

December 2014

"FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN...AND HIS NAME SHALL BE called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, Ever-LASTING FATHER, THE PRINCE OF PEACE." ISAIAH 9:6-7

What powerful words during this season of wonder! It is such a busy time, a happy for some, yet sad, so very sad, for others. Let US REMEMBER, AND PASS ON GOD'S POWERFUL LOVE FOR US THAT HE would send His own Son to be born into our human world, and then die for each and every one of us. He knew us even before we were born! So remember, as the saying goes,

"JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!"

We would like to especially thank all on our leadership team THESE PAST TWO YEARS AS WE "PASS THE BATON" TO SARAH SHACKELford and Roger France. It was been a wonderful and fast two years of serving you as your Co-Lay Directors. We especially wish to thank all that have been a part of our fabulous Leadership Team: Rev. Dr. Ann Hagmann: Spiritual Director, Janet Pyle: Music Director, Terry France: Hospitality, Peggy Blair: Team Selection, Jackie Hammar: Treasurer, Ken Sommerville: Web Master, Crystal Jackson: Newsletter Editor, Anne Castle: Agape Coordinator, Elaine Jackson: Communion Steward, and St. John Methodist Church Liaison: Barbara Knorre, Nel da McCain.

May the Lord bless each one of you and your families

Mary Jane and Polly



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Over the past several months, the Central Texas Conference Emmaus Board has been prayerfully considering how to bring back the ministry of Chrysalis to our conference. This has led to conversation with the Upper Room in Nashville and long story short, we are now ready to bring back this vital ministry to this Conference; a ministry that has touched the hearts and lives of MANY in our conference.

In case you are not familiar with Chrysalis, it is similar to an Emmaus weekend experience. Chrysalis "Flights" (for 10th through 12th graders) and "Journeys" (for young adults, ages 19-24) are three-day events. This three-day spiritual renewal time provides an opportunity to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support and to make new faith commitments. The point is to inspire, challenge and equip persons for a closer friendship with Christ and for Christian action at home, church, school, and community. If you want to learn more about Chrysalis, you can go to http://chrysalis.upperroom.org/about.

Here is where we need your help! On Saturday January 24, 2015, The Upper Room will be providing our required Start Up training. This event will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at approximately 4:00 pm. We will discuss servant leadership, the team selection process, the 3 day weekend overview, core elements and other areas of interest to the community. The day will end with the Steering Committee signing the covenant agreement and making a commitment to be a Chrysalis community. We will then end with Communion.

During Saturday's training, it is IMPERATIVE we have a minimum of 95 people present. The Upper room has found that less than 95 persons in attendance often times makes it difficult for a community to become fully functional. These are not necessarily 95 people with experience in Chrysalis, but 95 people that believe in the Chrysalis movement and are willing to do whatever is necessary to see the restart to effective and permanent.

This training will take place at Central United Methodist Church which is located at 5740 Bagby Avenue, Waco, Texas 76712. If you have a heart for our youth in this conference and want to help bring back this ministry, we ask you to please attend this important training. We also ask you to spread the word to those who might want to take part in this as well.

We look forward to this journey and all that God has planned. Thanks in advance for your help in this process,

In His service,

Sherry Doty CTC Emmaus Lay Director Rev. Steve Moss CTC Emmaus Spiritual Director

Treasure's Report



Bal ance on June 30, 2014	\$1,970.05	
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Deposits:		
7/20/14 Gathering	\$	58.00
8/17/14 Gathering		33.00
9/21/14 gathering		<u>70.00</u>
		161.00
Ex penses:		
8/02/14 Kairos team/schol arship		
\$ meals	\$	300.00
9/25/14 Walk #401 Golf Cart		150.00
9/25/14 Projector/Screen		501.97
		951.97
Balance as of September 30, 2014:		\$1,179.08
Jackie Hammar		

Treasurer





Upcoming Walks

Women's Walk:

- 405 3/12/15 Glen Lake 42 pilgrims
- 406 4/23/15 Latham Springs 18 pilgrims
- 407 5/14/15 Lake Brownwood 1 pilgrim
- 409 10/8/15 Greene Family Camp no pilgrims

Men's Walk:

- 403 1/29/15 Lake Brownwood 8 pilgrims
- 404 2/19/15 Greene Family Camp 6 pilgrims
- 408 9/10/15 Latham Springs no pilgrims
- 410 10/22/15 Glen Lake no pilgrims



12/21/2014 - Emmaus Gathering at 5:30 pm @ First UMC



Emmaus Links

Check these Emmaus links out:

Georgetown Emmaus: www.georgetownemmaus.org

Georgetown Facebook Page: <u>www.facebook.com/GeorgetownEmmaus</u>

Round Rock Emmaus: www.roundrockemmaus.org

Central Texas Emmaus: <u>www.ctcemmaus.org</u>

Kairos: www.kpmifoundation.org

Epiphany: www.epiphanyministry.com

Chrysalis: www.chrysalis.upperroom.org

Upper Room: <u>www.upperroom.org</u>



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January 18, 2015 February 15, 2015 March 15, 2015 April 19, 2015 May 17, 2015 June 21, 2015 July 19, 2015 August 16, 2015 September 20, 2015 November 15, 2015 December 20, 2015

First UMC

St. John's UMC First UMC St. John's UMC First UMC St. John's UMC First UMC St. John's UMC First UMC St. John's UMC First UMC St. John's UMC

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