July 2011



Gatherings (2nd Saturday of each month)

July 9th POC: Richard Leeper

August 13th POC: Michael Selph

September 10th POC: Pastor Chris Fair

October 8th

November 12th POC: Kathleen Holladay

Board meeting at 1:30 pm Fellowship at 3:30 pm Gathering at 4:00 pm

Please bring snack food to share during fellowship time.

We are looking for churches to host Gatherings for 2011/2012.

If you are your church's Point of Contact for hosting, please email our CLD Dawn Kendall at queendawn@juno.com so arrangements can be made.

Bethel UMC

Wright's Chapel

Antioch

Fairview @ River Club

Hillcrest UMC

Directions to Bethel UMC: 17380 Dawn Blvd Hanover, VA

Take Exit 98 off of I-95, 6 miles north of Kings Dominion on Hwy 30. (1.5 north on Hwy 30 from the intersection of Hwy 301/30).



UPCOMING EMMAUS WEEKENDS

Walk # FE-84 (M) FE-85 (W) **Dates** Oct 20 - 23, 2011 Nov 17 - 20, 2011 **Weekend Lay Director** Harry Tillman Lola McDonald

Thoughts from the Community Lay Director July 2011

HELLO! My name is Dawn Kendall. I worship at Stafford Crossing Community Church. I walked on Fredericksburg Emmaus 54 and sat at the Table of Peace. I am honored and humbled to serve as your Community Lay Director for the upcoming year.

WELCOME! The June elections bring new members to the Board: Ava Hanger and Lisa Green; Chris Campbell, Tom Dempsey, and Richard Leeper; and Pastors Jim Muhlenkamp and Bill Walker. Richard will also serve as the Assistant Community Lay Director and Pastor Jim will be serving as our Community Spiritual Director. Welcome to all the new Board members and thanks to all who work on behalf of the Fredericksburg community.

ROAD TRIP! Our July 9 Gathering will be held at Bethel United Methodist Church in Caroline. For many of us, this is quite a drive; let us be reminded that our friends from out of town regularly travel to Fredericksburg for Gatherings, meetings, and teaming. It is a wonderful thing to show our appreciation by traveling to see them. So grab a friend, roll the windows down, turn the radio up, and make a day of it! Join us at Bethel UMC for fellowship and worship, then grab a bite to eat on the way home. After all, this is the day that the Lord has made.... MARK YOUR CALENDAR! The fall walk teams are coming together. The Weekend Lay Directors, Lola McDonald and Harry Tillman, are making their plans as the teams are formed. The walk dates are: October 20-23 (men) and November 17-20 (women). Please consider how you can be in service for these walks. The August Gathering will be August 13 at Wright's Chapel in Ladysmith. This is another opportunity to visit an out-of-town church and spend time praising our Lord together.

PRAYERS PLEASE! Please continue to pray for the Fredericksburg Emmaus community and the formation of FE 84 and 85 teams. If you have a prayer request that needs immediate attention, email our Daily Prayer Chain (FredEmmausPrayers@Yahoo.com) with your prayer request and our prayer warriors will be in prayer for you. If you would like to be a member of this special ministry, contact Dennis Warne, the Website Administrator, and ask to be included as a Prayer Warrior (WarneDM@comcast.net).

DECOLORES! Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Blessings to all ya'll.

Dawn Kendall FE- 54, Table of Peace

ATTENTION FREDERICKSBURG EMMAUS COMMUNITY!

The 4th day committee wants your 4th day testimonies. They don't have to be long, just tell us what God's doing in your 4th day, or how teaming, sponsoring, being involved in a reunion group, or attending monthly gatherings has changed your life. We will review it and if accepted, include it in the newsletter on a monthly basis. So if you'd like to share with us how God has used your Emmaus experiences in any of these areas, please email your testimony to Cam Noden at: twonodens@juno.com for review. I'll be looking forward to hearing from you!

From The Community Spiritual Director

I am happy to be starting my tour of duty as the Community Spiritual Director for the second time around. I appreciate the Emmaus Walk, all that it stands for and all that it accomplishes for the individuals and Churches involved. I look forward to serving with the current version of the board and to serving each and every one of you within the Community. If there is anything that I can ever do for you I am available for each of you.

I am a great fan of Charles H. Spurgeon, one of the greatest preachers that ever graced a pulpit. He stood against the rise of modernity within the Baptist churches in England and, though it robbed him of his health and ultimately led to his untimely death, Spurgeon fought against the rising tide of liberalism within the Church. Many of Spurgeon's writings are still available and I would encourage each of you to read his articles concerning "The Downgrade" controversy.

Let me share some words of Spurgeon with you that are an encouragement to me and, I hope will encourage you this month as well. "They shall be Mine," says the Lord of Hosts, "on the day that I make them My jewels" – Malachi 3:17. You are among the precious things of Jesus. You are precious to Him if He is precious to you, and you shall be His "on that day," if He is yours on this day.

In the days of Malachi, the chosen of the Lord were accustomed to so converse with each other that God Himself listened to their talk. He even took notes of it and made a book of it, which he lodged in His record office. Pleased with their conversation, He was also pleased with them. Pause in this moment and ask yourself: If Jesus were to listen to my talk, would He be pleased with it? Is it to His glory?

We are considered by the Lord to be His crown jewels! What an honor and a privilege! Jesus bought us, sought us, and has so far wrought us to His image that we shall be fought for by Him with all His might. We have His promises that He will never leave us nor forsake us. No matter what life might throw at you, God is on your side. Let us therefore step out boldly in His service and give to Him our very best that we have to offer.

Be a Champion for Christ – Pastor Jim Muhlenkamp

4th Day Testimony

In 1993 I walked on Fredericksburg Emmaus #7. It was so special that I had to Team - as a Servant, an Assistant Table Leader, Table Leader, and several times as Assistant Weekend Lay Director. I learned in the process that giving is better then receiving, that leading is giving, that Table Leader is the best job in the world and that friendships made among the fellowship of believers are precious. I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve as Weekend Lay Director on FE-29 and count the experience a spiritual highlight of my life. I was on the Board when I served as WLD for FE-29 and elected Community Lay Director the following year. What a wonderful experience!

Over some ten years since serving as Community Lay Director, I have Teamed, been Pilgrim Registrar, Team Registrar, and helped establish the Fourth Day Ministry in support of the Emmaus Board. Three years ago the Lord spoke to my heart to stand for election again on the local Board. I was not elected, but a year later I volunteered again and was elected by the Community and subsequently chosen by the Board to serve as Assistant Community Lay Director. Last year I was chosen to serve as your Community Lay Director for a second time. Board meetings, WLD training, Fourth Day Follow-up, Committees, Gatherings, Weekends - what a wonderful cornucopia of service!

I share this to encourage you - please Team, serve on the Board, serve in leadership positions, volunteer on behalf of the Community. What you will receive in return will be many fold greater then what you give. That is the miracle of serving our Lord - it is better to give then receive, but in giving you receive so much more. Such mystery!

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Dick Barnett Fairview at River Club, FE-7, Table of Mark

Prayer Requests from June Gathering

Methodist Pastors receiving new appointments next week at Annual Conference.

Marriages, The unemployed, Jamie – kidney failure

Family healing, Praises for newlyweds – God bless them always, New job for Matthew

Lynn – health, G.D., Kathy – God knows, Angel Food ministry at Epworth, Mission trip to Eastern Shore, Kevin, Praises for rain

Ashley & Blake's marriage in August, Don's health issues, Praises for music opportunities, Safe travel for Ava's family, Geri- freedom from pain, Children to find Godly mates, Formation of FE-85

Received warning & probation on job – hard requirements, Dental issues, dentist error, Recent accident totaled older but enduring car

Need a new kidney

Ryan - 14/cancer, Enny - 7/broken arm

Warner family reunion – need prayer, Randy – hospital, Randy – father passed away, Mike's brother needs peace of mind, Heather – high school grad, Jon & Di – pregnant with first child, Stacy & Rick – faith & salvation, prayers for rain, CCC VBS

John, Mary, Christopher, Leon, Lewis, Vivian, Maya, Maeanatha, Wilfred, Brenda, Vanesa, Tony, Alfred, Rick

Families of Jim and Jose who lost their Patriarch at the beginning of June

John our son, Mary & Wilfred

Praise God for daughter's new job situation, Chandler's going to college, Sister-in-law in loss of husband, Jeff,

Nora as she considers another operation and her job situation

My brother's marriage and family situation

Ralph & Ruth – health and finances

Jacob, Growth and perseverance of Fredericksburg Emmaus, Health, Laura's grandfather – healing

Job in Texas at right level, Daughter go to school on line – everyday, all day to graduate, Ex-wife be at peace & satisfied with her decision and settlement, Gratitude for knee replacement surgery- 4 months out and doing very well

Mom to be good

Mary's health, Joel's personal crises, Phyllis' life circumstance – job, tooth, car wreck, Brother Larry's family in his passing

Ralph's Health, Children, Tornado victims, Job concerns, Bobby's surgery, Marie recovering from car accident, 40 Days of Love small group, Marriages

Dawn – health, kids, Carol – kids, Lisa – family, Devon – his mom, Successful VBS, New Board members

Kathleen – work decision, Health, Eva health, Military – safe keeping, Travel mercies, Country's leadership, New Board members, Success for Hillcrest UMC, Hope – 3

Our son and his healing, Praise to the Lord for justice, Elliott's

Praise for Steve's knee replacement, Pat & Debbie in death of Mike

Our Daily Internet Prayer Chain Has Launched!

We have 86 Prayer warriors praying daily for the needs and praises of the Emmaus Community. Our Daily Prayer Chain Coordinator is Teresa Smith, Fairview at River Club, FE-37, Table of Patience. Simply email Teresa at FredEmmausPrayers@Yahoo.com with your prayer request and our Prayer Warriors will be in prayer for you! Urgent prayer requests will be handled as quickly as we receive them. If you would like to be a Daily Prayer Warrior, email our Website Administrator, Dennis Warne at WarneDM@comcast.net and ask to be included as a Prayer Warrior.

Elected Community Officers (Serving July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012):

Community Lay Director	Dawn Kendall
Assistant Community Lay Director	Richard Leeper
Community Spiritual Director Board Spiritual Director Board Spiritual Director	Bill Walker
Secretary/Treasurer Manuals Coordinator/Historian	
Board Members	Dick Barnett Judy Britt Chris Campbell Tom Dempsey Lisa Green Ava Hanger Cam Noden

Community Volunteers (Sept 1, 2010 - Aug 31, 2011): (Approved By Emmaus Board)

Communications Support Coordinator Website Administrator Newsletter Database Coordinator Daily Prayer Chain Coordinator	Dennis Warne Brooke Ferguson Dennis Warne
Fourth Day Support Coordinator Fourth Day Advisory Committee Upper Room Guidelines Implementation Fourth Day Follow-Up Training Reunion Group Coordinator Identify/Obtain Literature & Reference Material	Art Blankenship Dawn Kendall Dick Barnett Vacant
Gathering Support Coordinator Childcare Coordinator Community Baker Music Coordinator for Gatherings Music Equipment Coordinator	Jacob Riley Sandie Makely Lola McDonald
Pilgrim/Team Support Coordinator Pilgrim Selection Committee Pilgrim Registrars Team Selection Committee Team Registrar	Dawn Kendall Ralph and Sandy Williams Dawn Kendall
Weekend Support Coordinator Community Servant Coordinator General Agape Coordinator Prayer Vigil Coordinator Placemat Coordinator Snack Agape Coordinator	Vacant Vacant Vonda LiCalzi Tom Wells

Agape Bag Coordinator.....Diana Farrar Transportation Coordinator....Chris Campbell Supplies Coordinator....Vacant Name Badge Coordinator.....Gary Adkins

Fourth Day PacketsWilfred and Mary Usher

HELP WANTED

Our Emmaus Community is looking for volunteers to fill several vacant coordinator positions. If you are interested in serving in any capacity, please contact Dawn Kendall at <u>queendawn@juno.com</u>

Sunday

Bethel UMC Men's Group 7:30 am Bethel UMC Woodbridge, Va POC: Brian Lewis 703-590-9343 bb3253@aol.com

Monday

Ladies in Waiting Meets every other Monday in Falmouth POC: Vonda LiCalzi 540-446-2682

Tuesday

Great Is Thy Faithfulness 7:30 pm Prince of Peace UMC Manassas, Va POC: Lloyd Biller 703-590-1512

Lakeside Group (Men) 8:00 pm Lake of the Woods Call for location POC: Vic Larson 540-972-1928

Wednesday

Lord's Lions & Lambs Group 6:30 pm First Christian Church POC: Joe Reed 540-373-7716 first.christian.church@ verizon.net

Thursday

His Joyful Croakers 9:00 am Hillcrest UMC POC: June Riel 540-710-5949

His Seekers (Women) 7:30 pm Home of Jane Carwell POC: Sandy Crossley 703-221-6977 POC: Jane Carwell 703-969-4019 tjcarwell@yahoo.com

Amazing Grace Group 8:30 pm Hillcrest UMC POC: Ed McAdam 540-898-3625 emcadam@cox.net

Rainbow Group (Women) Alternate Thursdays 10:00 am Lake of the Woods Call for location POC: Barbara Miller 540-972-7418

Friday

Koinonia Group (Women) 9:00 am Lake of the Woods Call for location POC: Barbara Larson 540-972-1928

Varies

His Footprints Various schedule: call for time and meeting place POC: Phyllis Howze 540-582-6739

Are you interested in joining or starting a new reunion group?

Contact Cam Noden at twonodens@ juno.com