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UPPER ROOM EMMAUS OF THE GREATER FREDERICKSBURG AREA

Oct. 2-5, 2014 Gary Adkins

FE-96 (W) Nov. 13-16, 2014 Lisa Green

Gathering Directions

To: First Christian

1501 Washington Ave Fredericksburg,VA 22401

From Central Park: Take Rt 3 East toward downtown Fredericksburg. Turn Left onto William St. Follow through town to Left onto Washington Ave. Take short Right onto Lewis St then immediate Left onto Washington Ave. Church will be down on your right.

Volunteers Needed

Please contact Doc Holladay at <u>doc.holladay@wildblue.net</u> if you are interested in helping the Emmaus community through any of the various volunteer positions listed on Page 4 for the period of Aug 2014 - Sept 2015.

Gathering Info

2:30 pm Board meeting 3:30 pm Fellowship & 4:00 pmGathering Please bring snacks to share during fellowship time. If your church can host a gathering, please email the CLD Doc Holladay at doc.holladay@wildblue.net

GATHERINGS August 9th First Christian September 13th St Matthias UMC October 11th TBA

From the Community Lay Director

Was I the only one who was wondering "Where was everyone?" at the last gathering? I know summer time is when we all tend to take vacations and enjoy lakes, beaches, and recreation in general as well as do summer mission trips. However, we have been witnessing a steady decline at our gatherings of late and need to give some thought as to why that is. At the risk of preaching to the choir I would like to open a dialog about this.

As saints we are all supposed to be actively involved in an accountability group. So where were the other members of your accountability group? Most of us have multiple fellow EMMAUS members within our individual churches, so how many of your fellow EMMAUS members from your church attended the last gathering with you? How many of you are aware of saints that may have walked in the past but have not attended a gathering in quite a while – what would it take for you to extend them an invitation or even provide them a ride to the next gathering? And by the way, has your own pastor walked yet?

These decreased numbers have a ripple effect when it comes to being able to get individuals to take on volunteer positions. If we can increase the number of saints actively involved it will tend to take some of pressure off of those same old tired work horses that always seem to get tasked. How many of you are presently holding a volunteer position within our EMMAUS community? At what point are you going to step up to the plate? If you are unaware of the need, I would invite you to talk to anyone of the Board members and they will be able to suggest a variety of positions that need volunteers.

My last input for this month is to ask all of you to pray for those Christian brothers and sisters around the world who are experiencing persecution. Over 2,300 Christian died worldwide last year due to persecution - and at the present rate 2014 is stacking up to surpass 2013. They need our prayers and whenever possible our support both financially and politically. We have all seen historically what can happens when everyone looks the other way while this kind of persecution takes place.

De Colores!

Doc Holladay

Prayer Requests

Ada - healing	Diana – music team	Monica – Mom and Dad
Al & Debbie's –renter	Education	Music Teams for FE-95 and FE
Beth - grandson	For our churches, the leaders	96
Betty Jo – peace	(wisdom) and church members	New position
Blessing of sponsoring a pilgrim	Fredericksburg Community	Niki & Tim - salvation
or two on the upcoming walks	God's will is my will	Nlae Lewis – healing
Children and grandchildren	Granddaughter	School / Ministry
Choices	Grandmother's health	Spiritual Warfare
Church	Group Reunion	Tree dedication
Dana – continued faith's	Growth for Emmaus	Walk & Job
growth, time management and	Henry in Afghanistan	Walk & Sponsors
clarity of what God wants her	Hillcrest Mission Week	PRAISE
to do	Julie McAdams – healing from	For new granddaughter, Grace!
Dennis's – Dad ill health	knee surgery	

Fourth Day Testimony

Wow, can it have been 18 years ago that I was blessed to be sponsored for an Emmaus Walk and then to be part of God's community and be asked to lead an Emmaus team 11 years ago?

I attended church all my life and accepted Christ as my Savior at age 12, but it took an Emmaus Walk (with its subtle 2x4 board approach, i.e. 15 talks) to get my attention and turn my relationship into a personal one.

The walk's many challenges made profound differences in my life – Bible reading (study), devotionals, prayer, action, worship, discipleship, perseverance, priorities, etc. Strengthening my walk with Christ through these tools has even given me the strength to knock on neighborhood doors and share my witness and testimony to others.

My heart is always touched when I'm also able to share God's word through the ministry of music. The words of so many songs (both old and new) prick my heart. To be able to lead/share the scriptural words of songs with others is a blessing ... many times those words issue a reminder, or a challenge, of Christ's mission and God's love for us.

DE COLORES!

Gene Philipp, Stafford Crossing Community Church, FE-21, Table of Paul

Elected Community Officers: (Thru June 30, 2014)

Community Lay Director	Doc Holladaydoc.holladay@wildblue.net
Assistant Community Lay Director	Terry Cook <u>mktyck@gmail.com</u>
Community Spiritual Director	Chris Fair <u>ckfair@wildblue.net</u>
Board Members:	
Beth McBride <u>bethmcb24@icloud.com</u>	Karen Campbell <u>campbells_6@yahoo.com</u>
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Agape Coordinator	OPEN
Secretary	Diana Farrar <u>hrhdiana@yahoo.com</u>
Treasurer	Debbie Bliss <u>dhbliss@cox.net</u>
Manuals Coordinator/Historian	Doc Holladay <u>doc.holladay@wildblue.net</u>
Spiritual Director	Betty Jo Sims <u>bsims@feedmore.org</u>

Community Volunteers: (Sept 1, 2013 - Aug 31, 2014)

Communications Support Coordinator	Mary Lee Hensel
Website & Database Administrator	Chris Campbell
Newsletter	Brooke Ferguson
Daily Prayer Chain Coordinator	Debbie Bliss

Fourth Day Support Coordinator	Chris Wells
Fourth Day Advisory Committee	Mary Lee Hensel
	OPEN
Fourth Day Follow-Up/Reunion Group Coordinator.	Chris Wells

Team Selection Committee	Ed Hayner
Team Registrars	Chris & Karen Campbell
Pilgrim Registrars	Tom & Bonnie Wells

Gathering Support CoordinatorMary Lee Hensel Hospitality CoordinatorOPEN

Music/Equipment Coordinator......Mitch Mitchell

Weekend Support Coordinator	Debbie Bliss
Community Servant Coordinator	Doc Holladay
Community Baker	Sandie Makely
Supplies/Transportation Coordinators	Chris & Karen Campbell
Prayer Vigil Coordinator	OPEN
Placemat Coordinator	Mary Lee Hensel/Diana Farrar
Snack Agape Coordinator	OPEN
Agape Bag Coordinator	Karen Campbell
Name Badge Coordinators	Gary Adkins
	Dianna Wells
Fourth Day Packets	Diana Farrar

Daily Internet Prayer Chain

We have Prayer Warriors praying daily for the needs and praises of the Emmaus Community. Our Daily Prayer Chain Coordinator is Debbie Bliss, Hillcrest UMC, FE-63, table of Victorious Violets. Simply email Debbie at fredemmausprayers@yahoo.com or dhbliss@cox.net 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 Chris Campbell at chris@ewg.org and ask to be included as a Prayer Warrior.

Sunday

Bethel UMC Men's Group 7:30 Am Bethel UMC Woodbridge, Va POC: Brian Lewis 703-590-9343 Bb3253@aol.com

St. Matthias Reunion Group Ist Sunday Of Each Month I2:15 - I:30 Pm St. Matthias Social Hall POC: Tammi Ellis

Monday

Ladies In Waiting Meets Every Other Monday In Falmouth POC: Vonda LiCalzi 540-446-2682

Rainbow Group (Women) First Monday Of Month 10:00 Am Lake Of The Woods Location Varies POC: Barbara Miller 540-972-7418

Are you interested in joining or sta.rting a new **Reunion Group**?

Email Chris Wells at cdwells50@gmail.com

Tuesday

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

Reunion Bible Study 10:00 Am North Stafford Baptist POC: Karen Campbell 540–658-0468 campbells_6@yahoo.com

Lord's Lions & Lambs Group 6:00 Pm First Christian Church POC: Mike Remington 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

Uptown Bristersburg Believers 2nd And 4th Thursdays 7:00 Pm Mt. Horeb UMC POC: Chris Wells 540-788-3068 cdwells50@gmail.com

4th Day Testimony Request

The Emmaus community wants to hear about your 4th Day! 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 post one person's 4th Day experience in the Newsletter each month. So if you'd like to share with us how God has used your Emmaus experience in any of these areas, please email your testimony to Mary Lee Hensel at mlhensel59@gmail.com Can't wait to hear what God has been doing!

August 2014