

# Rooster Crow June 2021

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! ZOOM GATHERINGS!!

JUNE 20: ZOOM

JULY 18: First UMC

AUGUST 15: St. John's UMC

SEPTEMBER 19: Wellspring UMC

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the third Sunday each month at 5:30 pm and will be held by Zoom until July when we will meet in-person for worship and fellowship!!

## GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY GATHERING

Gathering for June will be held virtually on Zoom.

We look forward to everyone joining for an uplifting service.

Zoom access info below . . .

## FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: Carole Way

#### **Georgetown Emmaus Gathering Zoom Access**

Georgetown Emmaus will be gathering under more restrictive Zoom security. Mark McCartney will be sending out the link to the Zoom access the week before gathering. Let Linda Miles and Mark McCartney know if you do not receive the email by June 20 or if you have someone to add to the Georgetown community email lists.

Georgetown Emmaus Gatherings will soon begin a new era of Emmaus worship gatherings with "in-person" just like "prior to COVID!" At our June Meeting we will discuss the plans for returning to in-person gatherings. Please attend to voice your desires for gathering together. The individual church representatives are preparing information on church policies for gathering in their facilities and will be able to provide acceptable practices for each church. Once in-person gatherings begin we will no longer provide virtual worship experiences. Please attend our June gathering so we can establish our path forward in the Georgetown Emmaus Community's 4<sup>th</sup> day walk with God.

We need fourth day speakers for July, September, October, and November!!! Listen for God's call!!



### From our Spiritual Director Ann Hagmann

Dear Emmaus Co-journeyers,

Back in the 90's I was standing in a souvenir store in Florida looking at mousepads when I came across the one for me – *Cast Your Cares Upon Jesus [the Lord] (Psalm 55:22.)* It was a beautiful ocean fishing scene near a coral riff where the fishing line wrote the first four words followed by a lure spelling out *Jesus*. I thought what a wonderful reminder to take home with me! Daily at my computer I am visually reminded of God's promise that I can *cast my burdens on Jesus* ... I am not alone. Ahhhh

Let me ask you; how do we get back up when life slams us to the ground? How do we make it through hard and difficult life? How do we go through struggling times with grace? Especially how do we do it when we are aging and being crushed by physical issues and limitations? How have you?

We all get knocked down from time to time. When we can't get ourselves back up, God can, and we are to encourage one another to remember and cast ourselves with burdens upon Jesus. Community and encouragement are fundamental to our faith! We are intended to be important encouragers to one another's faith, hope, and love. This is a gift opportunity on walks, reunion groups, and gatherings. Sometimes we must spark, rekindle, and fan the flames of faith, our own and others!!! It will be wonderful to meet in person again where that Spirit's spark is in our midst! Hopefully it will happen in July!!

Over the years when I had hard or difficult periods of life, I clung in my mind's eye to seeing myself holding on to a giant Anchor of faith, Jesus, out in the middle of the stormy seas. God has carried me thru all the hurricanes of life thus far. Hence, I hold to Joshua 1:9 Be strong and courageous, do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you may go. Now if I could just always remember that!

Part of the secret in trusting and getting back up is in keeping our eyes on Jesus. So put mousepads and signs in your life to remind you of God's promises and your faith, hope, and love and *Cast Your Cares Upon Jesus (Ps 55:22.)* And pray about being a part of our regathering in person. Thanks be to God.

Peace!! Ann Hagmann, SD



#### **Gathering Highlights**

We were all blessed by the May Georgetown Emmaus Gathering. Tina LaCagnina and Ann Castle provided their witness as both Pilgrims and as Sponsors. Their reflection on the value of sponsorship was inspirational, calling each of us to service in this important Emmaus role.



Take time to listen to <u>Here I Am, Lord.</u> Reflect on the pictures in the video and your response to God's call to Emmaus sponsorship.





#### **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 milesIm75@gmail.com.



## **AGAPE for Walks**

Terry France and Nikki Underwood are the Agape Coordinators for the Georgetown Emmaus Community. They are in need of Altoid tins to make into prayer boxes. So start collecting and plan to get them to Terry. If you have other agape you have made during the pandemic, they will collect when we begin meeting in person to get to the various walks. Thank you.

### **GATHERING AUDIO VISUAL SUPPORT**

The Georgetown Emmaus Community is in need of someone to support Audio Visual during the monthly gathering worship. Work includes putting together the worship songs and running the projector during services. If you can aid in this effort please contact Ronan Shackelford and/or Mary Jane Berry.



Georgetown Écumenical Service of Wholeness (Taize)

No Services June - August

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance as of Gathering:

Not Available

#### **Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers**

Please consider presenting the 4th Day Talk at a gathering this year. See our Georgetown Emmaus Website for 4th Day Talk Information. Both you and the community will be blessed by your witness.

June 20 Carole Way

July 18 Open

August 15 Tina LaCagnina

September 19 Open October 17 Open

Please contact Ronan Shackelford or Mary Jane Berry if you are willing to present your witness. Pray about the 2021 gatherings and your call to witness.

#### **MEDITATION**

#### From Jesus Calling, Morning and Evening by Sarah Young

I speak to you continually. My nature is to communicate, though not always in words. I fling glorious sunsets across the sky day after day after day. I speak in the faces and voices of loved ones. I caress you with a gentle breeze that refreshes and delights you. I speak softly in the depths of your spirit, where I have taken up residence.

You can find Me in each moment, when you have eyes that see and ears that hears. Ask My Spirit to sharpen your spiritual eyesight and hearing. I rejoice each time you discover My Presence. Practice looking and listening for Me during quiet intervals. Gradually you will find Me in more and more of your moments. You will seek Me and find Me, when you seek me above all else.

**Jeremiah 29:13 (NIV)** You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.



#### **OUR WONDERFUL LEADERSHIP**

Our great leadership wishes you all the best as we move into 2021. Most of the Georgetown Emmaus leadership have agreed to continue through 2021 in their 2020 roles. Many thanks to each of them for this service to the Emmaus Community. We are still in need of an AV/Technical support leader.

**Spiritual Director:** Rev. Dr. Ann Hagmann <u>revdrann@hotmail.com</u> **Co-Lay Directors:** Ronan Shackelford <u>ronanshackelford@gmail.com</u>

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#### **CENTRAL TEXAS EMMAUS**

Tina LaCagnina, CTC Emmaus Board Representative, reported the following at the May Gathering. The board met to reset the walk schedule for 2021 and 2022. They also continued planning for the Central Texas Emmaus Annual Conference.

The updated walk dates and locations are noted below. Please seek God's guidance in your ability and responsibility to sponsor a pilgrim. Each walk already has pilgrims registered. The Board spent much time working policies to ensure adherence to federal, state, local, and camp safety guidelines for a safe weekend.

Georgetown Emmaus is the community sponsor for Walk 460 in October. Check with Tina on how you can help!! The August 4<sup>th</sup> day talk will outline the community responsibility for this walk.

The in-person Annual Conference wide Gathering tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 7th at Central UMC in Waco. Keynote speaker will be Doc Hall from the Upper Room. Tina is looking for individuals willing to support this event. Please contact her if you are interested.

The walks for 2021 have been rescheduled to continue in safety during the pandemic. Here are changes to the Walk Schedule.

#### Men Walks 2021:

Walk 457 August 12-15 - Solid Rock Camp, Eastland, TX Walk 459 September 9-12 — Latham Springs, West, TX Walk 461 October 21-24 - Glenn Lake, Glenn Rose, TX

#### Women Walks 2021:

Walk 458 - July 15-18 - Solid Rock Camp, Eastland, TX

Walk 460 - October 7-10 - Greene Family Camp - Note the sponsoring community is Georgetown \*\*\*\* Jessica Smith is Lay Director & Tommy Prud'homme is Spiritual Director and Tina LaCagnina is Board Rep

Sign up for participation on a team!!! Contact Tina LaCagnina or Anne Castle if you are interested. You will be blessed by participating in the Emmaus weekend. You can find the team and pilgrim application forms on the Central Texas Emmaus website at <a href="http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/downloads">http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/downloads</a>



They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:32 NIV

#### Summer Emmaus Walks

Women's Walk #458

July 15 - 18, 2021

Solid Rock Camp - Eastland

Lay Director - Sherry Strickland

Contact: 254.522.2083

Camp Fee: \$175 Register by June 15th

Space is limited!

Men's Walk #457

August 12 - 15, 2021

Solid Rock Camp - Eastland

Lay Director - Robert Damron

Contact: 817.688.2295

Camp Fee: \$175 Register by July 12th

Space is limited!

Who Should Go? The Walk to Emmaus is open to members of any Christian denomination who are members of a local church and desire to strengthen their spiritual lives.

What is the Walk to Emmaus? Three days of singing, learning, laughing, worshipping, reflecting, praying, and participating in small groups. Discussions center around 15 talks given by faily and clergy.

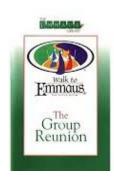
What is the Objective of Emmaus? To inspire, challenge, and equip the local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others.

For more information on the Walk to Emmaus:

Central Texas Emmaus Conference www.ctcemmaus.org

Upper Room Ministries www.UpperRoom.org/Emmaus

#### **REUNION GROUPS**





#### 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.

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
		Monday 1st						
Pass It On	Women		5:15 PM		full	Linda Lindell	(512) 863-8161	Lindell108@gmail.com
The				St John UMC				
GoFourthers	Women	Monday	5:00 PM	Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	hnrylucas@aol.com
		Thursday						
Soul Sisters	Women	2nd & 4th	3:30 PM	ZOOM	open	Dianne Nickerson	(817) 269-4149	dnickerson314@gmail.com
Rainbow								
Connection	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	FUMC Library	open	Jeannine Fairburn	(512) 863-5962	jw5689f@suddenlink.net
Lifetime				McDonald's,				
Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:00 AM	Williams Dr	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	bknorre@suddenlink.net
				FUMC, room				
Grace Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	301	open	Nancy Marsh	(512) 864-6501	nmarshtx@earthlink.net
Saturday				City Market,				
Sisters	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johnso	(512) 636-5572	meolitx@gmail.com
Wesleyan				Wesley				
Women	Women	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Independent	closed	Mary Powell	(512) 740-8984	maryfisherp@gmail.com
Hombres								
DeColores	Men	Monday	8:00 AM	Chandler Park	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com
Wellspring								
Men	Men	Tuesday	6:30 PM	ZOOM	open	Robert Miles	(512) 656-3313	milesrm71@gmail.com
Eye of the				Mariachis De				
Storm	Men	Saturday	7:00 AM	Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	ksommerville@yahoo.com