

Upper Room Emmaus of the Greater Fredericksburg Area

# EMMAUS 2017

August 2017

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## Upcoming Walks

FE-107 (M)  
Sept 21-24, 2017  
Gregg Snyder

FE-108 (W)  
Oct 26-29, 2017  
Jennifer Taylor

FE-109 (M)  
March 22-25, 2018  
Butch Farley

FE-110 (W)  
April 19-22, 2018  
Judy Britt

FE-111 (M)  
Nov 1-4, 2018

FE-112 (W)  
Nov 15-18, 2018

Melrose UMC  
1317 Lewissetta Rd.  
Lottsburg, VA 22511

## Gatherings

Take Route 3 East from I-95 for 3 miles. Take the exit for US-17/VA-2 which is on the right. After 5 miles, turn left onto US-17 and continue for 40 miles. Turn left onto US-360 (Queen Street) and continue for 18 miles. Turn right onto Northumberland way (still US-360) and continue for 2 miles. Turn left onto Lewissetta Rd. The church is less than a mile down on the left.

- The Board meets at 2:00 pm
- Bring snacks to share during Fellowship time at 3:30 pm
- Gatherings start at 4:00 pm

**August 12th:**  
Melrose UMC  
**Sept 9th:**  
Hillcrest UMC

If your church can host a gathering, please  
email the CLD John Mann at  
[slowjet@outlook.com](mailto:slowjet@outlook.com)

## “Volunteer or Minister”

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

At the July Board meeting, we discussed Community Volunteer positions. If you look in the back of the Newsletter each month, in addition to the 15 members of the Board, you’ll see 26 other volunteer positions, some filled, some not. The Board hasn’t really reviewed them in quite some time and we feel the time to do so is now. So in the next month or two, we plan on looking closely at what needs to be done in the Community and making any adjustments to this list of positions as may be warranted.

Our approach will likely be to have members of the Board responsible for broad categories of support and invite Community members to participate within those categories. This might look something like a Board member as a Communication Coordinator with Community support for the website/Facebook/Instagram, the Newsletter, and the database administrator.

A few years back, an associate Pastor of my church refused to use the word volunteer when talking about positions in the church. Her point was that we are all gifted by God and as disciples,

it is our calling to use those gifts to His glory. We may be invited to serve but we do so not as volunteers but as ministers, active members of the Body of Christ. I’ve seen this described such that volunteers give what they can out of their leftovers, but ministers give their best, their first fruits, to God’s plan.

Think back to your Walk. There were about 30 members of the team that you saw and interacted with. However, The Upper Room® estimates that there are likely 95 or more people involved in putting an Emmaus Walk together when you consider the Team, the prayer chains, Pilgrim and Team registrars, Board, and a myriad of other duties.

The message here is that we need you. We need active members of the Body of Christ. So if you are invited to serve in some way, please prayerfully consider saying yes. The tasks will not be overly burdensome, moreover, you will be blessed in this service.

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John Mann

Fredericksburg UMC, FE-029, Table of Luke  
Community Lay Director

In his letter to the church at Philippi, Paul wrote: “If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus” (Phil 2:1-5 NRSV).

In about 8 weeks, the Fall men’s weekend FE 107 will begin (September 21-24). A few weeks later, the Fall women’s weekend FE 108 (October 26-29) will take place. It may seem that those weekends are far in the future, but those intervening weeks go by so quickly as teams begin to meet and prepare. Please be in prayer for the leadership and all team members as they prepare. Also please be in prayer for those pilgrims that God will invite to the weekends. And please be in prayer to discern ways in which God will call you to participate in and support those weekends. As John Mann, our Community Lay Director, points out in his article, “The message here is that we need you. We need active members of the Body of Christ. So if you are invited to serve in some way, please prayerfully consider saying yes. The tasks will not be overly burdensome, moreover, you will be blessed in this service.”

As we as a community prepare for FE 107 and FE 108, may we remember Paul’s words. May we share in the one Spirit; may we be of the same mind and have the same love; may we be humble and look to the interests of others. May our fourth day witness be one of love and unity with one another in Christ.

“And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love  
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.”

Hope to see you at Melrose UMC on August 12!

Rosemary Blankenship

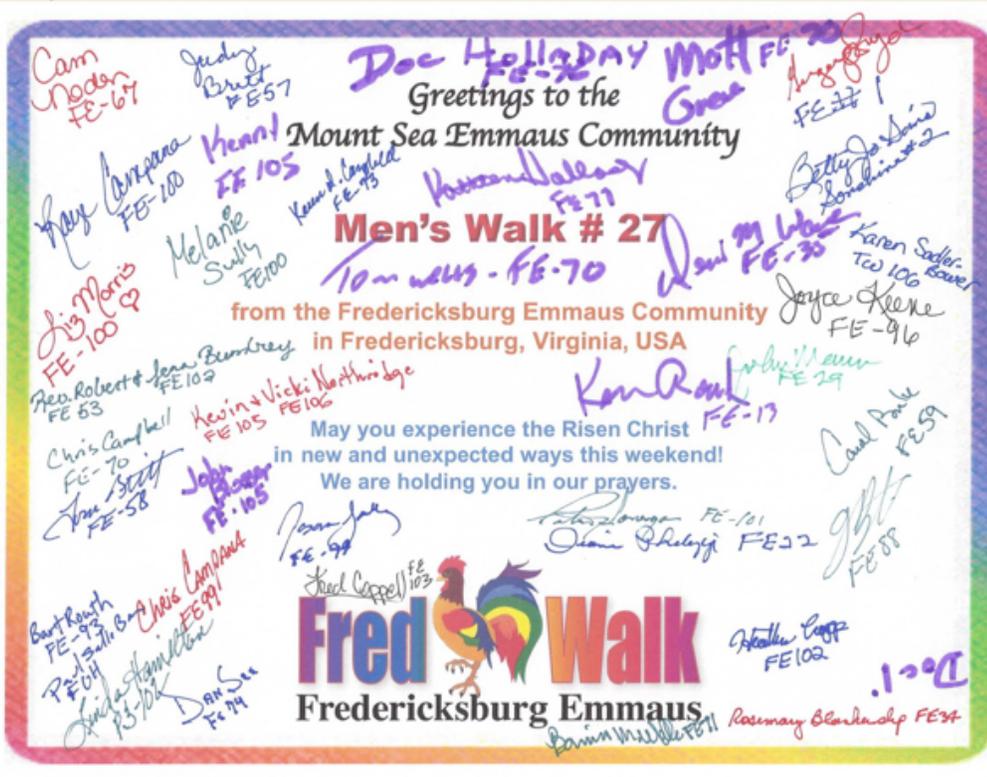
Community Spiritual Director

FE 34

Table of Faithfulness

Dear Fredericksburg Emmaus Clergy, if you have any questions about the clergy training opportunities that were listed in last month’s newsletter, please contact Rosemary Blankenship at [rcbe34@hotmail.com](mailto:rcbe34@hotmail.com).

Clergy training is required for all that are serving as Community Spiritual Directors and Spiritual Directors. It is also highly recommended for those who would be considered in these roles in the future, for those who may need a refresher, and for any laity who may want to know about the roles and responsibilities of the community and weekend clergy roles and the theology presented on the events.

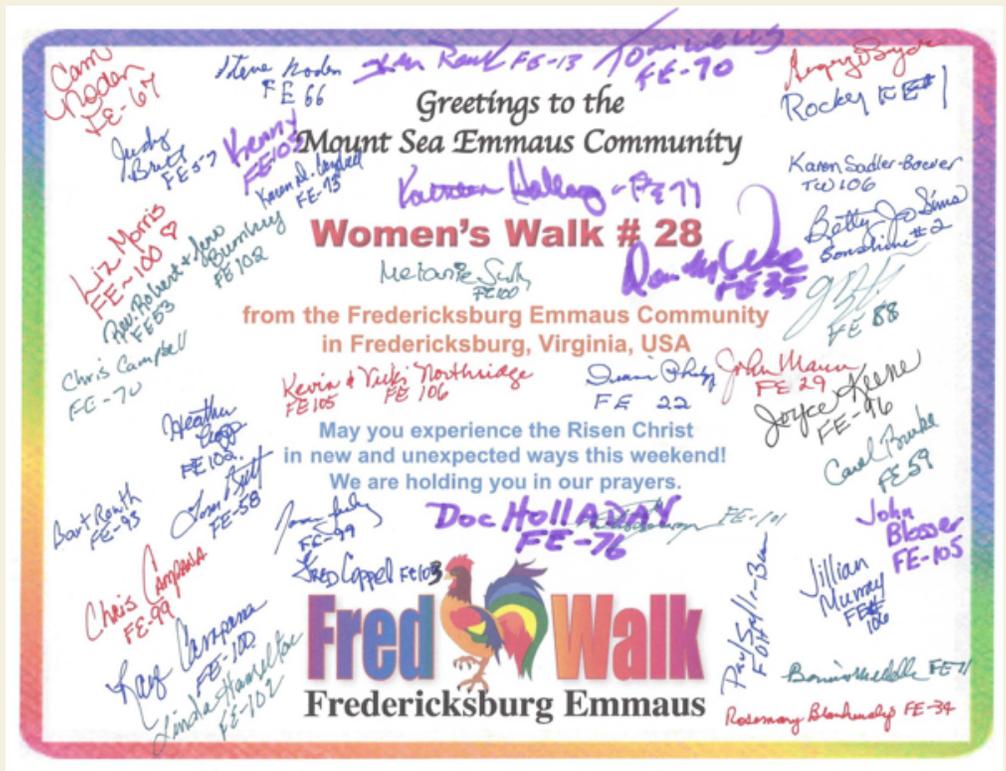


**Community Agape**

**Mount Sea Emmaus,  
George, South Africa.**

**Men's Walk #27  
August 3-6, 2017**

**Women's Walks #28,  
August 10-13, 2017**



Kathleen Holladay – successful back surgery

Kathleen H. – surgery

Diane Harvey w/terminal liver CA & her family

Linda Wilson recovering from back surgery

FredCamp

The unsaved

Pastors

Tom Britt – fighting cancer

Sharon McDouvell – cancer

Sharon S. medical tests for AFB & find medicine to help heart rhythm

Prayer for new church service beginning in September

Ella Margaret Vorce Johnston age 102.5 YAA!

Decision on Face-to-Face

Nancy Clemens 4 healing

Prayer for Jan McClain and her family on the death of her husband Paul (FE-053) this morning.

Prayers for those with mental illness

Praise for the FredCampers!!

Face-to-Face

Praise; God is Great! We sold our home to the buyer we prayed for. Too many God moments to list here. Chris & Raye

Prayers for Tracey & Natalie Lundsford

FE107/108 Pilgrims and Team Members

Rob & Brittany Ryon – healthy pregnancy

Health, Community, Church Leadership, FE-107, FD-108

Family of Sterling Hall

Family of Doreen Ireland

Rhett & Mary Anne Lowery & Family

Ann Lloyd & Family

Praise + Prayer for Sully Family

Jason's daily radiation (Mo-Fr 10:15)

Prayers for my wife, Rochelle, as she heals from back surgery

Bonnie Wells – seeking new job

Christians being persecuted throughout the world

Dianne Philipp – Medical Issues

Ellen Coppell – Death of mother, healing from Fibro and new medication, and suffering from bipolar disorder and is now under a new regimen of care – prayers that it doesn't get worse

Healing from ear infection

Heather Copp – Cast off on July 18th, next surgery to remove screws coming up, finances after injury and prayers for spiritual growth

Jason and Melanie Sully

Jason Sully – Please continue to pray for me as I go through radiation treatment at VCU, in Richmond, through August 16th.

Kathleen Holladay – Successful back surgery and healing

Lisa Green – Healing from surgery on July 18

Mason Morris – Safe keeping while deployed to dangerous area in Middle East (Al & Debbie Bliss grandson)

Our children and their marriages

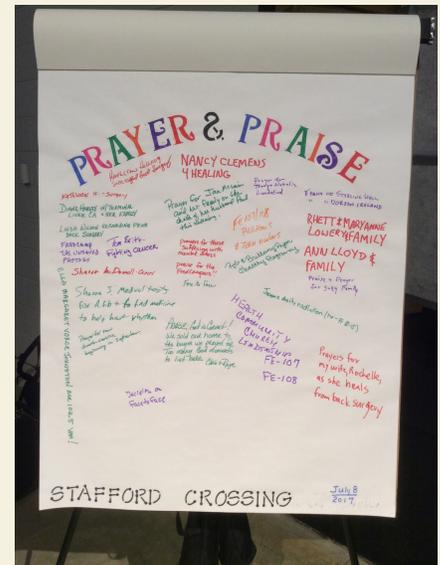
Pilgrims and Teams for FE-107 and FE-108

Rochelle – Healing

Sharon – Health issues

Tracy and Natalie Lunceford

Betty Jo Sims – Praise for my new job to enable me to do ministry full time!



## Board of Directors:

### Class of 2017

Bonnie Wells

Beth McBride

Dan See

Betty Jo Sims (SD)

Gregg Snyder

### Class of 2018

Rosemary Blankenship (CSD)

Tammi Ellis

Matt Green

John Mann (CLD)

Chris Silkensen (Treasurer)

### Class of 2019

Chris Campbell (ACLD)

Butch Farley

Joyce Keene (Secretary)

Vonda LiCalzi

Randy McCollum (SD)

## Volunteers Needed

Please contact John Mann at [slowjet@outlook.com](mailto:slowjet@outlook.com) if you are interested in helping the Emmaus community through any of the following various volunteer positions listed.

## Prayer Requests:

To send a prayer request to our **daily internet prayer chain**, email

Debbie Bliss at [dhbliss@cox.net](mailto:dhbliss@cox.net) or [fredemmausprayers@yahoo.com](mailto:fredemmausprayers@yahoo.com)

To become a **Daily Prayer Warrior**, email

Chris Campbell at [chris@ewg.org](mailto:chris@ewg.org)

## Community Volunteers:

Communications Support Coordinator: Mary Lee Hensel

Website & Database Administrator: Chris Campbell

Newsletter: Brooke Ferguson

Daily Prayer Chain Coordinator: Debbie Bliss

Fourth Day Support Coordinator: OPEN

Fourth Day Advisory Committee: Mary Lee Hensel & OPEN

Fourth Day Follow-Up Coordinator: Gregg Snyder Reunion

Group Coordinator: OPEN

Team Selection Committee: Gregg Snyder

Team Registrars: Chris & Karen Campbell

Pilgrim Registrar: Debbie Bliss

Gathering Support Coordinator: Mary Lee Hensel

Hospitality Coordinator: OPEN

Music/Equipment Coordinator: Mitch Mitchell

Weekend Support Coordinator: Debbie Bliss

Community Servant Coordinator: Doc Holladay

Community Baker: Kitti Mann

Supplies/Transportation Coordinators:

Chris & Karen Campbell

Prayer Vigil Coordinator: OPEN

Placemat Coordinator: Mary Lee Hensel

Snack Agape Coordinator: OPEN

Agape Bag Coordinator: Karen Campbell

Name Badge Coordinators:

Gary Adkins & Dianna Wells

Fourth Day Packets: OPEN

Are you interested in joining or starting a new reunion group?  
 Email Chris Wells at [cdwells50@gmail.com](mailto:cdwells50@gmail.com)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
Bethel UMC Men's Group 7:30 am Bethel UMC Woodbridge, Va POC: Brian Lewis 703-590-9343 bb3253@aol.com	Ladies in Waiting Meets every other Monday in Falmouth POC: Vonda LiCalzi 540-446-2682	Lord's Lions & Lambs Group 6:00 pm First Christian Church POC: Mike Remington 540-373-7716 first.christian.church@verizon.net	His Joyful Croakers 9:00 am Hillcrest UMC POC: June Riel 540-710-5949
St. Matthias Reunion Group 1st Sunday of each month 12:15 - 1:30 pm St. Matthias Social Hall POC: Tammi Ellis	Rainbow Group (Women) First Monday of month 10:00 am Lake of the Woods Location varies POC: Barbara Miller 540-972-7418	Great Is Thy Faithfulness 7:30 pm Prince of Peace UMC Manassas, Va POC: Lloyd Biller 703-590-1512	His Seekers (Women) 7:30 pm Home of Jane Carwell POC: Sandy Crossley 703-221-6977 POC: Jane Carwell 703-969-4019 <a href="mailto:tjcarwell@yahoo.com">tjcarwell@yahoo.com</a>

**Application Fee** \$25 – Due when you submit the completed application. If this fee is not included with the application the application will not be counted as valid until fee is received.

**Sponsorship Fee** \$200 – Due, (not mailed, but in the Treasurer's hands), no later than one week before the Walk, but preferably earlier. It is not acceptable to bring the Sponsorship Fee on the night the Walk starts.

A check must be written to Camp Happyland the morning of the Walk and is deposited the next day. Therefore, for Emmaus to be good stewards and to be in line with strong business practices, you must send your fees in a minimum of one week before the walk.

**Team Fee** - \$200 – Due, (not mailed, but in Treasurer's hands), no later than one week before the Walk, but preferably earlier. It is preferable that this is given to the Board Rep, for your Walk, during teaming.

**Mail to:** - All payments, applications, fees, correspondence, etc... should be mailed to P.O. Box 42094, Fredericksburg, VA 22404