

Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus

Newsletter



Community Lay Director's Notes

The New Year offers the opportunity for both reflection of what has gone and anticipation of the future. It's a chance to give thanks for our current relationships and encourage and grow new relationships in the coming year. There is so much to be thankful for in this Emmaus Community and there are areas that we can improve and polish but there are many things that we as a community do very well.

As we fly into 2008, I ask each of you to reflect how God will purpose **YOU** this year to be a Kingdom Builder. Have you looked at your **PRIORITIES** lately? Take the time to make a short list of things you will accomplish this year and please make a commitment to stay involved in this community. Our spring teams are forming, pray where God needs you to be involved in these upcoming walks and put this on your short list.

I pray that God will Bless you and your families with health and prosperity and that we as a Community will grow closer in our walks with each other and with Christ!

DeColores!
I love you Guys,
Kandi Rowe
CLD

Spiritual Director's Notes

It is Christmas night as I sit down to write this article for the January 2008 issue of the Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus Newsletter. I am very conscious that the year is coming to an end. As I think about the approaching New Year, I am reminded of an anonymous poet who wrote the following words about the lightning bug:

The lightning bug's plight is a tragic one;
It's been said again and again.
For he cannot see where he is going
He can only see where he has been.

As we come to the end of 2007, we can see clearly the course which our lives have taken. Our thoughts are full of memories of the events of the past year. There have been some good times, some bad times, some joy and sadness for us all. Hopefully, we have all learned from our successes and mistakes and are wiser for having lived another year.

None of us knows what 2008 has in store for us, but I am sure of this. You and I need to view each day of the coming year from the Christian perspective. We need to see possibilities instead of problems; opportunities instead of troubles. Above all, we need to have an undefeatable faith that God is with us.

As we look for the positive and good around us, our lives will become more blessed. As we keep our lives under the guidance and Lordship of Christ, we will find in life the best that it has to offer. During the coming year, let us all strive to draw upon the strength of the Lord and follow his divine guidance. If we are successful in this effort, the New Year will be a good year for all of us!

DeColores!
Mike Nobles

4th Day Happenings

**Your Sister in Christ,
Debbie Salanitro
4th Day Chair**

Team Selection

Happy New Year!! I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve this community through working with registration over the past two years. I have truly enjoyed the experience and will miss it, but I am just as excited to work in the area of team selection for my last year of board service.

I hope you have been praying about areas you will be led to serve in this year. We have numerous opportunities – while there are two sides to the onsite walk (pilgrims and team), there is also the extension of the team offered in the support given by sponsoring a pilgrim, serving meals, set up and clean up crews for closing and candlelight, bringing in snacks, signing up on the prayer wheel, making agape, attending candlelight and closing – we need everyone to make walks special for the pilgrims.

If you do feel that God is calling you to serve on a team for one of the upcoming walks, please go to the website www.premmaus.com and fill out an application to team. You can either print it out and mail it in to the address on the form, or you can fill it in and email it to me at 4frogs@cox.net. Please make sure you read the form completely – both front and back pages – as there is information on the second page that you need to read and be able to commit to. Christ is counting on us – Christ is counting on you.

De Colores!
Sharon Jones, PR 31
Team Selection Chair

Registrar's Report

FROM THE REGISTRAR

Perhaps you are not feeling the call to team; but maybe God has placed someone on your heart to sponsor. Pilgrim applications for these two walks are being accepted as well.

Please pray how God can use you to further His

cause through this Emmaus Community in the upcoming year.

Thanks!
Tracy Cole PR 31

Community Roster

We have been working on finalizing a community roster/directory over the past few months. To develop this, we have used the information off of the pilgrim applications and walk rosters. If any of your information (name, address, phone, church affiliation, or e-mail) has changed since you walked, please email me at preregistrar@yahoo.com to update your information in the roster.

Thanks!
Tracy Cole PR 31

PR31 Gatherings Chair

It's good to be back on the board not only to serve the community but also to serve God. My job is to line up places for the monthly gatherings. If you would like to volunteer your church as the gathering site, please let me know so that I can make the schedule for the next year. If you're tired of crossing all the bridges to get to a gathering, consider volunteering to be the host site. We try to alternate between the peninsula and north and south of it. The next gathering will be January 25 at Crooks United Methodist Church at 204 Cook Road in Yorktown. Put it on your calendar and plan on being there. Bring a snack or drink to share at the end of the gathering. If you would like to host a gathering, contact me at Pigs4SP@aol.com or at 757-595-6255.

DeColores!
Sara Price

AGAPE Chair

Loren King

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Problem:

Holy Family has increased their fees which forces us to bring in more income to cover these costs.

The Solution:

Instead of increasing the teaming fees, the pilgrim application fee has been increased from \$25 to \$50. It is so hard to decide where the increase should be placed, but we hope that sponsors will understand that they have the option to ask their pilgrim to invest a little more in the weekend or perhaps request assistance from a reunion group.

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Directions to Gathering Jan 28, 2008 at 7PM

The next gathering will be held at Crooks United Methodist Church 204 Cook Road Yorktown.

From Gloucester and Points North:

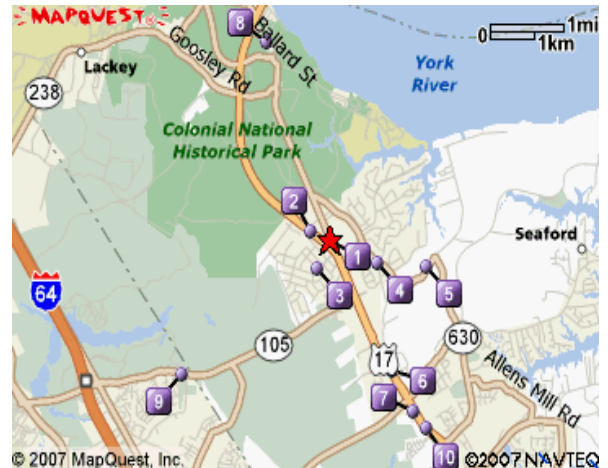
- Cross the Coleman Bridge,
- Turn left at the traffic light past York High School onto Cook Road.
- The church is on the right about 200 yards after turning right.

From Williamsburg:

- From I-64 take Exit 250B (Ft. Eustis Blvd/Yorktown).
- After exiting, you will merge onto Ft. Eustis Blvd.
- Follow Ft. Eustis Blvd. for a 3.6 miles to its intersection with Route 17. (There will be a McDonald's on the left).
- Turn left onto Route 17 North.
- Go to the second traffic light and bear right onto Cook Road.
- The church is on the right about 200 yards after turning right.

From Newport News/Hampton:

- Follow Route 17 North through York County.
- After passing Harwood's Mill Reservoir, follow Route 17 for about 4.5 miles through 12 traffic lights.
- You'll pass a Wendy's on your right at the 11th light.
- After the 12th light, you'll pass the York County Public Library on your right.
- At the next light, bear right onto Cook Road.
- The church is on the right about 200 yards after turning right.



PENINSULA RAINBOW REUNION GROUPS

If you do not see your reunion group or need to change any info please call me @ (757) 224-6285.
De Colores – Rodney Moore Group Reunion Chair

Aldersgate Heartwarmers- Contact: Rick Jacobson dogstars@cox.net

Meets 1st Tuesday @ 7:00 PM Aldersgate UMC

Babe Chicks – Contact: Debi McNichol 761-0648 justdlm@hotmail.com

Meets 3rd Saturday each month @ Denny's on Mercury & Cunningham, Hampton

Beautiful Feet-Contact: Dave Hirlinger davehi@cox.net

Meets last Saturday of each month 9:00 AM @ 2nd Presbyterian Church Newport News

Bellamy UMC- Contact: Martin & Teri Walker g3walker@nfx.net

Meets 1st & 3rd Friday of month @ 7:30 PM

Bethany Reunion Group- Contact: Doe Hart (804) 642-0933 Doeann7481@yahoo.com

Crooks Memorial UMC – Contact: Paul Phillips (757) 898-6702

First Sunday @ Six- Contact: Jack & Susan Smith 851-5780

Meets 1st Sunday @ 6:00PM

Five Forks—Contact: Sharon Schwartzlow 220-0431 jschwart@widowmaker.com

Meets Fridays 7:30 AM @ The Garden Café on Hwy 5 & Ironbound Rd.

Gloucester Presbyterian Church-Contact: Barbara Coulson 804-693-8502

Meets every Wednesday @ 12:00 noon

Harbor Lights-Contact: Debbi Brightbill 757 850-2368 dbrightbill@cox.net

Meets last Sunday each month 4:00 PM Harbor Pointe Community Church

Helping Hands-Contact: Lori Irwin lirwin@sigfin.com 393-1161

Meets every Wednesday @ Magnolia UMC/Suffolk @ 7:00 Women's group/bible study & agape

Kilmarnock UMC/Men's Group-Contact: Jay Siddons jaysiddons@hotmail.com

Meets @ Lee's Restaurant Sundays @ 8:00 AM

Lamplighters (day group)- Contact: Alann Hudson 851-9060

Meets Wednesdays @ 1:00 Pm @ Alann's home

Lamplighters (night group)-Contact: Arie Ritchie 850-1559

Meets @ Foxhill Central UMC Wednesdays @ 8:00 PM

Light Of Christ-Contact: Michael Uenking 864-6954 michael.d.uenking@nasa.gov

Meets every Friday 12:00 non @ NASA

Online for Christ-Contact: Star Lester (804) 824-4301 starider52@aol.com

Meets 3rd Sunday @ 8:00 PM 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 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:00 PM Magnolia UMC/Suffolk

Reunion Group-Contact: Mary Linda Womack 766-0885 chefett@cox.net

Meets 1 or 2 times a month @ Womack's Home

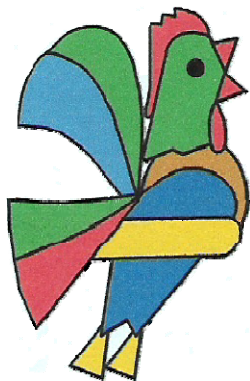
The Wanderers-Contact: Kay Darone 224-9165

Meets Sunday nights 6:30-8:00 113 Galaxy Dr./Yorktown

Warwick Memorial UMC- Contact: Fred Townsend 877-7916 ftgolf@aol.com

Meets 3rd Thursday each month/different homes

The next Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus gathering will be at:



Crooks UMC
204 Cook Road
Yorktown, VA

Gatherings will start 7 PM

Please bring a favorite dish or snack to share during the social hour.

Comments or Questions on the Newsletter?

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