



Messenger

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Coming Events

July 25 Gathering
Lewis Chapel UMC
Sumter, SC
Meal @ 7, Worship @ 8

August 11 Board Meeting
Windsor UMC @ 7

August 22 Gathering
Macedonia Lutheran Church
Prosperity, SC
Meal @ 7, Worship @ 8

September 8 Board Meeting
Windsor UMC @ 7

September 26 Gathering
Lexington UMC
Lexington, SC
Meal @ 7, Worship @ 8

October 13 Board Meeting
Windsor UMC @ 7

October 16-19 Men's Walk
October 23-26 Women's Walk

November No Gathering

December Gathering
Blythewood UMC
Blythewood, SC
Meal @ 7, Worship @ 8

From Your Chairman

We just held our July Board Meeting at Camp Nazarene at the request of Alan Pullen the Camp Director. The purpose of the meeting was to give us a tour of the new kitchen which is scheduled to be completed by the end of August and also bring us up to date on new rules and regulations from DHEC that actually went into law in June of this year. Since the new kitchen is classified as a commercial kitchen all rules and regulations will have to be followed even when Emmaus is preparing the food.

However, even though some changes in procedures will have to be implemented, we do not want anyone to be discouraged from continuing to volunteer to help in the kitchen because servant-hood is the backbone of Emmaus and Camp Nazarene recognizes this as a vital part of our ministry.

Now, let us look at all the positive upgraded changes we can look forward to:

Spacious restrooms in the dining hall...no more having to walk up the hill

No more cramped quarters where everybody is falling all over each other

There will be a cooking area, food holding and serving area and dining halls

All equipment will be new & state of the art for a modern new restaurant

I ask that everyone be in prayer for our Kitchen Coordinator, Delores Fish, as well as Cheri Bowers, Susan Matthews, Janice Tokar and all the other wonderful volunteers who volunteer so faithfully to help in the kitchen. My challenge to each of you is to step forward and be part of this team.

Also remember that the policy has changed regarding husbands and wives staying together at the camp so we hope this will make it more convenient for you to come and volunteer. Just choose your accommodations and go to housing on the website and sign up.

Please remember also that it is time to start talking to friends and fellow church members who you feel led to sponsor and get those applications in so we can have a set of wonderful walks.

Hope to see every one Friday night June 25th at our July Gathering at Lewis Chapel UMC

God Bless,
[Leonard May](#)

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Meet Your Board Member

Greetings! My name is Gary Hartman. I am a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Blythewood. I attended the Emmaus of the Midlands's Men's Walk #7, and sat at the table of Matthew. I am married to Karen Hartman, my wife of 37 years. We have two grown children (both of whom have been on either a Walk or Chrysalis Flight), and two grand-children. I am a retired Army musician with 20 years of active service; I play trumpet, keyboards, and sing.

During my military career, I felt called to be active in music ministry; hence, I also have 20 years' experience as a church music director. After my military retirement, my vocational experience at Columbia International University included sound support and managing Audio-Visual equipment. I now work as an independent contract Medical Transport Driver with Boomerang Transport in the greater Columbia area, helping ambulatory clients travel to and from their doctor or therapy appointments.

During my 18 years of service with Emmaus of the Midlands, I have served on several Music Teams, and twice as an Assistant Table Leader. Other areas include helping with Snack Agape, numerous Kitchen crews, and creating the start of using electronic media for Closings and Gatherings. I also served on the first Chrysalis of the Midlands Boys' Flight, as well as a few Epiphany and Kairos weekends.

I consider it an honor and a privilege to serve on the Emmaus of the Midlands Board of Directors; thank you very much for your support. For future Walks, there is always a need for vocalists, guitarists and pianists. Some of the churches who sponsor a monthly Gathering do not have their own music team. As such, I will be looking for assistance. Please consider serving in this area, for those of you who are musically inclined.

AND at our December Gathering each year, there may be a need for some special "entertainment". If you have an idea or know someone or a group who may be interested in providing entertainment (20-30 minutes), please let me know. My phone number is (803) 530-6081. My email address is:

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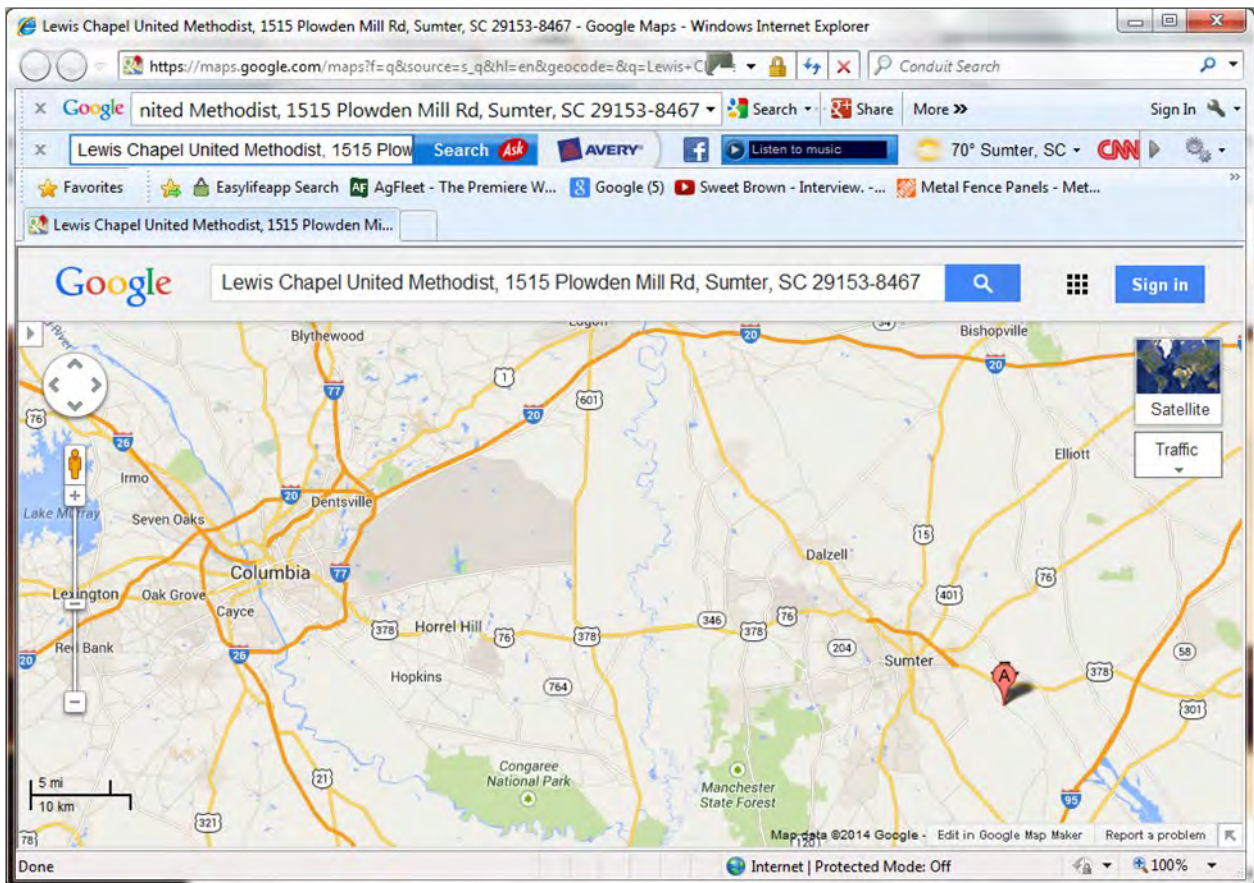
Gary Hartman
Music/Entertainment

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**Gathering June 25th
Lewis Chapel UMC
3030 Plowden Mill Rd
Alcolu, SC
803-495-8100**

Meal @ 7 Worship @ 8

Plowden Mill Rd. is approximately 8 miles East of Sumter and South of Highway 378.



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