



BRAZOS VALLEY EMMAUS COMMUNITY

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Greetings to the Community in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

A great big Thank you to Ken Hayes who was the Lay Director of Walk #98 and to Sandi Sefcik who was the Lay Director of Walk #99, their teams and the many anonymous servants who by their leadership, witness and commitment served our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at these Walks.

We want to welcome new community members from Men's Walk #98 and Women's Walk #99 and look forward to seeing you at Gatherings and also working side-by-side with you at the Walks.

It is now time to focus our attention and PRAYERS on Men's Walk #100 with Dave Wyatt as the Lay Director and Women's Walk #101 with Wendy Manuel as the Lay Director. You can sign up to serve on these Walks by following the directions found on page 2 of this Newsletter.

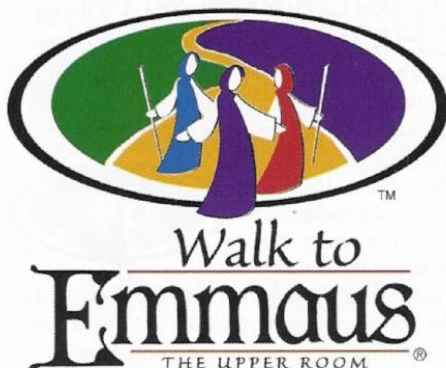
Looking forward to seeing you at upcoming Events!! DeColores - Forrest Goodell

BVEC UPCOMING WALKS

- Walk 100 – LD Dave Wyatt, October 8-11, 2015 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**
- Walk 101 – LD Wendy Manuel, October 22-25, 2015 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**
- Walk #102 – LD TBD, April 7-10, 2016 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**
- Walk #103 – LD TBD, April 21-24, 2016 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**
- Walk #104 – LD TBD, October 6-9, 2016 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**
- Walk #105 – LD TBD, October 20-23, 2016 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman**

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SO, YOU WANT TO SERVE ON A TEAM? NOW WHAT?

There are two ways to let the Team Selection Committee know that you are interested.

If you are the paperwork type of person, the form is available on our Website at <http://www.bvemmas.org/forms.html>. You can download the “Walk to Emmaus Team Service Application” fill it out and return to the Team Selection Committee at the address on the form. The online form is also interactive so you can also, while online, fill in the fields of the form and then, using the “Print Form” button at the top, print the completed form and again mail to the Team Selection Committee.

The second way will save postage. You can, using your web browser, navigate to our database site at <http://bvec.inetmember.com>. If you have not already registered on the site you will need to register on the site. Click on the button on the left to “Register for Site”. Then enter your first name, last name, Walk number, click whether M or W (Men’s or Women’s Walk) and your email address that was provided when you went on your walk. If you are not sure of the email address that would be in our database click on the button to change email address. The system will send a temporary password to your email address that you can then use to log into the system. Now that you are in the database system you are just a couple clicks away.

On the banner across the top click on “You”, then from the DropDown select “All About You”.

Now you just click on “Team Sign Ups”, then select either “Existing or New” from that Drop-Down. If you select New it will bring up a list of upcoming Walks that you can then select on which Walk you wish to serve. This will then present a Window that will drop down so you may select which role you wish to serve, Conference Room, Non-Conference Room, Facilities Set-up or Take-Down etc.

Not nearly as intimidating as it sounds. Just a couple clicks and when the Team Selection Committee meets to put together teams for upcoming Walks they will have your name and where you wish to serve.

De Colores,
Jerry Coffman
Walk 60, Table of Peter

Welcome to our New BVEC Community Members

MEN'S WALK #98

Seth Bales - Madisonville FUMC
Michael Bennett - Caldwell First United Methodist
Shane Bush - Bryan, St Luke's UMC
Ryan Carr - Bryan, St. Joseph Catholic
Marcus Greaves - Calvert, Sneed Memorial UMC
Keith Kennedy - Thorndale, Pleasant Retreat UMC
Patrick Kimes - College Station, Christ UMC
Brad Myers - College Station, Aldersgate UMC
Mike Olvera - College Station, Aldersgate UMC
Bruce Payne - Crossbridge Christian Church
Joey Peacher - Hearne Church of Christ
Charles Temme - Madisonville FUMC

WOMEN'S WALK #99

Leah Bennett - Caldwell First United Methodist Church
Kathy Earley - Centerville First United Methodist
Mamie Elemendorf - Hilltop Lakes Chapel
Brandy Gore - Centerville First United Methodist
Lynne Isbell - Centerville First United Methodist Church
Rachel Jackson - Caldwell Area 3:16
Jan Maddocks - College Station, Aldersgate UMC
Esmeralda Moreno - Celebration
Wendy Neyland - Centerville First United Methodist
Charlotte Payne - Crossbridge Christian Church
Shelly Payne - Centerville First United Methodist
Fran Pontasch - Bryan, FUMC
Brandy Price - College Station, Christ UMC
Hope Reyes - Pentecostals of Hearne
Jen Smith - Thorndale, Pleasant Retreat UMC
Margaret Spencer - Greenvine Baptist
Tonya Turner - Caldwell Area 3:16

Your 2015 BVEC Board of Directors

Lay Director: Forrest Goodell (713) 201-3043
Spiritual Director: Marie Mickey (979) 823-8073
Assistant Lay Director: Dave Ogee (512) 898-5381
Treasurer: Michael Koehn (979) 830-7741
Secretary: Marlene Coffman (512) 430-4065
Team Selection: W.D. Smith (979) 836-1161
Nominations: Russ Bevil (979) 567-7461
Reunion Groups/4th Day: Dave Ogee (512) 898-5381
Registrar: Dianne Davenport (979) 421-2838
Welcoming/Closing: Russ Bevil (979) 567-7461
Agape: Charlotte Waddill (936) 855-2523
Music/Entertainment: Dale Timian (979) 209-4175

Training: Sherrian Gondesens (979) 255-7746 & Charlotte Waddill (936) 855-2523
Logistics, Transportation, Facility set-up/ breakdown: Jesse Brown (254) 424-3371
Literature & Supplies: Pat Mynar (979) 567-4020 7737
Sponsor Hour/Candelight: Sherrian Gondesens (979) 255-7746
Gatherings: Margy Elliott (281) 370-0505
Prayer Chapel/Prayer Vigils: Gary Westbrook (512) 455-7917
Kitchen Coordinator: Courtney Morgan (979) 676-2330
Communication: Forrest Goodell (713) 201-3043
Technology: Marlene Coffman, (512) 430-4065

Nothing like working to support a walk to feel God's Love

Well as usual there are a great many things that need done and it is up to us "Hands and Feet" to make sure they get did.

Many of us do not know how or to whom they should volunteer.

(I hear it all time - Nobody Called Me)



I am going to make this as easy as is possible. There are at least 3 simple methods to volunteer. (if you don't already know how or where to do it)

1. Go to the **BVEC.ORG** website (let it fill in). Then click on the **IMS** (Internet Membership Systems) Rectangle -Blue in Color Kinda Middle of the page. Sign in and you can volunteer. Follow the directions on page 2 of this Newsletter!

OR

2. Send me an email - rbevil@farmersagent.com and I will send you an application. (Fear Not- I will not spam you)

OR

3. Call me at home. (979) 567-7461 between 7 and 9 PM please. I will help you figure out where you can enjoy serving. Then I will send you an application.

De Colores – Russell Bevil

Music

We are in need of musicians to help with the fourth day events, gatherings, candlelight, and closings on the walks. The fourth day is very important to maintaining the connection with the walk experience and a big part of that is the music from the walk. I would ask every musician and singer to commit to make time to serve. Check the community calendar at our website bvemmaus.org for up-coming gatherings and mark that time to serve. We always need help on candlelight and closing as well.

Think back on your experiences and pass that along to the newer members of the community. They will be blessed by your service! Dale Timian (979) 209-4175

BVEC Reunion Group List

The following is a composite list of all B.V.E.C. Reunion Groups from both our Web Page and the IMS database. The original list has been edited to remove groups that have been reported to no longer meet or where no contact information (name, e-mail) exist. The information provided for most of the listed groups is correct, however, I did not receive feedback from everyone contacted. This list will be included as a permanent section of the BVEC Newsletter both to help assure continued accuracy and a ready source of Reunion Group information for those interested. Most of these groups are 'open', and if you are interested in joining a group, call the contact person.

Bellville 'Just Us'; Women; Meets Sunday at 4:30 PM; Linda. Myers' home; Contact Sue Housley; ([no email](#)) 979-865-3713

Bellville 'Friday Morning'; Men; Meets Friday at 7:30 AM; Mill Creek Ranch; Contact Mike Macha mike.macha@gmail.com 979-865-3532

Brenham 'His Sheep'; Women; Meets Friday at 9 AM; FUMC Library; Contact Patrice Summerour summerour@broadwaves.net 979-451-5415

Bryan 'Emmaus 4:15'; Women/Men; Sunday at 4:15 PM; FMUC; Contact Judy Miller dujymiller@hotmail.com 979-204-5687

Bryan 'Roosters'; Men; Thursday at Noon; Fritellas; Contact Jim Miller; hjmillergmail.com 979-823-4818

Caldwell 'His Cracked Pots'; Women – Meets Daily at Noon; Caldwell High School; Contact: Deanie Gold dgold@clasicnet.net 979 567-7155

Caldwell 'Sunrise Group'; Men; Meets Wednesday at 6:30 AM; First Baptist; Contact Bob Towslee btowslee@verison.net 979-567-4501

Caldwell 'Area 3:16' Women/Men; Monday at 7 PM; Contact Pat Baker; pastorpat@area3-16.org 979-567-0218

Caldwell 'A Cord of Three' Women/Men; Meets Thursday at 7:30 PM; Dairy Queen; Contact Sandi Sefcik sasefcik@gmail.com 979-567-4528

Caldwell 'Kings in Christ's Service' Men; Meets Thursday at 7 PM; Contact Ed Wetterman ewetterman@gmail.com 979-574-3540

Caldwell 'Clay Mates'; Women; Meets Thursday at 7 PM; Contact Tracy Wetterman twetterman@gmail.com 979-574-4910

Centerville 'Seeking Sisters' Women; Meets Thursday at 9 AM; FUMC Centerville; Contact Marva Beck marva@tconline.net 903-536-2290

Chappell Hill 'His In Service' Women/Men; Meets Thursday at 5:30 PM; Contact Eric Dehmer e.dehmer@gmail.com 979-251-7200

College Station 'Born to Live' Men; Meets Thursday at Noon; 2805 Earl Rudder Fwy 5; Contact Steve Wright drstwright@yahoo.com 956-572-1550

College Station 'Open Door' Women/Men; Meets Sunday at 9:30 AM at Christ UMC; Contact Liz Gabriel lizgabrielm@gmail.com 979-324-0320

College Station; Contact Judy Ball jball@cvm.tamu.edu 979-703-6293

College Station 'Emmaus Ballaz' Contact Kevin Baker krbasss@mail.com 979-574-0155

College Station 'Old Geezers' Men; Meets Monday at 6 AM at McDonalds on University; Contact Mort Kothmann m-kothmann@tmau.edu 979-239-7410

Franklin 'Day Breakers' Men; Meets on Thursday at 6:30 AM' FUMC; Contact Barry Cate barryandjennycate@gmail.com 979-828-2283

Hilltop Lakes 'H. T. L. Disciples' Women; Meets Friday at 9:00 AM; Pilothouse; Contact Mary Stewart otsstewart@yahoo.com 979-822-9184

Houston 'One Heart' Women; Meets Monday at 7 PM; 11507 Colonial Trail Dr. Contact Margy Elliot margy.elliott@sbcglobal.net 281-744-0366

Houston 'Fresh Grace' Female/Male; Meets Sunday at Noon; Crossbridge Christian.Church; Contact Nancy Goodell ngoodell@comcast.net 713-724-6135

Thorndale 'Sunset Reunion Group'; Female/Male/ Meets Thursday at 6 PM; St. Paul's; Contact Dave Ogee daveo.texas@gmail.com 512-898-5381

2015 Gatherings

For Directions, go to bvemmaus.org, click on Gatherings and then click on the location.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
January 3	Grace UMC, Hearne	July 11	Hilltop Lakes Chapel
February 7	St Paul Lutheran, Thorndale	August 1	Christ United Methodist Church in College Station
March 7	FUMC, Bryan	September 5	Centerville UMC
April	No Gathering, come out to the Candlelights	October	No Gathering, come out to the Candlelights
May 2	First UMC, Caldwell	November 7	First UMC, Madisonville
June 6	FUMC, Bryan	December	No Gathering, Merry Christmas

AGAPE

As members of the BVEC, you go above and beyond for every Walk. All agape- your prayers, letters, food and dining room/pillow agape affirm God's love to each of the Pilgrims.

Thank you for sending 65 pieces of dining room/pillow agape. During the Walks, Pilgrims now room with team members. Distributing pillow agape is much more efficient when 65 pieces of each agape item are sent.

Your cooperation, commitment, and dedication to support this community with agape shows that God still uses PEOPLE to touch lives.

It is an honor to serve as Agape Coordinator for the BVEC. Please contact me at any time if I can be of assistance . . . Charlotte Waddill (936) 855-2523.

Did You Know?

It takes more than 90 people to serve just one weekend Walk? Thirty-three people are needed to serve on the Inside and Outside Teams which require a minimum of 3 days service.

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Upcoming Events for 2015/2016

Saturday, June 6 – Gathering at FUMC in Bryan @5:00

Saturday, July 11 – Gathering at Hilltop Lakes Chapel @5:00

Saturday, August 1 – Hullabaloo and Gathering at Christ UMC in College Station – bring your items to auction @4:00 and Gatherings begins @5:00

Saturday, September 5 – Gathering at UMC in Centerville @5:00

Thursday, October 8- Sunday, October 11, 2015 – Men’s Walk #100 with Dave Wyatt as LD;
Saturday, October 10 – Candlelight @7:30; Sunday, October 11 – Closing @4:00

Thursday, October 22- Sunday, October 25, 2015 – Women’s Walk #101 with Wendy Manuel as LD; Saturday, October 24 – Candlelight @7:30; Sunday, October 25 – Closing @4:00

Saturday, November 7 – Fourth Day/Gathering at First UMC in Madisonville.
Fourth day for Walks #100 & #101 @4:00; Gathering @5:00

Thursday, April 7 – Sunday, April 10, 2016 - Men’s Walk #102 LD TBD, Saturday, April 9 –
Candlelight @7:30; Sunday, April 10 – Closing @4:00

Thursday, April 21 – Sunday April 24, 2016 - Women’s Walk #103; LD TBD; Saturday, April 23,
2016 – Candlelight @7:30; Sunday, April 24- Closing @4:00

Go to bvemmaus.org and check the calendar for all upcoming events and directions to the Churches that will be hosting the Gatherings and get a list of Pilgrims for Walks.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2015 HULLABALOO

August 1, 2015

Location: Christ UMC, College Station

Bring your auction items at 4:00

Gathering and Auction Begin at 5:00

Hullabaloo is our Annual Fundraiser where there is both a silent and live auction. Come witness a bidding war in person, or even better, get in there yourself! There are usually a lot of Christian items, rooster things and beautiful **handmade** pieces of varying sorts and prices. Great items donated from all over our community! If you have a local artisan that has a special talent, try to get an item donated or purchase it yourself to bring to the Hullabaloo and donate to the auction.

90% of the proceeds from the Hullabaloo goes to Pilgrim Scholarships for those who need them, so finances are not a road block if a Pilgrim wants to go on a Walk. Hullabaloo also provides funds for purchasing supplies for and during the Walks, and covering fees of the BVEC Community. This is usually the largest Gathering of the year. We, of course, will have an Emmaus covered dish meal and that great Emmaus Worship Experience.

Mark your calendars for the first Saturday of August - August 1 - when we will meet at Christ United Methodist Church in College Station. You can find the address on our Website. We will have a great time together in fellowship, good food, fun and FUNdraising!