

GRACE for TODAY

A Word from Mike Hodgson

Move Forward

It's a beautiful summer day here in East Texas. The trees are full of leaves and everything is green. My best time of the year. But I know fall is coming. Some think that's the best time of the year. Then winter arrives and some think that is the best time of the year. Even just thinking about the seasons can bring us to feel the differences that we have. God lets us go through different seasons to teach us and to allow different experiences to change us into what He wants us to be. That's what we do through the Emmaus experience, change lives for the glory of God. Each and everyone of you are a special part of that wonderful opportunity to change the lives of the pilgrims. As we continue to prepare for Walks 86 and 87 let's not forget who is really in charge. Through the Holy Spirit we have a chance to bless the Pilgrims and help them to have the best Walk ever.

Blessings to you all.

de Colores

Mike Hodgson, Community Lay Director

A THANK YOU FROM TOM HAYGOOD

Tom Haygood has asked that we let everyone know how much he appreciates the prayers and cards of support that he has received the last couple of weeks.

He will be ready to have visitors and phone calls starting this Sunday, July 15. He does ask that visitors please call or text before stopping by.

He extends much love to his brothers and sisters in Christ.

Let's continue to keep Tom and all of his family in prayer.

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G.R.A.C.E. Website:

www.graceemmaus.com

Gatherings 2018

July 28—Pleasant Retreat, Tyler

August 18—Crossroads, Canton

October 6—Camp Gilmont

October 13—Camp Gilmont

November 10—Lane's Chapel

Fall Walks

Men's

October 4-7

Women's

October 11-14

Celebration of Life Service

A Celebration of Life Service for Nan Haygood will be held on Saturday, July 21st at Lindale FUMC. It will begin at 11 A.M. in the Sanctuary. Following the service, all are invited to stay for lunch and fellowship which will be held in the Gym across the street from the Sanctuary.

We are asking our community members to bring a potluck dish for the luncheon. These can be taken straight to the Gym upon arrival, and there will be someone there to help.

Tom has asked us to not wear our Emmaus nametags or crosses to the service.

The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to these organizations:

Hospice of East Texas
4111 University Blvd.
Tyler, TX 75701

Hope Haven
P.O. Box 1110
Lindale, TX 75771

G.R.A.C.E. Emmaus Community
P.O. Box 132212
Tyler, TX 75713-2212

From the Treasurer.....

The blessings that we all received on our Walk to Emmaus can be experienced again by being a member of one of the teams working the Walk. Anyone can serve on one of these teams: conference room, clergy, chapel, and outside. Cost to serve at the three-day weekend is \$165. This covers eight meals and three nights lodging. If someone serves only part of the weekend at Camp Gilmont, they are asked to cover the costs of meals and any overnight stays while working: meals \$10 and lodging \$32. You only have one walk as a pilgrim, but you can spend a lifetime as a servant of Christ, opening the eyes and hearts of others by showing His love.

Betty Buchanan, Community Treasurer

The date for the July Gathering has been changed.

The new date is Saturday, July 28.

The location for the Gathering will still be Pleasant Retreat UMC in Tyler. We will have a potluck lunch at noon followed by a worship service and communion at 1 P.M.

Please come and bring a friend.



AGAPE ITEMS for EACH WALK

PREFERRED:

72 of each item stored in Ziplock Bags & the number "72" written with permanent marker on each bag. (This gives the Outside Servant Team more options for distribution.)

OPTIONAL:

Add your REUNION GROUP NAME ON EACH ITEM (not church name). (The emphasis becomes the **Reunion Group**.)

ALSO OPTIONAL:

Should you "need" to provide 36 Agape items instead of 72, please label ziplock bags appropriately.

Mules and Carts Needed for Fall Walks

We have not had any response to our article in last month's newsletter asking for help with carts.

If you can help provide either a golf cart or mule (also known as an ATV or UTV) this Fall, please contact Brett Walker or Wynn Harle as soon as possible.

If you are looking for a way to serve but are not on a team, this might be the opportunity you have been looking for. If we have to rent these, it will come at considerable expense to the community.

Please contact Brett at 903-987-3090 or Wynn at 903-245-2701 if you can help.

Walk 86 Team

Conference Room Team

Brett Walker	LD
Wade Harman	SD
Chuck Reed	ALD
Wayne Brunt	ALD
Mike Hodgson	ALD

Danny Barrett	ASD
Richard Luna	ASD
Dwain Smith	ASD
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John Crow	TL

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Jason Owen	ATL
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Garry Mount	OTL
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Jim Buchanan	OT
Lin Risner	OT
Brad Burton	OT
David Huston	OT

James Cox	CTL
Jerry Fowler	CT
Hank Resler	CT
Steve Morton	CT
Jeff Reed	CT

Mac Walling	MTL
Gil Maroney	MT
Mark Jarrard	MT
Rob Daniels	MT

Mike Johnston	BR
Ken Duesterhoft	AV

The Walk 86 Men's Team is now complete. All of these men and women have answered God's call to be humble servants for Him and the Pilgrims of Walk 86.

Please pray for these servants, and the men and women serving on the Team for Walk 87, who have committed their resources and time to make these the "Best Walks Ever" for the Pilgrims. Our Team meetings begin on August 11th so please keep all of us in prayer as we continue this part of our journey.

Please pray for the Pilgrims, both known and unknown, so that they can have the experience that God wants them to have on these Walks.

Brett Walker

ASK ME ABOUT EMMAUS

It's not too early to start conversations about Emmaus with potential pilgrims. Summer is almost here and it changes many people's schedules with vacations, changes in church times, etc. To help you start conversations, wear your "Ask me about Emmaus" buttons and have an Emmaus pamphlet available to offer them. Try to schedule a time and place to talk with both the husband and wife or individuals, as the case may be, and be ready to share your experiences and answer any questions they may have. October will be here too soon and we would love to fill both Walks.

I will have buttons, pamphlets and form letters, to send to people writing letters to pilgrims, at future Gatherings or contact me by phone or Email; (available on the graceemmaus.com website.)

Have a blessed, safe and happy Summer.

Hank Resler

Approved Emmaus Vendors from the Upper Room

The following organizations sell Emmaus and Chrysalis products and donate part of their proceeds to the International Offices.

Denali Designs 830-446-1463 www.denali.design

Denali Designs produces a collection of faith-based jewelry made in the USA, created specifically for Christians, by Christians, looking for quality jewelry that reflects a strong devotion to Jesus.

Dove Inc. 270-789-6974 www.doveinc.com

Allow Dove Inc. the opportunity to print or embroider your community logo, customize a design, or add a drop name on an official Walk to Emmaus tee shirt, fleece or other garment. Contact us today for a quote.

Swanson's 1-800-251-1402 www.swansoninc.com

Emmaus Painting www.emmauspainting.com

Reunion Group Information:

It is so important to be in a reunion group!!

There's a list of active groups on the Emmaus website with times and locations! If none of these work for you, it only takes two people to start one in your area and a time that works for you.

Lisa Brewer

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GRACE EMMAUS

The G.R.A.C.E. Emmaus Community wishes to continue to spread the life changing experience that an Emmaus weekend can deliver.

Won't you help us by donating funds for scholarships for both Pilgrims and team members, or the general fund of our community? We are asking you to consider donate \$5, \$10, \$25 monthly or whatever amount you would like to set the donation to. This monthly donation will be debited automatically from your bank account on or about the 15th of the month.

Thank you for your continued support of our Emmaus community.

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PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW:

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email Address: _____

BANK INFORMATION

I (We) hereby authorize GRACE Emmaus to initiate debit entries to my (our) checking account indicated below. The amount will be charged monthly. This authority is to remain in full force and effect until GRACE Emmaus receives written notification of its termination.

Monthly gift amount \$ _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Fill out information below or attach voided check

Depository Name: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Account #: _____ Transit/ABA #: _____

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