

Brazos Valley Emmaus Community March 2009 Newsletter

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Community News by Nancy Goodell



Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

What an honor and privilege it is to serve the Brazos Valley Emmaus Community as your new Community Law Director. I am humbled by the responsibility entrusted to me by the BVEC Board of Directors. This is going to be a very exciting upcoming year, and we have an awesome responsibility to be the hands and feet of Christ to a hurting world. Your new Board of Directors stands ready to serve the Community – they are an incredible group of talent and they desire to serve Jesus and the community as we begin this new year. Take the opportunity at the Gatherings to meet and get to know the Board that you have elected.

We began the year on January 10th with our Board Meeting at First United Methodist Church in Caldwell at which the Committee selections were made. You can contact the individual Board Members by going to the website bvemmaus.org and clicking on Board of Directors. Then we held the team orientation for our upcoming Walks: the Women's Walk #75 on April 2 -5 with Margie Jimmerson as the Lay Director and the Men's Walk #76 on April 16-19 with Doug Summerour as the Lay Director. It was a wonderful beginning to the new year with great attendance at the Gathering which began at 5:00 PM. Let me take this opportunity to invite you to attend our monthly Gatherings held at various locations – you can find the location for each month by going to our website. The Gatherings are a wonderful time of Food (each person brings a covered dish), Fellowship and Worship with those Emmaus songs you love so much and a talk by a 4th Day Speaker just before Communion. We also have a short time of training of various matters and a 4th Day Meeting where we each get to share just like your own 4th Day Meetings.

You can help make these Walks a success by going to the website and signing up for the prayer vigil for both the Women's and Men's Walk, making Agape and making sure it gets delivered to the camp prior to the Walk, filling out the application form in this newsletter and signing up to work on a team, and by sponsoring upcoming Christian leaders in your church to attend one of the Walks. They will be blessed as will your church when they come back ready to serve.

I think you got the theme of this – our website! It is a wonderful source of information about your Board and our community, and I urge you to use it as you pray for the Walks and for the entire Community during your own personal Prayer time.

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Nancy Goodell
Community Lay Director



Our Next Walks

The next Women's Walk #75 (Lay Director Marjorie Jimmerson) will be at Crossroads on April 2-5 and the next Men's Walk #76 (Lay Director Doug Summerour) will be at Crossroads on April 16-19 in Chriesman, Texas. Please prepare your Agape, pray, and come show your support and share the love of Christ with our Pilgrims.

Team Selection Application

The BVEC Team Selection Committee is now accepting applications for the October 2009 Walks. Lay Directors for these Walks are Beth Barnes and Bill Elliott. Forms need to be completed and returned to the address listed on the form NLT April 19th. Copies of the form may also be obtained on the web, at Gatherings and at Candlelight. For additional information, email Patrice Summerour at psummerour@bvemmaus.org.



Brazos Valley Emmaus Team Application

This form must be completed and returned to the address below if you want to be considered for serving on a team for a BVEC Walk

Name: _____ Email: _____ M/F: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (Home): _____ Work: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Your Walk No: _____ Type: _____ Community: _____

Where: _____ Church: _____

City: _____ Clergy Y/N _____ Occupation: _____

Church Activities: _____

Reunion Group Name _____ (When/Where): _____

Musician Y/N? _____ Instrument: _____ Lead Music? _____

Previous Team Service:

List all team service with the latest Walk first, including other locations and Walk types (Chrysalis, Cur-sillo, Karios, etc.). Position (TL=Table Leader, OT=Outside Team, etc)

Use the back of this form if necessary.

Walk #	Month/Year	Walk Type	Community & Location	Position	Talk(s) Given

How are you willing to serve (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> 72-hour Prayer Vigil <input type="checkbox"/> Registrar Support <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters Parking: <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Arrival <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Candlelight <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday's Closing Walk Support: <input type="checkbox"/> Candlelight <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Set-up <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Clean-up <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Helpers <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Room Team <input type="checkbox"/> Outside Team

Other Service: _____

Comments: _____

Please return this form to:
Brazos Valley Emmaus Community
PO Box 10491
College Station, TX 77842



Did You Know

Did you know it takes approximately 70 people to serve just **one** weekend Walk? Thirty-three people are needed to serve on the Inside and Outside Teams which requires a minimum of 3 days service. The BVEC Team Selection Committee is now accepting applications for the October 2009 Walks. Lay Directors for these Walks are Beth Barnes and Bill Elliot. To serve on one of these teams, please complete and submit the attached application to the address listed on the form NLT April 19th. Copies of the form may also be obtained on the web, at Gatherings and at Candlelight. For additional information, email Patrice Summerour at team_selection@bvemmas.org.

If you're unable to get away for that amount of time but would like to serve, many opportunities still exist where you can volunteer for several hours and still receive credit for serving on an Outside Team. These include: working in the Kitchen (2 shifts daily for a total of 18 people); Facilities Set-up on Thursday (6 people) or Facilities Tear-down on Sunday (6 people); Welcoming Committee on Thursday evening (5 people); and Parking Attendants (2 each) for Arrival, Candlelight, and Closing. Each of these opportunities require a very minimal amount of your time and are vital to the Community's ability to proceed with a Walk. If interested in serving in one of these areas, please contact the following Board members:

Kitchen: Carol Moreland at (979) 567-0180 or at m.o.m@crossroadsretreat.org

Facilities Set-up/Tear-Down: Steve May at (979)778-0071

Welcoming Committee/Parking: Dana Wacasey at (979)693-5678



The 2009-2010 Brazos Valley Emmaus Board

Lay Director: Nancy Goodell (713) 467-7021

Assistant Lay Director: Pat Baker (979) 567-0218

Spiritual Director: Jeff Gage (979) 822-1730

Treasurer: Marilyn Koch (979) 776-3552

Secretary: Ed Wetterman (979) 574-3410

Team Selection: Patrice Summerour (936) 878-1896

Nominations: Dana Wacasey (979) 693-5678

Reunion Groups & 4th Day: Ed Wetterman (979) 574-3410

Registrar: Robert Read (903) 626-4967

Welcoming/Closing: Dana Wacasey (979) 693-5678

Agape: Cindy Cross (979) 567-7650

Music/Entertainment: Arthur Averitt (979) 690-9440

Logistics, Transportation, Facility set-up/breakdown: Steve May (979) 778-0071

Literature & Supplies: Dana Wacasey (979) 693-5678

Sponsor Hour: Linda Myers (979) 865-5863

Candlelight: Marlene Coffman (512) 898-1075

Gatherings: Sue Houseley (979) 865-3713

Prayer Chapel/Prayer Vigils: Marilyn Koch (979) 776-3552

Training: Pat Baker (979) 567-0218

Newsletter, Mail Outs: Robert Read (903) 626-4967 rdread@sbcglobal.net

Web Administration, Design, Technology: Derek French (979) 739-7635



BVEC Community Calendar and Information

Our Next Gatherings

The April 5th Gathering will be the Women's Walk Candlelight at Crossroads.

The May 2nd 4th Day meeting will begin at 4:00 for New 4th Day Pilgrims, and at 5:00 for the Gathering at Christ United Methodist Church 4201 State Hwy. 6 South College Station, Texas 77845 Phone 979-690-4673.

**Bring your family and friends, your worship book and little blue songbook.
Wear your nametag and cross and "come as you are".**

The June 7th Gathering will be at 5:00 at Chappell Hill United Methodist Church, 5195 Church St. Chappell Hill, Texas 77426 Phone 979-277-9206

Check the website for up to date information at www.bvemmas.org.



Upcoming Walks 75 and 76

Women's Walk #75 Lay Director Marjorie Jimmerson Men's Walk #76 Lay Director Dough Summerour
Pray for these Walk Teams and pray for the pilgrims

<p>Walk #75 Team Margie Jimmerson, <i>Lay Director</i> Nancy Goodell, <i>Board Rep</i> Beth Barnes Brenda Boedeker Debra Brantley Lucy Coward Candace Cross Marlene Coffman Deborah Hildebrand Kerry Dwyer Nancy Bevil Patty Clark Birdie Tyler Robinson Tracey Wetterman Evelyn Rummel Wanda Beil Wanda Keefe Peggy Weise</p> <p>Music Team Sally Miller mary Stevens Bonnie Winner</p> <p>Clergy Glen Schoeneberg, <i>Spiritual Director</i></p> <p>Support Team Deanie Gold, <i>Coordinators</i> Stephanie Ashlock Kyley Ochoa Elaine Alexander</p>	<p>Walk #76 Team Doug Summerour, <i>Lay Director</i> Robert Read, <i>Board Rep</i> Bill Elliot Andrew Perry Joddie Carlile Forrest Goodell Rick Ruiz Jesse Parr W. D. Smith Michael Brown Wayne Meyenberg Russell Bevil Darrel Goodnight Charlie Lima Sam Perry Dee Perry Keith Owen Sam Labarbera James Henkhaus</p> <p>Music Team Arthur Averitt Danny Dixon</p> <p>Clergy Leonard Navarre, <i>Spiritual Director</i> Tony Taylor Gary Westbrook Vicki Averitt John Warren</p> <p>Support Team Steve May, <i>Coordinators</i></p>
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**Get
CONNECTED**

Join the Brazos Valley Emmaus Community

Email Group—Listserv

**For up to the minute Community News and Updates
Prayer Requests—Walk Information—Gathering Reminders**

Here's how:

Send an e-mail to bv-emmaus-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Or

Send an e-mail to web_site@bvemmaus.org

Or

Click on the Yahoo Groups Join Now link on the web page at www.bvemmaus.org

Notice for Church Bulletins: *Please post this notice in your Church's Bulletin and/or Newsletter to encourage registration for upcoming Walks.*

If your spiritual battery is low, you may want to attend a Walk to Emmaus. It is a three-day immersion in God's grace and love. The name comes from Luke's resurrection story of two disciples' heartwarming encounter with the risen Christ as they walked to the village of Emmaus. The focus of this course is self-renewal and is conducted in a manner which strengthens faith and deepens one's Christian beliefs. The weekend is filled with fun, singing, worship, prayer, discussions, small-group sharing, good food and daily communion. Openings are still available for the next Men's Walk to Emmaus #76, April 16-19. Also, openings are still available for Women's Walk #77 and Men's Walk #78 coming up next October. Check the website at www.bvemmaus.org for more information, applications and forms.

Support Team Workers Needed - Full time or Part time

Support team workers - both full and part-time - are needed for upcoming Walks. Couples and/or reunion groups can come and serve together for a few hours, a day, or several days. Just contact the support coordinator for a Walk or one of these committee chairs to volunteer. You do need to sign up ahead of time - please do not just "drop in" at the site - and you only pay for the meals you eat and the nights you spend. Contact Steve May at (979) 778-0071 or Patrice Summerour at (936) 878-1896

Musicians Needed

Joyful singing is the heart of Emmaus! And to help us make joyful sounds, musicians (both instrumental and voice) are needed for each Gathering and each Candlelight. Sign up at a Gathering or contact the [Board's](#) chair person for "Music" Arthur Averitt (979) 690-9440. Many thanks for your contributions to Emmaus events!

Anyone who can play the guitar or keyboard and would be interested in serving on the music team at a Gathering please contact the contact persons for the church hosting that Gathering.

If interested in [serving on the music team](#) for a Walk, please contact the [Board's](#) chairperson for "team selection". Patrice Summerour at (936) 878-1896

Kairos Folks

Interested in helping with Kairos - the outreach to those in state prisons, please contact Jim Smith (979) 776-0957 for more information. Please prayerfully determine how you might best become involved in this ministry.



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Happy Easter

John 20:19-20

¹⁹On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.



We're on the Web!
www.bvemmas.org

