Big Country Emmaus Community

Community gathers the 1st Tuesday of each month.

September 7 will be held at New Hope Church, 3122 S. Clack

Babe Chick Orientation at 6:00
Enjoy a Time of Praise & Worship at 6:30
Childcare is Provided for ages 9 and under.

September 2010
The charter was filed to begin the Big Country Emmaus Community in the latter part of July 1989. That means that we have just completed our 21st year as an Emmaus community. Think about that—21 years and each walk just gets better. How sweet our Father is to bless us in this way. I just attended the closing ceremony of Walk #165. If math serves me correctly, 165 times 40 pilgrims on average per walk equals 6600 of God’s children that have attended a walk in the Big Country Community since its inception. Isn’t it awesome what God can do with a little bread and a few fishes? Just think of the ripple effect that 6600 people can have on our area of the world.

That number does not include the Chrysalis weekends that have been held. Chrysalis #50 and #51 were just completed by the community. What a blessing these young people are to us. The majority of these Caterpillars attended our August community meeting and were on fire to be an active part of God’s kingdom. These young people are so spiritually mature that talking to them makes me have a hope once again for the future.

This journey that we have all begun down the Road to Emmaus moves us in and out of the immediate community to even greater servant roles. But occasionally it is good to remember where we have been, to define the direction in which we are headed. I challenge each of you who read this to reconnect with this community in some way.

Do you remember the look on the faces of the pilgrims on Thursday? One of uncertainty about why they are there and what will take place. That look is really a promise of what is to come. Then that first night of silence gives them time to reflect on where they are in life or what’s important to them; God beginning a work in them that will shape their future. If the memory of that look has faded, please come to a send off and be a part of that beginning.

Attending a candlelight ceremony always reminds us of our walk. It brings back that special moment when we can envision what heaven may look like. It instills a moment that brings us to a realization of a true agape love experience. It gives us an instant that guarantees that God really does love us. If breathtaking does not describe your walk with God, please come and light a candle once again.

If you believe in miracles but haven’t seen any lately, the closing ceremony is the place for you. That promise of what is to come that starts on Thursday, becomes a miracle of God on Sunday afternoon. The changes that take place in the lives of the pilgrims are beyond what we can imagine. God never fails to show up and be a part of that experience.

If you need help in redefining your direction, it may be time to renew an old acquaintance with the Big Country Emmaus Community.

See you at Community!

De Colores,

Don Martin

Community Lay Director
E-Mail Newsletter—PLEASE NOTIFY ME IF YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES OR IF YOU WANT TO BE ADDED TO THE EMAIL LIST
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If you know of anyone who is not currently receiving the newsletter either by regular mail or email, please let me know. If you would like to have something published in the newsletter please e-mail or call Terri, 698-4294 by the 15th of the month.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.
Psalm 28:7

Memorial Gifts
Making a memorial gift donation to Big Country Emmaus general fund or to the scholarship fund is a great way to honor the memory of someone. As gifts come in and as the space is available, I will list the names of those who are honored and have blessed our lives.

2010 Emmaus Board

Community Lay Director: Don Martin—529-3170
Community Spiritual Director: Ernie McLean—695-5464
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Chrysalis Registrar: Mary Crymes 676-8133
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Psalm 28:7
**Women’s Walk #166—September 9-12, 2010**  
**Monnie Harris—Lay Director**  
**Billy Crim—Spiritual Director**

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Jim Clark  Tracy Porras  
Billy Crim  Sondra Cox  
Carol Denney  Kitty Epperson  
Angela Estes  Sherry Foster  
Karen Gardner  Mary Lou Garrett  
Monnie Harris  Lisa Hargrove  
Cameo Harvey  Pam Horn  
Nancy Hulit  Kim Belcher  
Dottie Ingalsbe  Ruth Jackson  
Melissa Ledbetter  Lera Lewis  
Peggy Langford  Dana Mayhall  
Cindy Crawford  Jay Miller  
Kathy Owen  Vonnie Perry  
Anne Reno  Rhonda Ritchey  
Dian Seymore  Linda Slaymaker  
Laura Smith  Bob Strader  
Leah Sumrall  Carolyn Thomas  
Lydia Towell  Julie Tyler  
Gale Wright  Janell Young  
Amanda Vidrine  Tina Davis  
Donna Gurnea  Patsy Rogers  
| Audrey Baxter  Rebekah Burks  
Kim Chaffee  Crystal Childress  
Karen Hendrick  Nikki Duncan  
Gelora Farr  K. Gothard  
Rachel Hedglin  
Betty Hughes  Kathy Jones  
Kristin Jordan  Jessica Keith  
Lana Laird  Angela Lewis  
Angie Marsalis  Ann McClarty  
Sadie McClarty  Nella McGill  
Billie Meeks  Tori Morris  
Diana Oakes  Keri Osborne  
Nathalie O’Shaughnessy  
Barbara Owens  Mary Ann Lovelady  
JoAnn Phillips  Mary Rodriguez  
Patsy Rogers  Gail Sargent  
Mindy Sargent  Jerry Smith  
Katie Springfield  Nicole Strader  
Tina Stephens  Bonnie Switzer  
Jeanine McNulty  Judy Tucker  
Jill Umstead  Lisa Van Cleave  
Janice Wimberly  Jill Robertson  |

**Agape Drop Off sites are:**  
Monnie Harris’s home, 2201 Minter Lane; and Ingram’s Cleaners, 2666 Buffalo Gap Rd.

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**Remaining 2010 Walks**

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