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NEXT GATHERING

THURSDAY
JANUARY 10, 2008
FIRST UNITED
METHODIT CHURCH
MARSHALL, TX
Gathering at 7pm

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2008 SPRING
WALKS BEGIN
NEXT MONTH!



DEAR G.R.A.C.E.

Hello Emmaus Brothers and Sisters,

I hope that you had a very Merry CHRISTmas... How blessed we are in knowing the real reason for the season. My prayer is that you have the opportunity this New Year to share this wonderful blessing with someone that does not know Christ. I also pray that you will set your eyes on Jesus in this New Year with a resolution to sponsor at least one person on a Men's Walk, Women's Walk or Chrysalis Flight for 2008.

2008 – WOW it is hard to believe that this is already a new year. The time has gone by so fast. As we move into this New Year your board members are looking at what we can do to make things even better this year. Now with that being said we are NOT saying things are bad. We just know that our goal is to continue to improve the process and make it better and better every time we sponsor a gathering, a walk and now a flight.

As board members were asked if there was one thing you could change what would it be? The over all answer was to improve communication. Well that is a big order!!! So we need help from you. That is right only YOU can help in this area. We need to update and validate the data base. Many addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses are wrong in our database. It makes it hard to communicate if we can't find you.

Here is what you can do to help. If you got this newsletter via the web site... go back to the home page and make sure you have signed up to receive the newsletter and prayer request and up date your information on the web. This is three different steps. Next, if you know someone in your church or circle of friends that does not get the newsletter, does not have e-mail, etc. Print them a copy and see that they get the information. We need their information updated, too. At the bottom of this newsletter you can find a form to fill out and mail (snail mail) to the GRACE Post Office Box and we will give this to the registrar to use.

DeColores and Fly with Christ,
Teresa Elliott
Community Lay Director

2008 Gatherings

January 10 (Thursday) First United Methodist Church, Marshall 7pm

February 14 (Thursday) First Christian Church, Mineola 7pm

March 1 and March 8 (Saturday) CANDLELIGHT at Disciples Crossing, Athens 8pm

April 10 (Thursday) First United Methodist Church, Ore City 5pm
Babe Chick Mtg, 6pm Potluck Dinner, 7pm Gathering

May 8 (Thursday) First United Methodist Church, Hallsville 7pm

June 12 (Thursday) First United Methodist Church, Lindale 7pm

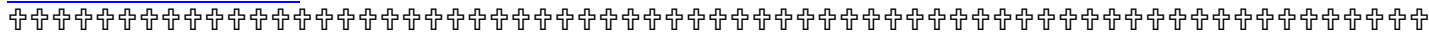
JULY – NO GATHERING

August 9 (Saturday) St. Marks United Methodist Church, Marshall 12pm Covered Dish & Gathering

September 11 (Thursday) Crossroads Community Church, Longview 7pm

down names of all in attendance, board members as well as guests. The G.R.A.C.E. Community Board of Directors is an open forum and anyone is welcome. I strongly encourage you to visit /sit in on a meeting, especially if you are considering serving the community by becoming a board member. After opening, we follow an agenda and discuss Old Business and New Business and each member's chair or committee. Some changes require a vote so the suggested action must be put in the form of a 'motion' and must be seconded, debated/discussed, and voted on. Sometimes it is hard to keep up with all of the discussions; however, I write down the highlights as quickly as possible and then pray that I can read my scribbling enough to type and present at the next board meeting, at which time these 'minutes' are critiqued and voted to accept as is, or accept with corrections. I have been blessed and privileged to serve in this capacity for the past year and a half. The G.R.A.C.E. Board Members, just as the community, is like family to me! I welcome your new secretary for 2008, Joy Parker, jparker@co.wood.tx.us. HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

DeColores,
Donna Swenson
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