



ROOSTER DOODLES

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INVITING THE SAN DIEGO EMMAUS COMMUNITY TO GATHER TOGETHER!

De Colores everyone, from Cindy Chappell, your Emmaus Community Lay Director
Your Emmaus Board is very excited to host our first RE-GATHERING of the San Diego Emmaus Community for 2021! Please plan to join us on September 18th at First United Methodist Church in Mission Valley at 10:00 am for a time of fellowship, worship, presentations and ice cream!!

You won't want to miss this event – as this will be your opportunity to 1) reconnect with Emmaus friends after so long; 2) meet your current Emmaus Board members; 3) receive updates on Face to Face, Chrysalis and future Walks; 4) worship and pray together; and 5) enjoy an Ice Cream Social on a hot summer day!

We encourage everyone to come and reconnect - and show your support for our Emmaus community as we start planning for future activities. Remember the life-changing experience of the Emmaus weekend when you were a Pilgrim?! And how you were so blessed by the volunteers that made it possible for you to have an intimate encounter with Jesus and experience spiritual renewal?! Let's come together to start the renewal of the San Diego Emmaus Community and begin planning for future events so that others can be blessed by such an amazing experience. We are called to share God's love within our community – and across San Diego County! God is counting on us!

I look forward to seeing you then!

Cindy Chappell



WHEN:

Saturday, September 18, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

WHERE: First United Methodist Church, 2111
Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, 92108
Linder Hall

Reminder: You are welcome to bring friends who have not had the Emmaus experience yet. Let's fill the fellowship hall!!

Looking for Help in Presenting the Walk to Emmaus (and Face2Face) to someone?

You can show them the Introduction Video at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PvS8AJOZs4s>



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WANTED !!!

Board member for Gatherings

Send an email if you are interested.

THOUGHTS ON YOUTH AND CHRYSALIS

From the Chrysalis Board rep.

Barb Eveland barbaraeveland993@gmail.com

Chrysalis Update: Barb Eveland

Thank you to all who have been praying for all youth and for Chrysalis. We are still in process of discovery.

I have been learning from the Upper Room Chrysalis team and contact with the Chrysalis community in the Pomona area. I also am setting up a meeting between the Upper Room team and the San Diego UMC District Youth Coordinator.

I am interested in hearing from anyone who has a desire to work with youth. There is no guarantee, of course, yet when the time comes to start Chrysalis weekends again, we will need many strong spirits to establish a safe and welcoming team.

You can reach me by email: barbaraeveland993@gmail.com

Thank you again. Barb Eveland



RE-NEW, RE-FRESH, RE-GATHER

Beloved Body of Christ, don't you miss connecting with other Christians on your daily Walk?

Come to the Re-Gathering on September 18. We want to see you in person! We will have communion and listen to messages from our leaders, and we will indulge in an ice cream social.

Working in the Kingdom:

This came in one of my devotionals today: "Sometimes we look around and wonder, am I making a difference in the world today or am I just spinning my wheels? Am I running in place? Are you running with me, Jesus? That moment is a chance to pause, maybe for a brief pause or maybe a long night or a dark season. No matter what, we know that Jesus is running that race with us. Reach up and take his hand and let Him lead you on."

You will know when your work is inspired by the Holy Spirit. You will feel His presence and enjoy the fruit of your work, not a laborious task, but a labor of love with a fruitful outcome.

DeColores, See you the 18th! Mary Beth Klauer

Also, "Like" us on Facebook to view Community activities.



**Message from the Assistant Community Spiritual Director - The Joy of Gathering**

As I write this I am exhausted and moving slowly through the current day. Today is Tuesday afternoon and just last Sunday I finished serving as the Camp Pastor for Elementary Summer Camp at Camp Cedar Glen. If you know Camp Cedar Glen you know it was carved into the side of the mountain in Julian and I walked up and down those hills so many times last week, I am exhausted. Elementary campers are notorious for late nights and early mornings. They are so excited they can hardly sleep, which means those of us running the camp also don't get much sleep. I am exhausted. The sleep I did get was in a rustic bunk bed, not my idea of luxury – for so many reasons I am exhausted.

And, for so many reasons I would do it all over again right now if I could. My body is exhausted and it will probably take me a week or so to feel right again. My spirit could not be more alive and full than it is right now. I witnessed kids finding God's love for the first time, kids welcoming one another and making new friends in Christ, teenagers giving of their time to serve as counselors, and so much more. I sat back and witnessed the Kingdom of God come alive right before my eyes. At that gathering up in the mountains the presence of God and the work of the Holy Spirit was evident and palpable. This is why I so love Summer Camp.

This is also why I love the Emmaus Community. On the Walks or Chrysalis or Face to Face, when we gather, it gives us a chance to see the evidence of God at work in our lives. Of course, God is always at work in our lives, but alone we too often miss it. When we are together with others it just seems easier to witness the work of God in us and through us. An important aspect of the Emmaus Community is just that; we are a community, a group of people meant to gather. It might be a weekend retreat like a Walk, it might be a regular grouping, it might be an occasional Gathering like we have coming up soon – all opportunities for us to witness the work of God in one another. I do hope you will prayerfully consider sponsoring someone in our next round of Walks so they too can experience the work of God in our community. I hope you will consider serving on the team for our next round of Walks and I hope you will make the time to join us at the Gathering that is coming up. Let us gather together, exhausted or not, and have our spirits refreshed by the goodness of God.

Pastor Brian

Grouping Updates and Encouragement

This is your Emmaus grouping coordinator calling all the community to unite and get going into one of our active (14) groupings going on all over the county, from Chula Vista to Poway. If you are interested in joining one or adding another, please let me know. I would love to help you plug in and get you started on your "Christ is counting on you" journey.

It's as simple as following a group reunion card where "Christ needs you: your heart, your mind, your hands and feet. He needs you committed in faith, so that your life in grace may bear witness to that faith in Christ through: Prayer Study & Action".

Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.
Hebrews 10:25 Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

We need to be in fellowship with one another. Hope to see you all at the Gathering,
Annette Caldwell 619-807-4330, (arc92117@yahoo.com)



Since the beginning of the COVID-19 lockdown, it has become apparent to me that God created us to be in fellowship with other believers. When was the last time you thought about your table mates at the Walk to Emmaus you experienced? When did you last wonder what your sponsor was up to? Wouldn't you love to catch up and reconnect?

You could compare notes about what God has been doing in your life – a chance to reconnect with your “new friends” from your life’s walk? And as you reminisce, perhaps someone will come to mind who would really benefit from this Emmaus experience. This would be a fantastic opportunity for you to give a gift of sponsorship.

We need your referrals to keep the movement alive. If each former Pilgrim would sponsor just 1 person or even better yet, one couple, we would see God at work in a mighty way in the San Diego Community. Come to the Grand Gathering on September 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at FUMC in Mission Valley to get reconnected with old friends and perhaps make some new ones! Join us in worship, prayer, a program, and refreshments. Find out how your volunteer skills can be used to make the next Walk in 2022 a memorable event!

DE COLORES! Barb Bennett, Board Secretary

From the Treasurer

De Colores to YOU!

I have the honor to serve on the SD Emmaus Board as the Treasurer.

I wanted to reach out and let you know we are still a thriving community, albeit virtual for the most part, but that is about to change.

Save this Date: Sept 18, 2021

We are hosting our first Re-Grand Gathering in person and would love to see you there.



A LOOK
at the
BUDGET

Because I serve as Treasurer, I get to pay all the bills. I wanted to ask you, as you feel led, to make a donation to the SD Walk to Emmaus. Because we have not hosted any Walks since before Covid, we have not generated any income, but the bills continue to come in. If you want to send in a check, please make it payable to San Diego Emmaus Community and mail it to PO Box 502385, San Diego, CA 92150-2385. We are excited about some changes coming from the Upper Room with regards to some programming. Stay tuned! Praying over you, Charlene Patterson, Treasurer

"Retreat"

What is a retreat and why do we do it? Why do we offer this time with God to our friends by inviting them to the next Face to Face or Walk to Emmaus event?

It is an intentional time of deepening our relationship with God. Times of retreat help our minds and hearts experience God Emmanuel...that is, God with us. In that way we can reenter our daily life renewed, refreshed, strengthened and with a clearer sense of how God desires relationship with us. This is why we offer this time of retreat to our friends and family. Why not invite them now?



Face2Face #7 Reboot

De Colores.

As you may know, Face2Face #7 was interrupted last year after the first weekend due to the COVID pandemic. With so much time having passed, we are going to start the encounter again from the beginning. The new dates are March 4,5, 11, 12, 2022. The encounter will be held at Rancho Bernardo Community Church (aka Rancho Bernardo Community Presbyterian Church).

A little background on Face to Face. Face to Face is a version of Walk to Emmaus that is designed for Pilgrims age 60 and over. Rather than going for a 72 hour retreat, the Pilgrims experience the encounter on two consecutive weekends (Friday and Saturday during the day), and they do not stay overnight. Men and women attend together, but have separate tables (i.e. men's tables led by male table leaders and women's tables led by female table leaders).

Here are ways you can help these Pilgrims experience the love within the body of Christ.

Pray. Pray for the Encounter, the Team, the Pilgrims. Pray about whom you might invite.

Team. Many of the team members are available to serve on the reboot, but a few are not. If you feel called to serve on the team, please contact me (or say "yes" when I contact you).

Invite/Promote. There are no sponsors for F2F. The team will take care of communicating with Pilgrims and gathering agape, but we still need the community members making prospective Pilgrims aware of the encounter and what Walk to Emmaus or Face2Face has meant in their lives. Applications are available on the website.

Attend Candlelight and/or Closing. Candlelight happens in the middle of the afternoon on the 2nd Friday of the encounter. This sometimes makes it harder to get the level of attendance that we do for candlelight on Walk to Emmaus, as some people are at work at that time. If you are available, plan on attending Candlelight on Friday, March 11 and Closing on Saturday, March 12.

Agape. Your gifts of agape can bless the Pilgrims. Write agape. Provide table agape. Donate food agape.

I can be reached by email at ScottWood4322@gmail.com and by phone at 760.207.8967.

Blessings to you,

Scott Wood

Lay Director, F2F #7



ATTENTION: NEW EMAIL FOR SAN DIEGO EMMAUS

The only email to reach San Diego Emmaus is:

sandiegoemmaus@gmail.com

All applications will be corrected to reflect this new email address.

Our purpose remains to renew Christian disciples to be the hands and feet of Christ and thereby strengthen the local church.



San Diego Walk to Emmaus

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

IMPORTANT DATES/TIMES

Face 2 Face #7
 March 4, 5, 11, 12 2022
 Rancho Bernardo Community Church
 Candlelight – Friday March 11*
 Closing – Saturday March 12*
 * Times will be published in the next issue
 **Note: No child care provided. Thanks for
 your understanding

GATHERINGS

Saturday, September 18th, 2021
 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
 First United Methodist Church San
 Diego (Mission Valley)

TEAM MEETINGS

To be announced

Next Board Meeting

Board Meetings are by Zoom – Contact by
 email to get an invite.