



The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Emmaus Newsletter

April 2013

Dear Emmaus Community,

When I was asked to write a devotional on what the “Walk to Emmaus” means to me, I was honored to do so because it was very life changing for me. My “Walk to Emmaus” gave me not only a renewed understanding of God’s transforming grace, but it stimulated my spiritual growth all the while rediscovering God’s unending ever-presence in my life! You see, I went on my “walk” on March of 2003 during a time when my mother was suffering with bone cancer and had been for three years. I had been driving from my home here in Georgetown to my childhood home, where she still lived, up in the panhandle of Texas. It was about an eight hour drive and I drove it every month during that time, staying a week or so, taking her to Amarillo for her treatment and then staying afterward to help her as much as I could before driving back home. During that drive back home, I cried and prayed asking God why she had to suffer so and asked him to continue to give me the courage and strength to help her get through. But I was constantly questioning because I knew she was not going to get better. It was so hard to watch this sweet love of my life suffer so. She was getting weaker, continuing to lose weight, her appetite was fading, and, as she constantly told me, she was so tired! Why Lord? Why? Then, came my “Walk to Emmaus.”



What a blessing my “walk” was in my life. It helped me gain a deeper understanding of the love God has for all of us and knowing He is with us and is always working in us and for us. It was through my “walk” that I realized from the talks, loving support of the clergy, and the many relationships formed, that “I” was the “Why” God was waiting for. I learned about God’s love, God’s time, and about patience. We must have patience and go forward in love. This time my mother and I had together, even though so tiring and stressful, was priceless, and I would not have given anything for those moments we shared. I only wish I had gone on that “walk” sooner. You see, my mom went to be with the Lord three short months after I finished my “walk.” But in those three short months, we both learned to cherish every moment we had and I became more and more thankful for every minute, hour, and month we were together. During that time my eyes were opened to God’s goodness and grace. Oh, God’s precious grace!!! We shared laughter, comforting hugs, and just great times together, but most of all, my mother showed me a strength and courage that I had never seen before, and will never ever forget.

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now And to the day of eternity. Amen

2 Peter 3:18

Linda Jamison



APRIL
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 4/21
5:30 PM @ FUMC

MAY
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 5/19
5:30 PM @ SJUMC

Co - Lay Directors' Comments

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**Georgetown Emmaus
Community**

April...spring is here! Every-thing comes to life...the grass turns green, the flowers bloom, everything becomes alive again...just like Jesus did! Our Word of God comes from Luke 24:5 says, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!" (Luke 24:5,6). A friend's precious granddaughter said it this way as she was waking up, "It's Easter morning. And Jesus is alive again!"

At our March Georgetown 4th Day Emmaus Community Gathering, Reverend Ann led us to hear "The Last Seven Words of Jesus". WOW...what an awesome service and inspired by outstanding praise music! We were all so blessed to hear and mediate on the scriptures from:

John 19:16-27

Luke 23:32-38

Luke 23:39-43

Matthew 27:45,46

John 19:28

Luke 23:44, 46a

John 19:29,30

He is alive and He is with us every day...we just need to be receptive and attentive to His presence in nature, in music, in others and in our very being of our thoughts and actions. This time of season is a perfect time to remember the scripture, "Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you." John 14:19-20

Jesus is very much alive in our Emmaus Community and as we gather it is so awesome to feel His presence and we want to welcome YOU to join us every month on the 3rd Sunday at **5:30PM. We will meet alternating First United Methodist Church of Georgetown and St John's United Methodist Church.** Our Gatherings are your opportunity to catch up with friends, meet new ones, share pot luck agape feast, sing, worship God, share in Christ's Communion and feel His presence! Check out the Emmaus Community at <http://pages.suddenlink.net/georgetownemmaus/> and we also have Facebook Presence: <https://www.facebook.com/GeorgetownEmmaus> If you want any information, please contact either:

Polly at 512-930-5091 pollylovespaws@gmail.com or

Mary Jane at 512-240-4167 dberry3@suddenlink.net

We really hope to see YOU there, so that we can all get to know more of our family in Christ!

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Our Neighboring Communities!

See what's happening with our neighboring 4th Day Communities:

Round Rock Emmaus - <http://www.roundrockemmaus.org/>

4th Day Disciples (Florence) - <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=127822177662>

Open Door Emmaus (Johnson County) - <http://www.digitex.net/royw/>

Twin Lakes Community (Bell County) - <http://www.twinlakesemmaus.org/>

If you'd like the link for your group posted here, please contact mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com

Treasurer's Report

<u>Balance at December 31, 2012</u>	<u>\$1,520.78</u>
1/20/13 Gathering	57.50
2/24/13 Gathering	50.61
<u>3/17/13 Gathering</u>	<u>54.00</u>
	162.11
Expenses:	
1/24/13 - Walk 388 Scholarship	75.00
2/11/13 - St. John Bldg use	100.00
2/11/13 - FUMC Bldg use	100.00
 Balance at March 31, 2013	 \$1,407.89



De Colores,

Jackie Hammar

Treasurer

Prayer Requests

Walk 389

Walk 390

Kay Merritt

Wayne Merritt

If anyone has prayer requests that they would like announced in upcoming newsletters, please send them to mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com any time before the last Friday of the month and they will be published here.

Names will appear on this list for 1 month and then be removed.



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Candlelight and Closings:

Walk 390 - Candlelight on 4/20/13 and Closing on 4/21/13

Walk 391 - Candlelight on 5/18/13 and Closing on 5/19/13

Lane Murray Kairos - Closing on 5/5/13

Other Events in the Community:

4/21 - Community Gathering, 5:30pm at First UMC

If you know of events that are happening within the Georgetown community, and would be of interest to the community, please drop a note to the newsletter editor so it can be included in this space!

Upcoming Walks in 2013

Women's Walks:

390 - 4/18/13 - Latham Springs

391 - 5/16/13 - Lake Brownwood

393 - 10/10/13 - Greene Family Camp

Men's Walks :

392 - 9/5/13 - Latham Springs

394 - 10/24/13 - Glen Lake



Reunion Groups

If you are not active in a reunion group—how about looking here?



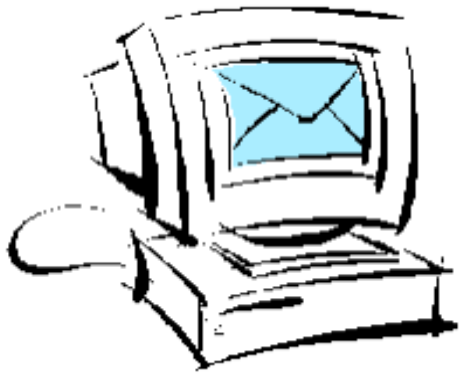
Women						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	Location Varies	Morning Glories	Tina Lawhon	863-3759	Full
	4:00 PM	Wellspring UMC	Wellspring Women	Judith Carver	966-0425	Open
(2nd & 4th)	5:30 PM	Linda Lindell's Home	Pass It On	Linda Lindell	863-8161	Full
Tuesday	9:30 AM	FUMC Room 301	Joyful Noise	Terry France	309-1934	Open
	4:00 PM	Juanita Mason's	SonSet	Juanita Mason	863-3522	Open
	4:00 PM	Sun City Homes	Joyous Angels	Liz Offord	864-0918	Open
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Member's homes	Morning Chicks	Peggy Blair	863-7778	Open
	4:30 PM	FUMC Room 304	Grace Galore	Nancy Marsh	863-9181	Open
Thursday	6:45 AM	FUMC	Rainbow Connection	Jeannine Fairburn	863-5962	Open
	3:00 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Glory Gals	Virginia Davis	863-7869	Open
	6:15 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Legacies Sisters	Amber Nickerson	636-6386	Full
	7:00 PM	Knorre's Home	Lifeline	Barbara Knorre	863-9708	Open
Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market-Sun City	Saturday Sisters	Polly Nelon	930-5091	Full

Men						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	Wesleyan Assisted Living	Hombres de Colores	Bill Marsh	863-9181	Open
(2nd & 4th)	3:15 PM	FUMC Parlor	Bill's Group	Karl Poorter	864-0155	Full
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Horizon House	Journeymen	Clint Fraser	863-9242	Open
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Daylight Donuts	The Pilgrims			Open
	6:15 PM	FUMC Library	Forth Day Guys	Stephen Benold	863-8467	Open
Friday	6:30 AM	Taco Cabana	Sunrise Guys	Jim Wilson	863-6244	Open
	10:00 AM	St. John's Library	Fishermen	Don Nedrud	869-2852	Open
Saturday	7:00 AM	Whataburger	Los Cincos Gallos	Bill Jones	863-3628	Full
(2nd & 4th)	7:30 AM	Mariachis de Jalisco	Eye of the Storm	Ken Sommerville	810-3848	Open

We're looking for contact info for "The Pilgrims" reunion group.

If you, or someone you know, is a member of this group, please contact mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com so that this list can be updated.

If your reunion group is not listed here, please send the meeting time, name, contact info and whether you are Open to new members to mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com.



Visit us on the web:

<http://www.ctcemmaus.org/>

Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

<http://pages.suddenlink.net/georgetownemmaus/>

Georgetown Emmaus Community Web Site

<http://www.facebook.com/GeorgetownEmmaus>

Georgetown Emmaus on Facebook

Emmaus 2013 gathering dates

Gathering Date	Gathering Location
January 20	St John's UMC
February 17	First UMC
March 17	St John's UMC
April 21	First UMC
May 19	St John's UMC
June 16	First UMC
July 21	St John's UMC
August 18	First UMC
September 15	St John's UMC
October 20	First UMC
November 17	St John's UMC
December 15	First UMC

We will meet on the third Sunday of the month.

Worship begins at 5:30pm.

Your Leadership Team for 2013

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We hope that you find this newsletter helpful and that it helps you stay involved in your 4th Day Walk.

If it is not, please contact Crystal Jackson: mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com or send a note to P.O. Box 1651, Georgetown, TX 78627 to Unsubscribe.
