

**Special Appeal to Walk #1 Emmaus Community members:** If you attended Walk #1, here is a terrific opportunity for you to sponsor someone. Please invite someone you know to Walk #2. You are welcome to bring them to the upcoming Gathering at First United Church of Alachua on October 17<sup>th</sup>. We'd be delighted to have them.



Most of us knew very little about an Emmaus Walk and prior to going. Many of us were a bit apprehensive (perhaps suspicious?) of this mysterious weekend commitment. And yet, if you are reading this newsletter, think of how it brought you closer to Christ and for some, how it dramatically changed your life.

**Christ has no hands; no feet but yours and mine!**

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**How did Emmaus change you?** In 2 Corinthians 5:17, Paul wrote: *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, **he is a new creature**; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.*

**Have you become a 'new creature?'**



**Green Notice and Energy Efficiency Rating:** No trees were destroyed in creating this newsletter, however, after reading yet another installment of it, my college Literature professor's disappointment continues. ...And she had such high hopes.

**Carbon Footprint; Carbon Offset:** According to such theory, everything we do leaves a carbon footprint. I tried to minimize the carbon footprint of this newsletter but it's impossible to produce this much garbage and not leave a carbon footprint. That's OK, I'll offset this carbon footprint tomorrow by golfing.

Never let it be said that I'm not doing my part.

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