

March 2008

The Walk's Talk



The Greater Valley Emmaus 4th Day Group

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Men's Walk #1424

FEED MY SHEEP, JOIN THE TEAM

By the time you read this, the final team meeting may have been held for the men's Walk to Emmaus #1424. The actual date of the Walk is March 6-9th and there are still places for your loved one, family member, friend, fellow Church member, or friend in the workplace. Do you remember how you were blessed during your pilgrim walk? Of course you do! So, why not see to it that someone else receives that same blessing: but you need to act now! If you are already sponsoring a pilgrim, you can still spread the word and send agape gifts and snacks and most importantly, pray for life changing-enriching experiences for those going on this Walk. All these "acts of service" will make you part of God's team in action.

The centering scripture for Walk #1424 has been JOHN 21:15-18 in which Jesus commissions Simon Peter to "feed my sheep". This is after Peter has been restored to ministry and service. After that restoration, Jesus places Peter into the spiritual battle to take care of others, His sheep. This is to be a sign of Peter's love for Jesus. Likewise, we have the same responsibility as followers of Christ Jesus to make disciples of others and to become "fishers of men".

As the team makes its final preparations for the Walk, we need your help in herding some of those reluctant male ram sheep. We all know how tough that can be. Don't give up. Keep asking. We have the sheepfold- corral already prepared at Camp Thicket and will try not to shear them. Get out the shepherd crook neck staff and herd some our way.

Therefore, the table is set and the banquet feast is prepared. Without your help the Walk cannot take place.

The clergy team consists of the following:

- REV. STEVE PURDY, Spiritual Director (Means of Grace)
- REV. JASON ADAMS, Asst. Spiritual Dir.(Sanctifying Grace)
- REV. AARON SAENZ, Asst. Spiritual Dir. (Justifying Grace)
- REV. REYES CASTILLO, Asst. Spiritual Dir. (Obstacles to Grace)
- REV. WADE HOOD, Asst. Spiritual Dir. (Prevenient Grace)



Assistant Lay Directors are John David Guevara,, Ralph Salinas, and David Crook and team members are Bob Hoeflinger, Dan Pierce, Craig Adams, Ron Nimmo, Ramon Vela, Keith Cummins, Bubba Vann, Fred Dabrowski, Terry Harrison, Tom Sapp, Eddie Ostrowski, and Brian Epps. The outside team leader is Richard Pearcy and musicians are Dennis Mitchell (lead musician) and Chris Dundas. The Board Rep is Joe Mohny who has been very helpful in patiently answering all the Lay Director's questions. Paul Hemphill

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Men's Walk to Emmaus # 1424

March 6 – 9, 2008

Cost \$135.00

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Women's Walk to Emmaus # 1431

April 17 – 20, 2008

Cost \$135.00

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Methodist Camp Thicket
in Weslaco, Texas

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Women's Walk #1431

Greetings my dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

What a joy it has been to work with the team in preparation for Walk 1431. Thank you for this opportunity to serve. We are half way through with the team meetings and the talks have all been wonderful. I know this will be "the best walk ever" as they all are. There are already 18 pilgrims registered. God is good all the time, and all the time God is good! Emmaus functions because of the prayers of the community. Please keep the teams for both the men's and women's walk in your prayers.



Team Members are as follows:

Cindy Layton (spiritual director) Christine Blackmore, Judi Boling, Camille Bryant, Jill Budd, Bonnie Cherrington, Donna Clark, Martie Cramer, Penni Eubanks, Heather Fears, Arcie Garza, Roberta Goodman, Emet Huntsman, Sue Huntsman, Lorraine King, J'Nevelyn Lloyd, Karen Mencil, Diane Merett, Pamela Freeman, Elena Perez, Janet Schooley, Joyce Simonsen, Beverly Sires, Doris Tweed, Dina Wilson, Martha Wing, Millie Wooton, and Elaine Wisely.

In His amazing grace, Elaine Wisely

Food Agape . . . Is one of the wonderful gifts we give and receive during the Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis weekends is Agape. **Food Agape** is one area we need your assistance. If you love to bake, cook or prepare wonderful food dishes, please help the walks with your **Food Agape** gifts. Prepare enough **Food Agape** to feed at least 70 people. **Food Agape** can include healthy snacks such as vegetable trays, fruit trays, granola bars, and cheese trays. Other **Food Agape** can include home-baked goodies, such as cookies, cakes, pies and brownies (with pecans) **Home made Food Agape is a wonderful gift.** I know Keeblers and Nabisco have good snacks, however it's not the same as coming from your kitchen at home.

Wilson Heacock

Chrysalis is on!

Keep the chrysalis flights in your prayers for team formation and for those who are being called to attend.

Boys Chrysalis

July 17 - 20, 2008

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Girls Chrysalis

July 24 - 27, 2008

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Butterfly must have completed the 9th grade to participate.

Next gathering:

May 17, 2008

Christ Harbor,

Laguna Vista