



Hallelujah Amen Praise the Lord Rejoice

We love you TW92 and TW93! Welcome to your Tidewater Emmaus Community.

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Thanks so much to the entire team that made these walks exactly what they needed to be for His (our) pilgrims. Tidewater Emmaus you are a community of love and caring and answered prayer. We pray that everyone involved in these weekends: pilgrims, sponsors, teamers, community support team, community members, agape angels, Airfield conference center staff, and our prayer vigil participants felt the awesome love of God throughout TW92 and TW93. We pray that you continue to feel His embrace around you every hour of the day. Big hug! Bless you all!

--Tidewater Emmaus Board

Solutions and Success

Tidewater Emmaus is focused on a single mission: strengthen the local church and community through the development of Disciples of Christ.

To achieve a common goal, an organization must leverage all of its assets in order to do the work that must be done. Diversity in those assets gives us creative ideas, interesting techniques and beautiful results

Tidewater Emmaus helps to build the body of Christ through: Walk to Emmaus weekends, Gatherings, and Reunion Groups. In order to sustain these activities the Board collaborates with Community members.

Even though we have a Board and essentially a “governing body”, we find ourselves in the wonderful position of being an organization of leaders -- Christian leaders.

So what is it that leaders do? Long ago I took a leadership course and here’s what I learned:

Leaders offer solutions. Leaders do not complain or pose problems. Leaders talk about what CAN be done versus what can’t be done.

Leaders set others up to succeed. In Tidewater Emmaus we are all “others”. When we set each other up to succeed – weekend teams, the Board, and the Community at large -- our local churches and communities benefit.

Offering solutions to the challenges of building the body of Christ is something for

which we are all responsible– not just the Board, Community spiritual directors, or the weekend leadership teams.

Right now, as in many Emmaus communities around the world, we are seeing a decline in sponsorship. Smaller pilgrim classes yield (1) less first time teamers, (2) less first time sponsors, and (3) less new Gathering participants. Somehow we have to break this cycle.

Here is a challenge to all of you: What can we do to set each other up to succeed at growing the body of Christ? What solutions can we offer to strengthen our local churches?

Another challenge for us is clergy involvement in the Community. For too long the same, tiny group of clergy have offered their support to the point of being extremely burned out and drained. We need to find a solution to encouraging local pastors to engage in the Community and ensure we support them, and set them up to succeed, so their Emmaus involvement serves to bless them and charge their spiritual batteries.

These are the two most critical challenges before us and we are open to suggestions and ideas. We are rich in leadership, and we are blessed that our Lord and Savior is the one who gives us our guidance and mentoring.

Pray pray pray. Listen listen listen. What solution is God placing on your heart to spread His fire?

Praying you have the heart of a pilgrim.
--Lea Anne

Have you checked out our



lately.

The website is constantly changing to meet the needs of our community so take the time to check it regularly. Additionally, you might want to access our Facebook link via the web so you can connect with the other outstanding Disciples for Christ in our community.

<http://www.tidewateremmaus.org/>



Board Nominations

Calling All Servants!

It is that time of year again ... we're not talking about the walks, or Halloween, or the church preparations for the Christmas holiday season ... it's time for the Tidewater Emmaus Community to elect new Board members.

The Tidewater Emmaus Board of Directors consists of 12 elected members:

1. Community Lay Director
2. Assistant Community Lay Director
3. Director of Finance
4. Director of Sponsorship
5. Director of Registration/Weekends/Outreach
6. Director of Music
7. Assistant Director of Music
8. Director of Continuity (Training/Reunion Groups)
9. Director of Communication
10. Director of Gatherings
11. Director of Team Selection
12. Director of Agape

There is also a Community Spiritual Director and two Assistant Community Spiritual Directors. However, the SDs are not elected members of the Board. They are invited/appointed to the Board. The Chrysalis Community Lay Director (adult) also serves on the Tidewater Emmaus Board.

Each year at the November Gathering the Community votes on members who have been nominated to run for the Board (and who have accepted that nomination). The Board is receiving nominations until November 1, 2010. Please prayerfully consider serving Tidewater Emmaus as a Board member. It is a wonderful way to support the Community and to serve Jesus Christ. A Board Nomination form is included in this newsletter for your convenience. Please complete the form and send it to the TWE mailbox or to Lea Anne Nelson (lanelson@cox.net). We have two women and one man rolling off the Board and will replace those individuals with the same gender candidates. Please review the following form for more information about Board service.



Board Nomination

Name and Walk: _____

Church: _____

Nominated by: _____

Reunion Group participation is required of all Board members. Are you active in a reunion group? Yes or No

At least two teaming experiences are required of all Board members. Briefly describe your teaming experience:

Do you have any particular skills that you would like to tell us about (i.e. computer skills, accounting skills, music skills, etc.)?

Why would you like to serve on the Tidewater Emmaus Board?

Serving on the Tidewater Emmaus Board is a wonderful act of agape to the Community and one of several ways Community members can serve God and strengthen His kingdom. Board participation should be prayerfully considered before making the commitment. Board members meet periodically throughout the year with a minimum of six meetings. In order for the Board to do the work that must be done it is essential that the Board members are present at meetings as much as possible. The incoming Community Lay Director assigns members to their roles on the Board. You must be prepared to serve as you are called and keep in mind your service may require you to store and distribute equipment, manuals and records, agape or other supplies; make several trips to the Walk weekend location during walks; lead the Community in song or prayer; or perhaps interface with Community members, pilgrims, sponsors, and administrators at the walk weekend site. It is a blessing to serve on the Tidewater Emmaus Board and we praise God for your willingness and desire to serve Him in this way. You may give your completed application to any Board member or mail it by November 1 to:

Tidewater Emmaus
P.O. Box 61485
Virginia Beach, VA 23466-1485

While you are thinking about the Board, be sure to look at the September "Board Notes" under "Current News" on your home page of our website (<http://www.tidewateremmaus.org>). This will give you an insight as to the workings of the board.

If you know of someone who is not receiving the prayer requests or newsletters, please let me know as they are suffering from "Emmaus Information Withdrawal".

If you have ideas to improve our communications, just send me an e-mail at: bassai@cox.net.

Walk Pictures



Thank you for submitting some more walk pictures, but we are still missing some. Please check the website periodically to see if your walk is listed. If not, please let us borrow your information. It will be returned in tact and unharmed. Let the new members see what the "Best Walk Ever" looks like.

Reunion Groups

Reunion groups are a way of staying in touch with your Emmaus brothers and sisters but more importantly staying rooted in the principles of Emmaus. The bonding experience as well as the brother and sisterhood realized within small groups is phenomenal. Reunion groups also give you a weekly an additional shot of Christ and helps to stay connected with brothers and sisters who shared your experience.

Look at the list on the Reunion Group page and if there isn't a group where you live, start one. The Holy Spirit will help me guide you

If you need assistance or know of an open reunion group that is not listed, please contact the Continuity Director (training/reunion groups) (jordanpeg62@yahoo.com)



I want to thank those of you that have sent me information about past walks. The restoration is coming along. I still need information Team lists or pilgrim lists from quite a few walks. If you were a teamer, a pilgrim, or just happen to have the information, please forward the list to me so that we can have a complete listing of all our walk participants.

In HIs Service,
Arnie Lindblad

Missing walks

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Sponsorship

[Sponsorship Challenge](#)

Give yourselves a hand. You did a fantastic job of sponsoring during TW92 and TW93.

Now here is the challenge. Let us sponsor more for TW94 and TW95 in the spring. If we plant the seeds and help them to grow now, the harvest will be plentiful for the next walks.

Okay Tidewater Emmaus Community, we have a challenge for you. Let's see how many DIFFERENT churches we can have represented on TW94 and TW95. We love our pilgrims from the churches that typically send folks on these walks and we hope those churches once again plan to send pilgrims in the spring. However, we are wondering how many other churches are out there who have never had anyone attend a Tidewater Emmaus weekend.



How many new and different churches can we have represented on the spring 2011 walks?

Who do we sponsor? Anyone who is walking with Christ and is already making a difference in their places of worship. Whether it is greeting visitors or chairing council. Remember we are about helping to develop the leadership of the church not just bringing in warm bodies.

The men's walk is April 7 – 10 2011 and the women's walk is April 28 – May 1 2011.

Don't forget there is a wonderful, brief video on the Tidewater Emmaus website www.tidewateremmaus.org (see What is Emmaus?) that explains the weekend and the fourth day component. Pilgrim and Sponsor applications are available on our website or from any TWE Board member. Pray and listen for God's guidance on sponsorship. The mission of Tidewater Emmaus is to strengthen all churches in our community, not just our own.



- ❖ Welcome to TW92 and TW93!!! Are you feelin' the love? Want to give back? One of the many opportunities to "pass it on" is through making agape for upcoming walks. I will be at the November 20th DODU and gathering with placemats to color and ideas for agape for you to make. You can email me ANYTIME at mbsworld1@cox.net if you have specific questions on agape!
- ❖ Also, to the BEAUTIFUL agape makers out there...I PRAISE GOD for your hearts and your servant hands! These past few walks have just been awash in your beautiful offerings of Love...and SO SO appreciated! I love you!!
- ❖ **Placemats:** I handed out many DeColores placemats at the gatherings leading up to the walks and haven't gotten very many back. If you took uncolored placemats at a gathering would you be so kind to come on the 20th (mostly, because I just want to see you!!) and bring the colored placemats with you? It would be wonderful if you could!
- ❖ **Prayer Vigil!** TW 94 and TW95 are gearing up for the Spring ...it is NEVER too early to sign up for the upcoming prayer vigil. And while you're signing up for a time to pray for the pilgrims, please consider praying for the teaming process....Holy Spirit does amazing things when we give our hearts in prayer!!

TWE EMMAUS DODU/November Gathering



Day of Deeper Understanding (DODU) will start at 4pm on 20 Nov 2010 at Deep Creek UMC, 141 N. George Washington Hwy, Chesapeake.

DODU is where new members of the community or those who have never attended this event find out as Paul Harvey used to say, "The rest of the story". It is a time where we get a more in-depth overview of the various elements of the Tidewater Emmaus Community.

DODU is also a requirement for those wishing to sponsor or be a member of either the Talk Room or the Community Support Teams.

Immediately following DODU will be a potluck supper.

Gathering will start at 6:30 pm right after the potluck. See you there!

[Get Directions](#)