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Community

Lay Director



1 Peter 5:6-7

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

I read this in one of my daily devotionals after the gathering last week:

"So often our worries are so heavy because we refuse to put them down. Let's cast our burdens on the Lord. Let's consciously put our future in his hands. Let's trust our worrisome fears to his care. We know he loves us and longs to sustain and comfort us because of what he has done to save us."

I hear people everyday who are concerned about the "pandemic". All you hear is "we can't do this" or "we can't go here". "Who will protect us?" When you hear someone say this, ask them about God's protection.

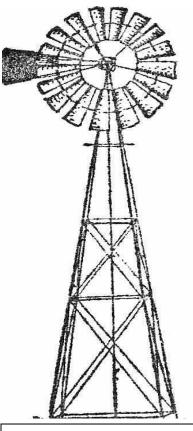
Ask them if they have humbly asked our Lord to keep them safe.

Ask them if they believe and worship God. The answers are alarming. Far too many people in our society are too busy to make time for God.

We had over 80 people at the April gathering just after the "Longest Walk Ever" and 60 at our May gathering at Brush Country Cowboy Church.

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The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit. John 3:8



GATHERING SCHEDULE

Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship 6:30 P.M.

Worship 7:30 P.M.

June 17th UMC -Karnes

July 15th UMC -Three Rivers

City

Aug 19th UMC - Beeville

Sept 16th Brush Country George West



Adrienne Zermeno

Community Spiritual Director

Grace and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I've been thinking a lot about liminal spaces lately. Liminal spaces are those places in between two other places. Think of a threshold or hallway. coastline, graduation, a move to a new house, the loss of a job, summer for teachers and students, the time between walk #70 and walk #71. There is what had been and what will be all mixed up and intersecting. Liminal spaces are often times of waiting and sitting in uncertainty. We don't know what will be.

Sometimes a liminal space happens when the Spirit is nudging us to volunteer or go in a new direction. As the Spirit waits on us to say yes, we sit in liminal spaces.

One of my friends observed I am really bad with liminal spaces. She is right - I don't linger in between well. I'm ready (and anxious) for the next thing. The problem is that in scripture God is always showing up in liminal spaces. Think about Jesus starting his ministry with 40 days in the wilderness - a liminal space.

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Prayer Requests		
Walk #71	Pilgrims	Walk #72

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Now it is time for us to reach out to our Emmaus Community and bring them back into the "Church". Remember that Christ is counting on us. Recently, the Journeymen in Karnes City hosted a Men's Emmaus Breakfast. The primary objective was to see if we could get some of these men back into a reunion group. The event was very successful.

Scott Patton and I are working on a project to get us "Outside the Walls". It is time to start thinking outside the box. What does that mean? Well God still has not revealed his plan for this. Maybe it will be a Saturday "Family Day" in a park. Maybe it will be a series of breakfasts around our community focused on getting people back into reunion groups and active with the community.

Remember that the Sunday before a gathering is Emmaus Sunday. Please wear your lanyards to church. Please be on the lookout for Board Members. We are going to try and start visiting our Congregations just to remind people that the Community is still active and to work on our Church Liaison program.

Hope to see you around somewhere.

God Bless and De Colores!!! Danny

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I also find that when I go to scripture with a liminal frame of mind, I can get deeper in the text. What was it like for the crowd of 5000 to realize that they were far from home, realizing they hadn't planned to stay out past supper. The kids whiny, and grumpy - not knowing in the other side of the crowd the disciples are bringing two small fish and five loaves of bread to Jesus.

In liminal spaces we are waiting on God, sometimes oblivious to God right there beside us. There is unique blessing in those liminal spaces. Whatever liminal spaces you find yourself in, I pray that you notice God's presence and are renewed in the hope of what God is doing in your life.

Join me in praying for those pilgrims who don't yet know they are pilgrims. And for the teams in the liminal space of preparation. God is there, blessing the liminal space.

De Colores!
Pastor Adrienne
Windmill Emmaus Spiritual Director

Chris Carter Lay Director Walk # 72 April 2022 Greetings Windmill Community,

What a difference a month makes. Last month we were in a drought and the countryside was burned up. Here we are a month later, blessed with some great rains and we now have some beautiful pastures to show. The grass is growing, birds are singing and the sun is shining!!!

I wish I could say the same about TEAM APPLICATIONS. As of the beginning of June, I only have 5 team applications. I've talked with many of you that have told me you want to work on Walk #72. Now is the time to PROVE IT and get me an application. If you are considering working on the team, please let me know and get me an application.

Now for pilgrims. This is just wild. I have in my possession 3 pilgrim applications that are all paid for. We are just shy of a year away and we are 1/12 of the way from filling up the walk. We are looking for 36 pilgrims to have a full walk. Personally I want to see the ALD's and the outside team work their tales off!!! (I know we all will, but these are the ones who do most of the work.) Again, we must first fill the team which selection is going to be on July 18th in Beeville. Yes, that is a little ways away, but please don't procrastinate and get your team applications in.

Please feel free to contact me 210-286-5345, chriscarter72@hotmail.com or for mailing info, Chris Carter 1088 FM 99, Karnes City, TX 78118. See y'all at the gathering in Karnes City!!!

De Colores! Chris Carter

Susan Warner
Lay Director
Walk # 71
October 2021

Greetings Emmaus Brothers and Sisters! I hope this article finds you all well and getting ready to enjoy an awesome summer with your family and friends. It was so good to see so many of you at our May Gathering at the Brusch Country Church in George West. If you missed it, you missed a blessing! It was an awesome time of good praise and worship, good food, and good friends! Please consider joining us for the next Gathering at UMC Karnes City on June 17, 2021.



Since this is the 20th Breeze Article I have written since Nov. 2019, I decided to write it a little differently. As we are finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel past this terrible year of the pandemic, I would like to encourage everyone to find and/or renew that "Emmaus Fever" you had at one time and if you never had it, to pray about getting it! The "Emmaus Fever" that I am referring to is the yearning desire to be a part of this awesome community ministry by being involved, by being in attendance, and by serving the Lord in this manner. I often think about why some people go all out and become involved in Emmaus and why we never see some people after their pilgrim walk. I really think it has to do with how you begin. Right after, our pilgrim walk, my best friend, Carolyn Mick, and I went to every Gathering. Each time we went, we met so many new "forever friends" whom I have come to know and depend on as prayer warriors now. I thank all of my prayer warriors for praying me through some very hard obstacles in my life the last ten years. I would not have been able to make it through these situations, had I not heard and felt your prayers.

If you never come to the Gatherings, you will never know what you are missing! Emmaus events are on my weekly and monthly schedule just like Bible Studies, and Wed. Night and Sunday Morning Church Services. I am sharing this information, not to bring any glory to me, but to show how God can use you, if you make yourself available. Shortly after, I began attending Gatherings, I was asked to serve on the Emmaus Board. I started serving on upcoming Walks in 2011 the same year as my pilgrim walk. I have served on over ten walks. Now after a year's wait, I will serve as the next Women's Lay Director on Oct. 7-10, 2021. I am completing my second three- year term on the Board. I have served three years on the Team Selection Committee, also. In the last ten years, I have faithfully attended our weekly Reunion Group, most Gatherings, and most Candlelight Services and Closing Ceremonies. As you can see, I have "Emmaus Fever"!

One of my favorite songs is, Here I Am Lord! In that song, the question is asked, "Whom Shall I Send?" We all answer, "Here I am Lord"! Please be reminded if you desire to serve on an Emmaus team, you are asked these questions. Do you attend a weekly Reunion Group? How many Gatherings, Candlelight's, and Closings have you attended in the past year? If you desire to sponsor a pilgrim, you are asked these questions, also. I know that our Windmill Emmaus Community has over 1,000 people in it and that is just an estimated guess. It is time to come back! We miss you! I miss you! I would love to meet you, if I never have had that pleasure!

We will have our first team meeting with our Full Walk #71 Team in Attendance at First United Methodist Church in Beeville. Please be there by 8:30 a.m. Please remember that you are only allowed to miss one meeting to remain on the Walk Team.

In closing, please pray for the team members and the pilgrims of Walk #71 and #72 in your daily prayers. Please consider signing up for slots on the prayer vigils, providing Agape for these walks, and please consider sponsoring a pilgrim! Again, I hope to see you at the next Gathering! I am praying for you! May God bless you all!

De Colores,

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Windmill Emmaus Financial Report		
General Operating Fund	\$ 17,474.48	
Scholarship Fund	\$ 3,643.50	
Total Funds Available	\$ 13,830.98	
Gathering attendance	80	

If you are unable to attend monthly gatherings but would like to contribute to the financial needs of your Windmill Emmaus Community, donations can be sent to Tricia Denson (treasurer), P. O. Box 26, Beeville, Texas 78104.

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