

February 2012

WALKTALK



Chattanooga -Lafayette
Emmaus, & Chrysalis Community

Lay Director's Message:

The old adage "TIME FLIES" seems to have a lot more meaning, as time does fly by. When you're young you spend a lot of time waiting on something, (a birthday or some other special day that seems to never come) and we've all said "I just can't wait til----". Then time starts moving a little faster and faster, until we wonder how did it get here so fast. My walk, #24-- in some ways seems like just the other day. This past year seems to have flown by too. There were things we wanted to do. Time just wouldn't slow down and the weeks got shorter and the months went by, and soon we were looking back at all we missed. Sometimes we just put off things until we're not so busy....things we want to do, something we want to say, or someone we'd like to see. Those things sometimes get stuck in that hold position for ever.

Throughout GOD'S word he tells us to use our time wisely. Ecclesiastes: 3 tells us there is a time for everything and for every purpose. We need to take time to read God's word more, to spend more time with those we LOVE, and to say I LOVE you more often. Let's not have to look back and say "I wish I had"-----

Speaking of time---we have walks coming up in no time at all. Is there someone you've wanted to ask about going on a great Emmaus week-end? Now is the time. Don't let it slip away again. Just ask--wouldn't you like to do something that could change your life and the lives of those you care about forever.

The boys walk coming up on March 1st, has no one signed up as I write this letter. With the scholarship fund paying all but the \$25.00 application fee for Chrysalis, we should have a waiting list.

I hate to think that someone won't get to go because of money, or worst yet-- because nobody asked them. If there is a person who wants to go and there is a problem, call ME or any other BOARD MEMBER and we'll try to help in anyway we can, so that they can go.

DECOLORES,
JIM CROCKER



Upcoming Gatherings

February Gathering

Lookout Valley Baptist Church
23 Lilac Ave
Chattanooga, TN
423-825-5335

March Gathering

TBA

Please join us for worship, food and
fellowship.
Gathering starts at 6:15



From our Spiritual Director:

February's Word is LOVE! On the 14th we celebrate valentine's love by giving cards, flowers, candy, etc. But, we are reminded that true, unconditional, unmerited and unending love comes only from God. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whoever believes in him will not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16) Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you." (John 15:12). God does not reflect a love for us to follow, for "He is love", (1 John 4:8) and His Love Spirit in us enables us to love others. Yes, that means those who use us, hate us, lie about us, who are difficult to love...as well as our family and friends. Not only in love am I forgiven, but in love I forgive, and go the extra step to help others to find, accept, and to grow in Jesus Christ.

In February, in love, share Christ with someone, invite them to your church, pray for them, love and forgive someone you're having problems with, encourage and sponsor someone to go on a Emmaus Walk (p.s. we need pilgrims for the boys walk). Let someone see that you are filled and overflowing with God's love. Celebrate God's love for us all.

DeColores and Shalom,
Ben Matherly

Agape Needed for Spring Walks!

Why not use the winter time to work on agape gifts for next spring's walks? This would be a great way to stay involved during the time that walks aren't going on. Please remember to label your agape gifts with the total number of items.

Minimum Agape Needs for Each Walk

- 24 Bed Agape
- 60 Meal Agape
- 36 Conference Room Agape

Prayer Vigil Sign-Up

It's never too early to sign up for the 72 Hour Prayer Vigil.

You may sign up from the website or by contacting:

Becca Pool—423-304-1020
beccap73@bellsouth.net



We still need locations for gatherings in 2012. The gatherings we have scheduled so far are:

February - Lookout Valley Baptist Church

March - TBA

April - East Ridge United Methodist Church

May - Silverdale Baptist Church

June - Christ United Methodist Church

July - TBA

August - St. John United Methodist

September - Tyner United Methodist Church

October - Scott Memorial Church of God

November - East Ridge Presbyterian

December - Brainerd UMC

Please Jim Crocker if your church would like to host a gathering (432-718-9605).

Applications Needed for the following upcoming walks!

Boys Chrysalis/Crossroads—November 3-6

Men's Walk—March 22-25

Women's Walk—April 19-22

Please turn in applications to the registrar as soon as possible if you plan to sponsor someone for these walks.

2012 Emmaus Board of Directors

Spiritual Director	Rev. Ben Matherly	423-667-6184
Assistant Spiritual Director	Rev. Nancy Phillips	706-820-6181
Community Lay Director	Jim Crocker	423-718-9605
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Secretary	Joyce Meffert	423-867-5567
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Registrar	Teri Bracy	423-326-8000
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Team Selection—Chairperson	Nancy Smith	423-892-0510
Chrysalis	Melissa Martin	423-432-7571
Nominations—Past Lay Director	Mike Payne	423-892-4401
72 Hour Prayer Vigil	Sandy Helms	423-774-1105

2012 Non-Board Support

Music	Rhonda Frye	706-935-4903
Book Table	Susie Gilley	423-290-3948
Gathering Supplies	Mickey Arnold	423-994-5620
Communication/Newsletter	Mitzi Talley	865-274-2154
Web Site Coordinator	Ben Bracy	423-987-1177

Email Changes:

Send email subscriptions or changes to Brett Baxendell at bbaxendell@hotmail.com

Walktalk may also be downloaded from our web-site:

www.chatt-laf-emmaus.org



Update Contact Information

Do we have your correct address and phone number? If you have changed these, please contact us with your updated information. You may contact: Nancy Smith 423-892-0510 or 423-240-3173

Memorial and Honor Gifts to Emmaus should be sent to:



Barbara Farlik
P.O. Box 21024 Chattanooga, TN 37424
Your gifts to Emmaus are tax deductible within the law.

Upcoming Walks

March 1-4	Boy's Chrysalis	Jamie Rodriguez	Sept 20-23	Men's Walk	Clint Cooper
March 22-25	Men's Walk	Mark Kapperman	Oct. 18-21	Women's Walk	Becky Lockaby
April 19-22	Woman's Walk	Ann Wheeler	Nov. 1-4	Girl's Chrysalis	Becca Poole

Meal Times

Men & Women's Walks

Chrysalis Walks

	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner		Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Friday	8:00	12:30	5:30	Friday	8:30	12:00	5:30
Saturday	8:00	12:30	6:30	Saturday	8:15	11:55	6:30
Sunday	8:00	12:00		Sunday	8:00	12:00	