

The Grapevine

TUSCALOOSA EMMAUS CLUSTER

DECEMBER 2023



TUSCALOOSA CLUSTER MEETING

~
UNIVERSITY CHURCH OF
CHRIST

1200 Julia Tutwiler Drive
Tuscaloosa, AL 35405
Off McFarland Blvd, right
behind Baumhower's Wings

Please enter in the back of the
church. There will be signs
pointing the way.

DECEMBER 12

@ 6:15 PM

CHRISTMAS DINNER

If childcare is needed,
please contact Bobby Jones
(rdj4074@aol.com) by Dec 8.

2024 Cluster Meetings

Jan 2 ~ Feb 6 ~ Mar 5 ~ Apr 2
May 7 ~ June 4
July 2 ~ Aug 6 ~ Sept 3 ~ Oct 1
Nov 5 ~ Dec 10

MESSAGE FROM BOBBY

Cluster Lay Director—Bobby Jones

To my Emmaus Family,

I hope this finds you all well. This is my last paragraph for the Newsletter. I have enjoyed being the cluster director for 2023 and I look forward to being your Board Rep for 2024.

I am sure that everyone is ready for Christmas. The tree or trees are up. The stockings are hung and the presents purchased. I'm not close to these goals. But I am ready to celebrate Christmas. Singing in two choirs allows me to start singing Christmas music beginning in August and I start thinking about the real reason for the season.

As you go through Christmas season, pause with your family to discuss the beauty of what has happened. Jesus was born in a manger, as promised. All the promises of Jesus's coming had come to pass, including His death and resurrection.

In the season of advent, we prepare our hearts for the coming King. Christmas day we get to rejoice for the King has come. Jesus gave us new life through His sacrifice. As you celebrate Christmas, take time to respond in worship.

Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Bobby

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BRING AN UNWRAPPED TOY TO DECEMBER CLUSTER

PLEASE bring an unwrapped toy to the December Cluster Meeting. These toys will go to University Church of Christ to give to the children of the Foster Care Program that they help sponsor, Tuscaloosa Angels. UCC has been generous to us, letting us use their facility for many years and never charging our cluster anything. Presenting them with these toys is our way of saying, "Thank You." Just place it in the box by the door where we meet.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW

NEW REUNION GROUP

A new Reunion Group, Fourth Day Sisters, has been formed by Renee Rimer and Joy Jones. The Group will meet at various times and on various days. Please contact Joy Jones for additional information.

JJ920@aol.com
Cell 205-799-3972

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests should be emailed to
Bobby Jones
rdj4074@aol.com
and
Jill Hannah
usafmom54@gmail.com

YEARLY GIFT

Yearly gift to the Cluster is \$25. You may place in offering during our next Cluster meeting or **mail to Treasurer, Mark Scogin, 801 Monmouth Road, Tusc, 35406.** Make checks payable to **Tuscaloosa Emmaus Cluster.**

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Send information for the Newsletter to Gaynor Scogin at scoginlaw@gmail.com or text to 205.799.3561. Requests should be received by 15th of the month for the following month's Newsletter.

TUSCALOOSA CLUSTER REUNION GROUPS

Morning Bread Reunion Group

When: Varies—contact Dot Brewer for information
Where: Varies— contact Dot Brewer for information
Contact: Dot Brewer- Phone: 205-799-8904
E-Mail: brewer3160@bell-south.net

To Love Christ (TLC) Reunion Group

When: Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm (except weeks of Cluster)
Where: Tinia's Office, 1000 Fairfax Park, Tuscaloosa 35406
Contact: Tinia McLaughlin - Phone 205-799-0203
E-Mail: tiniatm@gmail.com

Saturday Morning Reunion Group

When: Saturdays, 7:30 a.m.
Where: St. Mark Church - Minister's Conference Room
Contact: Paul Bourgeois - Phone: 205-333-1370
E-Mail: pbourge@gmail.com

Called to Serve Reunion Group

When: Every Thursday except cluster meeting weeks, 2:30 pm
Where: St. Mark Church - Library
Contact: Mickey Cargile- Phone: 205-339-8636 -
E-mail: brcargile@comcast.net

No Name Reunion Group

When: Every Tuesday, Noon – Zoom is available option
Where: Espy, Scogin, & Cain, PC – 2728 8th St., Tuscaloosa 35401
Contact: Mark Scogin- Phone: 205-349-7175
E-Mail: scoginlaw@gmail.com

The Women at the Well Group

When: Tuesdays, 6:00 pm
Where: Via Zoom
Contact: Kathy Mason- Phone (205) 246-9652
E-Mail: smilinnurse@gmail.com

Fourth Day Sisters

When: Varies—contact Joy Jones for information
Where: Varies— contact Joy Jones for information
Contact: Joy Jones -Phone: 205-799-3972
E-Mail: jj920@aol.com



UPCOMING WALKS

2024

Feb 1-4	Walk 518	Women
Mar 7-10	Walk 519	Men
Mar 14-17	Walk 520	Women
*Apr 18-21	Walk 521	Women

**Tuscaloosa and West AL Clusters ~ Lay Director, Melissa Barnes*

May 2-5	Walk 522	Men
Aug 8-11	Walk 523	Women
Sept 12-15	Walk 524	Women
Sept 26-29	Walk 525	Men
Oct 17-20	Walk 526	Women
Nov 7-10	Walk 527	Women



ALABAMA EMMAUS BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Jane Hagler is rolling off as Board Lay Director and Butch Fennell will be the 2024 Board Lay Director. The new Board Rep from the West Alabama Cluster will be Mary Whitten.
- The Camp is going to celebrate their 75th Anniversary. As a part of this they will be doing a special fundraiser. Details to be announced later.

HOW TO UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you need to change your email address, update your mailing address, be removed from/added to the Cluster email list, or be a prayer partner in a prayer network please contact

Jill Hannah: usafmom54@gmail.com



PROPOSED 2024 TUSCALOOSA EMMAUS BOARD

Lay Director	Jill Hannah	Spiritual Director	Alicia Rhodes
Asst. Lay Director	Danny Lemley	Asst. Spiritual Director	TBD
Secretary	Judy Voss	Treasurer	Mark Scogin
Asst. Secretary	Joy Jones	Asst. Treasurer	Sherry Lockhart
Music	Randy Smith	Database	Jill Hannah
Asst. Music	Jill Hannah	Asst. Database	Rob Stringfellow
Agape	Liz Moxley	72 Hour Prayer	Betsy Hass
Asst. Agape	TBD	Asst. 72 Hr. Prayer	Diane Cannon
Sponsorship	Tinia McLaughlin	Follow-Up	Polly Bailey
Asst. Sponsorship	Robin Fondren	Asst. Follow-up	Clark Summerford
Reunion Groups	Katie Woodward	Refreshments	Norma Lemley
Asst. Reunion Groups	Julie Thomas	Asst. Refreshments	Tony Humphries
Newsletter	Gaynor Scogin	Worship	Jill Kjar
Asst. Newsletter	Jill Hannah	Asst. Worship	Gaynor Scogin
Board Representative	Bobby Jones	Website	Jill Hannah
CGTSC	Danielle Eppes 1 year Joel McLaughlin 2 year		

CLUSTER ATTENDANCE

	<u>2023</u>	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
January	Canceled Weather	28	0	37	35	37
February	30	33	29	29	35	42
March	22	35	30	40	35	56
April	32	29	27	0	33	42
May	31	36	0	0	42	53
June	35	41	36	0	36	48
July	33	43 10 guests	34	35	35	49
August	35 5 guests	31	26	26	43	37
September	34	na	24	31	30	57
October	33	44	38	29	27	41
November	53	28	48	27	37	38
December		24	35	25	31	45
Total for Year		372	327	279	419	545



WEBSITES AND FACEBOOK PAGE

Tuscaloosa Cluster Website

<http://www.tuscaloosaemmauscluster.weebly.com>

Facebook Page

West Alabama and Tuscaloosa Clusters

Alabama Emmaus Website and

"The Grapevine" Newsletter

<https://alaemmaus.org/>