

The Walk Way

Eastern Shore Emmaus



JULY DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY GATHERING - JULY 14, 2012** AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW CHURCH, VA. GATHERING AT 5:30 P.M. FOLLOWED BY PRAISE AND WORSHIP AT 6:30 P.M.!
- **EASTERN SHORE CHRYSALIS BOARD MEETING - JULY 17, 2011**, 7:00 p.m. at Mears Memorial UMC, Keller, VA
- **Newsletter articles DUE for August's Walk Way—July 20, 2012.**
- **EASTERN SHORE EMMAUS BOARD MEETING - July 23, 2012**, 7:00 p.m. at Woodberry UMC, Gargatha, VA.
- **“Northern Shore” Emmaus Gathering** – Third Saturday of the month: **Saturday, June 16, 2012**, 6:00 p.m. Covered Dish and 7:00 Praise and Worship @ College Parkway Baptist Church, 301 College Parkway, Arnold MD 21012
- **15 minimum Pilgrim Application Due Dates:** for the Men's Walk: August 3rd and for the Women's Walk August 17th. Get those applications in!

Independence Day / July Fourth

July Fourth is Independence Day. The day that we celebrate the freedom that our ancestors died for many years ago. Our grandfather, fathers, sisters and brothers have continued to die so that we have the right to choose our way of doing things. However, when the original battles took place, a very large part of what they were fighting for was the freedom to praise and worship our God. In almost every older government

building, not just in Washington but also in our founding states there is scripture written on the walls. I believe that these scriptures were the pivotal part of why we now live in the greatest country on earth. As our founding fathers fought for our freedom, they also prayed daily and put their beliefs in writing on the walls of the buildings that they built. Our founding fathers took counsel in the Lord. They gave us the freedom to worship Our God and they were proud of what they stood and fought for.

Proverbs 11:14 Where there is no counsel the people fall, But in the multitude of counselors there is safety.

Proverbs 19:20. Listen to counsel and receive instructions. That you may be wise in your latter days

Proverbs 19:21

There are many plans in a man's heart Nevertheless the Lords counsel – that will stand

As we go thru life do we take the time to seek counsel in the Lord? Do we talk to God and then wait to listen for an answer? We should, who can give better instructions than God can? Who will never give you the wrong answer? GOD!

As we have grown in the Lord we need to put all of our faith and trust in Him in everything that we do. In a meeting the other night, one of our church elders made a statement. What was said is something that we all need to think about. “When we make decisions in life we need to put our trust in the Lord, after all we put our trust in him with our soul`s and for our going to heaven why not with the small things that we deal with every day.” What better counsel can we have than our Creator? Who can we trust if we can`t trust Our God? We all need to give thanks that we have such an awesome God that looks over us and protects us no matter what we do. GIVE THANKS TO GOD. As we draw closer to our next walks, we need to consider several things before teaming. Can we make the commitment to attend all of the



teaming meetings? If you know, you are going to miss some meetings in the beginning maybe you should wait until the next walk. Are you willingly going to accept your given job assignment and put 100 percent effort into doing that job? Do you have enough faith to let God take control and guide you with your assignment?

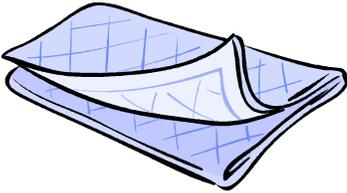
The deadline for teaming applications is July 14th.

We do still have deadlines for 15 pilgrims but based on the last walk`s, if the hands and feet of God don`t procrastinate the pilgrims will be plentiful. The date for 15 pilgrims for the men`s walk is August 3rd and the women`s is August 17th. The next gathering is at First Baptist Church in New Church Virginia on July 14th. Please don`t forget the 20th anniversary gathering on September 8th at St. Johns in Atlantic Virginia.

Hope to see you at the gathering!

Sam Whipps
Community Lay Director

A Message from the Community Spiritual Director



“Linus loves his security blanket. He just can’t let that blanket go!”



“...we are the sheep – and Jesus is our shepherd.”

Recently I preached a sermon on love. During the children’s time I used some Peanuts cartoons to illustrate the sermon. I talked about how Charlie Brown loves Snoopy and Snoopy loves Charlie Brown. Lucy loves Schroder. But Schroder loves his piano. Charlie Brown loves his friend, Lucy – even when she pulls the football away! And no one, except maybe his mother, loves Pig-Pen. Linus loves his security blanket. He just can’t let that blanket go!

Jesus talks about love in John. (NRSV John 15:12-15) ¹² *“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.*

Sometimes, it’s hard to love one another. It’s hard to love when we walk into a hospital room and see our loved one with IV’s

and tubes and wires going everywhere. It’s hard to love when we go to the nursing home and it smells bad. It’s hard to love when we disagree with a family member. Or with a fellow Christian. Or even our brothers and sisters in the Emmaus community!

During the season of Easter we heard stories about how Jesus is the vine and we are the fruit. About how we are the sheep – and Jesus is our shepherd. And we heard stories about people who don’t believe in the resurrection – the Doubting Thomases we all know. We heard stories about people who didn’t believe Jesus was really resurrected. Some people still aren’t sure about that story. Sometimes we call them “seekers” or “non-believers” or “un-churched.” Or “the lost” or even “sinners.” L But I believe, in some sense, that they too can be called “children of God.” Because God created them. Because God still loves them. And I believe that God wants us to love them, too.

In John, Jesus teaches the disciples knew that loving isn’t always easy. Loving is

hard. Loving is hard when we lose our security blanket and we still have to love. Even when we don’t know what that security blanket, that love will look like.

Just as Jesus talks about friendship in John 15:12-15 I also want to talk about friendship. Because the time has come that shortly, I will have to say farewell to so many of you who have become my friends, my teachers and my spiritual guides. I am being sent to a new church which is closer to family which I am happy about. But I am sad, too, because I will be far away from all of you, my friends. I did not anticipate this when I agreed to serve on the board. I will miss you all and I am sorry that I will not have the chance to team again with you any-time soon. But maybe sometime, in God’s plan.

So, for now, I will not say “good-bye” I will just say “it just gets better and better” and “De Colores!”

With love,

Bobbie Henley

Outreach

Brothers and sisters,
 Jesus said what ever you
 ask for in prayer, believe
 that you have received it
 and it will be yours.
 Please pray for these July
 walks so that lives can be
 changed and faith
 strengthened and re-
 newed. God always lis-
 tens.

De Colores,
 Barbara Taunitas

July 12-15
 Northwest Ohio Emmaus Liberty
 Center: Womens Walk # 75
 Hi-Sky Emmaus Midland
 Texas: Mens Walk # 48



During the week of June
 17- 23, I was in New
 Hampshire on a mission
 trip. We were helping fix a
 camp that is much like
 OOTB. It is a camp for
 youth. They come there to
 enjoy and to learn about
 Christ. We did God's work
 at that camp and we fixed
 and cleaned many build-
 ings. We were told that
 last year 98 youth gave
 their heart to Our Lord.
THAT IS WHY WE DID IT.

July 19-22
 New-Ark Area Emmaus
 Ohio: Womens Walk # 49
 Southwest Texas Conf. Board
 San Antonio: Womens Walk #1666
 Signal Mountain Emmaus Big
 Spring Tx : Mens Walk # 59
 Dallas Emmaus Rockwall
 Tx: Womens Walk # 240
 Central Illinois Springfield
 Il: Mens Walk # 242
 North Indiana Emmaus Colum-
 bia City: Womens Walk # 222
 Greater Dayton Emmaus Dayton
 Ohio: Womens Walk # 87
 Reynoldsburg Emmaus
 Ohio: Womens Walk # 90
 Riverino New South Wales Aus-
 tralia: Mens Walk # 41
 Maribyrnong North West Victo-
 ria Australia: Mens Walk # 29

July 26-29
 Maribyrnong North West Victo-

This is also why we need
 Chrysalis. Our board and
 community are trying to
 do God's work and
 strengthen our Chrysalis
 community for our youth.
 Whether one or 21, all our
 hard work is worth its
 weight in gold when we
 see our youth find God.
 We have a wonderful
 community of brothers
 and sisters in Christ and I
 know that our youth will
 see how much Jesus
 Christ is needed in their

ria Australia: Womens Walk #30
 Riverina New South Wales Aus-
 tralia: Womens Walk # 42
 Nebraska Emmaus Brule
 Neb: Mens Walk # 118
 Houston North Emmaus Com-
 munity Tx: Mens Walk # 68
 Golden Triangle Emmaus
 Tx: Womens Walk # 139
 Hi-Sky Emmaus Midland Tx:
 Womens Walk # 49



*Pray
 without
 ceasing!*

life. Let us all continue to
 work together and con-
 tinue to watch and listen
 for dates of upcoming
 RUSH's. Thank you com-
 munity for all you do.

Your Brother in Christ,

Gordon Ward Jr.

Chrysalis Lay Director





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Gatherings for the Remainder of 2012

June—Parksley UMC, Parksley

July 14 - First Baptist Church, New Church, VA

August 11- Trinity UMC, **Cape Charles**, VA

September 8 - St. John's UMC, Atlantic, VA

October 6 - Occohannock On the Bay

November 10 - Franktown UMC, Franktown VA

December 8 - Woodberry UMC, Gargatha, vA

