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The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth.

Psalm 145:18

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2019 ALABAMA WALKS
 #487 Aug. 15-18 Women
 #488 Sep. 5-8 Men
 #489 Sep. 19-22 Women
 #490 Oct. 10-13 Men
 #491 Nov. 14-17 Women
2020 ALABAMA WALKS
 #492 Feb. 20-23 Women
 #493 Mar. 5-8 Men
 #494 Mar. 19-22 Women
 #495 Apr. 23-26 Men

#487 IS AUG. 15-18
 Walk #487 is going to be led by the Holy Spirit and Melanie Skillman. Barry Hallman will be the Spiritual Director and the team will come from the Blount/Cullman Cluster Grouping.

#487
Sandra Cole - Florence
Lysa Beard - Muscle Shoals

SPONSORS
Sandy Elaine White
 Russ White
Lysa Bill Beard
 Chuck & Elaine Beard

We now have **TWO** of the **30** ladies now assigned to this Walk. It's still the Annual Training Event weekend and a great time to be at Camp for that – and stay for Candlelight, too.

#489 TO BE SEP. 19-22
 The Holy Spirit and Jaime Rickert will lead #489 and the Spiritual Director will be Lynn Gibson. There are now **33** ladies assigned to #489 and we now have **EIGHT** of them!

#489
Jackie Handley - Cherokee
Cora Bird - Florence
Ashley Mitchell - Florence
Misty Buerhaus - Florence
Tam Pitman - Florence
Rachel Berry - Florence
Jessica Wood - Sheffield
Claressa Talley - Sheffield

SPONSORS
Jackie Leslie and
 Ralph Waldrep
Cora Barbara Johnson
Ashley Pete Peeden
Misty Pete Peeden
Tam Barbara Johnson
Rachel Wes Akin &
 Bill Jordan
Jessica Teresa Seal
Claressa Mary Kate Mills
 Lynda Bottcher
 Janie Oaks

NEXT CLUSTER MEETING

Tuesday
AUGUST 20, 2019
 6:00 p.m.

Where you have fun and get a blessing!!!

TUSCUMBIA FUMC
 BEAUTIFUL DOWNTOWN TUSCUMBIA
 TUSCUMBIA, AL

BRING:
 Covered Dish
 (For You and a Guest)
 Worship Guide
 Name Badge
GOOD JOKES
 Joyful Noise Voice
 An Emmaus Friend
-AND YOU!!!
 (NURSERY PROVIDED)

#488 IS TO BE SEP. 5-8
 Walk #488 will be led by the Holy Spirit and our very own DONNIE ARMSTRONG! The #488 Spiritual Director is Dale Cohen. The team is from our Grouping - Athens/Moulton/Shoals. There are now **30** men assigned to this Walk, and we have **FIVE** of them!!!

#488
Buddy Johnsey - Florence
Troy Morris - Rogersville
Chad Talley - Sheffield
Jerry Lewey - Tuscumbia
Gabe Basinger - Tuscumbia

SPONSORS
Buddy Band of Brothers RG
Troy Faron White
Chad Mary Kate Mills
 Lynda Bottcher
 Janie Oaks
Jerry Marshall Lewey
Gabe Band of Brothers RG

The cut-off date for #488 – the date after which no applicants CAN be added is Aug. 26.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Cluster By-Laws require that the Cluster be informed 30 days in advance of the time and the place to elect the next year's officers. The election of the 2020 board members will be part of the September Cluster meeting, to be held at Florence FUMC on Sep. 17, 2019. The Cluster Board has approved these nominations for the 2020 Cluster Board:

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September will be
Tailgate Party
time again!
Be sure to make the
meeting this month
to learn what you
can bring to help this
be the best ever!
And remember, it's a
UNA
Tailgate Party!!!

DON'T FORGET!
Annual Training Event
Aug. 16-17
Camp Sumatanga
Friday at 7:00 p.m.
Saturday at 8:15 a.m.



Find Us On

Or - On the Web at

www.shoalscluster.com

RG CORNER

Reunion Groups are basic to your continuing journey of Emmaus, once the weekend is over. If you're not yet part of one, you want to be. But you don't have to wait to be invited. You can be the one doing the inviting. You know when your schedule allows a regular, on-going time to meet and you can invite others to join you. If you choose this option, remember that the Perseverance talk is right before the 4th Day talk, and for good reason. It may take months for a group to gel. So persevere, and see how God puts together the perfect faith and prayer partners for you!



CALLING POST

To hear the current message for the Shoals Cluster on our computerized phone service, dial **1-800-925-7443** and enter the **ID# - 1999 568 996**

SPONSORSHIP 101

The Application to Attend is in the process of being updated. It will soon be available online to download. It will now have a space for a co-sponsor's name, contact info and signature, as well as a blank for both sponsor and co-sponsors Cluster. And instead of a postcard, email will now be used to let you know when your Pilgrim has been assigned to a Walk. Did you know that the \$30 registration fee must be included with the application for your Pilgrim to be assigned? There is a reminder that the remaining fee is due when your Pilgrim is assigned and accepts. The sponsor's letter and the Pilgrim's invitation

are being revised and will have reminders that all watches and any electronic devices are to be left at home. This is not new, but it helps the fact not be a total surprise. There is a reminder that children are not to be in Hutto during a Walk. This has always been true because the Pilgrims do not have their children there, and seeing or hearing children immediately takes their attention away from the Walk environment. Stay tuned here and check your copy of *The Grapevine* for further updates!

IT'S OPEN MEETING MONTH!!!!

This month is the time we ask those who've not yet been a Pilgrim to join us for a Cluster Meeting. If you have someone you want to sponsor, and you want them to have a sense of what Emmaus is like, be sure to invite them to this meeting. There will be childcare, so that's not an issue. They will have dinner with us, and then go to hear all about Emmaus. And they can ask as many questions as they wish. They'll rejoin us for communion. Whether you are bringing a guest or not, please add to the dish you plan to bring. And do remember – **WE DON'T WEAR OUR CROSSES TO THIS MEETING!**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Camp Sumatanga – (256) 538-9860 (emergencies only)

2019

NEW MEETING SCHEDULE

FLORENCE FUMC

January, March, May,
July, September, November

TUSCUMBIA FUMC

February, April, June, **AUGUST**, October,
December