

# The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Emmaus Newsletter

March 2013

# **Emmaus and Easter**

"What lies beneath..." Read 1 Peter 3:18-22

Key Verse: "For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God..." (From 1 Peter 3:18, NRSV)

What do you see when you look at the cross? Do you see the wood and the nails? Do you see Jesus hanging there? Do you see the blood, the pain? Or do you see the flowers and the butterfly wreaths that we like to adorn the cross with during Easter? What do you see?

Or can you even see at all?

Have you ever thought of looking at the cross in another way?

What if we all looked at Jesus from the underside of the cross?

That might sound a bit strange. The underside of the cross is not the place that we typically think to look. But if we did, what do you think we would we see?

I think we would see ourselves. I think that we would see our brokenness and our pain...and Jesus would meet us there. Jesus would meet us, just He met those on the margins of society. Jesus would meet us, just as He met those who had committed unforgivable sins. Jesus would meet us, because Jesus has been waiting. Jesus is ALWAYS waiting.

And Jesus would embrace us. Jesus would help us to see the face of God. And then...He would smile, because all of His suffering had been worth it.

Prayer: Thank You, Jesus. For Everything. Amen.

Rev. Amy Forsythe Alexander

First United Methodist Church, Georgetown



MARCH GATHERING SUNDAY, 3/17 5:30 PM @ SJUMC

APRIL GATHERING SUNDAY, 4/21 5:30 PM @ FUMC



# **Co - Lay Directors' Comments**



It is our honor to serve as co-Lay Directors for the Georgetown Emmaus Community! We are:

Mary Jane Berry, Walk #1300, May 2006 from the table of "Martha"....and I am such a Martha! Polly Nelon, Walk #15, June 1994 from the table of "Hannah" ...but, I am such a Martha too!

We are very excited to serve our Emmaus Community! Here is a little of our history...you see us together at the gatherings and we love to sway to the worship music, but here is a little more about us! We met at an Emmaus Gathering in 2007 and instantly bonded because we knew we were "Sisters' in Christ"... truly, "Girlfriends in God"! We learned we had so many things in common in life. Polly was already in a reunion group called Saturday Sisters and quickly invited us to join the group. It was a blessing for us both!!! Our reunion group grew over the years and currently, we have ten members, although usually not everyone can make it. We meet every Saturday morning at 8am at the City Market in Sun City...and we enjoy a hearty breakfast of coffee, chocolate chips pancakes and sharing the Word! "yummy"

Our friendship has grown stronger and we have served together on four Emmaus walks. What a blessing to serve on an Emmaus Walk! If you have not ever served, we encourage you to do so. Both of us have gained more from working/serving and we have matured in our faith and love for Christ...it is as if your eyes are sincerely opened to a deeper understanding of the Word each time you serve on a walk...just like the scripture... <sup>'31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him,..." Luke 24:31

At this time in our life, we both have over-committed ourselves to many endeavors but only for the purpose to *serve others as Christ's hands and feet* ~ be it Girl Scouts or in the community ~ however, our love and deep commitment is to serve the Emmaus community to give our very best! Our first goal is to grow the Georgetown Emmaus Community and we can do that by *welcoming* <u>YOU</u> to our Emmaus Gatherings! **Please join us!** We encourage you to join us every month on the  $3^{rd}$  Sunday at 5:30PM. We will meet alternating First United Methodist Church of Georgetown and St John's United Methodist Church. Our Gatherings are your opportunity to catch up with friends, meet new ones, share pot luck agape feast, sing, worship God and share in Christ's Communion. Check out the Emmaus Community at

http://pages.suddenlink.net/georgetownemmaus/ and/or if you want any information, please contact either:

- Polly at 512-930-5091 pollylovespaws@gmail.com or
- Mary Jane at 512-240-4167 <u>dberry3@suddenlink.net</u>

We really hope to see **<u>YOU</u>** there, so that we can all get to know more of our family in Christ!



## **Our Neighboring Communities!**

#### See what's happening with our neighboring 4th Day Communities:

Round Rock Emmaus - <u>http://www.roundrockemmaus.org/</u> 4th Day Disciples (Florence) - <u>http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=127822177662</u> Open Door Emmaus (Johnson County) - <u>http://www.digitex.net/royw/</u> Twin Lakes Community (Bell County) - <u>http://www.twinlakesemmaus.org/</u>

#### If you'd like the link for your group posted here, please contact <u>mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com</u>

## Treasurer's Report

Balance at September 30, 2012	\$1,370.78	
10/23 Gathering	54.00	
10/23 CCLI Refund	23.00	
11/18 Gathering	34.00	
12/17 Gathering	39.00	
	150.00	
Checks	0.00	
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$1,520.78	<



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# **Prayer Requests**

Walk 389 Walk 390

If anyone has prayer requests that they would like announced in upcoming newsletters, please send them to <u>mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com</u> 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 390 - Candlelight on 4/20/13 and Closing on 4/21/13 Walk 391 - Candlelight on 5/18/13 and Closing on 5/19/13 Lane Murray Kairos - Closing on 5/7/13

#### Other Events in the Community:

3/17 - Community Gathering, 5:30pm at St John's UMC

- 3/28 Maundy Thursday
- 3/29 Good Friday
- 3/31 Easter

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!

# New Pilgrims from Walk 388

Ron Bellomy

Craig Sowell

Shane Lawhon

# Upcoming Walks in 2013

#### Women's Walks: 389 - 3/7/13 - Glen Lake 390 - 4/18/13 - Latham Springs 391 - 5/16/13 - Lake Brownwood 393 - 10/10/13 - Greene Family Camp

**Men's Walks :** 392 - 9/5/13 - Latham Springs 394 - 10/24/13 - Glen Lake



## **Reunion Groups**

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



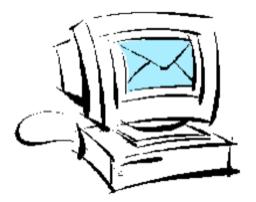
Women				A	C	
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	Location Varies	Morning Glories	Tina Lawhon	863-3759	Full
	4:00 PM	Wellspring UMC	Wellspring Women	Judith Carver	966-0425	Open
(2nd & 4t	h)5:30 PM	Linda Lindell's Home	Pass It On	Linda Lindell	863-8161	Full
Tuesday	9:30 AM	FUMC Rm 301	Joyful Noise			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	Open
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 and Joyful Noise reunion group.

If you, or someone you know, is a member of this group, please contact mercygirl20032004@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 mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com.



Visit us on the web: <u>http://www.ctcemmaus.org/</u> 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 2013 gathering dates

Gathering Date	Gathering Location
January 20	St John's UMC
February 17	First UMC
March 17	St John's UMC
April 21	First UMC
May 19	St John's UMC
June 16	First UMC
July 21	St John's UMC
August 18	First UMC
September 15	St John's UMC
October 20	First UMC
November 17	St John's UMC
December 15	First UMC

We will meet on the third Sunday of the month. Worship begins at 5:30pm.

# Your Leadership Team for 2013

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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 Crystal Jackson: <u>mercygirl20032004@yahoo.com</u> or send a note to P.O. Box 1651, Georgetown, TX 78627 to Unsubscribe.