



## **Rooster Crow December 2019**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**

**WE ARE INTO OUR ROTATION FOR  
GATHERINGS THIS YEAR:**

**DECEMBER 15: WELLSRING**

**JANUARY 19: FIRST UMC**

**FEBRUARY 16: ST. JOHN'S**

**MARCH 15: WELLSRING**

**Emmaus Gatherings are the third  
Sunday each month at 5:30 pm**

## **GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY GATHERING**

**Sunday, December 15**

**At 5:30 p.m.**

**Wellspring United Methodist**

**6200 Williams Drive**

**FOURTH DAY SPEAKER:**

**Christmas Service**

**From our Spiritual Director, Rev. Dr. Ann Hagmann:**

Dear Emmaus Co-journeers – a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas to each of you.

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving and next Sunday starts December.... I'm almost past the shock that this year has blown by and autumn disappeared. As I'm starting to focus on Thanksgiving I'm wondering, *What is most important about Thanksgiving for you? Is it people? Food? Time off work? Special traditions?*

I remember the first time I really read Job 1:20-21. I'm was dumbfounded by Job's response when he was told he had lost everything – fields, flocks, children ... he tore his cloths, fell to the ground, and worshiped God saying "naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord." The Lord has given and the Lord has taken, but thanks be to God - because the Lord HAS given us life! We are!

So, this year, let Christ be the focus of your holiday season and let gratitude be at the heart of your journey. Let us all express thankfulness to God for our blessings and for God's abiding presence with us throughout life, and let us pass on the blessings to others, especially those in need. Thanks be to God! And let the people of God say, Amen.

De Colores!

Ann Hagmann, Spiritual Director

### **November Meeting Hilites**

It was with joy we welcomed a new Georgetown resident to the Georgetown Gathering. Jacob Bains completed Walk 1671 in 2012 and joined us in November for the gathering celebration. WELCOME!!!

The Face to Face Emmaus Walk program for older adults was formally approved for sponsorship by the Georgetown Emmaus Community. Crystal Jackson is working with the CTC Emmaus Board to schedule an information session for those interested in January. Please let her know if you want to be involved. She will also send out notices of the planning session through our Emmaus email notifications. For those wanting to participate in this program, the Face to Face application is attached at the bottom of the newsletter.

The proposed leadership team for 2020 was announced. The community will vote at the December meeting to approve the slate of leadership. We are still in need of a man for the Men's Walk Team Selection Representative. And, as of 11/27/19 we have no one coming forward to be co-leader along with Ronan for the community. **We must have this position** which helps lead the monthly gatherings, and remember you are a "co" so you don't have to do it all or be there every time. I can't image the Spirit wants us to fold because we don't have a co-lay director. **Anyone hearing Jesus calling??**



**A purple worship book was left at the November gathering. See Ann Hagmann at the December gather to retrieve it.**

**Needing CHILDCARE for our GATHERINGS?  
Please contact Sarah Shackelford at (512) 508-2659  
ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE GATHERING!**

### **Newsletter Articles and Devotionals WANTED:**

If you have any inspirational or wonderful devotionals you would like to share with our Emmaus brothers and sisters, please send to Linda Miles at [milesrdlm53@att.net](mailto:milesrdlm53@att.net)



**SERVICE OF  
WHOLENESS/TAIZE**

December 8 at 6:30 PM

*Loving God and Seeking  
the Sacred in the Ordinary*

*God With Us*

First United Methodist Church

**Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers**

**December 15, 2019 Christmas Service**

**Be thinking about doing a Fourth Day talk next year. Sign ups will be going around in December meeting or notify Ronan Shackelford if you are interested in presenting in 2020.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Balance after November Gathering:  
Not Available**

**SERVICE**

As you look at where you can serve in the Emmaus community, this devotion on service may lead you to discernment of God's will. It is from the devotion book by Rebecca Currington and Patricia Mitchell, Everyday Comfort.

*[Jesus said] "Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me." John 12:26*

*Following Jesus requires you to serve others wherever you are. Never for a moment wait for other circumstances, a more convenient time, a later date! The moment you commit yourself to following Jesus Christ, you give yourself to serving others by showing compassion and kindness, by offering help and counsel, by bringing His love wherever you are right now. Pray for His Spirit to open your eyes to opportunities to serve Him.*

## UPCOMING WALKS

### **Women's Walk 446 - Feb 20-23**

Glen Lake Camp and Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: Tarrant County

### **Women's Walk 448 - Apr 16-19**

Latham Springs Baptist Camp, Aquilla, TX  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: DeCorEllis

### **Men's Walk 447 - Feb 27-1**

TBD  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: Twin Lakes

### **Men's Walk 449 - Apr 30-3**

Heart of Texas Baptist Camp, Brownwood, TX  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: Pecan Valley

**Sign up for participation on a team!!! You will be blessed by participating in the Emmaus weekend. You can find the team application form on the Central Texas Emmaus website at <http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/walk-info/2020walks>. Click on the application button at bottom of page.**

## OUR WONDERFUL LEADERSHIP

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## REUNION GROUPS

### WOMEN'S REUNION GROUPS:

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b><i>"Pass it On"</i></b>	5:15 P.M. (1st and 3rd Monday)		FULL
Linda Lindell	512-863-8161	<a href="mailto:Lindell108@gmail.com">Lindell108@gmail.com</a>		
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b><i>"The GoFourthers"</i></b>	5:00 P.M. St. John UMC Horizon House		OPEN
Carolyn Henry	512-217-0879	<a href="mailto:hnrlyucas@aol.com">hnrlyucas@aol.com</a>		
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY</b>	<b><i>Wellspring Women's Reunion Group</i></b>	3:30 p.m.		OPEN
Diane Nickerson		<a href="mailto:nickerson.dianne@gmail.com">nickerson.dianne@gmail.com</a>		
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b><i>"Rainbow Connection"</i></b>	7:00 a.m. FUMC Library		OPEN
Jeannine Fairburn	512-863-5962	<a href="mailto:jw5689f@suddenlink.net">jw5689f@suddenlink.net</a>		
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b><i>"Lifetime Reunion Group"</i></b>	9:00 A.M. McDonald's (Williams Dr.)		OPEN
Barbara Knorre	512-863-9708	<a href="mailto:bknorre@suddenlink.net">bknorre@suddenlink.net</a>		
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b><i>"Grace Galore"</i></b>	10:00 A.M. FUMC, room 301		OPEN
Nancy Marsh	512-864-6501	<a href="mailto:nmarsh@earthlink.net">nmarsh@earthlink.net</a>		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b><i>"Saturday Sisters"</i></b>	8:00 A.M. City Market, Sun City		FULL
Mary Ann Reed	512-289-7222	<a href="mailto:marsc430@yahoo.com">marsc430@yahoo.com</a>		

### MEN'S REUNION GROUPS:

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b><i>"Hombres DeColores"</i></b>	7:00 A.M. Wesleyan Assisted Living		OPEN
Terry Reed	512-484-3953	<a href="mailto:treed930@yahoo.com">treed930@yahoo.com</a>		
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b><i>"Wellspring Men's Reunion Group"</i></b>	7:00 P.M. Wellspring UMC		OPEN
Bob Miles	<a href="mailto:Milesrdlm53@att.net">Milesrdlm53@att.net</a>	512 656-3313		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b><i>"Eye of the Storm"</i></b>	7:00 A.M. Mariachis De Jalisco, Williams Drive		OPEN
Ken Sommerville	512-810-3848			



The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Conference Walk to Emmaus wants to stress the importance of the commitment that must take place to be allowed to serve on a team. To be asked to serve on a team is a commitment of time, of money, and, most importantly, of servanthood. Each team member needs to be prepared to give his or her best to the team, to the Pilgrims or Caterpillars, and to God.

First, we ask for a commitment of time. If you accept membership on a team, you are making a commitment to be available for the weekend event, and for every team meeting prior to the event. These meetings are an important part of preparing the team members individually for the event and helping them bond into a unified whole. The team meetings also help leadership to assess each person's talents and determine where those talents can be used best on this event and in the future.

Second, we ask for a commitment of money. Each team member is asked to pay the same fee as a Pilgrim or Caterpillar. Expenses of the weekend event are based on the total number of people involved, so for each team member there is added cost to the Conference. Your support financially enables the Conference to serve more people.

Finally, we ask you to commit to being a servant – to putting yourself and your desires aside to serve God and the Pilgrims or Caterpillars. You will not be asked in what job you would like to serve. Every team member must be willing to serve in whatever capacity he or she is needed. You also need to be aware of the physical and emotional strains of the actual weekend event. Team members are always the first ones up in the morning and the last ones to bed at night. It is a tiring but rewarding experience! The joy and the mountaintop experience are there, but so is the climbing, and so is the giving – all weekend long. Serving on a team will be a blessing to you and you will be a blessing to others. You are needed!!!

I authorize the Central Texas Conference to perform a background check on me if I am 18 years or older.

Texas Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Emmaus community members who are applying to be on a Face-to-Face team mail the Application forms to:

**Patricia Mears**  
**Pilgrim Admin/Bookkeeper**  
2807 Ritchie Road  
Waco, TX 76712

Questions on the program should be directed to Rev. Mary Powell at  
[maryfisherp@gmail.com](mailto:maryfisherp@gmail.com)