

Koinonia Connection

Fall 2003

Koinonia, a Greek word for fellowship, is a Christian farm community in Americus, GA, founded in 1942 by Clarence Jordan.

New Documentary!

Briars in the Cotton Patch: The Story of Koinonia Farm



Narrated by former Atlanta Mayor and Civil Rights veteran Andrew Young, this new one-hour documentary examines the remarkable personalities and events of Koinonia Farm. Interviews include former president and Nobel Peace Prize Winner Jimmy Carter, founders of Habitat for Humanity Millard and Linda Fuller, former Koinonia partners, volunteers, and more. Briars in the Cotton Patch is a compelling chronicle of heroic humility and uncommon courage that echoes

to this present day. To learn more, visit

www.briarsdocumentary.com. To order your copy of the \$19.95 video, call Koinonia at 877-738-1741.

"Anyone interested in matters of faith, peacemaking or racial justice should see this riveting documentary." – Millard Fuller, Founder and President Habitat for Humanity International

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On June 28, 2003, the Smithville Neighborhood Freedom Center (SNFC) held a dedication celebration for the permanent location for the Center (pictured above.) The purchase was made possible by a loan from Koinonia Partners, Inc. We had the money to loan them thanks to a bequest from Dorcas Davis who expressed her concern for peace and justice work. We thought the Smithville Neighborhood Freedom Center an appropriate place to use her money. Founded in August of 2000, the SNFC works to empower African American residents of Smithville through programs for children, youth, and the elderly and by monitoring the criminal justice system and city government.

ENVISIONING THE FUTURE: KOINONIA PEACE ACADEMY

By David Castle, Chairman of the Board, Koinonia Partners

This past spring, more than 50 people gathered at Koinonia for a milestone “Visioning” to explore and define what it means for Koinonia today to be grounded and relevant. The last visioning, that reshaped Koinonia’s mission and purpose, occurred in 1968. As we approach a new vision, some 30 years since the last, our objective was to “embrace the past and enrich the future.”



The three priorities from the Visioning include ministry, education and spirit. These are not unlike the three goals set forth in the 1968 gathering — preaching, teaching, and healing.

Ministry, as the top strategic directive, focuses on expansion of the Koinonia Community Outreach Center program. This is an attempt to make our Christian faith, personally and locally, an active ministry.

The second priority is centered on education. A new Koinonia Peace Academy will be an umbrella under which we will strive to be “repairers of the breach” (to use a term from Isaiah 58.) The Peace Academy is intended to attract peacemakers from all walks of life. Our educational programs, as stated in our directive will include “learning and research in racial conflict, peace, restorative justice, skills for abundant living, and creative opportunities for interfaith and inter-religious experience.”

The third priority is our personal and collective commitment to hospitality. Referred to by many as “the spirit of Koinonia,” hospitality is at the core of everything Koinonia is about or attempts.

Koinonia’s revived vision and new direction, especially to establish Koinonia as a Peace Academy, will need strong support and participation. Please seek how God is leading you to be involved in this development. Finances, of course, are one consideration as well as are prayer, feedback, participation, etc. Yes, we are moving forward on faith — trusting that the finances and all the resources needed will be provided.

Following are four suggestions for how you might want to be involved in this exciting new direction for Koinonia:

◆**Pillars of Peace.** Peace is personal, community wide, organizational, national, and global. Would you commit to being a Pillar of Peace? Would you support the Koinonia Peace Academy and peace mission?

◆**Leadership.** Koinonia needs direction — brilliant minds, compassionate hearts and servant attitudes to inspire, lead and educate. Do you have applicable success stories or skills regarding business, life, peace, or servanthood?

◆**Classes and Seminars.** The weekly Tuesday evening classes have been stimulating, meaningful and popular. In addition, we offer full-day and weeklong seminars on a variety of educational and peace training topics.

◆**Welcome Center & Peace Academy Facilities.** The third priority from the Visioning addressed the “creation and maintenance of physical facilities that will enhance hospitality.” We have some beginning building blueprints. The new Welcome center would include a museum on Koinonia and civil rights, a gift shop to display and sell our products, and an audiovisual room. The new Welcome Center would provide a centralized area to provide tours and hospitality for our visitors and guests. The Peace Academy will be set overlooking the pecan orchards and will mainly be a training center for large groups. It will include an auditorium, and a new kitchen and dining hall—which would then free up the existing dining hall space to meet our critical need for living quarters. Would you support this financially? Prayerfully?

SEEKING:

New Executive Director

The search is on for a new Executive Director for Koinonia Partners. Members of the Koinonia Board hope to fill the position, to be based in Americus at Koinonia Farm, by Spring 2004. Interested candidates should review the job description posted on our website at www.koinoniapartners.org/director.html or call the office at 229-924-0391 if you would like information mailed to you.

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Host a Koinonia Gathering in Your Area

The fresh account in Faith Fuller's documentary "Briars in the Cotton Patch: The Story of Koinonia Farm" makes us realize how Clarence Jordan was ahead of his time then, but is even more viable now. With the release of this video — which is intended for national broadcast — we have a magnificent opportunity to embrace the heroic events of the past as well as use the international exposure this documentary will bring to springboard our new vision for Koinonia. To maximize this opportunity, we are suggesting "area gatherings" so many people can view the "Briars" documentary. If you are interested in hosting a gathering in your area, please contact us – we want to support your efforts.

You may also want to consider:

- ◆ Using our mailing list to contact Koinonia volunteers, visitors and donors in your area. We will even pay for postage to send your invitations to those on our mailing list.

- ◆ Showing the 7-minute video on Clarence Jordan as a "teaser" for your upcoming premiere of the hour long documentary or series of events.

- ◆ Incorporating the new "Clarence Jordan and the Parables" curriculum in your community or church sessions. The eight-session teachings are on four CDs and include a Leader's Guide.

- ◆ Showing, and/or offering for sale, the off-Broadway "Cotton Patch Gospel" musical — a toe-tappin', hand clappin' hoe down based on Clarence Jordan's writings.

- ◆ Inviting a Guest Speaker to your event or gathering. Please contact us if you are interested in our "Speakers List" or being included in it. For starters, you may contact Dr. Ann Coble, author of "Cotton Patch For the Kingdom" at anncoble@alum.wustl.edu

Please consider hosting a video presentation to be held at your church, home, community center, restaurant, club, local Habitat for Humanity affiliate, etc. This riveting documentary can be a powerful tool for discussions on peace, racial equality, reconciliation, relevant faith, etc.



Schedule of Events

Sept 7-10

Concert series with the *Shepherdsfield Community Youth Band*: Shepherdsfield is an intentional Christian community much like Koinonia. They are located in a farming area outside of Fulton, Missouri. They share a common purse and earn their living through an organic bakery as well as several communal businesses and cottage industries. Sanders, from Koinonia, was blessed to visit them in 1991. The Shepherdsfield Band takes on many formations, is a glorification to God and a treat to hear.

Sept 26 (activities throughout the day)

Redemptive Celebration Day: Turn bad situations into positive experiences with David Castle who will lead Koinonia with activities designed to foster a greater depth of redemptive living. For more information, contact Dave Castle at 229-924-0391, ext #12.

Oct 10-12

Georgia Peace Gathering: Koinonia will be hosting a gathering of southern peace and justice organizations facilitated by the American Friends Service Committee. If you are interested in attending, contact Sanders Thornburgh at 229-924-0391 (ext.#14) or email him at ksetyes@yahoo.com.

Oct 31-Nov 1

Koinonia Homecoming: A reunion for past and present Koinonia residents, partners, associates and friends. *Fri: A prophetic evening with a known speaker. Sat. Morning: Sharing in Special Interest Groups.* Make Reservations for meals and lodging. For additional details about events as they progress, contact Sanders Thornburgh at 229-924-0391 (ext.#14).

Nov 19-23

Peacemaker Training Institute: Koinonia is collaborating with the *Peacemaker Training Institute (PTI)* to train young adults in the philosophy and strategy of nonviolent social change. Participants will live in community together while grounding themselves in the history of social change, theory, practice, and religious roots of nonviolence. They will learn about the connections between racism, militarism, and poverty (among other issues) and build cross movement relationships with both young and experienced activists, and develop anti-racist organizing skills within a personalized campaign for social change. This training will culminate with a trip to the SOA demonstration on the weekend of Nov 22-23. If you are interested in participating in this training, contact Sanders Thornburgh at 229-924-0391 (ext.#14) or email him at ksetyes@yahoo.com for registration details.



Dec 13

The Joy Seminar: "Lubricated by Beauty and Peace"

Facilitated by David Castle, author of "Joy – Letting God Bless You" and creator of the "Joy Gang." Contact David at 229-924-0391 (ext.#12) for registration info.

(Schedule tentative and subject to possible changes. Look for up-dated information and additional event dates at our website: www.koinoniapartners.org).



A word from Norris

It's Always a Time to Pray

—Rev. Norris Harris, Koinonia Chaplain

The word “pray” means to ask earnestly, especially from God. Luke 11:1 says, “And it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, ‘Lord teach us to pray as John taught his disciples.’” Jesus was earnestly seeking guidance from His Father. Now His disciples, witnessing Jesus’ prayer and how he earnestly entreated God, wanted their prayers to be earnest, in order that the results would be favorable. Now, the word “earnest” means to be strong and firm in purpose. In what strong and firm purposes are we seeking God’s guidance? Do we want our prayers to really bring favorable results, or are we seeking self-satisfaction so that things will be good for just a particular sect? When Jesus prayed, He went right to the main source, and was not selfish. He said “Our Father.” We say father grant us some special favors.

It is always time to seek God’s favors. Matthew 26:41 gives reference to Jesus’ three prayers in the Garden of Gethsemane: “Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit is indeed willing, but the flesh is weak.” When you are watching, you have knowledge of what is going on around you. These things, which you are knowledgeable of, need prayer. The violence in Iraq, the schools, the refugees, the people who have been affected by storms, our leaders at every level, and our communities are all in need of prayer. If we follow the spirit, we can expect a favorable result from our prayer; but the flesh brings forth strife.

Let us not forget that once we have petitioned God our Father for a favor, we can’t expect God to just do it because we ask. There is always something we have to do. Once we have prayed, God requires us to take an active part so that we can be granted favorable results. After the prayers in the garden, Jesus told His sleeping disciples to arise. He had prayed while they slept, but now it was time to get up and do something. When Jesus was doing the will of God, He prayed. When scorned, when persecuted, while being crucified, in that state of being shamed and suffering, Jesus took time to pray. There is always time to pray, a time when we can steal away to our secret prayer closet and ask God earnestly for favorable conditions in the lives of all.

61st Homecoming Celebration to establish ‘Legacy Awards’

The Board of Directors will present two special awards the last week of October during Koinonia’s 61st Homecoming Celebration — The *Clarence Jordan Humanitarian Award* and the *Koinonia Partner Award*. These annual awards will recognize outstanding individuals who have made significant contributions to the world and to Koinonia.

The *Clarence Jordan Humanitarian Award* will be presented to an individual whose life reflects the teachings of Jesus and the spirit of Koinonia as demonstrated in the life of its founder. The *Koinonia Partner Award* will be presented to an individual whose life reflects the Koinonia spirit and who has given outstanding service to the advancement of Koinonia. Anyone in the world, including Koinonia volunteers and/or donors, is eligible for an award. Those not eligible for nomination include Koinonia staff and members of the board. Please include a brief summary with your nomination and email it to Awards@koinoniapartners.org or send it by US Mail to the Koinonia address listed below. *Nominations must be received by October 25, 2003.* For more information, please visit our website at www.koinoniapartners.org.

Crackin’ Good News—

The Blueberry Fest was very much alive in June and sales were good. Blueberry crisp and muffins were popular. “*A Brief Koinonia History: The Post-Jordan Years: 1970-2002*” is available now for \$5 in the store. Eight lessons on “*Clarence Jordan and the Parables*” are now available using excerpts from his speeches on 4 CD’s plus a Leader’s Guide. **Rev. Edwin Lacy**, Winamac, IN, produced it with several trial runs. **Heart to Heart** has completed 2 renovations recently. Under the guidance of **Nashua Chantal** several major projects plus several smaller projects have been completed. The bonus being a Park clean up and Saturday noon potluck. Volunteers helping include **Dawn Betenbaugh**, **Stuart Stoner**, **Gary Hamilton**, **Dale WongK** and **Jay Reilly**. Spanish was being taught at Koinonia in weekly sessions led by **Cecilia Tuck**, mother of **Sandy Thornburgh**. **Ann Coble**, author of “*Cotton Patch for the Kingdom*,” a history of Koinonia, spent a week here in June and gave 5 presentations on Clarence Jordan’s theology. She has a conversational way of teaching. She has donated royalties from her book to Koinonia. Peacemaker Training sponsored by the **Fellowship of Reconciliation** meant a lively week for **Dawn Betenbaugh**, **Jay Reilly** and **Josh Lazo**. They will follow up here in November. **Jimmy Maddox**, a volunteer, has a new second CD now available in the Store. We are seeking churches that would like a “*Covenant Church*” relationship with Koinonia. We feel urgency in these days to get out a prophetic witness to those who are “Koinonia absorptive.” A new publication just out entitled “*Mentors: I Am Because We Are*” by **David Castle** has over 100 life journey dialogues between Hardrite and Maderite. Proceeds including his “*Joy*” book go to Koinonia. 40 Korean Methodist pastors held a conference at Koinonia in July. In June it was 30 Church of the Brethren youth. In

August we hosted about 50 freshmen from a Georgia College and State University class entitled "Living in a Utopian World."

Currently, the grape harvest is in full swing, and folks just love that burst of sweetness each grape delivers. Sanders Thornburgh deserves big thanks for the "Centering Prayer Conference" that he organized. Nashua, our peace clown, has left us for a while to help build a peace pagoda at a Buddhist monastery.



Volunteer Harry Washington with the "fruits" of his labor.

Thanks go to Lisa Williams and family for donating materials and refurbishing Koinonia's library. What a beautiful job they did! Rev. Norris Harris, our Chaplain and all-around "Mr. Can Do Anything", has just been elected President of the Americus Ministerial Association. Norris is the first African-American to ever hold the post. Congratulations, Norris! David Castle, Chair of Koinonia Partners Board of Directors, has been elected to serve on the American Friends Service Board...Congratulations, David! Oh, David's two shorthorn heifers busted open their fence and were missing for days. Whew! They were found before his and Ellie's return to Koinonia. Bakery supervisor, Marsha Angrish, has a new office convenient for the hectic products season. Thanks go to Lewis Overholt, Jake Jacobson, Jay Reilly, Keith Carpenter, and Nashua Chantal for their donated time and skills to make Marsha's office possible.

Wish List:

- Professional Grant Writer
- Ride-On Lawnmower
- Commercial Washer & Dryer
- Commercial Dishwasher
- Office Air Conditioning System
- For Wood Shop: Wood Shaper Machine, Sawdust Vacuum System & Panel Saw
- For Ceramics Shop: Large Ceramic Kiln, used molds, glazes, anything you're not using anymore!

New Koinonia Catalog Coming Soon!

Look for your catalog in the mail and place your orders early for your Thanksgiving baking! We anticipate harvesting our new crop of pecans in mid-November.



Yearly Review of Koinonia Classes and Seminars

by Sanders Thornburgh, Seminar Design & Special Events Coordinator

One component of Koinonia's multi-faceted ministries is defined in terms of providing educational programs to the public. These programs take the shape of weekly classes, seminars, retreats and special events.

We just finished a *Centering Prayer Retreat* that was beautifully facilitated by Dr. Matthew Sikorski and Roseanne Havird. Centering Prayer is a modern name for an ancient and simple technique of Christian meditation that enables us to rest contemplatively with God within. This method was described and taught in the earliest Christian writings on prayer. Koinonia has historically been known as an activist community, yet activism needs to be nurtured by a contemplative lifestyle. Centering prayer can assist Koinonia in maintaining a healthy balance between contemplation and action.

On top of regularly scheduled programs, we remain open and flexible for surprise guests and the workshops that often come from them. Lynn Grasberg, a nomadic clown for peace and justice, presented a workshop designed to bring balance between humor and activism. Mary Oexmann shared a weekend workshop called "Lighten Up"; a program created to promote the relationship between spirituality and health. In June, we were blessed with several presentations on the "Theology of Clarence Jordan", facilitated by Anne Coble, author of "Cotton Patch for the Kingdom." Anne's sessions were filled with stimulating discussion and helped to remind our community about the dynamic history and vision of our founder. During the summer, Koinonia hosted a *Spiritual Video and Discussion Group*, which included films such as "Mindwalk", "The Radicals" and "Change of Command."

We continue to offer our Tuesday night sessions on an on-going basis. This last year, we hosted several in-depth courses with topics such as "Christian Peacemaking", "Religious Diversity" and "Redemptive Living." The thirteen-week series on Religious Diversity featured speakers from Judaism, Islam, Catholicism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Bahai and various expressions of Protestant Christianity. We discovered how important it is in our time to develop peaceful relations between the religions. Our Christian faith was enhanced through this informative encounter with those from other traditions.

Classes and workshops are designed to engage Koinonia and others in the global dialogue concerning the issues that affect our world in today's paradigm. What does it mean to be a Christian in this era of rampant ecological destruction, international terrorism, moral disintegration, religious bigotry and violence? It is our hope and prayer that Koinonia can be of some light and assistance in addressing the many concerns of our time. Of utmost importance is to always keep these issues centered on Christ and deeply grounded in the love of God. For information on up-coming Koinonia events, such as November's "Peacemaker Training", see the enclosed schedule and check our website for new additions.



Sally Ann Brown stuffs garden peppers for our Community lunch.

Our Volunteers are Special

Volunteers during April, May, June, July, August (does not include the many visitors who came for a tour.)

We could not have done it without you:

Individuals/Families: *Massachusetts:* Bill and Judith Page, Dick and Joan Casey, Dot and Jerry Hannon; *California:* Mary Hamilton and Sky, Gary Hamilton, Dale and Karen WongK and Nicole, Titus and Victor; *Arizona:* Ed Wright, Joan Bintliff; *Ohio:* Aaron Savino, Carol Watkins; *Wisconsin:* Roger Hollingstad, Jim Nickel; *Georgia:* Anton and Charlotte Flores, Natalie Grant, Jay Reilly, Lisa Williams, Paul, Joseph, Mia and Ashlyn Calvo, Adriaan Entius, Chris Boswell; *New York:* Kavitha Reo; *Missouri:* Armin and Norma Klemme; *Texas:* Dick and Evelyn Bryant; *Florida:* Mickey Mahoney, Michael Lee, Don Richter; *Virginia:* Andrew Parelius; *South Carolina:* Dawn Betenbaugh; *England:* Stuart Stoner; *Koinonia's Own:* Nashua Chantal, Michael Grainge, Jimmy Maddox, Harry Washington, Victoria Higham, Debbie Mayo, Geneva Brown, Sally Ann Brown, Thomas Monahan, Major Thomas, Jr., Tim Mellen, Ellie Castle, Kelly Tullis, Mildred Burton, Hattie Mann, Lady B. Sims.

Groups: Margaret Faust's Book Club (Georgia); Webb School Bridge Builders (Tennessee); Webster County Teen Council (Georgia); St. Luke's Episcopal Youth (North Carolina); Church of the Brethren National Youth Mission (Ohio, Indiana, Virginia, Illinois); Shalom Community Church (Michigan); Korean Pastors Peace and Justice Conference (Georgia), Korean Methodist Church Youth (Georgia).

Most of our volunteers and groups come by way of the Internet or by word-of-mouth. If you know someone who might respond to the suggestion of coming to Koinonia, please encourage them to call, write, or e-mail to make arrangements.



News From Koinonia —The Place

By John Hall, Operations Manager

The weather has always been a popular subject. This season has been no exception.

Ouch! Where does all this rain come from?? Almost every afternoon we can expect a shower. However, the blessing it brings is that no irrigation is needed, the crops are lush, and the aquifers must be filled to overflowing.

Oh yes, the flowers are awesome. The various colors and shades of wild morning glory that covers our vineyards are a sight to behold. Just the same, Michael Grainge, our organic gardener (pictured at right) is busy cutting away the morning glory vines making ready for our grape harvest. As you can guess, the grapes are sure big and juicy this year.



Our corn crop (82 acres) looks to be excellent, but we need dry weather in order to harvest it. The soybeans (70 acres) look lush, too. If all the purple blossoms develop pods, we should have a heavy harvest.

The pecans are under a lot of pressure from scab and insects due to the wet, steamy weather. However, it looks to be a better crop than what we had last year.

Volunteers are always welcome (and needed) to come to Koinonia to take part in the harvest, soak in the spirit and participate in our many ministries.



Farmer Bud Styles and Volunteer Chris Boswell fix the combine (again) so we can continue with the corn harvest!

Youth Camp is Over Fall is on the Way

By Kathleen Monts, KCOG Director

Koinonia Community Outreach Center (KCOG) says good-bye to a summer of fun and adventure, but welcomes the new adventures of the fall. After a full 6 1/2 weeks of Summer Youth Camp, the staff, volunteers and kids are off to vacation time and back to school. At the beginning of the camp, kids came from everywhere. Parents and even grandparents transported their kids daily from Americus to attend the camp. Attendance increased daily. As it arrived to 75, Kathleen Monts and Angela Thomas, who planned and coordinated the programs and activities for the camp, knew that more help was needed. Caring and concerned parents volunteered to assist in carrying out the activities of the camp. After the second week the attendance had arrived at 81. Due to limited help, this was the cutoff point for attendees, but not for the fun and excitement of the youth!

Each day began with a devotional. The theme for the camp was "Jesus and KCOG Love the Children of the World." After the daily devotion, the outlined schedule was in effect: Fire Prevention and Safety program presented by Ken Kirchner - Americus fire Department; Arts and Crafts presented by Karen WongK and Mildred Burton; Recreation and Games conducted by Natalie Grant, Kelsey Barale, Major Thomas and Stuart Stoner; Computer and Math classes taught by Dale WongK; Music classes taught by Vincent Sneed and Priscilla Floyd; Health Awareness taught by Kelly Tullis; Drug Awareness presented by the Lee County Sheriff Department.

During the Summer Camp, the staff and volunteers continued to provide hot delicious meals to 25 seniors on Tuesday of each week. And on Thursdays the senior program continued as usual joining with the kids during music classes, singing: "This Little Light of Mine," "Turn it Over to Jesus," "Victory is Mine" and "Jesus Loves the Children of the World." The highlights of the Summer Camp were the outside recreational activities, which included: a bike-a-thon, field trips to the Habitat - Global Village and Cinema Twin theater, swimming activities, a fire engine demonstration and a hayride through the farm.

The camp ended with a Back to School Conference. The principals, counselors, and transportation coordinators were invited to greet and meet the kids and inform them of their expectations for the new school year. The kids invited parents to a party and program.



All kids received a certificate of participation and back to school supplies that were given by "South Georgia Technical Institute: Education to Career Program." An appreciation dinner was held for all staff, volunteers, and facilitators.

Even though Fall has not arrived, It will be welcomed by the staff and volunteers who will continue the objectives of the curriculum and implement many other activities this fall such as: After-School Programs for Kids; Men's and Women's Conference; Health Fair; Fishing Trips for Seniors; Eat Right/ Live Right: Nutrition Program for All Ages; Inside Yard Sale; Food Give-A-Way Program; Fund-Raising Program; Fall Sleep-Over; Physical Fitness - Exercise Program; Nursing Home Ministry; Exploratory Classes.

KCOG welcomes volunteers with nursing, early childhood, computer, physical education, and creative art skills. Remember us if you are searching for a place to relax, study, learn, pray, worship and fellowship. We the staff and other volunteers here at KCOG welcome you!



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A Spirit—work, pray, serve
A Ministry—worship, fellowship

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- Housing
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