

January 2010

Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus

Newsletter



Lay Director's Note

Happy New Year, PRE Community! I greet you all in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and on behalf of your Board of Directors and the entire Emmaus community. It is both a humbling and exciting thought for me to have been elected by your Emmaus Board to be the community lay director for 2010. I will do my absolute best to be worthy of the confidence they have placed in me as we work together to serve this community.

With the sweet memory of celebrating another Advent Season still fresh in our minds and hearts, we enter into a new year and a new decade, looking forward to the Lenten Season and also our spring Walks PR61 and PR62. The teams for these weekends are in place and will begin teaming later this month, so what we need now are pilgrims. As of our board meeting on Jan. 5, we have two holdover applications for the women's walk and none yet for the men's walk. Our pilgrim application deadlines for all walks are 30 days prior to the beginning of each walk and are sooner than usual this spring, with the walks being earlier than usual.

PR61 (men's walk) is March 18-21 and the deadline for pilgrim applications is Feb. 18. PR62 (women's walk) is April 8-11 and the deadline is March 8.

If you have been to DODU, you are eligible to sponsor, and I would ask you this question: Who has the Lord been telling you is ready to participate in a Walk to Emmaus? Sponsorship is an awesome responsibility for sure, but the responsibility is far outweighed by the reward of being able to give someone the opportunity to have that same mountaintop experience that we have all had.

I would be remiss if I did not remind you that, even though the economy is still tight, walk fees should never be a consideration as to whether you should sponsor. There are many ways to

receive help with fees, including reunion groups, our churches, other community members, and finally from the PRE Community treasury (this is the main reason we take offerings at gatherings, to have money for pilgrim and team scholarships).

I encourage all of you to prayerfully and seriously consider sponsorship, and if the Lord leads you to sponsor someone, and there is a need for scholarship support, remember the options that are available to you, and if needed, contact Doe Breen, the community registrar, about the availability of scholarship funds.

My article is running a bit long, but I do want to let you know one more thing. One of my major areas of focus as your community lay director will be to improve the quantity and quality of communication between your PRE Board and you. To this end, while I certainly have several ideas for improving, I welcome any constructive ideas you might have about how we can improve in this area. My contact information is listed later in this newsletter, but I'm going to put it here as well.

Email: freddolfan@aol.com; home phone: 757-488-2917; and cell phone: 757-651-7684

I pray God's abundant blessings for all of you, your families, our churches, and our extended Emmaus Community all around the world. I look forward to serving you this coming year.

De Colores!
Fred Salanitro

Spiritual Director's Notes

Dear Emmaus disciples,

When we postponed our choir Christmas cantata at our church and rescheduled it for January 3rd, I got more than a few puzzled

looks. I bet someone thought, "Christmas is over by then!" Well, have you heard of a song called, "The Twelve Days of Christmas?" Christmas goes on much longer than just one day late in December! In the movie Elf, we learn the "Code of the Elves" which exhorts us to "Treat every day like Christmas!" I wonder what might happen if we did that as followers of Christ? I hear many folks bemoaning our politically correct culture and displaying a somewhat new slogan, "Keep CHRIST in Christmas!" Well, what if we got as fired up about keeping CHRIST in every day of our lives?

So as you make your New Years resolutions to lose weight, make more money, go on that special trip this year, etc., don't forget to keep Christ in the center of your life in 2010 and the years to come! Treat every day like Christmas by giving of yourself to God and neighbor just as God freely gave his Son to us. Take up a new spiritual discipline this year in addition to your new (or maybe just revamped from previous years) exercise routine. One of the greatest things about a New Year is the chance for a fresh start. Through the blood of Christ, that's exactly what we've been given every day we wake up! Make the most of it!

De Colores!
Dan Elmore

Supplies Chair

Happy New Year!! I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve this community as the 2010 supplies chair. I feel that it will be an exciting venture serving on the Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus Board.

Lynn Landrum, PR31

Reunion Groups Chair

As we start this New Year I would like to first thank the community for allowing

me to serve you as your Reunion Group Chair. Second I would like to ask everyone to assist me in updating our list of reunion groups active in our community. I have been working diligently in updating this list and have been finding that a lot of the reunion groups have stopped meeting or

have changed their meeting times. Please look over the following list of Reunion Groups if any information is incorrect or you know of any Reunion Groups that are not on his list please let me know.

Also if you are looking for a Reunion Group or would like some help starting one please feel free to email or call me.

De Colores

George Morris III, PR53

Team Selection Chair

The fall walks are scheduled for Oct 7-10 (PR63 Men) and Oct 28-31 (PR 64 Women). Team preparation and rehearsals will take place in the months before those dates. We need at least six community members who have never teamed before to submit their applications. We always need experienced teamers to apply as well. Consider being one of God's servants this fall and submit your application. You will find applications on the community's website (<http://premmaus.com/>).

If you have any questions about becoming a member of an Emmaus Team, contact me at bbburroughs@cox.net. You are needed.

De Colores,

Bruce Burroughs, Team Selection

Registrar's report

Happy New Year!

Have you been praying about who God is nudging you to sponsor? Now is the time to mail in those pilgrim applications. The application deadline for the men's walk is February 18th! And, it's just around the corner! I know it's hard to believe that the spring walks are so near.

Remember that when you sent in your pilgrim's application a \$50 deposit needs to be included. That \$50 will be deducted from the total cost of \$200 leaving you a balance of \$150. If you have any questions about this please let me know.

The walk dates for 2010 are PR61, March 18-21; PR62, April 8-11; PR63, Oct. 7-10; and

PR64, Oct. 28-31. Application deadlines are 1 month prior to the walk.

God bless you as you continue to be His hands and feet. De Colores!

Doe Breen, PR24

Gatherings Chair report

Hi All,

Don't know about you but I'm Jones'in for a gathering since we skipped December!!

The next gathering is Jan. 23 at Donna's church, Virginia Korean UMC in Suffolk, 5701 Lee Farm Lane. This is a five-Saturday month and the 23rd is the fourth Saturday! The gathering will start at 6:30, and refreshments will follow the gathering. If you're familiar with the Bennett's Creek area of Route 17, Lee Farm Lane is beside the BB&T; you'll see the church as soon as you turn. If you're not familiar with the area, here are the directions:

www.mapquest.com/maps?city=Suffolk&state=VA&address=5701+Lee+Farm+Ln&zipcode=23435-1721&country=US&latitude=36.86288&longitude=-76.4873&geocode=ADDRESS

The February gathering is at Wesley UMC in Hampton, directions will be in next month's Newsletter. I need churches for gatherings for June, July, August (this is Taste of Emmaus, needs to be a larger church) September, November and December. Please let me know as soon as possible what month you'd like.

R. Shaun Smith, PR51

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PENINSULA RAINBOW REUNION GROUPS

If you do not see your reunion group or need to change any info please call George Morris @ 508-2516
De Colores – Group Reunion Chair

Aldersgate Heartwarmers – Contact: Rick Jacobson dosgstars@erol.com
Meets 1st Tuesday @ 7 p.m.; Aldersgate UMC

Babe Chicks – Contact: Debi McNichol, 761-0648, justdlm@hotmail.com
Meets 3rd Saturday each month 8 a.m.; Panera Bread Coliseum Dr., Hampton

Beautiful Feet – Contact: Dave Hirlinger, hirlinger_dave@tqiinc.com
Meets last Saturday of each month 9 a.m.; North Hampton Presbyterian Church

Bellamy UMC – Contact: Martin & Teri Walker, g3walker@nfx.net; Meets 1st & 3rd Friday of month @ 7:30 p.m.

Bethany UMC – Contact: Doe Breen, 804-642-0933, doeann7481@yahoo.com
First 3 Thursdays of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Bethany UMC Gloucester Point

Faithful Frogs – Contact: Linda Trier, 757-562-7925, raakkulia1@aol.com
2nd and 4th Thursday at 6 p.m., Grace Memorial UMC, 31036 Peachtree St., Sedley

First Sunday @ Five – Contact: Rodney Moore, 224-0431; Meets 1st Sunday @ 5 p.m.

Gloucester Presbyterian Church – Contact: Barbara Coulson, 804-693-8502; Meets every Wednesday at noon

Harbor Lights Reunion Group – Contact: Tracy Cole, 757-850-1959, dan_tracy99@yahoo.com
Last Sunday of every month at 1 p.m., Anna's Restaurant, 1979 East Pembroke Ave., Hampton

Helping Hands – Contact: Lori Irwin, 393-1161, lirwin@sigfin.com
Meets every Wednesday @ 7, Magnolia UMC/Suffolk; Women's group/bible study & agape

Kilmarnock UMC/Men's Group – Contact: Jay Siddons, jaysiddons@hotmail.com
Meets @ Sundays @ 8 a.m., Lee's Restaurant

Light of Christ – Contact: Michael Uenking, 864-6954, michael.d.uenking@nasa.gov
Meets every Friday at noon; NASA

Not I But Christ Reunion Group – Contact: George Morris, 757-508-2516, notibutchchristreuniongroup@gmail.com
3rd Saturday at 5 p.m.; Various Houses for Dinner around Newport News

Online for Christ – Contact: Star Lester (804) 824-4301, starider52@aol.com
Meets 3rd Sunday @ 8 p.m.; online

Parkview Starlights – Contact: Sara Price, 595-6255, pigs4sp@aol.com
Meets 3rd Tuesday of month; Parkview UMC

Pass It On – Contact: Connie Schubert, 986-3279; Meets 2nd Saturday @ 7 p.m., Magnolia UMC/Suffolk

Reunion Group – Contact: Mary Linda Womack, 766-0885, chefette@cox.net
Meets once or twice monthly @ The Womack's home

ROW (Remember Our Walk) – Contact: Shaun Smith, 757-408-5433, RShaunSmith@verizon.net
3rd Monday at 7 p.m., Wesley UMC, 2510 N. Armistead Ave., Hampton

Warwick Memorial UMC – Contact: Fred Townsend, 877-7916, ftgolf@aol.com
Meets 3rd Thursday each month at different homes

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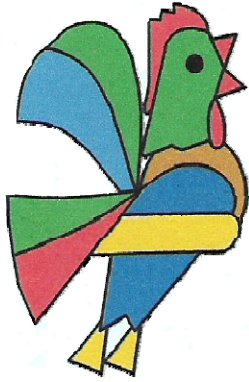
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31					1 New Year's Day	2
3	4	5 PRE Board 7PM St. Lukes UMC York Co.	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Tidewater Chrysalis Flight Begins PR 61 Begins Teaming
17 Tidewater Chrysalis Flight (Candlelight)	MLK H-day 18 Tidewater Chrysalis Flight (Closing)	19	20	21	22	23 PRE Gathering 6:30 PM Korean UMC N. Suffolk
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

February 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 PRE Board 7PM St. Lukes UMC York Co.	3	4	5 PR 62 Begins Teaming	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 President's Day	16	17 ASH WEDNESDAY	18 PR 61 Pilgrim Application Deadline	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 PRE Gathering Wesley UMC Hampton (PR61 Team Intro)
28	28	29	30	31		

Coming in March: PRE Board, March 2; PR 62 Application Deadline, March 9;
PR 61 Weekend, March 18-21; Gathering, March 27 – Church TBD

The next Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus gathering will be at



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Korean UMC
5701 Lee Farm Lane
Suffolk, VA

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Gathering Date Jan. 23[@] 6:30 PM

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