



The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Texas Emmaus Newsletter

March 2012

Emmaus and Lent



The Lenten season is one of my favorite seasons of the Christian year. I enjoy the special opportunities for worship with which it begins and ends. But, most of all, I am grateful for the season's intentional focus on discipleship.

As you know, the Lenten season is patterned after Jesus' final journey toward Jerusalem and to what awaited him there: betrayal, abuse, death, resurrection (Luke 9:51). During that period of time, Jesus sought to help his disciples grasp two key concepts: (1) the Messiah was also the Suffering Servant of the LORD and (2) the servant nature of being a disciple (servants of a Servant Lord). Each of the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) records the disciples' struggle to grasp his teachings and their resistance to it.

The Lenten season and the ministry of The Walk to Emmaus both focus on understanding and strengthening our discipleship as the followers of Jesus. Emmaus is designed to develop Christian leaders for the local church by strengthening their discipleship.

It seems to me that we, who have participated in the Walk, are often like the disciples on that journey toward Jerusalem. Their journey began with the Transfiguration. In the Transfiguration experience, Peter wanted to build booths for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. "It is good for us to be here," he said. Rather than learning from the experience, Peter wanted to hold onto it. (Sound familiar?)

The voice from the cloud (God's voice) commanded Peter to listen - that is, to hear and embrace Jesus' teaching about being a servant. Yet, throughout their six weeks journey to Jerusalem, the disciples not only failed to hear what Jesus taught, they actively lived out of a competitive, self-promoting spirit - the opposite of the servant spirit!

Discipleship is strengthened and spirituality deepened through listening — hearing and embracing the truth that Jesus taught. The Walk to Emmaus weekend can help us do so - as long as we don't get caught up in the experience and miss the teaching!

De Colores!
Steve Langford, pastor
First United Methodist Church, Georgetown



MARCH
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 3/18
5:30 PM @ SJUMC

APRIL
GATHERING
SUNDAY, 4/15
5:30 PM @ FUMC

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/>

Twin Lakes Community (Bell County) - <http://www.twinlakesemmaus.org/>

If you'd like the link for your group posted here, please contact ksommerville@yahoo.com

Treasurer's Report

<u>Balance at October 31, 2011</u>	<u>\$1,376.41</u>
11/20 Gathering	94.00
12/18 Gathering	66.00
1/15 Gathering	49.00
1/15 Purple Book Sales	3.00
2/19 Gathering	58.00
CTC Scholarship - Torrez	(125.00)
CTC Scholarship - Lake	(125.00)
<u>Kairos Scholarship - McCartney</u>	<u>(125.00)</u>
Balance at February 29, 2012	\$1,271.41



De Colores,

Jackie Hammar
Treasurer

Prayer Requests

Elizabeth Flagg

Walk 379

Walk 381

Bartlett #16

If anyone has prayer requests that they would like announced in upcoming newsletters, please send them to 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.



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Candlelight and Closings:

Walk 379 - Lake Brownwood—Candlelight on Sat 3/24 and closing on Sun 3/25

Walk 380 - Latham Springs—Candlelight on Sat 4/21 and closing on Sun 4/22

Bartlett #16 - Bartlett State Jail - Closing on 3/18 - apply to attend closing: <http://kairosbartlett.org/Kairos%20bartlett%20website/index.htm> and click on the Application button.

Other Events in the Community:

3/18 - Community Gathering, 5:30pm at St John's UMC

3/25 - Taize Service, 7:30pm at First Presbyterian Church, Georgetown

If you know of events that are happening within the Georgetown community, and would be of interest to the community, please drop a note to the newsletter editor so it can be included in this space!

Members Serving

Walk 377 (Just Concluded) - Ben Lake sponsored Jennifer Lake from FUMC and Rudy Torrez sponsored Veanne Torrez from FUMC.

Walk 378 (Just Concluded) - Team members - John Aleman, Reb Bacchus, Steve Buchele, Jim McKenzie, Chris Reyes, Ronan Shackelford, Ken Sommerville, Woody Thompson, Jr and Rudy Torrez — Sponsors: Kim Thompson sponsored Jody McClure from The Open Road Biker Church and Jana Wilks sponsored Donald Wilks from FUMC

Walk 379 - Virginia Davis will be sponsoring Melissa Barhydt, a pilgrim from St John's UMC

Walk 381 - Team members - LouAnne Case, Nancy Bottlinger, Polly Nelon, Linda Lindell, and Peggy Blair

Kairos Bartlett #16 - Team members - Reb Bacchus, Rick Edge, Terry Edge and Clint Fraser

If you, or someone you know, is serving on an upcoming Emmaus Walk or Kairos Weekend, please send me the names and walk number to include in the newsletter so that the community can pray for you. If you are sponsoring a pilgrim, please send me the name of pilgrim and sponsor to be included as well.

Upcoming Walks in 2012

Women's Walks:

379 - 03/22/12 - Lake Brownwood

380 - 04/19/12 - Latham Springs

381 - 05/03/12 - Greene Family Camp

383 - 09/06/12 - Greene Family Camp

385 - 10/04/12 - Glen Lake

386 - 10/18/12 - Glen Lake

42 Pilgrims - wait list started

11 Pilgrims - has not met the minimum

8 Pilgrims - has not met the minimum

Men's Walks :

382 - 05/17/12 - Glen Lake

384 - 09/20/12 - Latham Springs

11 Pilgrims - has not met the minimum

Kairos Weekends :

Bartlett #16 - 03/15/12 - Bartlett State Jail



Reunion Groups

If you are not active in a reunion group—how about looking here?



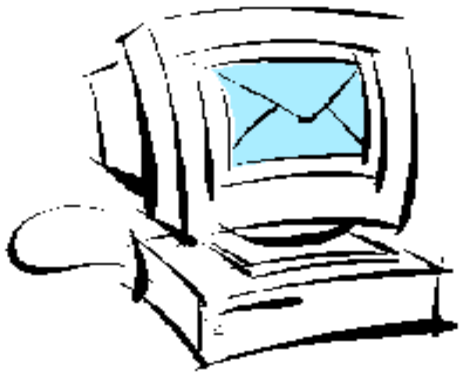
Women						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	Location Varies	Morning Glories	Tina Lawhon	863-3759	Full
	4:00 PM	Wellspring UMC	Wellspring Women	Judith Carver	966-0425	Open
	(2nd & 4th)	5:30 PM	Linda Lindell's Home	Pass It On	Linda Lindell	863-8161
Tuesday	9:30 AM	FUMC Rm 301	Joyful Noise	Sena Leese	863-5491	Open
	4:00 PM	Juanita Mason's	SonSet	Juanita Mason	863-3522	Open
	4:00 PM	Sun City Homes	Joyous Angels	Liz Offord	864-0918	Open
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Member's homes	Morning Chicks	Peggy Blair	863-7778	Open
	4:30 PM	FUMC Room 304	Grace Galore	Nancy Marsh	863-9181	Open
Thursday	6:45 AM	FUMC	Rainbow Connection	Jeannine Fairburn	863-5962	Open
	3:00 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Glory Gals	Virginia Davis	863-7869	Open
	6:15 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Legacies Sisters	Amber Nickerson	636-6386	Full
	7:00 PM	Knorre's Home	Lifeline	Barbara Knorre	863-9708	Open
Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market-Sun City	Saturday Sisters	Polly Nelon	930-5091	Full

Men						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	FUMC Parlor	Hombres de Colores	Bill Marsh	863-9181	Open
	(2nd & 4th)	3:15 PM	FUMC Parlor	Bill's Group	Karl Poorter	864-0155
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Horizon House	Journeymen	Clint Fraser	863-9242	Open
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Daylight Donuts	The Pilgrims			Open
	6:15 PM	FUMC Library	Forth Day Guys	Stephen Benold	863-8467	Open
Friday	6:30 AM	Taco Cabana	Sunrise Guys	Jim Wilson	863-6244	Open
	10:00 AM	St. John's Library	Fishermen	Don Nedrud	869-2852	Open
Saturday	7:00 AM	Whataburger	Los Cincos Gallos	Bill Jones	863-3628	Full
(2nd & 4th)	7:30 AM	Mariachis de Jalisco	Eye of the Storm	Ken Sommerville	810-3848	Open

We're looking for contact info for "The Pilgrims" reunion group.

If you, or someone you know, is a member of this group, please contact ksommerville@yahoo.com so that this list can be updated.

If your reunion group is not listed here, please send the meeting time, name, contact info and whether you are Open to new members to ksommerville@yahoo.com.



Visit us on the web:

<http://www.ctcemmaus.org/>

Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

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

Georgetown Emmaus Community Web Site

<http://www.facebook.com/GeorgetownEmmaus>

Georgetown Emmaus on Facebook

Emmaus 2012 gathering dates

Gathering Date	Gathering Location
January 15	St John's UMC
February 19	First UMC
<u>March 18**</u>	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
December 16	First UMC

We will meet on the third Sunday of the month.

Worship begins at 5:30pm.

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 or send a note to 116 Shady Oak Drive, Georgetown, TX 78628 to Unsubscribe.
