

GEORGETOWN EMMAUS 4th DAY GATHERING

Sunday, June 23
At 5:30 p.m.
St John's Global Methodist
311 East University Avenue

JUNE 23: St. John's GMC
JULY 21: Wellspring UMC
AUGUST 18: First UMC

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the third Sunday each month at 5:30 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: Beth Butler

Georgetown Emmaus Community will meet on the 4th Sunday June 23 at 5:30 at St. John's Global Methodist Church. The date was changed to the fourth Sunday to honor those celebrating Father's day on the 16th with their families. We are honored to have Beth Butler give our Fourth Day Talk and look forward to her message. After worship, we will share in a potluck dinner. Please plan on joining us for this special day of worship!

Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers

Please consider presenting the 4th Day Talk at a gathering this year. See our Georgetown Emmaus Website for 4th Day Talk Information.

June 23 St John GMC Beth Butler

July 21 Wellspring UMC Agape Party

August 18 First UMC Rita Handley

September 15 St John's GMC Open October 20 The Wesleyan Open November 17 First UMC Open

December 15 St John's GMC Spiritual Directors

Thank you to each of you who will share your witness with the Emmaus community. Please contact Brenda Rumbellow or Linda Miles if you are willing to present a 4th Day Talk at a gathering.

GT COMMUNITY TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance as of April

Approximately \$800.00



Spiritual Director Spiritual Director Spiritual Director

Rev John Clifford Rev Mary Powell Rev Bob Sinclair

The Emmaus spiritual director is trained to listen, discern and sometimes ask questions. The task of the spiritual director is to diligently pay attention to the person's story and the Spirit, and to encourage spiritual growth. Thanks to each of our spiritual directors for being there for each of us in the Emmaus community.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

The Power of Prayer?

Recent reports from a church in this part of Texas reveal that having prayer warriors praying for 15 minutes just before each service begins seems to be connected to the movement of the Spirit among guests at that church. A change in the responses of guests at that church is happening.

Rev. Laurel Yates challenges those in her prayer workshops to "shake the walls with prayer" not just at the beginning, but during entire events as they unfold. We know from our own experiences with Emmaus team work that prayer empowers those in ministry and those hearing talks and experiencing worship to be touched deeply by the Holy Spirit during that worship, the talks, and the sacrificial service of others during the entire weekend. Do we take any more seriously the work of our churches each week? Are we passionate enough about reaching others for Christ that we engage in deep prayer over long periods of time while our guests are among us?

I recently finished reading a book called <u>Taken by Surprise</u>. This documents the wonderful two weeks of the unceasing movement of the Holy Spirit with round the clock worship at Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky, across the street from Asbury Theological Seminary. Prayer was an underlying movement long before the event began and during and after it, too. For years it turns out many groups unknown to each other, on and off campus, have been praying for God to "do it again" since Asbury's Hogg Auditorium has been the site of repeated similar movements of the Spirit since at least 1905.

What really struck me was how many different ways prayer was woven throughout the days of ministry to what turned out to be 60-70,000 people from all over the world who visited during those few days in February of 2023. Of course, people came to the altar to pray and others joined them spontaneously to pray with and for them. However, in addition most who arrived to sit in the pews were moved to prayer and an experience of the peace and love of Jesus Christ with a common thread of unmistakable loss of a sense of time passing. Then I learned that the spontaneous service of many different worship leaders was undergirded by prayers of consecration that often took up to an hour of preparation before they stepped up to sing and play music. How many of our choirs and other musicians, liturgists and preachers have their gifts of worship consecrated each Sunday by praying men and women of God? I will not continue in a call to not rush into worship without spiritual preparation... Just want to throw out a challenge and a thought for us all to consider. What role can you play to consecrate our worship whenever you gather with God's people in the future? By the way, please pray for all those of GenZ who have been touched in the last year at campuses all over this nation in similar ways. That is another story to celebrate.

De Colores!! Rev Mary Powell



It was a small yet still powerful Emmaus Gathering! Surely the presence of the Lord was in this place. And we even sang that song to recognize His presence. so wonderful to see Beth, Anne and Bobby, Rev Ann and Janet! A blessing.

It is amazing how God always provides...our usual musicians were not available, however God provided Janet. We sang songs from the hymnals, and it was beautiful fellowship and a wonderful blessing! Rev Ann led the service and communion. Thank you! And Brenda gave a very nice 4th day talk — I know I heard from above 'well done my faithful servant' Thank you Brenda! The vote was approved to move the June Emmaus to June 23 because on the 3rd Sunday (June 16th) is Father's Day. It will be wonderful to hear Beth's 4th Day Talk ~ thank you Beth! Also, Tina shared more about the merge with Austin and it was decided that we will vote re: the merge on June 23rd...we hope to have good attendance for that very important vote!

DeColores!

Submitted by Mary Jane Berry



Georgetown Emmaus 4th Day Group Gathering May 19, 2024











I am the resurrection and the life; Those who believe in Me will live a new life.



News from Upper Room Emmaus



Join us for the first offering of Day Four Restore Year Three June 29, 2024 9:00 a.m. —3:30 p.m. (Central Time)

Day Four Restore Year Three (of the three-year cycle) is the first hosting of the new materials in the one-day retreat model designed to refresh the spirit and renew the commitment of those who have attended any Fourth Day movement event. As we worship, pray, listen to speakers, and share together, participants will experience God's grace in new and refreshing ways.

Together, we will be renewed in our faith and inspired for ongoing leadership and service. This event also promises to be an excellent opportunity for communities interested in hosting Day Four Restore in the future.

REGISTER FOR DAY FOUR RESTORE

Year Three Agenda (all times listed are Central Time)

9:00 a.m.	Spiritual and Lay Directors openings and devotional table introductions
9:30	Spiritual Directors' meditation
10:00	Talk #1 given by the Spiritual Director
11:15	Talk #2 given by the Lay Director
Noon	Break for lunch
1:00 p.m.	Spiritual Practice Exercise - Loving the World with God in a Fourth Day Lifestyle
3:15	Closing with a Love Feast

A DEVOTION

Submitted by Linda Miles from <u>Everyday Comfort</u> by Rebecca Currington and Patricia Mitchell

If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it.

He is generous to everyone and will give you wisdom without criticizing you.

James 1:5

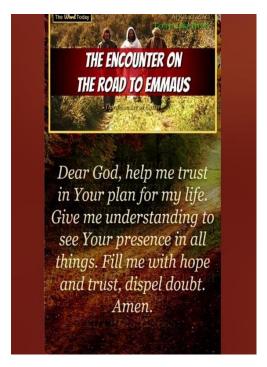
Wisdom seems like such a lofty goal, yet it's what God offers to you freely and generously simply for the asking. You see, His wisdom has nothing to do with graduate degrees but everything to do with a humble willingness to sit in the school of the Holy Spirit. Open His Word and learn from it. Meditate on its meaning and apply it to your heart and your life. This is genuine wisdom.

PRAYERS FOR CENTRAL TEXAS WALK TO EMMAUS MINISTRIES

The Georgetown Emmaus Leadership is asking for all of the community to be in prayer for the life of the Walk to Emmaus in Central Texas, Georgetown and in Austin. As the Emmaus Ministry declines in some areas, leadership is looking for ways to solidify our presence and support to the local churches in our area. Many of the CTC 4th Day groups find that the size of the Central Texas Conference Emmaus Community (formed around the previous UMC conference boundaries) and the lack of Board representation in the southern most area is detrimental to the mission of Emmaus. The results of this structure is that Walk dates are being changed and Walk sites are being eliminated which causes confusion and extra work for the teams volunteering to plan and execute our walks. The Austin Community is finding that the distance between churches and the aging out of participants is causing lack of participation in gatherings and walk teams.

Together these leadership teams are looking for solutions that will sustain and grow our Emmaus ministries. They are meeting at the local 4th Day Group gatherings to ask for all of our prayers for this effort. Tina LaCagnina (Georgetown 4th Day Group and prior CTC Emmaus Board Rep) and Steven Scott (Lay Director of Greater Austing Emmaus Community) presented at the Georgetown gathering an initial look at these issues and at their work to find and implement a solution that would be beneficial to us and our future Emmaus Pilgrims. In future gatherings with Georgetown, they will report their progress in these initial efforts and take suggestions and comments on how to move forward. Until then, they ask you to be in prayer for Emmaus leadership and the vision of making disciples through Emmaus ministries.

Please join us in June Gathering as we further discuss our path forward for our Emmaus Community.





Newsletter Articles and Devotionals WANTED

If you have any inspirational or wonderful devotionals you would like to share with our Emmaus brothers and sisters, please send to Linda Miles at <a href="mailto:miles.mr/mi



Central Texas Emmaus Walk Information

Below please find updated information on the remaining Walks to be held by the Central Texas Conference Emmaus Ministries in 2024. As a reminder, Walks have to have 20 pilgrims confirmed two weeks out for a Walk to make. Sadly the past two Walks have not made due to lack of pilgrims. There are more openings for the four I Walks in the fall. It is not too late to get someone signed up for one of these fall Walks. Start promoting these Walks within your church and area. Who do you know that you want to share the Walk to Emmaus with? The cost for Walks for pilgrims and team members is \$225. 00. Pilgrim Applications are available at www.ctcemmaus.org.



Central Texas Conference Emmaus Ministries Upcoming 2024 Walks

Men's Walk 481 May 2 - 5 Solid Rock Camp 599 CR 570A, Eastland, Texas, 76448

Men's Walk 482 September 5 - 8 Latham Springs Camp 134 Private Road 223, Aquilla, Texas 76622

Women's Walk 483 September 19-22 Solid Rock Camp 599 CR 570A, Eastland, Texas, 76448

Women's Walk 484 October 3-6 Camp Buckner 3835 FM 2342, Burnet, Texas 78611

Men's Walk 485 October 17-20 Glen Lake Camp 1102 NE Barnard St, Glen Rose, Texas, 76043

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Our Emmaus 4th Day Group continues looking to each of you to discern where you can support our Emmaus walk in Georgetown. We are blessed by a dedicated leadership team. Many thanks to each of those who have agreed to serve in their role for 2024 for the Emmaus community. If you are interested in serving in any leadership role or on an Emmaus team, please contact one of the Lay Directors and let them know.

REUNION GROUPS



From DAY FOUR, The Pilgrim's Continued Journey

Many aspects of our world threaten the survival of the life which the Walk to Emmaus presents – the truly Christian, truly human life. Once we have returned to our everyday world, it does not take us long to discover that it is well-nigh impossible to go it alone. One way of being in touch with God's power to make that new life totally secure is through contact with other Christians who share the priority of a life in grace. . . the group reunion is a way of maintaining that contact – an important means of persevering in the life in grace.

If you are not meeting with a reunion group, please contact one of our brothers or sisters below to connect in the life of grace.

GROUP	TYPE	DAY	TIME	PLACE	STATE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
		Monday 1st						
Pass It On	Women	& 3rd	5:15 PM		full	Linda Lindell	(512) 863-8161	Lindell108@gmail.com
The				St John UMC				
GoFourthers	Women	Monday	5:00 PM	Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	hnrylucas@aol.com
Rainbow				FUMC				
Connection	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	Library	open	Jeannine Fairburi	(512) 863-5962	jw5689f@suddenlink.net
Lifetime				Barbara's				
Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:30 AM	home	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	bknorre@suddenlink.net
Grace				FUMC, room				
Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	301	open	Nancy Marsh	512-635-0036	nmarshtx@gmail.com
Saturday				City Market,				
Sisters	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johns	(512) 636-5572	meolitx@gmail.com
Wesleyan				Wesley				
Women	Women	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Independent	closed	Mary Powell	(512) 740-8984	maryfisherp@gmail.com
Hombres				The				
DeColores	Men	Monday	8:00 AM	Wesleyan	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com
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Storm	Men	Saturday	6:00 AM	Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	ksommerville@yahoo.com

A new Men's Reunion Group is forming to meet at the Wesleyan in the new West Chapel on Thursdays at 10:30 am. All men needing the fellowship and comfort of a reunion group are welcome. Contact Dan Bonner for more information.