



BRAZOS VALLEY COMMUNITY NEWLETTER, June, 2017

The next Gathering will take place on July 8th at the Hill Top Lakes Chapel in Hill Top Lakes. Address and directions:

**2 Hill Top Lakes Drive,
Hilltop Lakes, TX 77871**

From Bryan: take Hwy. 21 East toward Madisonville 22.4-miles, at North Zulch turn left on FM 39 go North 7.8-miles to Normangee, turn left on FM 3, go 8-miles Hilltop Lakes is on the right. Turn right on Hilltop Drive and the Chapel is about 1/4 mile on the right. The Fellowship Hall is the first building on the right.

From Hearne/Franklin: go North on Hwy. 79 through Franklin 18.2-miles, turn right on FM 3, go 10.7-miles turn left on Hilltop Drive, the Chapel is on the right.

From IH-45: exit 152 on OSR, go West on OSR 10.1-miles to Normangee, turn right on FM 39, then turn left at the next intersection on FM 3 for 8-miles, turn right on Hilltop Drive, the Chapel is on the right.

From Buffalo and IH-45: go Southwest on Hwy 79 21.2-miles, turn left on FM 3 10.7 miles, turn left on Hilltop Drive, the Chapel is on the right.

We will start by enjoying fantastic company at 5 PM, then worship together at 6 PM.

Child Care is Provided.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you need a lift, put a note on the Brazos Valley Emmaus Community Facebook page.

STAYING CONNECTED:



What have you done today to keep yourself connected with other members of the Brazos Valley Emmaus Community? I know how busy we can all get. But try calling someone you miss. Like a cool glass of water on a hot day, so too is a greeting from someone when you are under stress.

Recently I was... to misquote Paul "Being pressed" Timely intervention from BVEC members kept me from "Being Crushed". The Lord has us as hands and feet. Use the fingers on the hand to call or text or Facebook a friend. (Please don't forget good old what's his face)

REUNION GROUPS – What Happens on the Walk Don't Need to Stay There!

<http://www.bvemmas.org/reuniongrps.html>

We have many good groups that help us to stay connected. People with whom we have the common bond of Jesus and the experience of the Walk. Need a group to travel through life with? Our brothers and sisters in Christ are magnificent at listening, sharing and caring. Evidently what happens on the walk does not need to stay on the walk. It can be enjoyed in Reunion Groups!

These are the dates of the upcoming Gatherings. The available dates are for your church to sign up for - contact Nancy Reynolds at chipnboots@hotmail.com Nancy will walk you through what the responsibilities are for hosting a Gathering.

2017 Gatherings

For Directions, go to bvemmas.org, click on Calendar, find the date and then click on the location.

| DATE | LOCATION |
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| May 6, 2017 | Madisonville FUMC – 4 th Day |
| June 3, 2017 | Pleasant Retreat UMC – Thorndale, TX |
| July 8, 2017 | Hilltop Lakes Chapel, Hilltop Lakes, TX |
| August 5, 2017 | Aldersgate UMC, College Station, TX |
| September 9, 2017 | Bryan FUMC |
| October, 2017 Men's Walk #108 (10/12-15) Women's Walk #109 (10/26-29) | No Gathering, come out to the Candlelights for Walks #106 and #107 |
| November 4, 2017 | FRANKLIN, UMC, Franklin , TX |



BVEC UPCOMING WALKS

Walk #108 – Men’s Walk October 12-15 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman, Charlie Lima, LD. Pat Baker - SD

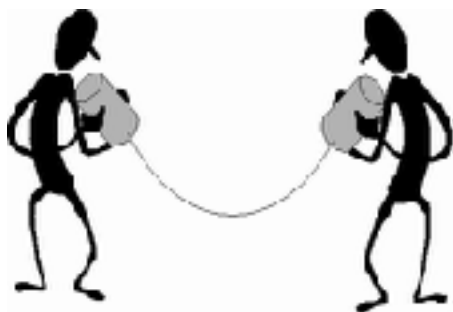
Walk #109 – Women’s Walk October 26-29, 2017 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman, Angela McBee, LD. Patty When-Glowski –SD

Well it is official. There is problem with our online volunteer system.

The good news is that we don’t dislike you. There is just a glitch in the website that will not let us find your application...(unless you are a pilgrim)

Therefore, If you go online to put in an application to work an upcoming walk, you might as will try filling up the Grand Canyon by tossing in bricks by hand.

So in order to make things work, we will have to talk to one another (or send emails, notes, smoke signals, FB messages) Please coordinate directly with the appropriate Board Representative if you are not sure with whom you should speak.



YOUR 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Lay Director: Russ Bevil (979) 567-7461

Spiritual Director: Dan Danheim

Assistant Lay Director: Les Rogers

Treasurer: Elaine Alexander (512) 745-7212

Secretary: Liz Gabriel (979) 324-0320

Team Selection: Tenille Lamon (979) 575-0591

Nominations: Eric Dehmer

Reunion Groups/4th Day: Forest Goodell (713) 201-3043

Registrar: Keith Kamas

Welcoming/Closing: Les Rogers (325) 665-8224

Agape: Charlotte Waddill (936) 855-2523

Music/Entertainment: Swen Crone (254) 770-7176

Training: Charlotte Waddill (936) 855-2523

**Logistics, Transportation, Facility set-up/
breakdown:** Tennille Lamon (979) 575-0591

Literature & Supplies: Jim Miller

Sponsor Hour/Candelight: Mary Kamas

Gatherings: Nancy Reynolds

Prayer Chapel/Prayer Vigils: Gary Westbrook (512) 455-7917

Kitchen Coordinator: Les Rogers (325) 665-8224

Communication: Forrest Goodell (713) 201-3043

Technology: Russ Bevil Relying heavily on Jerry Coffman

You will note that some of our directors are wearing multiple hats. If you are interested in helping with the board, please contact the appropriate board member or Eric Dehmer.

Board Changes

Introducing our Newest Board Member – Well he is not really all that new, but he is new to our board. Eric Dehmer has agreed to serve in the capacity of Nominations for our community.

Dan Danheim is stepping in to fill the shoes after Marie Mickey retired and moved back to Big Sky Country.

From the music man... (Swen Crone)

Ok Community! Something has been in and on my mind for awhile...yes, believe it or not!

I want to start a small group...4-15...THE MIGHTY ROOSTER ART PLAYERS! Singing, acting, lipsynching. For singing, we will need 4 parts and an ivory banger. Skits will most likely be readers theatre (no memorization) and the lip syncing, well, you've got to be a ham!

I'm thinking specials at gatherings, maybe training could come in the form of our own written script!

A little extra time before gatherings is what I am thinking so not a lot of time is needed! If interested, contact me...multiple times because I forget real fast!

Other Emmaus Communities (oh by the way)

Do you have a pilgrim who can't make it to a walk in our community? Don't forget there are multiple communities in Texas. Just google them. They would love to love your pilgrim. For example the Houston Northeast Community

http://www.hnec.org/site/cpage.asp?cpage_id=180018134&sec_id=180006635

They even have a couple of walks during the week. (perfect for clergy)

http://emmaus.upperroom.org/finder/communities?q_state=TX

KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING

Have you ever thought about grabbing a group of friends and escaping for a weekend of fun and service? You really need to talk to Les Rogers our friendly kitchen coordinator ! He has a way to provide a team a great cabin at Cross Roads.

(maybe a reunion group or a church or just some Emmaus Buds)

