

Rooster Crow September 2022

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! GEORGETOWN GATHERINGS!!

<u>SEPTEMBER 18</u>: First UMC <u>OCTOBER 16</u>: NO GATHERING

See Lay Leader Article for information on special October worship opportunity.

NOVEMBER 20: First UMC DECEMBER 18: St John's UMC

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the third Sunday each month at 5:30 pm.

GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY GATHERING Sunday, September 18 At 5:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church 410 East University Avenue

FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: Linda Miles

Join Georgetown Emmaus on September 18 for worship with a potluck to follow. Linda Miles will bring the 4th day talk sharing her reflections Jesus's call for us to be servants. Bring your friends to enjoy the reflection, fun, food, and fellowship.

Georgetown Emmaus Gatherings are still in need of 4th Day speaker for November. We are all waiting expectantly to hear YOUR witness. Please look to God for courage and inspiration in sharing with the Emmaus Community.

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.

September 18 First UMC Linda Miles

October 16 St John UMC Special Service 6:00 pm

November 20 First UMC Open

December 18 St John UMC Spiritual Directors

Please contact Rev Dr Ann Hagmann, Brenda Rumbellow or Carolyn Henry if you are willing to present your witness. Pray about the 2022 gatherings and your call to witness.



It's Team Time!

Philippians 2:1-8 Therefore, if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. 3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. 5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in very nature [a] God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature [b] of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

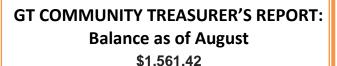
We often use these verses of this second chapter of Philippians to mean that we must all think and do exactly alike, however this passage is about being like Jesus in our humble attitude toward ourselves in relation to others. When we lovingly serve on an Emmaus team, we all have different tasks and even take time to think differently, in order to do critical evaluations of our talks in preparation to each serve in each our various parts on the weekend. As a team we all choose to remember the "Cannon of the Emmaus Team" and submit to the leading of the Holy Spirit and our lay and spiritual directors, minimizing our own roles, in order to be nothing but servants of our Lord Jesus. This way we become Christ to all others to whom and with we serve. Nothing else matters except glorifying our Lord in all we say and do.

This October with Women's Walk 468 and Men's Walk 469 we need the entire community to have the same mind with us, to serve on the outside by sponsoring someone, providing prayers and agape, attending candlelight and closing, and being present to welcome new pilgrims upon their reintegration into their fourth days ahead. Of course, we don't die like Jesus did, we just die to ourselves and our own agendas.

Please be in prayer about the Lord's call to you to be His hands and feet at this special time for our community.

For God's Glory!

Rev. Mary Powell



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



Greetings From Your Lay Directors



Please note a change to our Gathering for October that was approved by the community at the August gathering. The sanctuary and fellowship hall at St Johns are not available for our regularly scheduled meeting on Oct 16. The "Vineyard Voices" will be performing at St Johns that evening with a reception to follow. They are an excellent group and give a great performance. After some discussion, it was decided we would not have our regular gathering in October but instead invite the Emmaus Community to the performance at St John's for a time of celebration and worship. The performance starts at 6:00 pm on October 16.

DeColores!



Carolyn and Brenda



Sunday, October 16 St. John's United Methodist Church 311 E. University Drive Georgetown, Texas 78626 freewill offering

SPONSOR A PILGRIM ON WOMEN'S WALK 468

Several from the Georgetown Emmaus Community will be supporting the team for Women's Walk 468. They are calling for all of us to sponsor pilgrims. Women's Walk 468 will be at Greene Family Camp from October 6-9. Applications need to be sent electronically now and then mailed physically into the CTC Emmaus office at this late date. You can find applications at https://ctcemmaus.org/images/ctemmaus/emmausapplication.pdf

Please be in prayer for this walk and for both sponsors and pilgrims being called. Then support the Walk through your prayers by signing up for a slot during the 72-hour prayer vigil and by your presence at the send-off, sponsors hour, Candlelight, and Closing. Please sign up to pray. Prayer vigil sign ups for all walks can be found at the Central Texas Emmaus website at https://ctcemmaus.org and Prayer Vigil sign up for walk 468 can be found at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A044CAEA729A2F85-womens

Good sponsorship is vital to the integrity of the Walk to Emmaus. Many people take sponsorship for granted; they assume that everyone knows the how and why of sponsorship. Yet sponsorship is arguably the most important job in Emmaus. It is more than just "signing up people". The quality of sponsorship influences the pilgrim, the health of the Emmaus Movement, and the churches affected by the movement.

Good sponsorship is your first act of agape before a Walk ever begins; the experience of the Walk for a pilgrim really starts with how we handle sponsorship. Listen for God's call to be a sponsor of a pilgrim to Walk 468.

August Gathering

We had a wonderful gathering on August 21, 2022 at St John's sanctuary. Rev John was our music team and lead the service... a man of many talents ~ Thank you, Rev John. It was good to get an update from Tina, our Central Texas Emmaus (CTE) Board Lay Director. We need pilgrims for our 2022 walks and volunteers to join the CTE Board. **Galatians 6:10** "So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith".

Mary Jane Berry was our 4th Day Speaker and shared about her "4th Day walk with Polly Nelon"! She shared that Polly was a mentor that provided guidance, motivation, emotional support, lovable energy to everyone who knew her! Polly was a "best friend" to all and a true "Sister in Christ"! Interesting ... a "God Wink...God-incident...and, as Rev Ann says, "God Synchronicity"... because Mary Jane chose August to honor Polly...she did not realize that **the gathering date was August 21st**...the actual day, the Polly went to the arms of Jesus! Polly made a difference in her 4th day...in her earthly journey...she touched hearts with everyone one she knew...and as you see, in her granddaughter's life! This is a video that her young granddaughter made to show the everyone the LOVE she has for her "Poppy" (that is what she called Polly). https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/730632359

And yes, Polly made a difference in everyone she met, she loved everyone, she touched their hearts and she <u>was loved by everybody</u> and most of all, her family! Polly left a wonderful legacy...she lived a wonderful 4th day! Polly is missed and will always be missed by all of us, however...as Believer's we all know that we will see her again. What we also know is...our LOVE for Polly and her LOVE for all of us will remain in our hearts and in our minds as a loving lasting memory...what a legacy!

It is important for all of us to remember that our Emmaus 4th Day Walk ...does impact everyone we meet!!! And remember, Jesus last command, John 13:34 "*A new command I give you: Love one*

Mary Jane Berry another". DeColores Georgetown Emmaus Gathering August 21, 2022 We miss you, Polly W WHEN YOU Believe Signs from Heaven Love If God Seems Far Away Guess Who Moved

2023 LEADERSHIP PLANNING

September is the time to begin planning for the upcoming year. 2023 is approaching fast and our Emmaus Community will be looking to each of you to discern where you can support our 4th day walk in Georgetown. Many of the leadership team below have served in their roles for several years. Although they are committed, several would like an opportunity to serve in other roles or to serve God's Kingdom in other areas. If you are interested in serving in any leadership role or an any Emmaus team, please contact one of the Lay Directors and let them know. If you would like more information on what the leadership role entails, please contact the current person in that role.

OUR WONDERFUL GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Many thanks to each of those below who have agreed to serve in their role for 2022 for the Emmaus Community.

• Spiritual Director: Rev. Dr. Ann Hagmann

• Co-Lay Directors: Carolyn Henry

Co-Lay Directors: Brenda Rumbellow

AV/Technical support: Tim Nickerson

• AV/Technical support: Dianne Nickerson

• Music Director: Janet Pyle

Treasurer: Chris at FUMC

Board Rep: Tina LaCagnina

Team Selection: Anne Castle

Agape Co-Coordinator: Terry France

Agape Co-Coordinator: Nikki Underwood

• Communion Steward: Rita Handley

Newsletter: Linda Miles

Newsletter Distribution: Mark McCartney

• Webmaster: Ken Sommerville

Hospitality: FUMC: Terry France

Hospitality: St John's: Barbara Knorre

Hospitality: Wellspring: Linda Miles

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THE UPPER ROOM

Emmaus Ministries Regional Gathering & Celebration

October 7-8, 2022 • San Antonio, Texas







With great joy we invite you to The Upper Room's Emmaus Ministries Regional Gathering & Celebration. This year's event will be held in San Antonio, Texas, on October 7-8, 2022. This gathering offers a way for Emmaus Ministries communities to celebrate, worship, and learn. No matter which Fourth Day Ministries event you attend, there will be activities for you.

The Regional Gathering is an opportunity to celebrate and affirm persons involved in Emmaus Ministries across the United States. We will participate in worship and conversations and build relationships and networks as brothers and sisters in Christ.

More information and the registration link can be found here.

<u>Devotion shared by Mary Jane Berry</u> From the August Emmaus Ministries e-News

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

Here in the USA, we are ready to welcome autumn and return to a routine after a beautiful summer. Many Emmaus, Chrysalis, and Face To Face communities are resuming their activities.

Although we are in a better place than two years ago when the pandemic began, concerns about COVID and its variants continue today. Now other viruses are added to the list of diseases that affect our daily lives.

We encourage you to continue being cautious in practicing the recommended sanitary measures and take all precautions to keep your members healthy, take advantage of new online offerings that our office is providing, and continue spreading the love of God to every person and God's creation

Rev. Stéphane Brooks Spiritual Director, Emmaus Ministries

CENTRAL TEXAS EMMAUS



Tina LaCagnina, CTC Emmaus Board Representative, continues to support our Georgetown Emmaus Community on the Central Texas Emmaus board. The walks for 2022 dates have been published on the CTC Emmaus website as shown below.

Walk 468 is in need of funds for golf carts and the agape feast. Since most of the Temple area 4th day communities are still in recovery post covid, we haven't had Sponsoring Communities per se for the last few walks. We are asking for each community across our Temple region (currently 4) to help how they can with financial and other resources. This will be discussed at the September Gathering as to how Georgetown can support this walk.

Team Commissioning will be at the Gathering on 9/18 and Candlelight for walk 468 is 10/8.

Sign up for participation on a team!!! Contact Tina LaCagnina or Anne Castle if you are ever interested in serving on a team. You can find the team and pilgrim application forms at http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/downloads **The Pilgrims and you will all be blessed by participating in the Emmaus weekend.**

Please discern where God is calling you to sponsor a Pilgrim on a walk. Applications for the walks for both men and women are being accepted now.

Central Texas Emmaus 2022 Women's Walks Walk 467 - Sep 22-25

Solid Rock Camp, Eastland, TX Sponsoring 4th Day Group: TBD

Walk 468 - Oct 6-9

Greene Family Camp, Bruceville, TX Sponsoring 4th Day Group: TBD

Central Texas Emmaus 2022 Men's Walks Walk 466 - Sep 8-11

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

Walk 469 - Oct 20-23

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

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
Pass It On	Women	Monday 1st & 3rd	5:15 PM		full	Linda Lindell	(512) 863-8161	Lindell108@gmail.com
The GoFourthers	Women	Monday	5:00 PM	St John UMC Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	hnrylucas@aol.com
Soul Sisters	Women	Thursday 2nd & 4th	1:00 PM	Sun City	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 Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:00 AM	Barbara Knorre Home	Closed - Full	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	bknorre@suddenlink.net
Grace Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	FUMC, room 301	open	Nancy Marsh	(512) 864-6501	nmarshtx@earthlink.net
Saturday Sisters	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market, Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johnson	(512) 636-5572	meolitx@gmail.com
Wesleyan Women	Women	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Zoom	open	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	1 st and 3 rd Tuesday	3:00 PM	ZOOM	open	Robert Miles	(512) 656-3313	milesrm71@gmail.com
Eye of the Storm	Men	Saturday	7:00 AM	Mariachis De Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	ksommerville@yahoo.com