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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



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IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

18th-21st
Women's Walk #222

23rd
Community Gathering

25th-28th
Girl's Chrysalis

JULY

23rd-26th
Boy's Chrysalis

28th
Community Gathering

AUGUST

25th
Community Gathering

Greetings Community!

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone in the Community for your excellent participation, support and prayers.

We have truly seen God's hand at work not only in the Hi-Sky Community, but also in our neighboring Emmaus communities. We are excited about Women's Walk #222 coming up this next weekend and cannot wait to see how God shows up in a mighty way!

We are also blessed to have both boy's and girl's Chrysalis weekends coming up soon. Let's fill these Flights up to overflowing and gift these kids with the knowledge and understanding of the all-encompassing grace of God, and how we can be His hands and feet in the world.

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6 (NIV)

DeColores,
Martin Ramirez
Community Lay Director



Tuesday, June 23rd
Our Savior's Lutheran
3309 Neely Ave.

Babe-Chick:
6:15 p.m.

Community Gathering:
7:00 p.m.

Fellowship:
8:15 p.m.



opportunity

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NOUN

... a situation or condition favorable for attainment of a goal; good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success.

What opportunities are you passing by?

Life gives us many opportunities every day. It is how we choose to respond to those opportunities that can change us, can change someone else or even change the world.

Taking the opportunity to share Jesus can be seen as a challenge. What do I say? What if they get upset? What if they are of another religion? I don't know the bible that well. I can't remember scripture because I have a terrible memory. I just don't know how to share my faith.

Emmaus gives us a great opportunity to open the door to a faith conversation. You can ask "Have you ever heard of the Walk to Emmaus?" Tell the story in scripture (Luke 24:13 -34). Tell how Jesus revealed Himself to the two men on the road to Emmaus. Tell how Jesus revealed Himself to you.

Sharing this story about Jesus is a great opportunity to share your faith. During this conversation of faith, you can find out if they are ready to go on a walk, if they are ready to begin or grow their personal faith journey or maybe God simply needs you to plant the seed. No matter the outcome, the truth is the same....You have shared Jesus and you have just done as Jesus commanded you to do.

In Matthew 28:18-20, Jesus came and told his disciples, *"I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And, be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

The making of a disciple begins with us sharing our faith story....How will you respond to the next opportunity Jesus puts before you?

DeColores!
Charlotte Bosecker

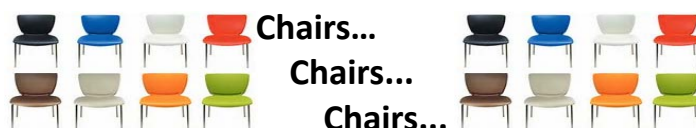
Women's Walk #222

Women's Walk #222 is ready to go! The team is excited about serving these very special women God has entrusted to us and we cannot wait to see what wonderful things He will do this coming weekend!

We would love for the Community to join us for Send-Off lunch at the Crestview Café on Thursday, June 18th at 11:30 a.m., at Candlelight on Saturday, June 20th at 8:30 p.m., and at Closing on Sunday, June 21st at 4:00 p.m.

We greatly appreciate you keeping the team and the pilgrims in your prayers this weekend.

DeColores,
Erra Bachman
Lay Director WW #222



Hi-Sky Emmaus has the perfect **opportunity** for you to be the hands and feet of Christ!

Before every community meeting, approximately 100 chairs need to be moved and set up to host our monthly gathering. If you are willing to help with this task, please show up at 6:00 before the meeting to help get the chairs arranged for our services. After the gathering is over, we want to be good stewards of the church facilities that have been graciously offered for our use.

So, we also need help returning the church to the condition in which we found it - meaning, we need help putting the chairs up, too. Thank you in advance for your service to this community. DeColores!



June Financial Report

(May 19th - June 14th)

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| Gross Profit | \$3,753.00 |
| Expenses | \$ 550.00 |
| Net Income | \$3,203.00 |

Financial Factoid:

Did you know... The Treasurer is responsible for being at all of the Candlelight services (both Walks and Chrysalis). It is one of the Treasurer's responsibilities to provide the offering baskets, for finding Community members to pass the baskets and for counting and depositing love offerings received.



Flight #54 is awaiting clearance for Take-Off!

The team meetings have been joyful and spiritual! We have one more meeting left and then it's time for the flight!!

The team is prepared and ready to be servants and representatives of Christ to the girls you are sending. Since we have team members from near and far, we will not have a send-off lunch. Instead, please take a moment during your lunch break and say a prayer for our flight on Thursday, June 25th, as we prepare for take-off. God will do wonderful things on this flight and the impact of the love shown will be everlasting.

Please come out to candlelight on June 27th, and let your love be reflected in the eyes of the young ladies on the flight; it will bless your heart!

Then come for closing on Sunday, June 28th. Listen to how God has touched the lives of the girls. It will give you hope for the future.

"Three things will last forever--faith, hope, and love--and the greatest of these is love." 1 Cor. 13:13

Dyan Hale
Lay Director GF #54

Men's Walk #223

Team meetings for Men's Walk #223 get underway at the end of July.

We are excited to get started! Please keep the team in your prayers and be in prayer about the pilgrims that God lays upon your heart for you to sponsor.

Please do not wait until the last minute. Let's fill this Walk early and have a waiting list for the next Walk!

DeColores,
Phillip Vandiver
Lay Director MW #223



**Support the Chrysalis Flights...
...with your prayers and your presence.**

Show the youth of our community you support them. Please lift the flights in prayer and be present at the activities. It really is awesome when the SD says at candlelight ".....many who do not even know you have come here because they want you to realize how much God loves you!" Lets make that a reality and come show God's love to the youth even if you do not know anyone on the flight. That is true agape love. Come again on Sunday for closing and hear the youth tell what the weekend has meant to them and what they are going to do about it. It will blow your socks off to hear the maturity of some of our youth.

See you at Circle Six.

Girl's Flight:
June 25- 28, 2015

Boy's Flight:
July 23 - 26, 2015

**Both Flights will be held at Circle Six
Cost is only \$125**

Reservation forms can be found on the website under the Chrysalis tab.

Fly With Christ,
Wilma Stirl
Chrysalis Chair



For Thought...

Greetings Community Members!

Come one, come ALL - to the Community meeting!! When you come, expect a blessing and you are sure to receive one! We also expect to see and enjoy FOOD. So, please don't come empty handed. It is only with your help that the food bar will be filled with YOUR favorites!!

Drop your food offering off in the kitchen on your way into worship and the Gatherings Committee will take care of the rest.

As you have been blessed, may you also be a blessing!

Paula Yates
Community Gatherings Chair



Reasons Teens Should Attend a... CHRYSLIS FLIGHT

1. They will meet some awesome Christian mentors.
2. It provides them with an opportunity to surround themselves with like-minded teens.
3. Chrysalis empowers them to be the hands and feet of Christ.
4. Teens actually get to anonymously ask questions of some of the speakers. They'll even answer them too.
5. They will be fed abundantly and frequently.
6. There will be singing, laughing, games, and fun!
7. They will make a New Best Friend the first night.
8. They will see communion served in a whole new way.
9. It is an opportunity for them to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as His grace and love is revealed through other believers.
10. They get to spend 72 hours without their parents. YEAH!



When I began serving on Walk teams, I remember trying to memorize the **“Prayer to the Holy Spirit.”** During this journey, I looked for guidance from the Upper Room to help me understand exactly what I was praying. Here are some interesting facts that I learned.

Did you know that this prayer is spoken fourteen times on a Walk weekend, at every Emmaus event/meeting, and at weekly reunion group meetings around the world? Did you know that its history is as a responsive prayer from the eleventh (or twelfth) century including parts of Psalm 104:30. Wow! It’s simply amazing to think that we recite a prayer that has been prayed for so long! So, what does it all mean? According to the Upper Room, this is why Emmaus prays the **“Prayer to the Holy Spirit”**:

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love.”
We’re asking God to be in our hearts and create in us a desire to have the same love that is in Jesus.

“Send forth your Spirit, and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.”
We’re asking God’s Spirit for a re-creation to change people and all of God’s creation.

“O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by that same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations.”
We are calling on God to help us become like the great men and women of faith who lived in true wisdom with God and each other.

“Through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

This is a scripture reference from John 14:13, *“And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father.”*

Through this powerful prayer, we are able to focus on three aspects of God’s call for a renewed life in this world: (1) love God as our first love; (2) treat all others as God’s children; and, (3) follow God’s will which is a holy gift to us. **PRAYER IS POWERFUL!**

DeColores,
Melanie Huddleston