

community connections



Volume 5, Issue 2 February 2015 **Greetings Hi-Sky Emmaus Community!**

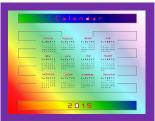
I'm feeling really excited about what God has in store for us this year. I can't wait to meet all the new community members that God blesses us with.

I hope and pray as we grow together this year, that we gain strength in God's love and grace, that we come together as a community to further the kingdom of God, and that we learn and grow as the Body of Christ to truly become His hands and feet in the world.

At candlelight on February 21, Keith Gibbons shared with us that it is so wonderful to be on the mountaintop, but that we cannot stay there forever; we must bring what we gain on that mountaintop down into the valley to share with others.

Please be in prayer for the remaining 2015 Walks, the Teams, the Pilgrims and the Board. Let's all stand together and trust that God has great things in store for our Community in the coming months.

DeColores, Martin To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples" John 8:31 (NIV)



IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY

24th: Community Gathering

MARCH

19th - 22nd: Women's Walk #220

24th: Community Gathering

APRIL

23rd - 26th - 22nd: Men's Walk #221

28th: Community Gathering

A Call For CLERGY

We are in desperate need of clergy to participate on upcoming teams. We are all busy but I would ask that each person in the Community start to ask if your Pastors, Associates and Youth Pastors have been on a walk and if they haven't please encourage them to attend.

If they have been on a walk, please encourage them to get in touch with one of the board members so we can get them plugged-in to help with The Best Walk Ever.

We are also seeking one more clergy person to be on the Board at this time.

I guess long story made short - We need HELP. Thanks And God Bless

In Christ's Service, Pastor Danny Bisbee Community Spiritual Director



Are the young adults in your life growing their relationship with Christ? Are they living their faith?

Before it becomes a butterfly, a caterpillar goes through a growth stage or Chrysalis. This process symbolizes how Christ can also transform our young adults into something beyond their dreams. It happens when they are provided with the opportunity to grow beyond themselves and open their life to Jesus' power and love.

The Chrysalis experience is open to youth of any Christian denomination ages 15 - 19, or having completed their freshman year of high school.

Participants spend three days with their peers in worship, prayer, fellowship, recreation, singing and table discussions. They experience the love of God through prayers and the acts of service from the loving support of the Emmaus Community.

Chrysalis offers our young people a three day opportunity to set aside all of the daily interruptions in their lives and take time to discover (or rediscover) their spiritual self.

Talk with the young people you know now. (Their summer schedules fill up very quickly.) Sponsor them on a Flight so they are better equipped to handle the world they live in and have tools they can use to overcome the things Satan uses to attack them.

The Girl's Flight is scheduled for June 25-28, 2015 and the Boy's Flight is July 23-26, 2015. Both Flights will be held at Circle Six.



More information and Flight Reservation Forms can be found on the Hi-Sky Emmaus website under the Chrysalis tab at:

www.hiskyemmaus.com

Fly With Christ! Wilma Stirl, Chrysalis Committee Chair

Women's Walk #220

I first and foremost want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as the Lay Director for Women's Walk #220. God has built an amazing team! We have had all of our team meetings, heard many amazing talks, and have been richly blessed.

I have faith that God will be bringing us 34 more beautiful pilgrims to fill this walk. So, if you have a lady in your life that you believe is ready to be truly blessed by this experience, we would LOVE to have her!

Please continue to be in prayer for WW #220 that each person will feel the mighty work of God in her/his life as we move toward starting this walk.

The Logistics Coordinator is Donna Mason. Food Agape is Mary Harris, and Gift Agape is Barbara Duet. You can drop off agape at **3300 Stewart St**, **Midland TX 79707 or 2302 Storey, Ave Midland, TX 79701**.

Send off for WW#220 will be at the Midland College Dining Hall, starting at 11:30. Please come and join us if you can!

Peace, Love and Grace Bailey Lively, Lay Director WW #220



After the "Growth Through Study" talk, Hi-Sky offers the pilgrims the opportunity to take a book or two from the Book Table. Our hope is that the books selected for the table will start their development of a relationship with Christ.

Books are offered without cost on every walk - some are donated and some are purchased. But, Hi-Sky does not ever charge the pilgrims for the books.

Devotionals, study guides or reference books; in-depth studies or simply a daily study; short, long, big or small we need them all. Devotionals can be brief in content or really thought provoking. Reference books can simply aid in study or give wonderful accounts of the lives of the "old dudes" mentioned through scripture. Books can take you on a wonderful journey as you really get know God's Word.

Please consider donating gently used books, a Mardel gift card or money to Hi-Sky Emmaus so we can continue to offer free reading materials on all walks. Thank you for being a part of growing His Kingdom and leading others in a closer walk with Jesus Christ.

Charlotte Bosecker, Book Table Committee Chair



Registration Reminders

I just wanted to take a few moments to make sure that everyone

understands and remembers the rules about requesting a Reservation for your pilgrims, as there seems to be a bit of confusion in the process.

- ♣ Reservation Request Forms must be in the Registrar's hand by Thursday of the week prior to the walk. This does not mean they can be post marked by this date. So, if you are close to the deadline your best bet is deliver it to the home address which is listed on the request form rather than mailing it. We do have a mail box that locks so that forms and payment can be dropped off if we are not home or even in the middle of the night.
- ♣ Applications are not complete until payment is sent in. If you send in a Reservation Request with the promise to pay later, then your Pilgrim will not be put on any walk until payment is received.
- ₱ Please make sure that the Pilgrim has completed the entire Reservation Request Form. The database requires this information or we cannot enter your Pilgrim. In addition, things like the birth date help with table and room assignments.
- Also, if you could please make sure the information is legible, we do use this information to send out letters to the pilgrim prior to the walk.

If you need a Reservation Request Form and do not have access to a computer, forms are available in the orange box on the front porch of our home, 2302 Storey Ave. Please feel free to stop by and pick one up.

Thanks so much for your help and we look forward to getting all your pilgrims on their desired walks!

Bailey Lively, Community Registrar



Tuesday, February 24th Our Savior's Lutheran 3309 Neely Ave.

Babe-Chick Meeting: 6:15 p.m.

Gathering: 7:00 p.m.



Dear Community Members,

I am extremely excited to be serving on the Board this year. As a part of my service to the Community, I have been asked to coordinate the fellowship that follows our Community Gatherings each month which means, I need YOUR help!!!

Please contact me directly by phone, **432-556-0339** or by email, **crickett4206@yahoo.com** to sign up for an ongoing food offering you would like to provide for each meeting or even one time.

I would also encourage EVERYONE to bring their favorite snack at ANYTIME to share with our Community. After all, it's Emmaus and we all know that there should ALWAYS be food, right? I look forward to hearing from YOU soon!!!

As you have been blessed, in turn, be a blessing.

DeColores, Paula Yates, Gatherings Committee Chair

~ Team Selection ~

Dear Emmaus Community,

The Team Selection Committee is still in the process of selecting servants for upcoming 2015 Walks and we need your help!

If you have not been contacted to work a Walk and would like to, please signup on the clipboard which is circulated at out Community Gatherings each month, contact any Hi-Sky Board member or better yet, send an email to me at **joet@bosworthco.com**.

Those who serve on our Walks help make and keep our Hi-Sky Emmaus Community strong. We cannot do anything without you. Thank you so much for being servants of Christ.

Joe Thames Team Selection Committee Chair