

Welcome to the 2013 Walk to Emmaus Season!!!

2013 is here and Hi-Sky Emmaus has already hit the ground running. The team for **Men's Walk 207** has had their first two team meetings this past weekend and will have their other two team meetings in the coming weeks. **Women's Walk #208's** team has been formed and they will have their first team meetings in February.

At the time of printing, **Men's Walk #207** has 8 pilgrims signed up and **Women's Walk #208** has an amazing 16 pilgrims signed up and ready to take their pilgrim walks.

Also, the teams for **Men's Walk #209** and **Guy's**

Flight #50 are currently being formed as team selection meetings for both of these events have already taken place.

Our community has also been busy praying for each other as several in our community are dealing with illness and loss of loved ones. Each of those you have touched with prayer in the last couple of months have expressed their desire to make sure you, the community, know that those prayers were and are welcomed and felt. A current prayer list will be listed on page 4.

Our board has also already had two meetings this year. New committee chair-

persons have been elected and those positions will be listed later in the newsletter.

2012 was a great year for our community and we can't wait to see what God is going to do through all the lives touched by Hi-Sky Emmaus in 2013.



Community Gathering, January 22, 2013

Our next Community Gathering will be Tuesday, January 22, 2013.

This year we will be meeting at Calvary Assembly of God here in Midland. Calvary is located at 908 S. Johnson Street.

At 6:15pm we will be hosting our Babe Chick Meeting in the fellowship hall. This meeting is for anyone who has attended a walk, but not yet had a chance to join us at community and will help you prepare to sponsor others on this

amazing journey.

At 7:00pm, we will begin our Community Gathering in the Sanctuary. We hope you join us for music, fellowship and worship during this time. David Sapp is scheduled to bring our Fourth Day Talk.

Following the Community Gathering, we will move back to the fellowship hall for food and fellowship.

The following snacks are needed:

- Sandwiches: 3-4 dozen (cut into 1/4s for easier handling)
- Chips & dip: 3-4 different types
- Fruit: 2-3 types or trays
- Veggies: 1-2 trays w/ dip
- Cookies: 3-4 dozen
- Cakes: 2-3

- Other treats: anything you'd like to bring.

Please contact Linda Bisbee at [432.559.5624](tel:432.559.5624) to let her know what you can bring.

New Board Members and Committee Chair Positions

The Hi-Sky Emmaus Board met on January 3, 2013 to fill the vacant Committee Chair and Board position left by the outgoing board members. The positions which were filled/assigned were: Assistant Community Lay Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Community Spiritual Director, Music Committee, Chrysalis Committee, Book Table Committee, Facilities Committee, and Name Tag Committee. Listed here is a complete listing of the Board members with their positions following this meeting:

Gregg Ulvestad—Community Lay Director

Marta Hansard—Asst Community Lay Director

Dean Cook—Community Spiritual Director

Melanie Huddleston—Secretary

Debbie Baxter—Past Community Lay Director

Linda Bisbee—Gatherings

Sandra Fussell—Asst. Community Spiritual Director

Amy Ciaccio—Training

Joe Willis—Trailer/Supplies

Dee Woolam—Asst Spiritual Director

Roy Sanders—Team Selection

Terry Childers—Facilities/Name Tags

Marta Hansard—Asst. Community Lay Director

Linda Ireland—Training

Charlotte Bosecker—Book Table/Chrysalis

Ashley Coco—Treasurer

Kerry Mansour—Music Trailer

For contact information, please visit the Board Page on the website.

“EVANGELISM IS NOT
a professional job
for a few trained
men, but is instead
the unrelenting
responsibility of
every person who
belongs to the
COMPANY OF JESUS.”
- Elton Trueblood

From Men's Walk #207

As we embark on a new year of service to our precious Lord, please pray for God's direction in how you might serve him on Walk 207. Our most important need is for your unceasing prayer for our team as we prepare for the walk. Secondly, be open to God's direction as to whom you are called to sponsor for the walk. I know that God has pilgrims for this walk, we just don't

know who they are yet. Thanks again for the amazing honor of serving as Lay Director for Walk 207.

Joe

NOTE: Applications for Men's Walk #207 are MUST BE turned in by February 14, 2013.



Help Needed!

Our Music and Supply Trailer Committees are in need of a few anyone who has is willing to let help us move the trailers for each of the walks. All you need is a 2" ball-hitch and a four-way connection for the lights. If you are willing to help with either or both of these, please shoot an email to communications@hiskyemmaus.com and we'll with your name and the

best contact number and we'll get you down on our list.

Also, if you are have been wanting to help our community grow by serving more than just during the walks you have worked, please contact any of the committee chair persons and let them know you want to help out.

Finding Comfort in a Strange World

There is a great comfort in knowing that God will always give us a safe, comfortable place to rest. He proved that in the story of Christ's birth when even the Saviour and King of us all didn't have a place to go, he was at least given a manger to lay His head in. No it's not the ideal, penthouse suite that we all dream of, but it was warm, safe, and for that family in that moment a place to celebrate together.

Our Own 'Lush Meadows'



When I was in college, I came to realize that I needed a place to escape the stress of school, home life, work, friends, and the everyday and get alone with God. Luckily for me, when the college's library was designed and built,

they included a chapel that was on the fourth floor of the building. As a matter of fact it WAS the fourth floor of the building. The room was triangular in shape with stained glass windows facing the east, a triangular kneeling altar in the center of the room and a complete set of paintings by Kenneth Wyatt of the disciples and Jesus along the west wall of the room. My friends knew that if I couldn't be found and if I happened to actually not be answering my phone, then I could be found in that room. It was a safe place, a quiet place, and a place that in the middle of the craziness of college, sick family members, my own health and mind going out of control, I could go and be along with God.

That place for me has changed as life has pushed me forward. In the weeks spent at the hospitals in Lubbock with mom is was a dusty stairwell. When I lived in Lorenzo, TX, it was a few miles from town just off the Caprock. And now here in Midland, I have several places that I sometimes go to just get

to take a break from everything. None since the chapel at Wayland can truly be defined as a "Spiritual" place, but when I go there to be with my Lord, they are just that.

Challenge

While I am never one to say "YOU MUST HAVE A QUIET TIME." I do see the validity in getting alone and being quiet in the presence of God. For some, that can go into their home office, shut the door and they are there. For others, they get in the car and go for a drive. I know of one man back home in Olton that spends most of His time with God while working cattle on the back of a horse. The place doesn't matter, the frequency really doesn't matter. What matters is that you go to that place often. You seek God's grace, God's guidance, and God's love often. Do you have a place that you go to to tune out the world and be alone with God? If not, I challenge you to find such a place this year.

"YOU HAVE

bedded me down

IN LUSH MEADOWS"

Psal m 23:2a

(MSG)

Upcoming Events

January 22, 2013	6:15pm Babe Chick Meeting 7:00pm Community Gathering Both at Calvary Assembly of God	February 9, 2013	8:00am-4:30pm Men's Walk #207 Team Meeting, First Baptist Church
February 1, 2013	6:00-9:30pm Women's Walk #208 Team Meeting, Calvary Assembly of God	February 14, 2013	Applications for Men's Walk #207 Due!!
February 2, 2013	8:00am-4:30pm Women's Walk #208 Team Meeting, Calvary Assembly of God	February 16, 2013	8:00am-4:30pm Women's Walk #208 Team Meeting, Calvary Assembly of God
February 8, 2013	6:00-9:30pm Men's Walk #207 Team Meeting, First Baptist Church	February 21-24, 2013	Men's Walk #207
		February 21, 2013	Send off (TBA)
		February 21, 2013	6:30-7:00pm Pilgrims Arrive 7:00pm, Walk Begins
		February 23, 2013	8:00pm Candlelight Service
		February 24, 2013	4:00pm Closing Service

Community Prayer List

Hi Sky Emmaus

PO Box 10370
Midland, TX 79701

Those Grieving

The Family of Lauren and Joseph Moreland - *Lauren's young brother, Cody, was killed in a motorcycle accident on Friday evening, 1/11/13.*

Health Concerns

Rusty Adams - *Will be having surgery on both knees soon. Dates have not been scheduled yet. Hoping to be recovered in time to work MW 209.*

Misty Dentler - *Meeting with surgeons on Friday 1/11/13.*

Ron Hopkins - *Having Quad bypass on 1/18/13.*

Claudia Perdue - *Had a heart attack on 1/15/13.*

Amy Evans - *Taken to the ER on 1/17/13 with severe pain.*

Those With Cancer

Bailey Lively - *currently being monitored*

Bill Spisak - *being treated for prostate cancer*

Mike Nance - *brain tumors*

Kathy Gibson - *acute leukemia, in MD Anderson*

Cards may be mailed to:

*Kathy Gibson, Room 1269
MD Anderson Cancer Center
PO Box 300206
Houston, TX 77230-0206*

Praises

Rusty Adams - *Even though pre-op EKG detected abnormalities in his heart, CT Scan last week showed none!*

If you have a prayer request or praise that you would like to share with the community, please go to the Prayer Page at <http://www.hiskyemmaus.com/prayer.html>, and send us your request.