



Messenger

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From Your Chairman

We have just completed the Men's Walk for the Spring and the Women's Walk which starts Thursday night, March 20th, will probably be going on as you read this newsletter. At this time, it looks like we will have a full Walk of 36 women pilgrims. Please be in prayer for these pilgrims and team members during this walk. Hopefully, you have signed up for the Prayer Vigil. Also, please try to give them your support by attending Send-off, Candlelight, and Closing ceremonies as well as volunteering to serve in any of the many service functions taking place during the Walk.

The Men's Walk that just finished was a wonderful success. We had 23 pilgrims on this Walk and now welcome 23 new community members. As I have said before and will continue to say until I die, that if you miss the closing ceremonies and the testimonies of these men and women as they complete their Walks, then you have missed the best part of the whole weekend. I challenge each of you if you do nothing else, come to a Closing Ceremony and listen to these pilgrims testify to what this weekend has meant to them and if you can leave that camp not feeling motivated and inspired to go out and sponsor other Christian friends as well as volunteer to serve in one or more of the many functions of the weekend, then I will never harass you again!

What better testimony can you have than for someone to say that they never want this weekend to end!

God Bless, [Leonard](#)

NEWS FROM YOUR EDITOR

There will be no Gathering this month because of the Walk's.

We still have slots available on the [Prayer Vigil](#) page for the Ladies Walk.

I am beginning something new in the March edition of the Messenger. Everyone that writes an article, memo or anything else we publish will have their names listed at the bottom. If you would like to comment to them, just click on their names and it will automatically take you to an email message page with their address already loaded. De Colores [Billy](#)

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Emmaus of the Midlands Men's Walk # 43

Pilgrims and Team

March 13-16, 2014

Pilgrims

David Bowers
Greg Bowers
Edward Charles
Larry Creech
Eddie Deese
Walt Driggers
Robert Ellrott
Bob Farra
Lynn Fleming
Brian Foulks
Mike Garcia
Dickie Gardner
Walter Griffin
J. W. Hester
Stancil Hood
Eddie Killian
Richard Kirby
Lem Peterson
Martin Quick
Bubba Reese
Thomas Rowe
Wilson Rowson
Chris Watson

Servants

Curt Ackerman
Bruce Adams
Charles Adams
Kirk Atwood
Mark Bounds
Bobby Bowers
Jimmy Braddock
Larry Brown
Sam Caskey
Hank Edens
Jim Edge
Travis Goldie
Roger Goupil
Frank Hill
Thad Hinnant
Bob Huggins
Laurel Irving
Jeff Jones
Ron Mankin
Pam Muse
Joe Nelson
Walt Proctor, III
Tony Rivers
Bobby Sandifer
Duane Sirhal
Rick Smith
Chuck Weatherly

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Pilgrims and Team March 20-23, 2014

PILGRIMS

Patricia Allen
 Adrienne Applegate
 Anne Banks
 Eve Barker
 Dee Bennett
 Liz Bigda
 Tracie Bowe
 Michelle Bowers
 Anita Bradham
 Michele Branch-Frappier
 Melanie Burbank
 Gayle Charles
 Ann Decell
 Gingi Driggers
 Charlene Dunbar
 Faye Ellrott
 Ronda Fleming
 Renee Freeman
 Linda French
 Sheryl Garcia
 Amy Graves
 Kathy Griffin
 Sylvia Harris-Greene
 Debbie Jeffcoat
 Patty Munn
 Jaimee O'Neal
 Ann Payne
 Brandy Pomeroy
 Loretta Rhoten
 Cynthia Rowson
 Brenda Smeby
 Sudie Stansell
 Debbie Watford
 Chrissy Wilson
 Myra Wimberly

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 Christy Bouknight
 Ginny Braddock
 Rebecca Brogdon
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 Ginger Cartin
 Doris Cooke
 Becky Derrick
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 Kathy Fish
 Carol Frye
 Terri Goodman
 Judy Hames
 Dorothy Longshore
 Susan Matthews
 Bonny McCarty
 Carolyn McLean
 Cheryl Mendiola
 Mike Morris
 Sari Ness
 Kellye Rembert
 Nicholle Rivers
 Betty Shofner
 Sandy Sirhal
 Wayne Smith
 Sandie Stillinger
 Mary Frances Thompson

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Sponsors Training

There will be an opportunity for sponsors training before the April gathering at Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church on April 25, 2015. The training will be from 6:15-7:00.

Team Training

Team training for fall walks will be held at Lexington United Methodist Church on September 19-20, 2014.

Election of New Board Members

My name is Al Carter. I worship at Bethel United Methodist Church in Forest Acres. I attended the Emmaus of the Midlands walk #4 and I sat at the table of Matthew. My board responsibility this year is luggage and I want to thank all who helped me with the last set of walks. It takes many hands and a few pick up trucks to make it an easy job! Please help if you can with the spring walks in March. It is almost time for our annual election for new board members. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve for the past 3 years. **We need to replace 7 board members this year**. Five positions will serve for 3 years, 1 will be a 2 year commitment and the final position will be for 1 year. Anyone who has been in the community at least a year is eligible to run. I would like to encourage our former Lay Directors to think about serving on the board! Your experience is invaluable. No one understands the importance of servanthood and the background jobs more than those who have been there. Your knowledge will serve the community well. I will have board commitment forms at the gatherings and upcoming spring walks. Please contact me or any board member if you have questions and are interested in running. The election will take place in May. We need your help. We need at least 10 people willing to run. Please pray about serving our community in this way!

God Bless and DeColores! [Al](#)

Pilgrims and Servants

On pages two and three are the names of those that were at the Men's Walk and those getting ready for the Women's Walk. If you did not sign up for the prayer vigil please keep all of these in your thoughts and prayers for the next few days and weeks as they transition to the Fourth Day.

Meet Your Board Member

My name is Greg Prewitt. I worship at Windsor UMC in NE Columbia with my wife Melanie and daughter Turner. I attended the Emmaus of the Midlands Men's Walk #16 and sat at the table of Paul. This is my second term on the Board of Directors. My board responsibility is Candlelight. My walk was very moving for me. I was going through the motions of a Christian but not living the Christian life. My Walk to Emmaus gave me spiritual direction. It allowed me to use my Bible as a road map in my walk with Christ. It strengthened my relationship with my church and with my Lord. My work with the Emmaus board allows me to return the blessing that my walk gave to me. I am a much better husband, father, son and Christian thanks to my walk to Emmaus. I look forward to my continued service to our community and members.

DeColores [Greg](#)

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