



# Living Water Emmaus

## Newsletter— September 14, 2011

De Colores Friends! We are so happy to share this newsletter with you. As you may have heard at the last Gathering or seen in the last newsletter, there are changes being implemented to our entire LWE community. In an effort to put into action the purpose of the Emmaus model, which is to build up leadership in the local church, we intend to create opportunities to learn how to actively serve the local churches that make up our wonderful community. We know the model is a sound structure upon which the potential of its members, once assembled, creates an outlet to be the hands and feet of Christ in this world. To create a more intimate environment our community will be subdivided into geographical clusters. We are not eliminating the community as a whole, but are breaking into “closer to home” sections for gathering purposes. The entire LWE community will meet together as a whole periodically throughout the year. The Board met recently and determined that the lines of division would fall in this manner:

**Northern:** North of the Alachua/Marion county line and all points west of and including the City of Alachua (i.e. Alachua, High Springs, Ft. White, Tustenugee, Archer, Trenton, Mayo, etc.)

**Eastern:** North of the Alachua/Marion county line and all points east of the City of Alachua (i.e. Gainesville, Hawthorne, Starke, Melrose, Keystone Heights, Micanopy, etc.)

**Southern:** All points south of the Alachua/Marion county line (i.e. Ocala, Silver Springs, etc.)

Each household is invited to join the cluster of their choice. It would be beneficial to stay with your chosen cluster until the conclusion of the next walk. You can switch to another cluster at that time if you so choose. Listed below you will see the times, dates, and locations of the upcoming gatherings in the different clusters. Please note the specific details regarding meal and mission opportunity of each gathering as they differ for each cluster.

<b>Northern Cluster Gathering</b>	
Date	Friday, September 23, 2011
Location	First UMC of High Springs
Time	7:00 PM
Dinner	Dinner will be provided. A green agape donation is asked to alleviate the cost.
What to Bring	Items will be collected to donate to Catholic Charities of High Springs. They are in particular need of canned meats, peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, shampoo, and dish soap.
Childcare	If you need childcare, contact Louise Krause at <a href="mailto:ldkrause@windstream.net">ldkrause@windstream.net</a>
<b>Eastern Cluster Gathering</b>	
Date	Friday, October 21, 2011
Location	Trinity UMC in Gainesville, FL Rm 232 (upstairs in the new part of education building)
Time	6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dinner	Pizza and desserts will be provided. A green agape donation is asked to alleviate the cost.
What to Bring	Items will be collected to support Food4Kids Backpack Program. They are in particular need of peanut butter, jelly, and shelf stable milk.
Childcare	If childcare is needed, contact Margaret Myers at <a href="mailto:mcmyers@windstream.net">mcmyers@windstream.net</a> no later than Wednesday, October 19, 2011.
<b>Southern Cluster Gathering</b>	
Date	Saturday, September 24, 2011
Location	Ocala West UMC Stanfield Hall (Bldg 2)
Time	5:30 PM
Dinner	Covered dish
What to Bring	Canned food items.
Directions	<p><b>From I-75:</b> Take SR 200 West 7.2 miles. Turn right at SW 105<sup>th</sup> Street. Go ½ mile to SW 94<sup>th</sup> Ct. Turn left and enter church parking lot on the left.</p> <p><b>From SR 484:</b> Take SR 200 East 1.3 miles. Stay in left lane to make a U turn at SW 88<sup>th</sup> Terrace. (at entrance to Pine Run) Get in right lane, turn right at next street, SW 105<sup>th</sup> Street. Go ½ mile to SW 94<sup>th</sup> Ct. Turn left and enter church parking lot on left.</p> <p>For people leaving the church and heading west toward I-75 you will have go right at SR 200 and cross over to left lane and make a U turn to go west on SR 200.</p>

Finally, we are pleased to announce that a location and date has been set for LWE Walk #3!!! We will be holding the walk at the Christian Church Conference Center in Silver Springs, FL. The Men's Walk will take place on February 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and the Women's Walk will take place on March 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Please begin praying about whom you may sponsor and how you can help out. The Board is very excited about these changes and we hope you will be too. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Margaret Myers at [mcmyers@windstream.net](mailto:mcmyers@windstream.net).

Sincerely,

Living Water Emmaus Community Board