



New Horizon Emmaus Community



2016 New Horizon Walk Dates

February 11-14	Men's Walk #44	Wade Sanders, LD, Jackie Qualls, SD
April 7-10	Women's Walk #63	Susan Skipworth, LD, Gayle Ward, SD
July 14-17	Women's Walk #64	Colleen Wilson, LD, Steven Hart, SD
August 11-14	Men's Walk #45	Mike Goettsch, LD, Pending
October 13-16	Women's Walk #65	Jane Phillips, LD, Jackie Qualls, SD

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A Note from Our Community Lay Director

Dear Community,

Have you ever thought of Jesus as your hope?

“I, Paul, am an apostle on special assignment for Christ Jesus, our living hope.”

1 Timothy 1:1

Jesus is our Hope when things are going wrong. So much seems to be going wrong with the world today. It makes no sense.

There was a young boy who was reading a book. After a few chapters into the book it seemed the bad guy was really getting the best of everyone and every situation. This bothered the young boy so much that he thought he would go read the last chapter of the book. After he had read the last chapter he went back to continue reading the book from where he had left off. Still chapter after chapter the bad guy was getting away with everything but the young boy would just smile to himself and think “If you only knew what I know”.

Thank you Jesus for being our Hope and that we can put all our trust in YOU to work all things together for your good.

**De Colores!
Teresa Waters**

A Note from our Community Spiritual Director

Dear Community,

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!.... For there the Lord bestows His blessing, even life forevermore.” Psalm 133:1,3

I see this scripture being lived out in the New Horizon Emmaus Community. There is unity and it is a “good”, “pleasant”, and awesome thing! In this unity, the Lord is pouring out His blessing.

I was the recipient of some of that blessing the week of January 18th. My Momma, after a very long physical battle, went home to be with Jesus. We knew this day would come but were not ready for it.

Many of you have been there and know what I mean. My phone started “buzzing” with messages of love, comfort, and prayer cover from so many of you. God’s blessing of love through you overwhelmed me.

On Thursday January the 21st, at the funeral service in Abilene, TX, I looked out into the crowd and there were members of this community, whom I dearly love, that drove for many hours and took off work, just to be in that auditorium, for just a brief moment, just to show The Father’s love to me and my family. I have been on the giving side of this event many times but this was my first time to receive this blessing from others at a time like this. It changed me for the better.

The Body of Christ is so beautiful from where I am standing! I am so thankful for each of you and so thankful that the Lord has allowed me to get to live together in unity with you.

**De Colores!
Jackie Qualls**

☺WHAT 'S NEXT?☺

WOW! Men’s Walk # 44 will kick-off Feb. 11th. Pilgrims start arriving around 6:15pm & send-off starts a 7pm. Let’s all be there to support them as they begin their journey, and also be in prayer, lifting up what we know will be a WALK that will change lives by GOD’s MIGHTY HAND!

Feb. 18th is our next Community meeting & fellowship; 7pm at the UMC in Amherst. You can bring your favorite snack or dish, as we will be feasting afterward. Hope to see you there!

Please don’t forget the Prayer Vigil for this Walk, and all Walks; just go to the sight listed here, to the left of this announcement.

A Call to Sponsorship

You the sponsor are the utmost importance to GOD, your pilgrim, the team, and the Emmaus community.

Committing to be a sponsor is so much more than “signing people up.” It is the first act of GOD’s unconditional love (AGAPE) to the pilgrim and it starts even before their walk begins.

Good sponsorship is the mortar GOD uses as He sets His building blocks of love, relationships, service, discipleship, perseverance, and grace in a pilgrim’s life. Jesus is the Foundation, GOD is the builder, and it is through you, the sponsor, and the team that GOD’s love builds a pilgrim’s life to servanthood of Him.

A Pilgrim is Royalty

A pilgrim is treated like Royalty and this treatment should start, by you the sponsor even before the Walk begins.

1. Pray with your pilgrim long before the Walk so he/she will feel comforted that this is the Walk GOD is calling them to be a part of. Stay in contact with them and continue to let them know you are praying.
2. Pick them up as Royalty; carry their luggage. A pilgrim never carries his/her luggage to, or from the Walk weekend. Take your pilgrim to and from the Walk site. A pilgrim should never drive himself/herself to or from the weekend.
3. Take them out to eat before arriving at the Walk site. It is even a nice gesture if you allow them to choose the restaurant. It should be a special place that allows them to feel important (remember Royalty).
4. Stay for the whole “send-off” time. Your job as a sponsor is just beginning for the Walk weekend.
5. Participate in ALL Walk weekend events. This includes Sponsor’s hour (held right after send-off), Candlelight (Saturday night at 8pm), Closing (Sunday @4pm) You can also help the Angels of the Walk team and sign up to be a volunteer Walk Angle for a few hours during the Walk weekend.
6. Agape letters (to be given to the pilgrim during their Walk on Sunday). The sponsor is responsible for sending out requests (a secret to the pilgrim) to the pilgrim’s family and friends; and gathering those letters of love. They need to be dropped off at the ARC Agape entrance before Saturday, or the Church where Candlelight is on Saturday evening. (a box for letters will be at the Church).
7. Agape gifts. Make or buy pillow, or food agape which is a very special part of the pilgrim’s weekend. Help your pilgrim and all pilgrims feel the abundant love of Jesus. Make plenty for everyone on the Walk, or just enough for all pilgrims; mark the no. on agape bags.
8. Sign up for the Prayer vigil. Being part of the 72-hr. Prayer vigil is a great blessing; not only for the pilgrim, but for you, as GOD is carrying out His will through you for the weekend.
9. Help take care of everything that is left at home by the pilgrim so that he/she may not be concerned about anything but what GOD has for them during their weekend. This would entail any and all things important to the pilgrim (big or small) such as: finding babysitters, helping with meals, taking those left at home to already planned events, watering plants, tending cattle.... the list goes on and on and is very important part for your commitment to being a sponsor.
10. A sponsor’s responsibility does not stop after the Walk weekend is over. Help your pilgrim by getting them involved in a reunion group, go to their 1st Community meeting, showing them how to get started serving in the Emmaus Community, and even learning how to be and sponsor. If they have come from a far distance for this Walk, as their sponsor get information ahead of time on the Emmaus Community closest to them, and contact that Community for individuals that can help your Pilgrim feel welcome and get started there. Stay in contact and find out what is happening for them in that Community.

Are you considering sponsoring?

Pray! Ask GOD whom He wants you to sponsor. That person should become the number one person on your prayer list.

1. Ask GOD to start speaking to them now.
2. Ask GOD to place them on the Walk they should attend.
3. Ask GOD to insure they receive the roommate they should have.
4. Ask GOD to place them at the table they should be with
5. Ask GOD to protect the pilgrim and their family.

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(Cont. - A Call to Sponsorship)

Recommended: Sponsor only one person at a time- if you have more than one, have someone co-sponsor with you so that all the needs of these pilgrims are met, and you do not over-load yourself during the Walk weekend.

Who to Sponsor: Emmaus Walk pilgrims are intended to be anyone in church, i.e., - Church members, leaders, members who have “fallen away” and do not attend anymore, in order to springboard this person so the spirit within and cause participants to return and begin, or continue to work in their local Churches with a renewed purpose; GOD’s purpose. Even Pastors can attend a Walk to for renewed visions for themselves and their Church. It can be anyone that is from a Christian denomination.

Who not to sponsor- It is suggested that:

1. Non-Christians, being those without a relationship with a local church. Again, pilgrims should be those attending church so the Walk weekend can equip them for developing Church leadership. (Exceptions can be made- please talk with an Emmaus Board member if you have someone wanting to attend a Walk that fits this category).
2. Persons undergoing an emotional crisis, example: (family breakup, severe grief, etc.) or anyone psychologically unstable.
3. Persons who absolutely do not want to attend. (Do not be persistent with them; pray- GOD’s timing is perfect).
4. Person who cannot attend the entire 72 hours. (A pilgrim is to experience all the LOVE of an entire weekend.)
5. Anyone who is not of a Christian denomination; example: New Age, Jehovah’s Witness, Muslim, Mormon, etc.; due to the fact we may do more harm to GOD’s work in their lives.

Things to tell you Pilgrim:

1. The type of housing they will be provided.
2. Expect to be at the Walk site from 7pm the first day, (Thursday), until 7pm, on (Sunday).
3. Wear casual comfortable clothing.
4. No contact with anyone outside the Walk weekend except for emergencies. That you, the sponsor, will take care of their phone & watch, and why- because you want them to experience this special journey without interruption.
5. Tell them what the weekend meant to you, your family, your church, your job, your community.
6. That there will be fifteen talks - (optional). Tell them there will be praise, worship, communion, prayer, fellowship, love, and laughter. If asked about Agape letter, or Candlelight, do not lie, but do not mention them otherwise, as these are a very special part of the weekend.

Other important information:

1. All Pilgrim applications require a Pastor’s signature. Any applications received without all the signatures required will be returned to the sponsor for that signature. If your pilgrim does not have a Pastor, please contact a Board member and they will help you with instructions.
2. There is a Candidate-(Pilgrim) application, and a Sponsor Application; both are to be sent to the appropriate registrar- Women’s registrar for Women, & Men’s registrar for Men. (See below left for Registrar information). Money must be attached to the applications (for this New Horizon Emmaus Community, (NHEC) it is currently \$150.00 Please make checks out to NHEC, and please put Pilgrims name at the bottom of the check. ALL applications must be accompanied by the registration fee. If not, the application will be returned to the sponsor. Those who are in need of a scholarship please speak to a Board member or a Registrar for information.
3. **VERY IMPORTANT-** Please, if your Pilgrim has decided not to attend the Walk after he/she has been registered; contact BOTH the Lay Director of that Walk, and the Registrar. This will ensure that another person on the waiting list for a Walk can get in, and that your Pilgrim’s application and fee may not be processed, and if desired, they may be put on the waiting list for the next walk.

If you have any further questions on Sponsoring, please don’t hesitate to contact a Board member.

CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!

~DeColores!
Your, NHEC Board

February Community Meeting
Thursday, February 18th
 Board Meeting - **5:30pm** at FUMC
 Sponsorship Training - **6:30pm**
 Community - **7:00pm**
EVERYONE BRING YOUR FAVORITE
SNACK.
GUESTS ARE WELCOME, AND
A NURSERY IS PROVIDED.
Community will meet at
FUMC/Amherst



A Note from the Newsletter Editor

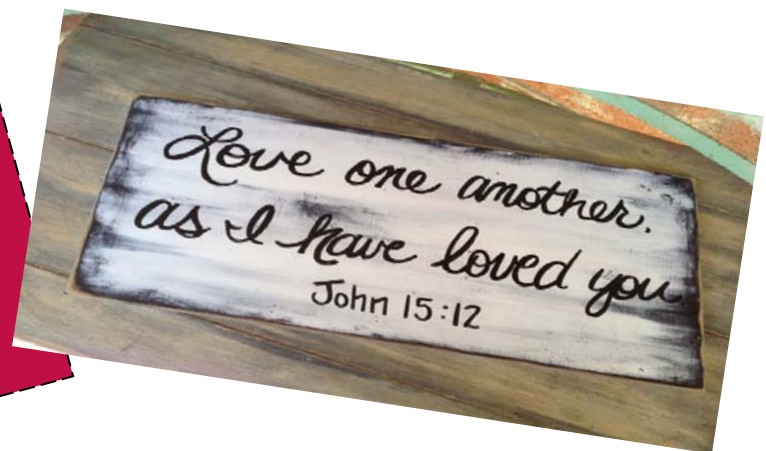
I have been contacted by several NHE Community members that are not currently receiving the Newsletter.

If you are aware of someone who is not receiving and would like to, please send their email information to me (Kimberly Brantley) @: berlyb64@gmail.com, and I will arrange to have them added.

Also, if you feel GOD has something for you to share with our Community we would love to hear from you.

*~De Colores!
 Your Newsletter Editor*

For information about the team and pilgrims for the upcoming walks, please visit the **New Horizon Emmaus Community** website at www.newhorizonemmaus.org.org.



PLEASE PRAY FOR UPCOMING WALKS.

- Sign up on the Prayer Vigil TODAY ☺**
- Sign up on line at www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetComm.phtml
 - Scroll down to "New Horizon Emmaus Community"
 - Click on the link to the right with the date of the Walk

If you are presently in a Reunion Group we would love to hear about it, and about how this time with your Christian brothers or sisters is life changing.

Please let a Board member know if you would be able to share this at a Community Gathering.

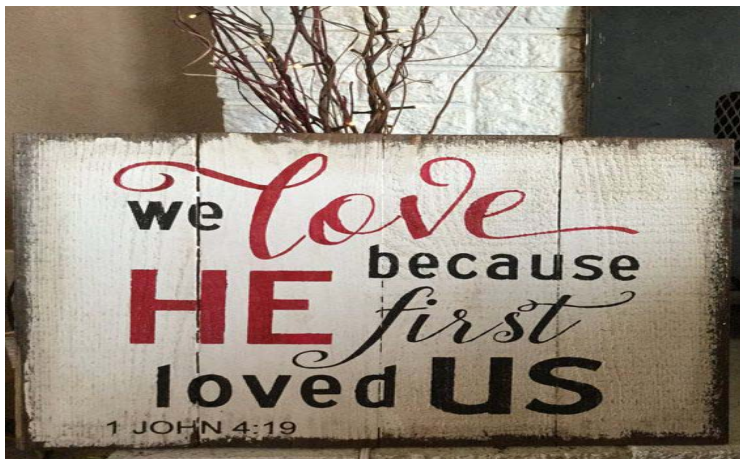
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