

Upper Room Emmaus

Of the Greater Fredericksburg Area

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UPCOMING EMMAUS WEEKENDS

| <u>Walk #</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Weekend Lay Director</u> |
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| E-80 (M) | Oct 21- 24, 2010 | Mike Remington |
| E-81 (W) | Nov 18 – 21, 2010 | Gerri Bartman |

Emmaus Manuals & Booklets :

Emmaus Manuals & Booklets will now be available for purchase or loan at the Gatherings. They will be on display during the Fellowship time where the snacks are set up. For further information see Rich Thode – Manuals Coordinator.

Help Wanted

The Fredericksburg Emmaus Community is looking for volunteers to fill several vacant coordinator positions, (please see the Volunteer Page). The Supplies Coordinator position is now open. If you are interested in serving in any capacity, please contact Becky Thode at beckythode@comcast.net.

The next Gatherings (Second Saturday of each month)

June 12th First Christian Church

Fourth Day Speaker will be Chris Campbell

July 10th TBD

August 14th TBD

August 14th Fourth Day Follow Up..... TBD

Training from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Fellowship at 3:30 pm Gathering at 4:00 pm Board will meet at 1:30 pm

Please bring snack food to share during fellowship time

We are looking for churches to host Gatherings for 2010. If you are your church's Point of Contact for hosting, please email our ACLD Dick Barnett at k4guj@aol.com so arrangements can be made."

Do you want to team in the Fall of 2010?

Submit an application now! You can download a form from fredwalk.com or contact the team registrar at k4guj@aol.com. New community members will need to submit an application and be sure to attend the 4th Day Follow-Up in August 2010.

Thoughts from the Community Lay Director...

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their prayers and support over the last year during my term as the Community Lay Director. True to the Emmaus way, serving in this capacity has definitely been a year of “out-of-my-comfort-zone” experiences. As much as I look forward to my return to “grunt” status (I LOVE being a grunt ☺), I have had the unique opportunity to see, firsthand, the willingness of so many individuals to serve others within the community. The number of people who perform regular, behind-the-scenes tasks is amazing and encouraging, and I am blessed to see God working through so many. As my term ends, I leave confident that God is in control of this special ministry we call Emmaus. I pray that the community will continue to support and encourage the new board.

The new board will begin to serve the Community on July 1. Board members, with the dates of each individual’s term, are listed below. Names marked with an asterisk are newly elected members. Please pray for their service to our community.

DeColores☺
Becky Thode

2011

Tom Britt
Jennifer McDaniel
Ava Hanger*
Mike McDonald
Ken Roark*

2012

Joe Reed
Spence O’Conner
Cam Noden
Judy Britt
Dick Barnett

2013

Greg Akers*
Mike Remington*
George Masten*
Dawn Kendall*
Carol Burke*

Now Forming

The board is forming a new Financial Advisory Committee to study and advise the board concerning the financial needs of the community. This committee will study the requirements necessary to comply with the nonprofit status we hold, as well as other financial concerns that may arise. If you have experience you can offer to this committee, please contact George Masten, who will chair the committee. Thanks in advance for your service!

Write for new Emmaus and Chrysalis Devotionals

Calling all devotional writers! (And even those of you who do not consider yourselves writers but have a story to tell . . .)

Upper Room Books is creating two new undated devotional booklets for Emmaus (*Fourth Day Forward*) and Chrysalis (*Taking Flight*). We need your help!

The booklets will each be based on the 15 Talk topics from the Walks and the Flights (see below). Which one could you write about?

- Daily meditations should be 150-250 words long.
- May include scripture verse or suggested text (state version of Bible used)
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Deadline: July 1, 2010 or before.

Email to Robin Pippin at rpippin@gbod.org or mail to Robin Pippin, Upper Room Books, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, TN 37212.

** If we choose to use your meditation, we will notify you before publication.

EMMAUS TOPICS for *Fourth Day Forward*

Priority
Prevenient Grace
Priesthood of All Believers
Justifying Grace
Piety
Grow through Study
Means of Grace
Christian Action
Obstacles to Grace
Discipleship
Changing Our World
Body of Christ
Sanctifying Grace
Perseverance
Fourth Day

CHRYSALIS TOPICS for *Taking Flight*

Ideals
God Designed You
Faith
God Loves You
Prodigal
Communication through Prayer
Christian Growth through Study
God's Gift to You
Marriage
God Sustains You
Christian Action
Single Life
God Empowers You
Priesthood of All Believers
Next Steps

Some Tips for Writing:

- Devotional writing should *invite* people to come closer to God.
- Devotional writing should tell about *real* experiences of *real* people who are struggling to apply their faith to daily life.
- Devotional writing should express only *one main idea*. It should leave one memorable image with the reader.
- Devotional writing should lead persons into *further conversation with God* after they finish reading the meditation.
- Your *journal* can be a great source of devotional writing because it records your real thoughts about your experiences.

Thanks for sharing your gifts with Chrysalis and Emmaus!

Please pray for:

Phyllis Howze as she goes through testing for cancer

Joe Neiswander's recovery (returning to work FT 5/10)

Adel - more involved in church (stepping out of comfort zone) 1-6 grade

Marcy's son Larry looking for house, living with Marcy

Holly - job situation

Comfort for the Clark family

Walsh - direction

Travel mercies

Job concerns

Education direction for Tony

Job - need one

Improved marriage

91 year old grandpa

Michelle & Jonathan - their marriage

Michelle's health

Jimi Stefl - He finds God

Shelly - finds God

Chip & Katie - New job for Chip and smooth relocation

Phillip & Tina - handle Jordan's permit to drive

Jordan - Ben Lindsay unsaved

Jake - future pilgrims

Carely & (illegible)

Unsaved

Joe, Al & Charlie for a more

Christian walk

Healthy baby for Derek & Sarah

Peace for Beach family & friends

Lynda - Peace, acceptance, love

Marriages

Jill & Lynn

For our son's return from Iraq this month

Phyllis Howe

Connie & John Garman

My son Charles & his family

Daphne's leg

New Board members

George to learn to say no

Phyllis - testing for cancer

Daphne - pain in left side

George to say no sometimes

Beach family & friends

Lynda - choir director, peace, acceptance, love

Jill & Lynn - marriages

Unsaved family & friends

Brothers

Healthy baby for Derek & Sarah

Free hope Community

Mission trip to Cusco Peru - July FE 80 & 81

Wilford - medical procedure

John & Christopher

Dr Henderson's mother - illness

Paul's health - Physical & emotional

(illegible) 5/9

Mother's

Hanover Epiphany 21

Shelly Sine

The Holts

Carol Curtis, Wilfred & Mary, John, Christopher, Joyce Dagie, Maranatha

Daughter who lost job

For healing

Daughter & grandchildren coming from Germany

All unborn babies

Linda Vanselow - will be having stomach surgery 05/24. Recovery & healing

Michelle - for thinking before she speaks

SOLs for students next week

Mary Maher, Mary & Wilfred Usher

Diane Phillips for kidney

Matthew Curtis has to wear a helmet for his neck

Nancy Clarke lost her Dachshund

Peggy Clarke's brother-in-law

DeAnne - work situation

Dennis & DeAnne - God's direction on move

Brother Chris & wife (illegible)

Ralph (illegible) for work

Michael having surgery, long recovery, financial worries

Niece Rondi, backslidden

Direction/provision for my ministry

Cambell's move

Travel mercies

Brother Ged

Prison ministry

Kevin - Child with mental problems

Rondi - Masters degree

Amy's trip

The victims of the flood in TN

All those working to halt the oil spill in the Gulf Coast

Our Pastor Willie Guill & family during the transition to his new church

Jobs for Wesley & Eric

Unsaved

Safety for Jeff and rest of crew

Surgery for Lynn 05/24

Daughter/Son-in-law Campbell Jennifer/Hunter

Roy grimes - healing

Alberta's health

Revival at Lake Anna Community Fellowship

Emmaus Board

Please give praises for:

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| Matt's health | Amanda Curtis is bringing my granddaughter by for me to see |
| E 80 & 81 | For a successful surgery |
| New pilgrim fellowship | HE 21 Hanover Epiphany |
| Kenneth – Nephew wants to be saved | Baby Gavin – No more blood on brain |
| Me – Muscle issues | Ben Bagget – critically injured, regaining conciseness |
| The beautiful world He has created for us | Jake – Epiphany sail ministry |
| The walkers of Emmaus 79 | Ashley healing from surgery |
| Rondi | Changes in lives because of E78 & 79 |
| Chris Fair's recovery | Conquering fear |
| Chris Fair's son Nathan comes home from Iraq in 9 days! Praise God! | Healthy kids |
| Chris Fair's leg healed | Food and a place to live |
| New house | To be able to live a life in piety |
| New Heart Havens Home started building Thursday | Will be talking on 05/26 to Dr. for possible kidney transplant |
| Nathan coming home from Iraq | John's OK in CA |
| To be back on two feet (and two wheels ☺) | Matt is cancer free |
| Work has picked up | |

From the Community Spiritual Director

This month we will be celebrating Memorial Day. Melbourne, Australia is the home of the Shrine of Remembrance, a war memorial honoring those who died for their country. Built following World War I, it has been expanded to honor those who served in subsequent conflicts. It's a beautiful place, with reminders of courage and devotion, but the highlight of the shrine is a hall with a carved stone that reads, "Greater Love Hath No Man", taken from John 15:13.

We honor the memory of those who paid the ultimate price for freedom with a national holiday. Yet the words on that stone carry a greater meaning. Jesus spoke them the night before He died on the cross for the sins of a needy world. His death was not for freedom from political tyranny but freedom from the penalty of sin. His death was not just to give us a better life, but to give us eternal life. It is important to remember those who have given their lives for our country this Memorial Day---but may we never forget to praise and honor Christ who died for a dying world. Truly, there is no greater love than this.

Remember, the cross of Christ is the supreme evidence of the love of God.

From an old soldier---DeColores!

Tom Britt

Community Volunteers & Board of Directors

Community Lay Director **Becky Thode***
Lead Gatherings & Candlelight, Host Weekend Sponsors' Hour/Closing, Chair Emmaus Board & Assign Nominating Committee Coordinator

Assistant Community Lay Director **Dick Barnett***
Gathering Location Coordinator & Chair Pilgrim/Team Selection Committee

Community Spiritual Director **Tom Britt***
Board Spiritual Director..... **Joe Reed***
Board Spiritual Director..... **Rick Dillard***

Treasurer **Mike McDonald***

Secretary **Jennifer McDaniel***
Manuals Coordinator **Rich Thode**
Records/By-Laws Historian..... **Rich Thode**

Communications Coordinator **Vacant**
Website Administrator..... **Dennis Warne**
Newsletter **Brooke Ferguson**
Database Coordinators..... **Bill Moore, Dennis Warne & Dick Barnett**
Team Registrar **Dick Barnett**
Pilgrim Registrars..... **Ralph Thomas**

Gathering Support Coordinator **Jane Carwell**
Community Music Director **Lola McDonald**
Community Baker **Kitti Mann**
Childcare Coordinator **Vacant**
Music Coordinator for Gatherings **Lola McDonald**
Music Equipment Coordinator..... **Vacant**

Weekend Support Coordinator..... **Vacant**
Comm. Cha Coordinator..... **Richard Warner**
General Agape Coordinator **Monica Warne**
Prayer Vigil Coordinators..... **Daphne & George Masten**
Placemat Coordinator **Margaret Filler**
Snack Agape Coordinator **Rich Thode**
Agape Bag Coordinator **Diana Farrar**
Transportation Coordinator..... **Vacant**
Supplies Coordinator **Vacant**
Name Badge Coordinator **Steve Makely**
Fourth Day Packets..... **Wilfred and Mary Usher**
Fourth Day Coordinator..... **Dick Barnett**
Reunion Group Coordinator..... **Sandy Crossley**

***Board Members** (Serving on the Board July 1, 2009- June 30, 2010)
Judy Britt* **Maria Fortune*** **Tony Fortune*** **George Mastin***
Cam Noden* **Spence O'Connor*** **Randy Ross***

Active Reunion Groups in the Fredericksburg Emmaus Community

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| His Footprints Phyllis Howze | Various schedule: call for time and meeting place 540-582-6739 |
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| SUN | Bethel UMC Men's Group | 7:30 am | |
| | Bethel UMC Brian Lewis: | Woodbridge, Va 703-590-9343 | bb3253@aol.com |

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| TUESDAY | Pastor's Weekly Meeting | 7:30 am | |
| | Call for location Mark Dunn | 540-786-4025 | |
| | Great Is Thy Faithfulness | 7:30 pm | |
| | Prince of Peace UMC Lloyd Biller | Manassas, Va 703-590-1512 | |
| | Lakeside Group (Men) | 8:00 pm | |
| | Lake of the Woods Vic Larson | Call for location 540-972-1928 | |

Are you interested in joining or starting a new reunion group?

Call Sandy Crossley at 703-221-6977 or email her at slcrossley13@verizon.net

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| WED | Lord's Lions & Lambs Group | 6:00 pm | |
| | First Christian Church Gary Staddan | 540-373-7716 | first.christian.church@verizon.net |

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| THURSDAY | His Joyful Croakers | 9:00 am | |
| | Hillcrest UMC June Riel | 540-710-5949 | |
| | His Seekers (Women) | 7:30 pm | |
| | Home of Jane Carwell Sandy Crossley Jane Carwell | Woodbridge, Va 703-221-6977 703-969-4019 | tjcarwell@yahoo.com |
| | Amazing Grace Group | 8:30 pm | |
| | Hillcrest UMC Ed McAdam | 540-898-3625 | emcadam@cox.net |
| | Rainbow Group (Women) | 10:00 am | (Alternate Thursdays) |
| | Lake of the Woods Barbara Miller | Call for location 540-972-7418 | |

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| FRIDAY | Koinonia Group (Women) | 9:00 am | |
| | Lake of the Woods Barbara Larson | Call for location 540-972-1928 | |

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From I-95: Take Exit 130-A heading East on Route 3 and follow under the Route 1 Overpass. Turn left at the next light onto William St. Continue on William thru three lights before turning left onto Washington Ave at the Old City & Confederate Cemetery. First Christian Church will be three blocks down on your right.