



New Horizon Emmaus Community

Newsletter – July 2006

New Horizon Emmaus Community,

I can't believe that this year is already half-way gone! We've had some awesome weekends take place so far this year, and we've had a few difficulties. But God was faithful every time, in spite of us. We know that Emmaus is a mighty tool, and because God uses Emmaus to reach people time and time again to change lives for eternity ... the enemy is constantly attacking us. He attacks us both as a Community and as individuals. He attacks the Lay Directors and the Teams, the Spiritual Directors and the clergy. The enemy attacks the Pilgrims and the Sponsors. The Board has been attacked, and I have felt these attacks personally. I once heard "if you don't meet Satan face to face everyday, it might just be you're traveling the same direction." Obviously New Horizon isn't traveling the same direction, because we meet the enemy regularly. Even though we might be in a battle, we already know who is going to win. Even if Satan tries to disrupt the weekends, or cause division within the Community ... men and women's lives are being changed for eternity. No matter how much chaos we might experience in the Board Meetings, we still get to experience how much Jesus Christ loves us through Holy Communion. As I look into those beaming faces, and remind

them of the blood Jesus shed just for them, the phone calls and complaints I receive just seem to fade away. When I see men and women stand at Closing, with a microphone in one hand and a cross in the other, and share how they experienced Christ in a way they had never experienced him before, and how now they had replaced the religion they have had for many years with a real relationship with Jesus Christ, it makes it all worthwhile. So in closing I ask for your prayer. Pray for this Community and the Board who governs it. Pray for Bonnie Howard, Ann Favor, and the upcoming Lay Directors for 2007, and for each of their Teams. Pray for each Pilgrim, their family and their sponsor, including those Pilgrims who don't even know they'll be on these Weekends. Pray for the Talks that will be given and the speakers who will be giving them. Pray that God will bind Satan from every aspect of Emmaus ... including the Weekends and the ARK itself, and that the only spirit that will be present is the Holy Spirit. Pray for me ... that I will receive God's guidance and wisdom in everything I do. And I'll be praying for you too! DeColores!
Bruce Slaughter

**NEW HORIZON EMMAUS COMMUNITY
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ATTENTION !!!!!
DO NOT BRING SNACKS

July Community Meeting
 Thursday, July 20th
 Board Meeting - 5:30 PM
 Sponsorship Training - 6:00
 Community - 7:00
GUESTS ARE WELCOME, AND A NURSERY IS PROVIDED
 First United Methodist Church, Littlefield

WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE A SNACK SUPPER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER OUR JULY COMMUNITY MEETING. WE CAN HOWEVER STAY AND HAVE FELLOWSHIP IN THE SANTUARY AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE.

FUTURE COMMUNITY MEETINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOST</u>
AUGUST 17	HEREFORD/LITTLEFIELD
SEPT. 21	DIMMITT/HART
OCT. 19	SUDAN/MULESHOE

IF YOU HAVE HAD A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE LET TANYA CHADWICK KNOW THE CHANGES. IN ORDER FOR THE TEAM SELECTION COMMITTEE TO PRESENT GOOD CONTACT INFORMATION TO THE WEEKEND LAY DIRECTORS, YOUR CORRECT INFORMATION MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DATA REGISTRAR AT rchadwick52@hotmail.com or drop a card in the mail to Tanya Chadwick Box 819 Farwell, TX 79325.

ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!!!

The New Horizon Community would like to announce that the September Men's Walk has been cancelled. We regret any inconveniences that this may have caused. Please understand this was a difficult decision. The community would like to encourage everyone to begin praying for Men's Walk #24 which will be held in February of 2007. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Directors.

2006 New Horizon Walk Dates

July 13	Women's Walk #32	Bonnie Howard, LD
Oct 5	Women's Walk #33	Ann Favor, LD

NEW HORIZON REGISTRARS

<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>
Carolyn George 1618 W. 9 th Street Friona, Texas 79035 www.cdgeorge@wtrt.net	Noel White P.O. Box 24 Friona, Texas 79035 www.nwhite@wtrt.net

ARK NEWS

MEAL SIGN-UPS

The food is furnished. We need groups (4-5) to come in and prepare, serve and clean up. These meals are not signed up by the lay director.

MEALS CAN ONLY BE SIGNED UP BY PAM.

Currently need help with meals for Women's Walk #33. IF INTERESTED OR HAVE QUESTIONS CALL PAM HUMPPHREYS AT 246-3686 OR 227-2123

Prayer Vigil Coordinator: Vandi Combs. You may contact her at 806-272-5158, www.v_c0@yahoo.com

Name Tags: Send \$6.00 along with name and address to Terri Stansell, 1461 Hwy 54, Littlefield, TX 79339.

Data Registrar: Tanya Chadwick, P.O. Box 819, Farwell, TX 79325

Community

I would like to start out by saying that there is not anyone that I know in this community that I do not love dearly. I am honored to serve with each and every one of you. So I hope that you will take what I am going to say next with that in mind. It has come to my attention over the last few months, that we have some growing division in our community, as far as I know it has not reached epidemic proportion yet, but it seems to be growing. I believe in my heart if we address it now, we can continue to serve God through the tool of Emmaus the way God intended. I think first we have to address any questions there are about the authority of the events. When you are ask to be the Lay Director of a weekend you should pray and then if God releases you to accept the position, then he has also appointed you to submit to the authority of the community board of directors, which has agreed to submit to the authority of the national board. And when you are ask to serve on a team then once again you should pray and if you accept by the prompting of God then he has placed you on that team under the authority of the Lay Director, regardless of what position you are ask to serve. Spiritual Directors are there to work hand and hand with the Lay director, and to give spiritual direction and support as needed. If in any case the focus is taken off of God and placed on man or mans individual gifts then we are in contrast to what the event is intended for, If you do any thing that brings more attention to yourself then it does God, then you are taking attention off of God. And on the other hand if you are focusing on other people and whether they are practicing their faith with the same level of understanding that you have or not then I would suggest that you might need to redirect your attention to God. Emmaus is designed to help people grow in the knowledge and understanding of the love of and the grace of God. If we are sensitive to what we are directed to do by the Holy Spirit, then we will be following the direction of the weekend. There is enough common ground in all denominations on the subject of Gods love and grace that we should not have a problem with crossing over the denominational lines, whether we are conservative or liberal. I would also like to suggest that when you have a team meeting that is the time for questions about talks or any other concerns that you have, it is during those team meeting that we grow in love and respect for one another. If we can not handle our questions there with an attitude of love, we have very little chance of sharing love with the pilgrims on the weekend. We should not be trying to solve the problems outside of the team meetings if we can not address them at the meeting. We have to learn how to work as one body in service to Our Lord. I pray for this community continuously and we all have to know that Satan will attack us from with in. I pray that we are all sensitive to what God has called us to do and nothing more, or nothing less. With Gods love. Dee Woolam

**Women's Walk # 33
July 13-16**

Team

Bonnie Howard, LD	Whitney Harrington	Adabeth Smith
Beth Harrington, SD	Kati Howell	Cheryl Dunn
Cindy Muller	Laura Woolam	Sandra Warren
Jennifer Riggan	Freda Neie	Karen Bradfute
Kathy Terry	Glenna Farr	Amy Albus
Mike Brock	Suzan Sanders	Kristi Bloskas
Ron Lacy	Lynn Sides	Wyonna Haney
Barry Dickens	Elly Rogers	Eddie Duncan
Robin Howard		