



The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Texas Emmaus Newsletter

August 2011

Praying for Rain!

"Wow! It's hot and dry" has got to be the most obvious understatement of the year. The other day I read an article in the Austin American-Statesman that stated we hadn't quite tied the all-time record drought in Texas but it's still hot. And where's the rain? I've heard of prayer vigils for rain, and if it's true that everyone is praying, shouldn't we have had rain by now?



One of my favorite Christian-themed films is "Facing the Giants" - a movie about a small Christian school whose football team is struggling to have a winning season. One character in the movie is a man who prays over the lockers of the students. One day he confronts the coach - a man who is not only wrestling with his duties as a coach, but also with his faith in God. The man tells a parable of two farmers who pray for rain, but only one goes home and prepares his fields to accept the rain.

So if we are praying for rain, are we prepared for when it comes?

I've noticed a similar condition in our Christian community where there seems to be a "drought" of believers. I hear of the "sad" state of Christian churches in America today. I also hear many people say that they are praying for their churches - "praying for rain", so to speak. But are we preparing our "fields" for when the "rain" comes?

Our Emmaus community is one such place that should be ready for when the rain comes. Pray for our community, for the community of our churches, but most importantly - keep praying for "rain".

De Colores, Ken Sommerville

Agape Workshop

On Sunday, August 21st, the community will host an Agape Workshop in the Fellowship Hall at First UMC at 3:00pm.

Bring your Agape materials, reunion groups and come for fun, fellowship and a special surprise for a hot August afternoon.

Talk it over with your reunion group (and if you're not a member of a reunion group, this is a great opportunity to find one.)

Our Gathering worship service will follow at 5:30 with an agape feast to follow.

De Colores,

AUGUST
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 8/21
5:30 PM @ FUMC

SEPTEMBER
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 9/18
5:30 PM @ SJUMC



Upcoming Events!

October 1 - 2011 Central Texas Conference Walk to Emmaus Gathering at Glen Lake. The theme is "*Fanning the Flame*". Put this on your calendar as you won't want to miss it. More info - <http://www.gbgm-umc.org/ctcwte/conference%20gathering.htm>

October 1 - St John's UMC has it's annual Harvest Fest - food, fun, music and auction - all held at the Community Center in San Gabriel Park.

Upcoming Closings:

Women's Closing - Walk# 371 - 9/11 @ Latham Springs

Men' Closing - Walk# 372 - 9/25 @ Latham Springs

Kairos Closing - Hughes Unit #29 - 10/16 @ Hughes Unit

Kairos Closing - Bartlett #15 - 10/30 @ Bartlett State Jail

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!

Treasurer's Report

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| Balance as of 05/31/11: | \$1486.66 |
| June Offering: | 60.00 |
| July Offering: | 45.80 |
| 3 Walk Scholarships: | (325.00) |
| <u>Postage Reimbursement:</u> | <u>(86.80)</u> |
| Balance as of 07/31/11: | \$1180.66 |

De Colores,
Jackie Hammar



Help Wanted...

Looking for a Reunion Group—to help with kitchen duties for the September Gathering at St John's UMC—please contact Nelda McCain neldamccain@yahoo.com

Music Coordinator, Singers and Musicians wanted for Gatherings - please contact Janet Pyle (janetlynn29@hotmail.com).

Leftover Agape can be used for future walks - contact Anne Castle at 512-863-4843 or anncastle@texasfixtures.com

Articles, News, Devotionals - needed for the Newsletter and Website - please contact Ken Sommerville at ksommerville@yahoo.com by the last Friday of the month for publication in the next newsletter.

Needed—4th Day Speakers - contact Terry France or email francetl.france@gmail.com

Upcoming Walks in 2011

Women's Walks:

371 - 09/08/11 - Latham Springs 26 Pilgrims – 10 spaces available
374 - 10/20/11 - Glen Lake 4 Pilgrims – has not made the minimum

Men's Walks :

372 - 09/22/11 - Latham Springs 11 Pilgrims – has not made the minimum
373 - 10/06/11 - Glen Lake 1 Pilgrim – has not made the minimum



Kairos Weekends :

#29 Hughes - 10/13/11 - Hughes Unit

Need help with prayers, agape letters, the closing on Sun 10/16 and cookies! If you'd like to attend the closing, please ensure that you have your Closing Application submitted no later than 4 weeks prior to the weekend—this is for security purposes. Go to <http://kairoshughes.org> and click the link "How can I help?" for more details.

#15 Bartlett - 10/27/11 - Bartlett State Jail

Need help with prayers, agape letters, the closing on Sun 10/30 and cookies! If you'd like to attend the closing, please ensure that you have your Closing Application submitted no later than 3 weeks prior to the weekend—this

Prayer Requests

Di, the Prayer Team leader for Women's Walk 371, and a friend from the Round Rock Emmaus Community, is calling out for Prayer Partners for the speakers of Walk 371. You can pray wherever you happen to be during the time of the speaker's talk.

She is also reaching out to the Round Rock Community and is still getting replies, so she doesn't know exactly how many people she will need or when. If you are willing, please email her and let her know what times you are available during the following time periods:

Friday, Sept 9 - 9:00am-7:30pm

Saturday, Sept 10 - 8:30am-8:00pm

Sunday, Sept 11 - 8:20am-3:30pm

When she has definite times, she will match up people to the times needed.

Contact her at ragtop2@mail4.onr.com



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/>

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

Reunion Groups

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



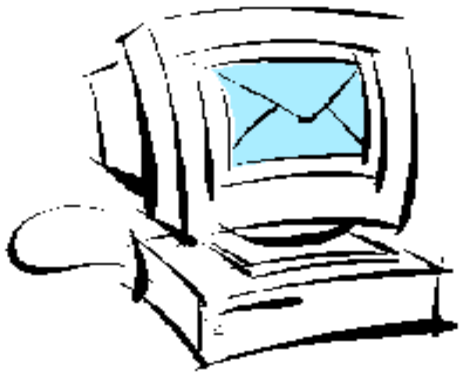
| Women | | | | | | |
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| Day | Time | Location | Name | Contact | Phone | Status |
| Monday | 7:00 AM | Location Varies | Morning Glories | Tina Lawhon | 863-3759 | Full |
| | 4:00 PM | Wellspring UMC | Wellspring Women | Judith Carver | 863-7667 | Open |
| | (2nd & 4th) | 5:30 PM | Linda Lindell's Home | Pass It On | Linda Lindell | 863-8161 |
| Tuesday | 9:30 AM | FUMC Rm 301 | Joyful Noise | Sena Leese | 863-5491 | 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 | | | | | | |
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| Day | Time | Location | Name | Contact | Phone | Status |
| Monday | 7:00 AM | FUMC Parlor | Hombres de Colores | Wayne Merritt | 259-1884 | Open |
| | (2nd & 4th) | 3:15 PM | FUMC Parlor | Bill's Group | Karl Poorter | 864-0155 |
| 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 | Fourth 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) | 6:00 PM | Mariachis de Jalisco | Eye of the Storm | Ken Sommerville | 791-9846 | 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 ksommerville@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 ksommerville@yahoo.com.



Visit us on the web:

<http://www.gbmg-umc.org/ctcwt/>

Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

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

Georgetown Emmaus Community Web Site

Emmaus 2011 gathering dates

| Gathering Date | Gathering Location |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| January 16 | St John's UMC |
| February 20 | First UMC |
| March 20 | St John's UMC |
| April 17 | First UMC |
| May 15 | Homecoming!!! FUMC |
| June 19 | First UMC |
| July 17 | St John's UMC |
| <u>August 21 **</u> | First UMC |
| September 18 | St John's UMC |
| October 16 | First UMC |
| November 20 | St John's UMC |
| December 18 | First UMC |

We will meet on the third Sunday of the month.

Worship begins at 5:30pm.

Your Leadership Team for 2011

Spiritual Director: Ann Hagmann - revdrann@hotmail.com

Lay Director: Roger France - francetl.france@gmail.com

Music Coordinators: Janet Pyle - janetlynn29@hotmail.com

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& Nelda McCain (SJUMC) - neldamccain@yahoo.com

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Treasurer: Jackie Hammar - jackie@fumcgt.org

Newsletter Editor: Ken Sommerville - ksommerville@yahoo.com

Agape Coordinator: Anne Castle - anncastle@texasfixtures.com

Communion Stewards: Ann Harris - taharris@suddenlink.net
& Kay Merritt - merritt58@suddenlink.net

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 Ken Sommerville: ksommerville@yahoo.com or send a note to 116 Shady Oak Drive, Georgetown, TX 78628 to Unsubscribe.
