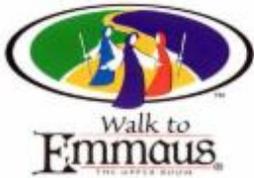


Rainbow Bend

Coastal Bend Emmaus, Chrysalis & Kairos



May News

**Prayer Warriors
Needed**
Please sign up
for one of the
following Walks

From the Lay Director

De Colores,
May is the last month for me to serve as FDG Lay Director for Coastal Bend Emmaus. As with most endings, it is bittersweet. I will not be completely off the BOD, as the



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Past LD serves in a consulting capacity. However, the responsibilities associated with the job will pass on to the next Lay Director. I am sure they will find plenty for me to do. I am not ready to call it quits on The Walk to Emmaus.

I am happy to report that with God's help, this year has seen more positive movement in the FDG. We have two walks planned that are coming together in good order. Sandra Staley will lead Women's Walk 1755 in June and Charles Smith will lead the Men's Walk 1761 in September. We have worked with SWTXC Emmaus to increase the number of Spiritual Directors for future Walks. We have begun to update the member data base so that information is current and correct. We have held trainings and Gatherings for the entire FDG. Although no one would say there is nothing else to be done, your BOD has moved the community forward for more walks in 2015 and beyond.

Now, my final plea for support.

1. Please pray for the team and pilgrims on the upcoming walk
2. Please support the walks with agap
3. Please consider joining the BOD in some manner. There are open positions on the BOD as well as committee openings. Volunteers are welcome.
4. Please tell your friends, neighbors, anyone you encounter about the Walk to Emmaus
5. Please attend Candlelight, Closing, and Gatherings to share in the fellowship of your Emmaus brothers and sisters.

Finally, none of what has been accomplished is due to me or the other members of the BOD without the constant guidance of the Holy Spirit. I am grateful that I have had the opportunity to serve in a capacity I never dreamed would be asked of me. I have not done it alone, for God has been with me and the entire BOD this year as we worked to build a strong Coastal Bend Emmaus FDG. Thank you to all who have supported our efforts with gifts of time, prayer, and other gifts.

Betty

ATTENTION SPONSORS

Deadline fast approaching for registering your pilgrims on the June Women's Walk to Emmaus 1755.

Applications must be received by June 10th. After that they will be considered late and may have to go on a stand-by list. Make checks for \$185 fee payable to SWTC Registrar and mail with applications to Coastal Bend Emmaus, P.O. Box 273, Corpus Christi, TX 78403.

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It's **NOT TOO EARLY** to get your pilgrims registered for the September Men's Walk to Emmaus 1761. We are accepting applications now. Pilgrims that were registered on previous Men's Walks that were canceled may apply their fees to this Walk. E-mail Judi Oestreich at judi1022@sbcglobal.net if you were a sponsor and your pilgrim wants to go on the September Walk.

Pilgrim applications may be found and downloaded from the website coastalbendemmaus.org or from this newsletter link near the top of the left-handed column. Make sure all signatures (pilgrim, sponsor and Clergy) are on the application before it is mailed.

We are expecting full Walks this year and we are asking the Emmaus Alumni to support them with your **Agape, Prayers and your Presence at Candlelight and Closing.**

Walk 1755 Team

LD - Sandra Staley

BR - Betty Workman

SD - Linda Baumheckel

ASD - Allen Mosiman

ASD - Kelli Williamson

ASD - Michele Lott

ALD - Anne Mosiman

ALD - Andrea Skloss

ALD - Margie Yaklin

TL - Phyllis Bown

TL - Lori Conner

TL - Olga Paull

TL - Karen Polasek

TL - Holly Rousseau

TL - Jeanne Taylor

HS - Sue Elwood

S - Susan Johnson

S - Marie Choate

S - Agnes Flores

S - Joyce Temple

S - Lisa Sprenger

S - Kaleen Brown

S - Kay Plut

S - SueEllen Fry

S - Cynthia Riewe

S - Shirley Morgan

S - Deandra Ruelas

S - Patty Engelking

S - Kira Smith

S - Norma Puente

S - Margie Nygard

ATL - Char Atnip

ATL - Debbie Bjella

ATL - Jodi Brotherton

ATL - Melissa De La Rosa

ATL - Cathy Hurst

ATL - Darla Wiggins

MD - Crystal Harris

M - Alene Snodgrass

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Putting it all Together

The Team Selection Committee has met three times in the last 6 weeks and is putting together a fantastic group of dedicated servant hearts to serve on the September Men's Walk 1761. We have made hundreds of phone calls and have been met with enthusiastic response when we ask if the candidate is willing to work the Walk. Of course many had to check their calendars and some could not join the team due to prior commitments in September or on the designated monthly team meeting dates beforehand. In next month's newsletter we'll tell you who they all are!

We have not had a men's Walk since the fall of 2012 and we are making every effort to get back up to speed and rebuild our bases. We tried to get it all together last year, but many obstacles stood in the way. This year we started with a leader who has volunteered to made many trips to Corpus Christi because God laid it upon his heart to help get us back on our feet. Many have asked, "just who is this Lay Director" who is going to guide the September Walk. Well, let us introduce Charlie Smith in his own words.....

"I was born in Kansas the grandson of two farming families. While I grew up in the city, I spent most summers on the farm and I guess it stuck. I began a career in the Electronics field in 1966 and burned out in 1979 in Fresno California. I quit and left the city and ended up in Mason, Texas, just 2,000 people and 100 miles from the nearest city in any direction. It was there that I met Stella in 1980 and we were married in 1981. I work for Loadcraft Industries, Ltd. located in Brady, Texas, as the IT director.

I became a Christian in 1994 and was baptized in the Methodist church there in June of that year. On September that year I went on the Walk to Emmaus #373 in Junction, Texas and haven't been the same since. God has been working with and on me steadily since that time."

God sees the whole puzzle. We are just seeing each piece He wants as we put it together. The Team Selection Committee covets your prayers for every man serving on this walk and for every pilgrim, and their sponsors and families that support them making the decision to embark upon a transforming experience of a lifetime.

Pray for Walks 1755 & 1761

- God to select the Team, Sponsors and Pilgrims.

Is your spam blocker on?

We would like to make sure you and your friends are receiving the Rainbow Bend Newsletter. If you got this one, please send to all your friends who have been on a Walk to Emmaus. They may be in our database, but have their "Spam Blocker" on. Please ask them to add cbemmaus@gmail.com to their address book so the newsletter will go directly to their inbox.

- That each will have good health, open minds and hearts.
- That each will give undivided attention and Christ-like team wisdom.
- That each will have patience, trust and calmness about them.
- That all will feel joy and a sense of God's love.
- That the leaders will walk in His Spirit in all they are called to do.
- That the SD's be truly an instrument of His Spirit.
- For the Holy Spirit to meet each Pilgrim's needs.
- For the team to open themselves as God's channels.
- For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the lives of pilgrims and team.
- For all to realize God's grace is sufficient for all needs.
- That all involved will keep the integrity of the Walk and follow the Upper Room model.

Who is your Contact?

We'd like to get back in touch with all the church contacts. Please tell us who the contact is for Emmaus at your church. Email the name, phone number and email address to us at

cbemmaus@gmail.com

Reunion Groups



May Gathering



May 17, 2014

**St. Paul UMC
3151 Reid Dr.**

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Food - Fellowship - Music - Communion

Music by Rev. Paul Allen

**A-F Dessert, Fruit or Bread
G-P Main Dish
Q-Z - Side dish, Veggie or Salad**

**Bring:
Name Badge, Lanyard, Worship Book**

Love Offering will be collected

To find a Reunion Group, or find one that fits your schedule, contact:
Judi Oestreich

judi1022@sbcglobal.net

Testimonies Wanted

How many times have you thought about your pilgrim Walk to Emmaus? How many times have you run across those Agape letters you received on that special week-end? Did you sit down and read them again? Did you laugh from a funny story shared by a loved one or friend? Did someone's heartfelt words bring a tear to your eye? Did you shake your head and say, "I can't believe they wrote that"? Did you close your eyes and imagine candlelight? Did you have that warm, fuzzy, loving feeling all over again?

And, your fourth day.....what has happened to you since your Walk? How were you changed on that road to Emmaus? What would you say to encourage someone else to take that journey? Are you willing to share a few words?

We are updating the coastalbendemmaus.org website and are looking for very short testimonies to put on several pages. Send your comments in 25 to 50 words with your first name only and Walk Number to cbemmaus@gmail.com and put **website testimony** in the subject line.

Kairos Inside



STATEMENT OF FAITH

"The people of Kairos have been called by God to bring the light of Christ to the darkness of hearts that have been hardened and hurt. Kairos encourages Christian believers from a variety of faith backgrounds to be part of this Christ-filled ministry, but we all stand on the common ground of the following elements of faith that we hold dear."

Vision Statement: A community spiritually freed from the effects of imprisonment reaching all impacted by incarceration, through love, hope and faith found in Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement: The mission of the Kairos Prison Ministry is to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christi to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities.

If you are interested in knowing more or in serving on a Kairos week-end you can find information and

**UPCOMING
EVENTS:**



GATHERINGS

May 17, 2014



WALKS

**Women's Walk
1755**

Sandra Staley
Lay Director
Linda Baumheckel
Spiritual Director
Betty Workman
Board Rep

June 26-29, 2014



**Men's Walk
1761**

Charlie Smith
Lay Director
Carl Westbrook
Spiritual Director
Jim Schuchardt
Board Rep

Sept. 11-14, 2014

volunteer applications
on our local website at
<http://www.kairos-mcconnell.org>

or **Jim Schuchardt** jschuchardt@doradool.com

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for the pilgrims,
for the church
and for the
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of Agape love.
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