

The Walk Way

Eastern Shore Emmaus



NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY GATHERING - DECEMBER 8, 2012** AT WOODBURY UMC GATHERING AT 5:30 P.M. FOLLOWED BY PRAISE AND WORSHIP AT 6:30 P.M.!
- **EASTERN SHORE CHRYSALIS BOARD MEETING - DECEMBER 18, 2012, 7:00 p.m.** at Mears Memorial UMC, Keller, VA
- **Newsletter articles DUE for January's Walk Way— December 20, 2012. PLEASE DON'T BE LATE!!!!**
- **EASTERN SHORE EMMAUS BOARD MEETING - December 17, 2012, 7:00 p.m.** at Woodberry UMC, Gargatha, VA.
- **"Northern Shore" Emmaus Gathering** – Third Saturday of the month: **Saturday, December 15, 2012, 6:00 p.m.** Covered Dish and 7:00 Praise and Worship @ College Parkway Baptist Church, 301 College Parkway, Arnold MD 21012.

The end of the year. Where did the time go? It seems like the year 2012 just got started and has gone by oh too quickly. The year was, in a way quiet yet very busy. There were four beautiful walks, each one unique in its own way yet different with the Holy Spirit leading every step of the way. The doors were opened for the sheep to enter and God as always was waiting to receive them. Many burdens were left behind as we nailed them to the cross and left them behind us forever.

As we go forward in to the next year let us reflect back through the years and remember all that have walked on the glorious road that we are traveling. Think of the rest of the community members that were with you on your walk. Remember what almost all of us said at closing and how we wanted to give back to those that would walk in the future. Are there some of us that have forgotten what our words were? It is not too late to be a part that joy of serving someone else. as you were served on your weekend.

Don't forget about all the agape that you received and take the time to write some for the spring walks. Show up for the special events that happen during the weekend and let the new pilgrims see the face of Jesus in you as you saw it when you walked. Sponsor a pilgrim and lead them to our Savior just as someone took the time to lead you. If you are a past lay director or a past table leader, take some time to call a few that we have not seen in a while and invite them back to join us.

With the year ending, I would first like to thank God for having faith in me to fulfill the position. I would like to thank all of the board members for making my job easy. Your support and guidance kept me in check. I would also like to thank Gail Deans and Bo Kelley for stepping up to the plate three years ago to serve on the board. They will be missed. Last but not least thanks to the community for three support with all the walks and gatherings that happened during the year.

And please do not forget Mary Grace and Jon Woodburn for all the time and effort that they put in to bringing you the newsletter each and every month. Even when the articles are late arriving, they still provide without complaint.

The next gathering will be at Woodbury UMC in Gargatha starting with food and fellowship at 530 and praise and worship at 630.

The next board meeting will be on December 17th at Woodbury UMC starting at 700pm. All new board members are invited to attend.

DeColores!
Sam Whipps
Community Lay Director





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A Word from our Spiritual Director

As Christmas rapidly approaches, many thoughts come to mind in describing the Savior's birth. Peace, Joy, Hope, Light, and Salvation are just a few of the words that help in defining the meaning of Christmas. Generally, these words are used every day, but the depth of these words take on a greater and fuller meaning when tied to the Gospel of Christ.

Jesus alone brings everlasting peace to the soul that believes. Even though the Christian may be tried on various fronts, there is a peace from God that surpasses all understanding. Christ also ushers in

Joy to the downtrodden soul. Certainly times of disappointment arise such as sickness, loss of job, and death to name a few. However, our Joy in the Lord remains firm. Even though happiness is fleeting, Joy remains in the heart knowing God is in control and that He will wipe away every tear.

Lastly, Salvation in the context of the Gospel is the most precious thought of all. Considering the Holiness and Justice of God, it is simply amazing how He receives even the worst of all sinners and transforms them into Saints. The Salvation of the Lord is, without a doubt, the most marvelous

gift of all. The Bible says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God..." (Ephesians 2:8). And also, "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Corinthians 5:21).

What a magnificent package Christmas is when it is fully unwrapped.

With Grace,

Your Community Spiritual Director,

Steve



I would like to start with a big thank you to our Chrysalis Board for the work and support that they have done for me and our community this year. I am also very grateful for this Eastern Shore Community and the Emmaus Board for all their support during this stressful year. We are in a time when our youth are pulled in too many directions with school, sports, friends, and the chaos of life. However, I feel with our hard work, we have been able to serve our Lord by showing our youth what Chrysalis is about. I am sorry to say that we do not have enough applications to have a Flight in our community. **BUT**, we do have a few girls

and I am still trying to find a couple of boys to go on a Flight in Tidewater on Jan. 19. The Board will be responsible in getting the youth to and from the Flight which is at the Triple R Ranch. I know that Our Lord will show our youth how special He is and in turn, they will return and become a strong core group for our community. What better way can we present Chrysalis than by youth themselves. The applications for this flight have to be in by Dec. 15 and we have three girls that want to go. If you know of others; especially a couple of boys, please let the Board know as soon as possible.

I would like to wish

everyone a very Merry Christmas. I would also ask everyone to not get wrapped up in the commercialism of this holiday and remember the real reason of this time. The birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, is the real reason for us to celebrate. It is through Him all things are possible.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Your Brother in Christ,

Gordon Ward Jr.

Chrysalis Lay Director



Fly with Christ!

Outreach

Greetings brothers & sisters,
Even though there is but one walk in December, we can include in our prayers our up-coming walks in the spring. Its never too early. Pray for the teams and the pilgrims that God chooses to send. Pray without ceasing and perhaps God will lay it on your heart to sponsor a pilgrim.

Be the workers that go into His harvest field to touch the souls of the people in need of Christ.
Matt. 9:38

DeColores

Barbara Taunitas

December 13 - December 16, 2012

La Resurreccion Emmaus Community
Women's Walk #2
Kissimmee, Florida
, Texas



NOVEMBER ELECTION RESULTS!!!

Thank you for voting and congratulations to the newest members of the Eastern Shore Emmaus Board. The following members of the community will be serving you for the next three years::

- * Kendy Allen
- * Charlayne Deickman
- * Rick Deans

- * John Sutton
- * Rev. Derek Tomek

Be sure to hold these new members and the current members of the ES Board in daily prayer.

Thank you to those who will be leaving the Board this year after serving so faithfully!!



Congratulations!!!!

IN HIS PRESENCE ES#85

In His Presence, ES85, started years before when my husband said that he knew where to find me in Heaven: next to Jesus. When I saw a painting of a woman at Jesus' feet, I knew that would be the banner. Luke 10:42, comes from the story of Martha and Mary when Jesus told Martha: "Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." For years I had spent countless hours studying God's Word and being in His Presence, learning from the Master, just as Mary did in this story. When I received the devotional "Jesus Calling, Enjoying Peace In His Presence," the walk theme was born. "Hallelujah, God Is Here" by Travis Cottrell, was chosen to celebrate the Lord's Presence in our midst.

When I was asked to be Lay Director for this walk, I had a choice to make: celebrate our church's 50th Anniversary or serve on ES85. The Lord told me that it was more important to change lives than to celebrate past laurels. So ES85 it was.

The Lord blessed us with an awesome Leadership Team and an equally awesome team. Immediately, we felt the Lord's Presence, as well as the unity and synergy of the team. When two team members had to pull out the week of the Walk due to losses in the family, others stepped in to fill the void. We didn't skip a beat and everything went like clockwork. The Lord blessed us again with beautiful weather.

All the while the Lord was weaving a thread within the team, within the pilgrims, and among the team and pilgrims.

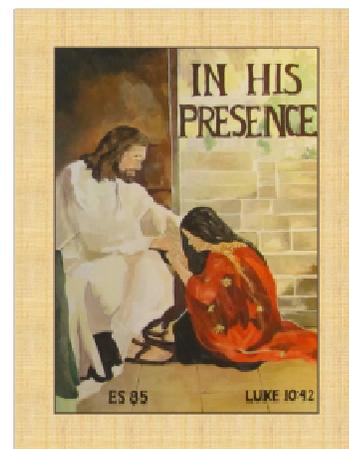
The personal testimonies touched our hearts, and the pilgrims were able to let go of heavy burdens and rejoice in the Lord. Relationships were enriched and love was evident everywhere, including Candlelighting and Rise and Shine. Lives were truly changed. The Lord was certainly present on ES85, and we give Him all the honor and glory.

We are proud to welcome all the pilgrims into the Emmaus family. You are truly loved. We are grateful to all who served the Lord and made this Walk so very special. May God bless each one of you.

IN HIS PRESENCE AND CHRIST'S LOVE,

Cheryl Mayfield

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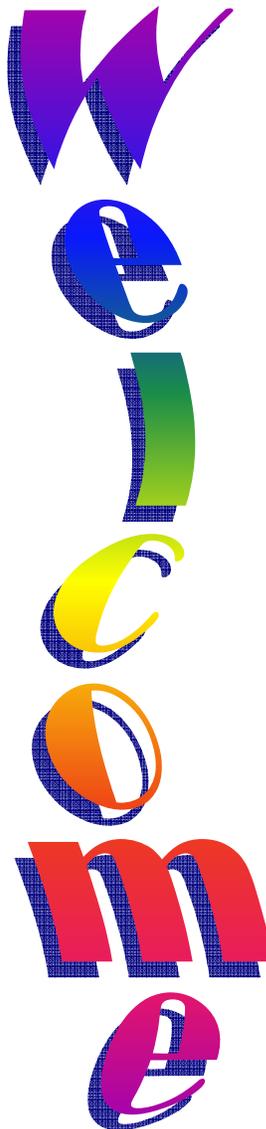
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Rosters and Prayer Chain



Prayer is a powerful gift.

If you have noticed errors in the current ***roster***, please contact Mary Grace Woodburn, send an e-mail to: easternshoreemmaus@yahoo.com, **or** send a note to P.O. Box 91, Franktown, VA 23354. Please send ANY updated information you may have such as addresses, marriages, or deaths. It is important to the community to keep the information as up to date as possible. Thank you!!!!

If you wish to be in-

cluded on the list for receiving prayer requests or if you are in need of prayer for yourself or someone you may know, you mail email me at: esemmausprayer@gmail.com.

All prayer requests will simply be stated as, "Please pray for Adam." No medical history, no personal information will be shared, God knows who we are praying for and what the need is. So if you are interested in being a prayer warrior, sign up today!

You may also request

to be a part of the **Eastern Shore Emmaus & Chrysalis** Facebook Page - for community only! Please make sure we know your walk number too, if possible!!!

Blessings to each of you,
Mary Grace Woodburn
Prayer Chain Coordinator

