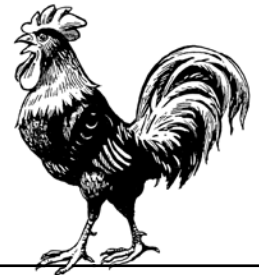


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Central Mississippi Emmaus-Chrysalis-Kairos Newsletter

Spring 2009

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Central Mississippi Walk to Emmaus

Camp Wesley Pines, Gallman, Miss.

Walk 96, *Malcolm Taylor*.....April 16-19
 Walk 97, *Renee Cotten*.....April 23-26

CMWTE Policies Clarified

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Romans 15:5-6

Dear Emmaus Community,

Excitement is building for the upcoming walks not only because we “Expect a Miracle” in the lives of the pilgrims, but also because we will experience corporate worship with a community of believers who hold a special place in our heart and memory. Thursday night, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon the Emmaus community will gather to “glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ” with one heart and mouth, just as Paul writes. He wasn’t asking the Church in Rome to agree on everything; Paul was asking that there be a “spirit of unity.” We can only truly worship when business is set aside and God’s will is our soul’s purpose. Verse seven continues, “Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.” How did Christ accept us? “While we were still sinners...” We are not perfect, but we are the Body, the Central Mississippi Walk to Emmaus Community of believers.

I struggle, as I know others of you do, with the fact that rules seem to keep changing within our community. Why can’t thing be consistent? Of course, I know some change is inevitable, but to go back and forth on the same issues seems to get away from our main purpose. So we did some research and found that the rules haven’t necessarily changed so much as the implementation of those rules had varied. Ultimately, there is a need for everyone’s cooperation and charity. I’m going to list where we as a Community stand at present on particular issues. The Board ran through this list at our last meeting, and I believe it is helpful to know where we are. Knowledge is a powerful tool. The more people who know the rules, take part in the weekends and serve on teams, the more unity there will be. This way, hopefully, implementation will be uniform. Also, the Board will be training key positions on the Walk more often and in more detail.

- The Committee team will not attend the Saturday night ice cream social.
- The Committee team will not attend the nightly team meetings. They may be present Saturday night prior to discussion by the Conference Room team for “thank you’s” and logistics.
- Pilgrims letters will be tied with a bow with no more than 12 in a bundle.

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Reminder: FOURTH DAY GATHERING

Thursday, April 30, 7 p.m.

BRIARWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

320 Briarwood Drive, Jackson

Bring a snack to share with our newest members of the Community. Board meeting at 4:00.

Need childcare? Contact Mary Baker at baker.mary09@yahoo.com or 601-535-7464

Visit our website at www.centralmsemmaus.org

Central Mississippi Walk to Emmaus #96

April 16 - 19

Pilgrims

Name	Sponsor
Sammy Ashley, Wesson	Tommy Cook
Chase Brewer, Crystal Springs	Wayne & Susie Sojourner
Buck Buckhaultler, Braxton	Sylvester and Carolyn Mims
Adam Chrestman, Jackson.....	Dobby Bowden
Robby Clark, Flowood.....	Matthew Barnhart
Scott Dale, Rolling Fork.....	Merrie Butler & Gwen Dew
Derek Dyess, Jackson.....	John Hugh Tate
Brian Johnson, Clinton.....	John Rose & Maryann Johnson
Lamon Johnson, Florence.....	Tim Dear
Tim McDowell, Brookhaven.....	Willie Welch
Mike Nixon, Byram.....	Terry & Joni Griffin
Martin Paloma IV, Brandon.....	LaCresa Bell
John Patterson, Florence	Clemon & Candy Jones
Matt Purvis, Newton.....	Cindy Gerber
Danny Sebren, Terry	Loretta Sebren
Jacob Sheriff, Cleveland.....	Ronald Swafford
Matt Sojourner, Crystal Springs.....	Wayne & Susie Sojourner
Doug Springer, Cleveland.....	Lisa Springer
Anthony Stephenson, Pearl.....	Jim & Alicia Beam-Ingram
Shan Sweeney, Brandon.....	Wayne & Susie Sojourner
Jonathan Tullos, Stonewall.....	Jessica Tullos
Lester Walls, Terry	Carol Neal
David Wells, Mendenhall	Cassandra Wells
Jimmy Wilson, Florence.....	Gail Hutto

Community Schedule

Sponsors' Hour: 7:15 p.m. Thursday, April 16.
 Candlelight Service: Service for the Community
 begins at 7 p.m., April 18.
 Closing: 4 p.m., Sunday, April 19.

Team

Lay DirectorMalcolm Taylor
 Spiritual DirectorRusty White
 Asst. Spiritual Directors Robby Britt
 Rodney Jones, James Milner, Kerry Powell
 Assistant Lay Directors..... Mark Johns
 John Rose, Chad Smith
 MusicMurry Stewart, Rick Grant
 Board RepresentativeSonny Steel

Table Leaders & Assistant Table Leaders

Wayne Sojourner Andy Donahoe
 Bo Gabbert Mike Barrett
 Ricky Long Tim Dear
 Ronald Swafford.....Conrad Mord
 Hutch HutchersonEllis Nasif
 Jonathan SherwinCaleb Lehman

Committees

Committee Coordinator Susie Sojourner
 AgapeBarbara Brown
 Carol Neal, Teresa Teasley
 FoodKristy Dyess
 Dawn Nations, Don Smith
 Worship.....Brandi Gremillion
 Keeley Barrett, Matthew Barnhart, Charlie Gauden
 Prayer Room Gail Hutto
 Billy Ray Brown, Harold Teasley
 Conference Room.....Jim Miller, Larry White
 Literature & SuppliesJeannie Hutcherson
 Registration & Booklet.....Lacresa Bell
 FloaterJoey Gremillion
 Prayer Chain.....Mary Baker & Mary Brownlee

Talks

Priorities Chad Smith
 Prevenient GraceKerry Powell
 Priesthood of all BelieversHutch Hutcherson
 Justifying Grace.....Rodney Jones
 Life in PietyRicky Long
 Growth through Study Wayne Sojourner
 Means of Grace Rusty White
 Christian ActionRonald Swafford
 Obstacles to Grace..... James Milner
 Discipleship Tim Dear
 Changing Our World Jonathan Sherwin
 Sanctifying Grace Robby Britt
 The Body of ChristBo Gabbert
 Perseverance.....Malcolm Taylor
 Fourth Day.....John Rose

Central Mississippi Walk to Emmaus #97

April 23 - 26

Pilgrims

Name	Sponsor
Tracey Barnett, Brookhaven	Sarah Underwood
Vickie Benoist, Jackson	Tena Wilson
Jennifer Bradley, Inverness	Lisa King
Frances Butler, Brookhaven	Mary Freshwater
Lisa Butler, Murphreesboro, TN	Henry Shotts
Lori Carr, Flora	Larry Carr
Sherry Chaney, Rolling Fork	Ann Woods
Emilee Cutler, Brookhaven	Keith McDaniel
Judy Davis, Tylertown	Cindy Gerber
Laura Dyess, Jackson	Linda Tate
Charlotte Farthing, Hazlehurst	Irene Hendricks
Liz Henry, Crystal Springs	Wayne & Susie Sojourner
Shelley Herndon, Florence	Tim & Beverly Dear
Mary Ellen Irby, Hollandale	Penny Newsom
Sheronda Jordan, Richland	Becky Cook, Tina Fant, Kathy Rankin
Mary Lack, Hazlehurst	Matthew Barnhart
Becky McDowell, Brookhaven	Donna Welch
Paula Patterson, Florence	Clemon & Candy Jones
Lynn Pigg, Hollandale	Penny Newsom
Menard Pounds, Magnolia	Earnestine Varnado
Heather Smith, Flora	Larry Carr
Ashley Sojourner, Crystal Springs	Wayne & Susie Sojourner
Sheila Stewart, Wesson	Opal Lewis
Deniece Thomas, Greenville	Charlotte Pharis
Jennifer Wellhausen, Madison	Henry Shotts
Lisa Wilson, Pearl	Dot Wilson

Community Schedule

Sponsors' Hour: 7:15 p.m. Thursday, April 23.
 Candlelight Service: Service for the Community
 begins at 7 p.m., April 25.
 Closing: 4 p.m., Sunday, April 26.

Team

Lay Director Renee Cotten
 Spiritual Director Marvin Howard
 Asst. Spiritual Directors Loney Joe Halbert
 Henry Heitmann, Allen King, Mary Stewart
 Assistant Lay Directors Paula Stubbs
 Tammy Torey, Theresa Veramontez
 Music Cecilia Brister, Denise Riley
 Board Representative Mary Rita May

Table Leaders & Assistant Table Leaders

Sarah Underwood Becky Cook
 Polly Gill Jackie Owens
 Mimi Leach Earnestine Varnado
 Mary Baker Sandi Rand
 Pauline Fulcher Sharyn Davis
 Ellie Jordan Laurie McGee

Committees

Committee Coordinator Liz Domino
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 Gerry Bardwell, James Fulcher, Opel Lewis
 Worship Tina Wilson
 Janet Backmann, Tommy Young
 Prayer Room Talmage Smith
 Lavell Douglas, Lynn Lusk
 Conference Room Linda Smith, Tommy Cook
 Literature & Supplies Janet Blackmon
 Registration & Booklet Billie Jean Cook, Amy Owens
 Prayer Chain Mary Baker & Mary Brownlee

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 Fourth Day Paula Stubbs

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• The entire team may sing the Servant's Song at Breakfast on Sunday and give their name and job on the current walk, without mentioning individual walk information.

• There is no Balloon Release Service. However there will be balloon agape and a helium tank to be used as the agape and food committee deem decoratively appropriate.

• The Committee Team does not participate in placemat exchange or jokes during meals.

• Music Leaders do not give talks.

• The Priority and 4th Day talks are given by ALD's.

• Do not ask pilgrims their occupation as a part of My New Best Friend.

• Lanyards are not worn by anyone until after the cross ceremony. Exception: by the speaker during each of the 15 talks.

• Committee team eats meals in the Dining Hall with plain white placemats at a table in the back by the fireplace.

• There is a 1-hour break on Saturday after lunch. If there are questions on the Means of Grace talk, the SD will make himself/herself available after lunch in the chapel.

• Candlelight is conducted by the traditional CMWE model.

• Agape may have the name of individuals, churches or reunion groups on it.

These are the rules. If you have any questions please email me, I will take them to the next Board meeting on Thursday, April 30th. Things have been written down, voted on, and resolved by past Boards. There is no reason for inconsistency or confusion. Please let a Board member know if things still remain unclear.

Also, the Board decided at the last meeting that in order to be good stewards and fiscally responsible, the maximum number of pilgrims on a Walk will be 30- 5 tables of six pilgrims. Please adjust your agape accordingly.

Lastly, I received several emails regarding the format change of the Gathering. We will be using the second of three options in the Upper Room Handbook at the next Gathering. Remember, this is just a trial period in an effort to "raise this service from the dead"! Any feedback will be helpful. In the second format the 4th Day witness will be someone from the community living that witness on a daily basis. Please email me any suggestions on who that witness may be from your community. For now, the Closing will serve as the opportunity for the community to hear from the freshest members of our community, so please plan to attend this Sunday at 4pm. The Gathering will be a time for us to love on them,

introduce ourselves, and offer hope through testimony of 4th day life. Worship is an important part of the Gathering as well, so please let Kay Black or Susie Kimbrough know if there is someone from your church in the Emmaus, Chrysalis or Cursilio Community who leads worship and would like to serve.

Thank you for all you do to raise leaders in our various churches. There are many community-wide ways to serve for those of you interested. For instance we are looking for someone to serve as CMWE's treasurer, an appointed position by the Board. It does not require board meeting attendance and there is a finance committee in place to serve alongside you. We need a nametag maker (for lack of better words). This person is responsible for making the nametags that the pilgrims receive at the check in table on Thursday night. We have the equipment; we just need a servant! Wherever God has gifted you, let us know. There is an act of service for everyone in this Body.

Only by His grace,
Joy Davis

Chrysalis News

The school year is almost over and the summer fun is about to begin! How blessed our children would be to be given the gift of walking with our Lord for 72 hours on a Chrysalis flight! We all wonder what would make the "perfect" graduation gift. Have you considered sending your favorite high school graduate on a weekend of a lifetime? Now is the time to get his/her application in so their name can be on the top of the list to make sure they get the opportunity to attend this summer. The flights are available for both guys and girls who have finished the 9th grade through the 12th grade this summer.

Take the time now to get that application to the candidates who you have prayed over and ask them to get it back to you quickly, so the plans can be made to make this summer's flights the "best ones ever"!

Fly With Christ,
Jan King

Flight #25, *Rachel Michel*June 25-28
Flight #26, *Paul King*July 9-12



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