



# Emmaus of The Midlands Messenger September 2006

## Opportunities for Service

Think back on your original walk; send off, meals, snack agape, candlelight, table agape and closing you now have an opportunity to serve the new pilgrims just like you were served. It takes a lot of people to put on a walk and we need everyone's help, we are called to be servants.

Laurel Irving will be setting up Camp Agape for the walk this coming Saturday at 10:00. Emmaus rents a house on the property and all the items for the walk including the kitchen items are stored in there. Laurel could really use your help in setting up the camp. You may contact him by email at [lirving1@sc.rr.com](mailto:lirving1@sc.rr.com) or you may call him at 786-5533.

### Send Off

Send off for the upcoming Men's Walk is Thursday September 21, 7:00 pm at Camp Agape. Come and give the men a fantastic send off. There is also a need for help with the pilgrims luggage. Please contact Charles Shipman at 803-788-9502, if you are willing to help.

### Kitchen Help

There is always a need for workers in the kitchen during the Men and Women's Walks. If have an interest in helping please contact Pam Rankin at 803-983-2382.

### Table Agape

There is always a need for table Agape. If your Reunion Group would like to provide table Agape please contact Jerry McLemore at 803-353-1014.

### Candlelight

Candlelight Services will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church in West Columbia, SC Saturday night September 23 for the Men's Walk and Saturday October 14 for the Women's Walk. Please come out and support the pilgrims.

### Snack Agape

If you know your pilgrim likes a certain kind of snack make enough for 60 people to share in this special treat (for example 60 cookies, nuts, one bag of chips and some dip, cheese ball and some crackers.) There is also a need for fruit for the fruit bowl. Apples, bananas, grapes, oranges, strawberries, and pears are needed. We also need 2 liter drinks, coffee and individual bottled water (small bottles please). If you would like to provide snack agape please contact Leonard May at 803-364-1894.

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**Please Pray for:****Emmaus of the Midlands Women's Walk 29**

Deanne Blackwelder Windsor UMC  
 Joan Bodkin St. John's UMC - Aiken  
 Deanna Brewer Lexington UMC  
 Pat Christiansen Windsor UMC  
 Lori Crews Dalzell UMC  
 Jenni Denny Lexington UMC  
 Cindy Graham Lexington UMC  
 Cassondra Kelly Lexington UMC  
 Melissa Michelson Harmony Church  
 Elsie Montgomery Wesley Memorial UMC  
 Debbie Murphy Wightman UMC  
 Stephanie Portee Greenhill Baptist  
 Mo Reese Red Bank UMC  
 Lynn Silvey Lexington UMC

**Please Pray for:****Emmaus of the Midlands Men's Walk #29**

Les Addis First Baptist - Camden  
 Joe Blackwelder Windsor UMC  
 Dave Christiansen Windsor UMC  
 John Denny Lexington UMC  
 Larry Driggers St. Matthews Church of God  
 Jason Foy Lexington UMC  
 Nat Funderburk First Baptist - Camden  
 Bob Graham Lexington UMC  
 Ben Haupfear Trinity UMC - Aiken  
 Van Montgomery Wesley Memorial UMC  
 Dub Moore First Baptist - Camden  
 Tommy Murphy Wightman UMC  
 Howard Smith Camden First UMC  
 Ben Turner, III Lexington UMC  
 John Walker Wightman UMC  
 Norman Way Wightman UMC

Ephesians 4:5 “Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit...one Lord, one faith, one baptism: one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.” If I could use one word to describe Wesley Memorial’s Celebration meeting this past month, it would be Unity. But since this is supposed to be a little longer than one word, let me expand on that thought.

Celebration Women’s Ministry at Wesley Memorial UMC had a “Girls Night Out.” It was your typical, no, not typical, incredibly good, catered meal served to us by our men’s group, MEN Cook with FIRE. I can try to describe the details of the evening, but how do you describe the presence and work of God other than the word “Amazing.” God demonstrated his amazing power, love and control of the situation. When the Celebration Board was planning our August event, the President (me) “accidentally” asked our speaker to come on the Friday date in August instead of our normal Saturday date. That is how it turned into a night out. As we were planning the event, we jokingly said we better set a limit of 70 people because that is all the seating we have. Seventy women was a God-sized goal for us. Be careful what you say, because God is listening.

The evening came and we had 65 reservations and 11 men serving and 2 wonderful caterers who stayed and helped too. Our speaker Cherie Nettles blessed us with laughter and also her testimony. She is a wonderful example of someone who is trusting God and going where God wants her to go. We had 18 churches and at least 6 different denominations represented. We had several women who do not attend any church come also. The verse in Ephesians talks to us about being unified in the Spirit and to remember that God is the God of us all. So many differences were represented in the audience, but all of us were united in the Spirit of God.

Whether we are a large church, a small church, or somewhere in between, God wants us to trust Him and take on some God-sized projects. Judy Graham of the National Celebration board wrote “we need to be united in our beliefs that we will see people come to know Jesus as their personal Savior and be healed... spirit, soul and body by the power of Jesus. As a result they will be equipped to do that work of ministry.” When we are focused and united as Christians on the work God calls us to, God will do the rest.

Lucie Bingham



## CHRYSALIS

The steering committee have been hard at work. Several members have attended flights in other communities and have come back excited at what we have seen and learned. We have the opportunity of influencing young teens to offer their lives to the Lord and experience His love in a setting similar to the Emmaus Walk. Who wouldn't want that for their son or daughter?

Some of you have already been approached to consider working on the girls' flight January 13 – 16 and others have been asked to work the boys' flight February 17-19. We hope that all of the community members will be in prayer with us that God's will be done in this matter and the right people will be chosen.

The cost to the youth will be \$70 because the Lexington UMC have kindly consented to us using their facilities for both flights, thus saving us the expense of using Camp Agape. Application forms, sponsors forms and parental approval forms are available online at [www.midlandsemmaus.com](http://www.midlandsemmaus.com)

We hope that Emmaus reunion groups will offer to provide a meal for the flights and also will come and prepare and serve it. The meals to be served are as follows:

### Day 1

Breakfast: Doughnuts and juice for those who have not already breakfasted.

Lunch: Half a huge baked potato, sour cream, butter, grated cheese, bacon bits, broccoli florets, green salad, Italian and ranch dressings, apples, grapes, rice crispy treats

Dinner: Stouffers lasagna, garlic bread, salad, slices of angel food cake with strawberries and cool whip

### Day 2

Breakfast: Sausage, cheese and egg casserole, grits, biscuits, fresh fruit, juice

Lunch: Hamburgers with trimmings, small packets of chips, fresh fruit, choc chip cookies

Dinner: Baked chicken breast, green beans, rice, rolls, choc éclair layer cake

### Day 3

Breakfast: 2 bacon strips, hash browns, grits, French toast fingers, fruit

Lunch: White bread, slices of ham, turkey and cheese. Lettuce, tomatoes, onions. Fruit.

After candlelight they we will serve cream puffs, small tarts, fresh strawberries, cake squares, melted choc, sparkling non alcoholic wine.

If you are interested in providing one of these meals at the boys or girls flight, please sign up at the gathering or e-mail your intention to [doriscrocker@bellsouth.net](mailto:doriscrocker@bellsouth.net) or [jchitty@iso.com](mailto:jchitty@iso.com)

Doris Crocker has been making jewelry to raise money for manuals, stuff needed for the conference room prayer chapel, etc.. The jewelry is on sale at the gatherings. If you unable to help us in this way, a donation can be made to Chrysalis of the Midlands and the checks sent to the Chrysalis Treasurer at PO box 851 Jackson SC 29831

THANK YOU FOR ANY SUPPORT YOU CAN OFFER! WE NEED IT!!!!

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## **FUTURE EVENTS**

**September 16, 2006 Camp Agape set-up 10:00 am**

**September 21-24, 2006 Men's Walk #29 Camp Agape**

**September 23 Candlelight 8:00 pm Trinity UMC West Columbia SC**

**September 21-24, 2006 Girls Epiphany Weekend DJJ**

**October 6-8, 2006 Boys Epiphany Weekend DJJ**

**October 12-15, 2006 Women's Walk #29 Camp Agape**

**October 15, 2006 Candlelight 8:00 pm Trinity UMC West Columbia, SC**

**October 27, 2006 Gathering Bethel UMC Columbia**

**December 9, 2006 Gathering-Camp Agape**

**January 13-15 Chrysalis Flight #2**

**January 19-20, 2007 Team Training Walk 30**

**There is a need for table agape for the upcoming Epiphany weekends at DJJ. If you are will to help please contact Linda Rembert at [linda.rembert@verizon.net](mailto:linda.rembert@verizon.net) for details.**

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