



# The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Texas Emmaus Newsletter

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## An Advent Devotion

1 John 4:19 *"We love – because He first loved us."*



What a time to celebrate love, but during the time of Advent!! We enter into this time **celebrating one of God's many special gifts to us; the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ.** We learn from this spirit of giving that God sent Jesus as the King of Kings, Immanuel, The Prince of Peace. What a gift of love!!

God showed us this enormous love to teach us how we can love. Jesus spent his **entire life illustrating God's love through stories, lessons and miracles.** God gave us His Son knowing that He would take Him from us – just to show us His sacrifice, His Mercy, His Forgiveness, and His Love.

Because He first loved us – now we can love.

*Father God, Your love is so enormous in all that You do for us. You bless us each and every day with Your passion to love us so that we can love each other. Open our hearts to feel Your love so that we can love each other as Your Son, Jesus Christ taught us. Amen.*

- John Alemán

DECEMBER  
GATHERING  
SUNDAY, 12/16  
5:30 PM @ FUMC

JANUARY  
GATHERING  
SUNDAY, 1/20  
5:30 PM @ SJUMC

## Members Serving

Woody Thompson, Sr is sponsoring Rev. Ron Bellomy on walk 388

John Aleman, Charlie Mettler, Tom Oldham Chris Reyes, Ken Sommerville, and Woody Thompson, Jr are serving as team members on walk 388

If you are serving on a team or sponsoring a pilgrim please send me your name (and pilgrim's name) so that we can announce it to the community.



## Musicians Beat



Bob McFarland has been a "regular" player with the Georgetown Emmaus Community for many years, playing acoustic guitar and joining in vocals. Besides playing acoustic guitar, Bob plays steel string and nylon string acoustic guitar, rhythm and lead electric guitar, fretted and fretless bass guitar, upright bass, mandolin, 4 string banjo, autoharp and hand percussion instruments. "I started guitar lessons when I was 8 and I'm now 63 and still playing. At 15 I joined a very successful garage band called The Egyptians. We recorded 4 songs - 2 of which I wrote - and made a lot of money (thanks especially to my dad who was our manager). I played in 2 other rock bands in college but **didn't make as much money..... mainly because dad wasn't our manager. ;-)** "

Bob joined St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Ventura, CA in 1998. Along with his wife, Suzanne, they formed the first Contemporary Christian Music band at St. Paul's. "We were a 6 piece band named Labyrinth and we were together for 6 years." Bob also had designed and installed sound systems for various churches in Ventura.

Bob and Suzanne moved to Georgetown in 2006 where Bob joined the praise band, The Stirring, at First United Methodist Church. Bob gives of his time and talents weekly for the group by providing the musicality for the musicians - selecting the best key for singing, arranging Chord Charts in that key and providing lyrics for the band. "I do this from listening to recorded tracks - typically from YouTube or CDs. Occasionally I'm asked to create a contemporary arrangement for a traditional hymn."

Thank you Bob for sharing your talents and time with us!

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## Upcoming Walks in 2013

### Women's Walks:

389 - 03/07/13 - Glen Lake

390 - 04/18/13 - Latham Springs

391 - 05/16/13 - Lake Brownwood

393 - 10/10/13 - Greene Family Camp

8 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum

2 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum

4 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum

2 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum

### Men's Walks

387 - 01/31/13 - Lake Brownwood

388 - 02/21/13 - Greene Family Camp

392 - 09/05/13 - Latham Springs

394 - 10/24/13 - Glen Lake

16 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum

6 Pilgrims - has not reached the minimum



Kairos Weekends :

TBD

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## Prayer Requests

Pilgrims, Sponsors and Team Members for upcoming walks

If anyone has prayer requests that they would like announced in upcoming newsletters, please send them to [ksommerville@yahoo.com](mailto:ksommerville@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.

Please resubmit if prayers are still needed.



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## Our Neighboring Communities!

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

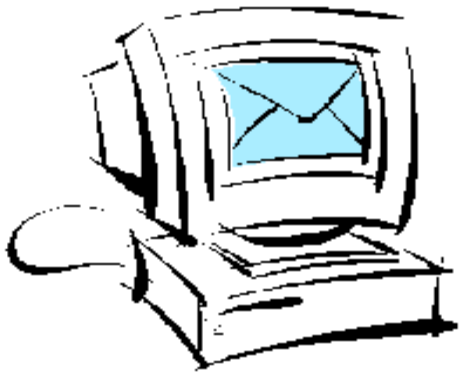
Round Rock Emmaus - <http://www.roundrockemmaus.org/>

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

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

If you'd like the link for your group posted here, please contact [ksommerville@yahoo.com](mailto:ksommerville@yahoo.com)

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Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

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

Georgetown Emmaus Community Web Site

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## Emmaus 2012 gathering dates

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

We will meet on the third Sunday of the month.

Worship begins at 5:30pm.

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## Your Leadership Team for 2012

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

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