

Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus

Newsletter



Community Lay Director's Notes

Hello Community,

With the Fall walks very close, I want to take the time to talk about how important it is for each of us to support the walks and these pilgrims. **A lot of people** put **hours** of work into the walks and each of us have received blessings because they dedicated their time and talents to enhance our experience. Now it is your time - **Come on out** and give back to our community --- I'm **looking** for you at candlelight -- I really do need to see you.

I have been asked a few times about childcare, the restrictions that are imposed because of insurance reasons would be extensive and cost prohibitive. Your children are welcome at all Gatherings and it is a joy for us to share in your family. I'm **looking** for your kids at our Gatherings, its ok if they are not perfect, neither am I.

This year is winding down and as I look towards these next few months my thoughts turn to filling the positions for the upcoming Board. I hope the thought has crossed your mind; the only pre requisite is that you have Walked and been to a Day of Deeper Understanding. Remember God doesn't always call the equipped, He will equip the called. Everybody is busy, this community is worthy of your time and talents --- **PLEASE** put this request before God - I am **looking** forward to hearing your name for nomination.

I'll see you soon and I love you Guys,

I love you guys!
Kandi Rowe
CLD
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Spiritual Director's Notes

I'm reading a book called "The Shack" by William P. Young. I'm not finished yet; it's an easy read, but I'm spending my precious free time watching the Olympics. Anyway, the book concerns itself with the age old question of where God is when bad things happen to good people. It is fiction, but tickles the mind with maybe what is said could be true. I am especially intrigued with Young's explanation on the Trinity and how the 3 persons are independent, yet co-existent. It has helped my understanding.

It is so easy to fall into that trap. That trap of questioning God when something goes wrong in our lives. It is so easy to lash out asking why God would let this bad thing happen to one of his children; to one who tries to be a good Christian and a Disciple. Wouldn't it be great if we got this way over the wrongs in Sudan or Bosnia? Maybe, then, we would be proactive in righting those wrongs. But, I digress.

When a parent's child dies, we gather around them and we tell them all the things that are true and comforting. "God is crying with you." "God will turn this to good." God is holding you in his love." "We don't understand why these things happen, but God does. We have to trust in him - have faith." We say these things and many more similar statements. The problem is we say these as apologies rather than statements of faith.

Think about it. Think about the last time you had to use these statements. Did you utter them apologetically or did you proclaim a truth. Did your faith show? Your confidence in God as Love? How strong will your faith be the next time tragedy strikes you or your loved ones? Saying these words are comforting and needed to be said. They will be more powerful when you say them with total faith and total conviction of their truth. Continue praying for the teams and pilgrims of the up-coming walks.
De Colores
Mary Marshall

4th Day Happening

Fourth Day

Think back to your own walk to Emmaus. When was it? 3-7 months ago? Six years ago? 10+ years ago? Do you remember the questions you were asked at closing? Do you remember being asked what you were going to with what you learned?

Well we (your Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus community) are wondering...what HAVE you done since your walk? Where has God lead you since your walk?

We would love for you to share your story with us at an up-coming gathering. This is a 10-15 minute talk (aka as a Fourth Day Talk). It's simple and painless (the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are standing there with you). Sharing your story may inspire someone to try something new in sharing the love of Jesus in a way they had never thought of or you will find someone has had a similar experience.

It's amazing how God uses the Fourth Day Speakers to bless each of us and remind each of us, that we are to be HIS hands and feet, as well as HIS voice to service others.

If you are ready to share your Fourth Day (so far) please contact me at Debpamperedchef@aol.com or call me at 757-488-2917.

We'd love to hear from you.

Your Sister in Christ,
Debbie Salanitro
4th Day Chair

Music Chair



I know we all like the music we sing at the Emmaus events. I need some help! If you would like to be a part of the team (either playing an instruments or singer) please send me your name & email address and I will send out the music to you prior to gatherings. Our musicians list still has some holes to fill (missing phone numbers or email addresses). HELP fill in the blanks, would you please? Come join in the fun...we meet at the gathering church about 6pm to practice before the gathering starts at 7pm. Come help lift our Lord up in song...this includes our new Babe Chicks, who have just completed their walks. If you have a favorite song you would like sung, please let me know and I will do my best to include it in the line up. Thank you!!

Harriette Suggs
Community Music Chair

Team Selection

PR 55 Team (Men)

Dave Abbott	Rodney Moore
Tom Andrews	Wendell Oals
Stan Bowen	Roger Peckham
Martin Breen	Paul Phillips
Gordie Brightbill	Lou Rader
Dan Cole	Ron Rumsey
Dan Elmore	Andy Rutherford
Dave Hirlinger	Fred Salanitro
Rick Jacobson	Alan Schubert
Jerry Lawson	Shaun Smith
Ed Massey	Martin Walker
Bill McKinney	I AM

God has truly blessed the pilgrims of PR 56. Not only has He blessed the pilgrims but He has blessed the team. He has called together the most awesome team—24 women and 1 man! We feel honored to serving our Lord in such a special way. The team consists of:

PR 56 Team (Women)

Beth Abbott	Tammy Messina
Betty Miller	Becky Booker
Lorrie Peckham	Carol Bookwalter
Debbie Redner	Connie Bowen
Jan Reynolds	Virginia Lee Brown
Karen Rickett	Birt Cory
Debbie Salanitro	Penny Cory
Sherri Staples	Susan Dow
Harriette Suggs	Joyce Hardy
Helen Walker	Becky Holland
Jill Webb	Jill Webb
Jane Hunley	Paulette Insley
Mary Marshall	

Just continue to pray for us as we continue to serve Him and the pilgrims who are still listening for His voice to call them.

Wayne Hunley
Temporary Team Chair

Registrar's Report

Peninsula Rainbow Emmaus Community

Update for the Fall Walks from the Registrar
The Men's Fall Walk, PR 55, is fast
approaching.

At this time I have 9 in hand applications
and the promise of 3
more on the way. Sep. 9th is the 4 week
mark, this is when I send out the welcome
letters and the sponsorship packets. If
you have an application to mail in - do so
now.

If you have a person God has put on your
heart to sponsor, don't wait any longer -
ask them and mail in their application.
This IS God's walk, but we need to do our
part by being His hands and feet in this
community. Just remember how much
your walk meant to you.

Update on the Women's Fall Walk, PR 56,
17 in hand applications and the promise of
3 more coming. Closing date for this walk
is 3 weeks away. (Sep. 30th)

Contact Tracy Cole at 850-1959 or
preregistrar@yahoo.com

if you have an application on the way.
Blessings!

Thanks!
Tracy Cole PR 31
Community Roster

We continually update the community
roster/directory. To develop the one we have, we
have used the information that was provided on your
pilgrim application and/or walk rosters. Have you
had any information change since you walked? Has
your name, address, telephone number, church
affiliation, or your e-mail changed? If so, please e-
mail me at preregistrar@yahoo.com with your
changes then I can update your information on the
roster/directory.

Thanks!
Tracy Cole PR 31

Gatherings Chair

I've heard that it takes a village to raise a child. The
Emmaus village (or community) is no exception. If
you have a child, please don't stay home because we
don't provide childcare. Bring them to the
gatherings. It's ok. There are enough grandmothers,
grandfathers, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews who
will help. There are many of us who will be willing
to hold a child or to color a picture with them in the
pews. At the last gathering, we had children dancing
in the aisles. What a pleasant sight and the joyful
sounds they made brought many a smile to our faces.

You might not want to bring small child to
candlelight and closing. Sometimes I think we forget
that Jesus said let the children come. So let the
children come to the next gathering that will be
September 26, 2008 at Bellamy United
Methodist Church in Gloucester at 7pm.
So bring your children, bring some refreshments to
share, and your love of Christ. And wear your
rooster pin. If you wear your rooster pin that you
were given on your walk when you received your
cross, you will be eligible to win the monthly
drawing like Debbie Redner did last month. The
prize is a \$25 credit towards either team or pilgrim
fees.

We need host churches for the gathering November
28, the day after Thanksgiving, and December 19. If
you can host either of these gatherings, let me know
as soon as possible.

See you on September 26th at Bellamy in Gloucester.

DeColores

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PRAYER FOR OTHER EMMAUS COMMUNITIES

Our Teams are in place. Pilgrims lists are forming. Now it's your turn to step up to the plate. We will have "Prayer Wheel" sign-up sheets for our Men's & Women's walks at the next Gathering on September 26th. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact me at: john3-16@charter.net with your request for a prayer time and date.

Men – October 9-12

Women – October 30-Nov 2

Prayer Requests for other Communities:

Green Co. Walk to Emmaus
 Greater Indianapolis Area Emmaus Community (IN) September 25-28
 Cape of Good Hope Emmaus Community (So. Africa) September 25-28
 Grace Emmaus Community of KY September 25-28
 Mountain Top Emmaus Hayesville, NC September 4-7
 Golden Spread Emmaus Community Amarillo TX September 11-14
 Maryland Emmaus Community September 11-14 & 18-21

<(((> Stan Bowen

Agape Chair

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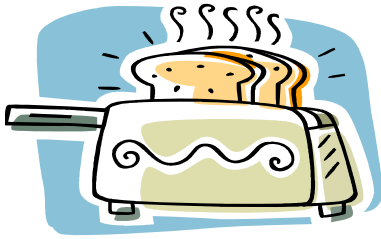
Community Support Chair

"Want to be Your hands, Want to be Your feet... I'll go where You send me, go where You send me".....

Sing with me now ☺ Do you ever get a song stuck in your head, O.K. enough with the rambling. I am your "New" Community Support Board member...Terri Walker. My Job is to make sure we have enough help to support the Men's and Women's walks. Christ needs you to serve on PR 55 and PR 56. Maybe teaming is just not going to work out for you this Fall..Sponsoring a pilgrim is not happening either...but you can serve a meal....put out bed agape....or clean up after

closing. It takes the whole Body to get the job done. Every part is important no matter how big or small. If you are willing to be His Hands or Feet...please let me know. You can email me at pzb2god@earthlink.net or wait until I send out emails to the community and just hit reply ☺

Below is a list of areas where your help is needed:



- **Serve a Meal**
- **Put out Bed Agape**
- **Runners**
- **Set up for Candle Light**
- **Clean up from Candle Light**
- **Set up for Closing**
- **Clean up from Closing**

Hurry space is limited, get signed up today!!!!

Terri Walker PR-22

Directions to Bellamy UMC

From Williamsburg, Hampton, Newport News and Southside:

Interstate 64. Get off at Exit 258-B North on US17 across the Coleman Bridge. (\$2.00 toll one way only. No toll on return) Continue North on US-17 after crossing the bridge, for 12 miles, turn left on State Route 616 (Belroi Rd) 1.4 miles past the Super Wal-Mart.

Stay on Rt 17 North bypassing the city of Gloucester. It is the next traffic light after you pass Wal-Mart light. Applebee's is also on the Wal-Mart corner. Travel west on Belroi (616) for 2 miles. Turn right on State Route 615 (Chestnut Fork Rd) travel 1.5 miles. Bellamy UMC is on your left.

From Northern Neck: East on Rt 3 to Rt 17 bypass intersection. (Wal-Mart) Turn right on Rt 17 bypass. Follow above directions.

From Saluda: Travel South on US-17, Right on State Route 616 Belroi Rd. (2 lights past Food Lion). Travel west on Belroi for 2 miles. Right on Route 615 (Chesnut Fork Rd) travel 1.5 miles, Bellamy UMC is on your left.

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 @ Northhampton Presbyterian in Hampton

Bellamy UMC- Contact: Martin & Teri Walker pzb2god@earthlink.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 @ Five- Contact: Rodney Moore 224-6285

Meets 1st Sunday @ 5:00PM

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

Morrison Reunion Group- Contact Shaun & Donna Smith puffdog52@verion.net

Meets First and Third Tuesday night at 6:00 PM @ Morrison UMC 236 Harpersville Rd

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

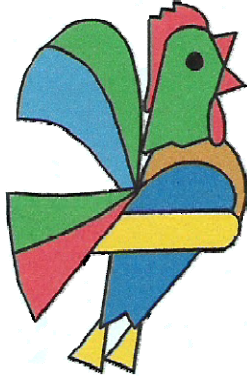
Thursday Morning Boys- Anthony Budznik 327-0779 Budziknav2@aol.com

Meet Thursday Mornings Cavanaugh's Bagel Shop

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



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Bellamy

United Methodist Church

Gloucester, VA

Gathering Date –Sept 26 - Starting at 7 PM
Bring a favorite dish to share

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