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Muriel Lokey Center: Emmaus House Breaks Ground

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Bishop of Atlanta J. Neil Alexander presided at a groundbreaking on March 22 for a new home for the Poverty Rights Office at Emmaus House. The Rev. Claiborne Jones, vicar and director of Emmaus House, said the new center is named for lifelong advocate of education and civil rights Muriel Lokey.

Fifty years ago, Mrs. Lokey was one of two Atlanta women who established a parents' study group to preserve public education as schools were being racially integrated. The study group quickly grew and evolved into HOPE (Help Our Public Education), Inc. The organization was credited with steering Atlanta safely through school integration. She also was the founding editor of the Poor People's Newspaper and directed the Poverty Rights Office during decades when political action was a mainstay of its program.

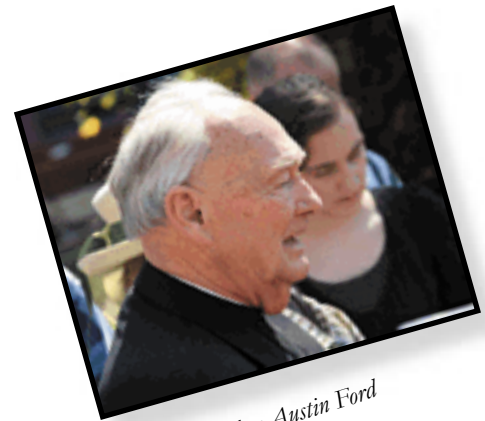
"The new two-story facility, designed by Young-Goldstein Architects, Inc., will include living quarters and free up space to offer GED, literacy and job-preparation classes," said the Rev. Meta Broadnax, Poverty Rights Office director.

Emmaus House was established as a community center in 1967 by the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, and five years later the Poverty Rights Office was opened to broaden its service to the neighborhood. It is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information call 404-523-2856.

Please visit picasweb.google.com/nbross/LokeyCenterGroudnbreaking for more photos.



Bishop Neil Alexander and May Helen Johnson



Father Austin Ford



Muriel Lokey and her daughter, Rebecca



*State Rep. Margaret Kaiser,
The Rev. Claiborne Jones and Nan Ross*

IN OUR WORDS

PRO: New Beginnings and Old Memories



“As Bishop Alexander broke the ground for the new Muriel Lokey Center, my mind was filled with thoughts of life, renewal, hope, and joy. This is only the beginning.” *Rev. Meta Broadnax*



“The Emmaus House Poverty Rights Office renders a great service to folks. I enjoy volunteering at Emmaus House because of my knack for helping others, and I get to be a part of a terrific organization with a wonderful staff.” *Mark Clark*

To Everything, Turn, Turn: Saturday Arts & Seniors Woodturning Program



“The most amazing part, besides teaching woodturning, is that I am spending my time with people who could be playing golf or boating on the lake. Instead they chose to come to Emmaus House every Saturday morning to be a part of this community.” *Leon Gates*



“The part I enjoy most about woodturning is the way it opens your mind and sparks your imagination. I will never look at a piece of wood the same way again. A whole new perspective has opened before my eyes.” *Josie Lamborn*

SUMMER 2008

Up, up and Away ~ Summers Away

The school bell has rung for the last time this year. Woohoo!! We hear the excitement in the voices of the children who have been “set free” for the Summer, especially in those who are going away to a camp in the Northeast U.S. Thanks to a generous offer from Camp Wyonegonic, Emmaus House is able to send two more girls to camp this year. We are grateful for the full scholarships and compassion our kids receive from:

- Camp Agawam ~ www.campagawan.org
- Camp Bishopswood ~ www.campbishopswood.org
- Camp Dudley ~ www.campdudley.org
- Camp Quinebarge ~ www.campquinebarge.com
- Camp Winona ~ www.campwinona.com
- Camp Wyonegonic ~ www.campwyonegonic.com

Kaitlin and Chloe Johnson

Please visit the camp websites and learn more about the experience you are helping to give these children. Although Emmaus House receives full scholarships to these camps, we need help providing airfare (which has skyrocketed this year), clothes, shoes and other camping essentials. If you can help in any way, please contact Amy E. Booth at 404-525-5948. Thank you for your kindness and support.

Congratulations! Emmaus House After School Class of 2008



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