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Big Country
Emmaus
community

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*Community gathers the 1st Tuesday
of each month.*

March 1 will be held at

River of Life Church, 539 S. US Hwy. 83/84

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

March 2011

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I recently read a story attributed to Anne Lamott, a writer for which I have no particular affinity. However, this story illustrates why we need regular times of prayer and Bible study.

The story revolves around a mother whose two-year-old inadvertently locked himself in his room while they were on vacation. The mom struggled vainly to get the door unlocked—trying a few keys she knew weren't the right ones, phoning around to get the landlord. Finally someone was reached and on the way, but there was still a frightened little boy to deal with as they waited for rescue, and his reasoning and verbal skills being minimal, he would not understand the nearness of his deliverance.

So Mom got the bright idea to get down on her knees on her side of the door and slip her fingers underneath in the inch or so gap between door and floor, and she asked the inconsolable child to do the same. He would not be able to see his mother's face until the savior bearing keys arrived, but the feel of her presence through her fingertips while they waited provided some comfort and sense that everything would be alright.

This is like our relationship with God. For now we are bereft of His full presence, for reasons not entirely clear. But He holds out His fingers and I hold out mine, as we touch through His Word and His Spirit every morning. Ann Lamott says, "It isn't enough. And it is."

Come to Community on March 1st. We'll touch fingers with you.

De Colores,
Lynn Lawhon
Community Lay Director

2011 Walks

March 24-27, 2011

Men's Walk #171

John Randolph

April 7-10, 2011

Women's Walk #172

Susan Price

July 21-24, 2011

Boy's and Girl's Chrysalis

August 18-21, 2011

Men's Walk #173

September 8-11, 2011

Women's Walk #174

October 13-16, 2011

Men's Walk #175

November 3-6, 2011

Women's Walk #176

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.

KAIROS NEWS

The next Kairos Walk at French
Robertson Prison will be April 14-17,
2011. If you are interested in being a
part of the inside team, outside team,
or just in helping with cookies or do-
nating money, please contact James
Young, © 370-9578, (h) 572-5746,
james.young@abilenetx.com

To the Big Country Emmaus Community
Thank you so much for the overwhelm-
ing response you gave walk #169.
When our supplies were very low and we
were left with not much, you, the com-
munity, responded big time with many
blessings! For this, our team and the
pilgrims of walk #169 are extremely
grateful. Not only did we have
enough...we had more than enough.
This gave us more to pass on to the up-
coming women's walk. Thanks also to
the ladies from walk #170 for their work,
their help, their dedication, and for the
job they did packing us up.

2011 Emmaus Board

Community Lay Director:

Lynn Lawhon—698-2392

Community Spiritual Director:

Squeaky Walker—672-4814

Asst. Community Lay Director/

Community Gathering:

Janel Young—572-3045

Past Community Lay Director/Team

Selection/Data Base:

Don Martin—529-3170

Secretary/Prayer Room

Tommie Moore—669-1911

Treasurer: Karen Gardner—673-2139

Fourth Day/Training:

Glenda Jones—695-2575 and

Aimee Colley—665-4530

Babe Chick Orientation:

Gayle Wright—893-4177

Music /Technical Committee:

Doug Akers—893-2210

Candlelight/Trailer: Bob Jarrell

695-0498

Registration/Scholarship/Camp

Liaison: Lynn Lawhon—698-2392

Welcoming Committee:

Tom Cowley—529-3870

Sponsor's Hour: Lee Butler

518-2448

Clergy: Billy Crim—864-1508

Clergy: Jay Miller—665-4226

Chrysalis Community Lay Director:

David Scott—733-8239

Chrysalis Spiritual Director:

Greg Rake—692-2117

Emmaus Registrar: Dixie Morris

692-8437

Chrysalis Registrar: Mary Crymes

676-8133

Newsletter: Terri Murman—698-4294

Men's Walk #171—March 24-27, 2011

John Randolph—Lay Director,

Ernie McLean—Spiritual Director

#171 Team: (as of 2-23-11)

Sammy Alcala	Jason Aulerich
John Baker	Todd Barham
Olan Beard	Scott Beyer
Rich Blazier	Brian Burleson
Lance Burleson	Russell Caney
Seth Childress	Cary Clark
Tom Clark	Greg Clemmer
Carl Cox	Calvin Donaghey
Larry Eckert	Barry Ferguson
Tom Ford	Michael Fry
Tom Goble	Danny Haddox
Ben Hamaty	Jeff Hargrove
Danny Hay	Lane Jackson
Roger Jensen	Jeff Joye
Roy Keith	Lynn Lawhon
Darrell Mauldin	Ernie McLean
Chuck Mitchell	Webb Murphy
Bush Ramsey	John Randolph
David Raughton	Tommy Ross
Jimmy Smith	Stephen Smith
Squeaky Walker	Scott Warren
Scott Williams	Price Mathieson

#171 Pilgrims (as of 2-23-11)

Stephen Baber	Paul Frazier
Karl Bennett	Carlos Martinez
Dean Fullinwider	Pat Barton
Brandon Hartis	Gene Malone
Rodney Ritter	Bob Smith

As you can see, there is still plenty of room for many more pilgrims on this men's walk. Please pray about someone who needs to be on this walk and sponsor them.

Agape drop off sites will be Ingram Cleaners, 2666 Buffalo Gap Rd; American Classifieds, 2903 N. 3rd. Last pickup will be on Thursday, March. 17 at 11:00 am.

PLEASE REMEMBER!!!!

The camp at Leuders on a **NON-SMOKING** facility. In fact, the designated smoking area granted to us for Walks is a deviation from their policy and was done as a courtesy to BCEC. Members of our community have been observed smoking outside the Chapel at Candlelight. If you see someone smoking, kindly ask them to refrain until they leave the Camp facility. Remember, we are GUESTS there.

Your BCEC Board of Directors