

# ROOSTER CROW



**December 2024**

**GEORGETOWN  
EMMAUS 4<sup>th</sup> DAY  
GATHERING  
Sunday, December 1  
At 5:30 p.m.  
First United Methodist  
410 East University Avenue**

**DECEMBER 1: First UMC**

**JANUARY 19: St. John's GMC**

**FEBRUARY 16: Wellspring UMC**

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the  
third Sunday each month.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**



**Make a friend.  
Be a friend.  
Bring a friend  
to Christ.**

## **4<sup>th</sup> DAY SPEAKER: Spiritual Directors**

Georgetown Emmaus Community voted in August to cancel the November Gathering and to have the December Gathering earlier to serve as a HOLIDAY GATHERING. The Spiritual Directors will plan the 4<sup>th</sup> day devotion for this gathering. So, come join us for a music filled, spirit filled, fun filled time of fellowship and worship on Sunday December 1 at 5:30 at First United Methodist Church, Georgetown. We will share in a potluck feast after worship!!

### **Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers**

**Please consider presenting the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Talk at a gathering this year. See our Georgetown Emmaus Website for 4<sup>th</sup> Day Talk Information.**

<b>December 1</b>	<b>First UMC</b>	<b>Spiritual Directors</b>
<b>January 19</b>	<b>St John's</b>	<b>Linda Lindell</b>
<b>February 16</b>	<b>Wellspring</b>	<b>TBD</b>

**Thank you to each of you who will share your witness with the Emmaus community. Please contact Brenda Rumbellow or Linda Miles if you are willing to present a 4<sup>th</sup> Day Talk at a gathering.**



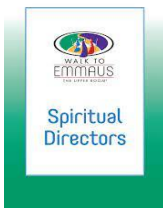
**GT COMMUNITY TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Balance as of August**

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**Newsletter Articles and Devotionals WANTED**

If you have any inspirational devotionals you would like to share with our Emmaus brothers and sisters, please send to Linda Miles at [mileslm75@gmail.com](mailto:mileslm75@gmail.com)



Spiritual Director  
Spiritual Director  
Spiritual Director

Rev John Clifford  
Rev Mary Powell  
Rev Bob Sinclair

*The Emmaus spiritual director is trained to listen, discern and sometimes ask questions. The task of the spiritual director is to diligently pay attention to the person's story and the Spirit, and to encourage spiritual growth. Thanks to each of our spiritual directors for being there for each of us in the Emmaus community.*

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS



**De Colores!!**



**Greetings From Your Lay Directors**



***De Colores!***

***With Love, Linda and Brenda***

# The New Emmaus Blended Community

As Reported by Tina LaCagnina



## COMMUNICATIONS

Currently Georgetown Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group members can find the Rooster Crow and sign up for email notifications on the Georgetown Emmaus Website at <https://www.georgetownemmaus.org/news.html>. This sight will remain our primary site for Georgetown Emmaus activities and information.

But now in addition to this sight we can access the Austin Emmaus website to get information on the new blended community initiative and activities. The primary website for the new blended community is <https://www.austinemmaus.org/> or you can sign up for newsletter and email notifications at <https://austinemmaus.us19.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=4fccdad178dce08395825753d&id=da96f9a003>

## WALK INFORMATION

Walk 150 – Men’s Walk – 2/27 – 3/2 Paul South will serve as Lay Director, Rev. Gary White will serve as the Spiritual Director, Gene McConnell will serve as the Board Representative.

Walk 151 – Women’s Walk – 4/24 – 4/27 Linda Miles will serve as the Lay Director, Rev. Tommy Prud’homme will serve as the Spiritual Director, Tina LaCagnina will serve as the Board Representative.

### **To submit application for Pilgrim to Women’s Walk #151 – April 24-27 Or for Men’s Walk #150 – February 27-March 2**

Copies of forms and instructions can be found on the Georgetown Emmaus Website at <https://www.georgetownemmaus.org/> There are three required forms – one for pilgrims, one for sponsors, and one for the pilgrim's local clergy. Also, if needed, there is an application for a Community Scholarship. The forms can be completed by typing in required information and printing; or by printing the blank form and filling with written responses.

**Completed form package with signatures and payments should be emailed to [registrar@austinemmaus.org](mailto:registrar@austinemmaus.org) or mailed to Rev. Mary Powell, Emmaus Registrar at 139 Estrella Crossing, #101, Georgetown, TX, 78628**



## **The First Blended Gathering**

The first gathering of the GAEC and South District Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> day groups was held on Sunday, November 10 at Pflugerville First United Methodist Church. The 4<sup>th</sup> day speaker was Linda Miles, whose primary message was to remain humble in your 4<sup>th</sup> day and follow your hearts in support of Emmaus Ministries. There were around 50 people in attendance and the music was wonderful, led by Trevor Shaw and joined by Clint Fraser and Tom Carstarphan. It is always amazing how musicians who have never met can blend in wonderful sound when God brings them together. Another Blended Gathering is planned for January 12 and we hope many more from the Georgetown 4<sup>th</sup> day group can join us.

### **FOURTH DAY SPEAKERS**

At the December 1 gathering, we will be recruiting 4<sup>th</sup> day speakers for 2025. Now is YOUR time to Witness to your 4<sup>th</sup> day walk!!! AND it is EASY!! Not something to stress about or spend weeks working on, but something that brings you closer to the heart of God and you share His work in your life. Here are some simple guidelines for a 4<sup>th</sup> day talk.

#### **Pre-Walk (2-5 minutes)**

- Short personal history before the walk: life history? Churched? Religious? Problems? Needs? Heart?
- Short story of how you evolved to the walk: sponsor? time frame? Willingness? Expectations?

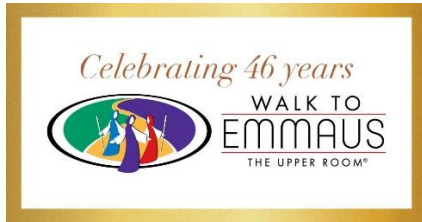
#### **Walk (2-5 minutes)**

- Brief summary of the walk experience: Inspiring? Uplifting? Life-changing? What did it mean to you?

#### **Post-Walk (5-10 minutes)**

- Story of your Fourth Day
- What did you come home with?
- What was your reaction to the world in which you live?
- What changes have you made in your life (if any)?
- What have you done as a result of going on the walk?
- What are you going to do in the future?

**AND** as you witness, your story will touch a co-journeyer in their 4<sup>th</sup> day just as Jesus touched the hearts of the disciples on the Road to Emmaus!!!



How has Emmaus Ministries been an anchor in your life?  
Give thanks by making an anniversary gift at <https://the-upper-room.givecloud.co/fundraising/forms/7XEW9RE8>

November 7–10 marked the 46th anniversary of the first Walk to Emmaus. To celebrate this anniversary, we will be sharing a witness from a member of the Emmaus Fundraising Committee. We hope you will enjoy this opportunity to reflect on your Emmaus experience and to celebrate and support this life-changing ministry with an anniversary gift.

**Frankie F. Watson   Houston Bay Area Walk #197   Table of Forgiveness**

I have always yearned to be close to God. Regular attendance at Sunday School, singing in the choir, attending Bible study and various church activities, and involvement with church people left me still longing for more. It wasn't until I accepted an invitation to go on an Emmaus Walk that I realized what my yearning meant. God was running after me all along and God drew me in; and by God's grace, I understood his love for me.

Little by little, after attending the Emmaus Walk, everything in my life gained a new meaning. I consistently learned everything about God that I could. I served in the Houston Bay Area Emmaus Community (Houston, Texas) as a Table Leader x2, Assistant Table Leader x3, Secretary of the HBAEC Board x1, Agape Committee x1, and Board Representative x1. I currently serve as an assistant secretary. I still have much to learn and areas to grow, but I am living my life intentionally, secure in my relationship with Christ, counting on Him because now I know, as a fact, I need him in my life.

The Emmaus experience has been my anchor!!

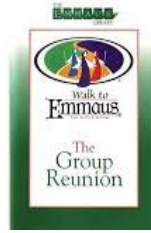


## 2025 Leadership to be approved at the December 1 Gathering

Please review the 2025 slate of leadership below for approval at our December Gathering. Offices with a “TBD” need to be filled, so we are looking for YOU to consider volunteering to hold a leadership position. Please let Linda Miles and Brenda Rumbellow know if you are willing to serve.

Spiritual Director	Rev John Clifford
Spiritual Director	Rev Bob Sinclair
Lay Director	Linda Miles
<b>Music Director</b>	<b>TBD</b>
Treasurer	Terry France
Team Selection/Board Rep	Tina LaCagnina
<b>Agape Coordinator</b>	<b>TBD</b>
Communion Steward	Carolyn Henry
Newsletter	Linda Miles
Newsletter Distribution	Mark McCartney
Webmaster	Ken Sommerville
Hospitality First UMC	Terry France
Hospitality St John's GMC	Debby Leshner
Hospitality Wellspring UMC	Dianne Nickerson
Hospitality The Wesleyan	Dan Bonner

# REUNION GROUPS



If you are not meeting with a reunion group, please contact one of our brothers or sisters below to connect in the life of grace.

GROUP	TYPE	DAY	TIME	PLACE	STATE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
Pass It On	Women	Wednesday	9:00 AM	McDonalds on Williams	full	Linda Lindell	512-289-2468	<a href="mailto:Lindell108@gmail.com">Lindell108@gmail.com</a>
The GoFourthers	Women	Monday	4:30 PM	St John GMC Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	<a href="mailto:hnrylucas@aol.com">hnrylucas@aol.com</a>
Rainbow Connection	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	FUMC Library	open	Jeannine Fairburn	(512) 863-5962	<a href="mailto:jw5689f@suddenlink.net">jw5689f@suddenlink.net</a>
Lifeline Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:30 AM	Barbara's home	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	<a href="mailto:bknorre@suddenlink.net">bknorre@suddenlink.net</a>
Grace Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	FUMC, room 301	open	Nancy Marsh	512-635-0036	<a href="mailto:nmarshtx@gmail.com">nmarshtx@gmail.com</a>
Saturday Sisters	Women	Saturday	9:00 AM	City Market, Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johnson	(512) 636-5572	<a href="mailto:meolix@gmail.com">meolix@gmail.com</a>
Wesleyan Women	Women	Thursday	8:00 AM	Wesley Independent	open	Mary Powell	(512) 740-8984	<a href="mailto:maryfisherp@gmail.com">maryfisherp@gmail.com</a>
Hombres DeColores	Men	Monday	8:00 AM	The Wesleyan	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	<a href="mailto:bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com">bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com</a>
Eye of the Storm	Men	Saturday	6:00 AM	Mariachis De Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	<a href="mailto:ksommerville@yahoo.com">ksommerville@yahoo.com</a>
Wesleyan Men	Men	Thursday	10:30 AM	West Chappel at Wesleyan	open	Dan Bonner	(512) 876-9145	<a href="mailto:dancucr@gmail.com">dancucr@gmail.com</a>
Just Us Gals	Women	Monday	11:45 AM	BY ZOOM	open	Linda Miles	(512) 677-3867	<a href="mailto:mileslm75@gmail.com">mileslm75@gmail.com</a>



## From DAY FOUR, The Pilgrim's Continued Journey

*Many aspects of our world threaten the survival of the life which the Walk to Emmaus presents – the truly Christian, truly human life. Once we have returned to our everyday world, it does not take us long to discover that it is well-nigh impossible to go it alone. One way of being in touch with God's power to make that new life totally secure is through contact with other Christians who share the priority of a life in grace. . . the group reunion is a way of maintaining that contact – an important means of persevering in the life in grace.*