



Tidewater Emmaus



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Important Information

March's Gathering –

Saturday March 15th

Foundry United Methodist
Church 2801 Va. Beach Blvd.
Va. Beach VA 23452

Potluck @ 5:30pm

Gathering @ 6:30pm

Childcare provided!

Upcoming Walks:

April 24-27, 2014
Men's Walk TW 104

May 1-4, 2014
Women's Walk TW 105

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*So there are three witnesses in heaven: the Father,
the Word and the Holy Spirit, and these three are One.
1 John 5:7 (Amp)*

Words from Pastor Clark

I currently am privileged to serve as the Head Spiritual Director of the Tidewater Emmaus Community. I walked on TW 90 and sat at the table of God's Crew and I am currently the pastor at Nimmo United Methodist Church in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

One of my responsibilities as Head Spiritual Director for the Tidewater Emmaus Community is to provide five clergy for each of the four Walks and one Chrysalis Flight. My goal is to only ask a pastor to serve once during a year. In order to accomplish this we need to increase the number of pastors that have walked and might consider serving as a spiritual director for a walk.

Please consider talking to your pastor about the opportunity to participate in the Walk To Emmaus. Once they have walked then you or I may enter into a conversation with them considering teaming.

My goal is for all of the pastors who have had members of their church walk at least participate in the three-day Walk To Emmaus.

I would be happy to talk to your pastor with you or directly if you feel that would help them consider participating. Please call me at 757-615-0732 mobile or email me at pastor@nimmochurch.org if I can be of assistance in any way. De Colores! Pastor Clark

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Something to
CROW ABOUT!



I don't know about you but I've had my fill of snow and winter! The warmth of the last few days sure has me anxious for spring. I'm anxious because I know it won't

be long until I can break out my flip flops and shorts but also because I know our trek to Wakefield is just around the corner. Yes, the Tidewater Emmaus Community is busy preparing for the Spring Walks, TW 104 and TW 105. By the time you read this both teams will have met at least once as they prepare to be the Lord's hands and feet for our Pilgrims of TW 104 and 105.

This year I am the Director of Registration and in that role I get the privilege and honor to talk with each of the Pilgrims for the upcoming walks. And what a blessing it is, this group is excited and ready to get to Wakefield. I also want you to know we still have room and time to get Pilgrim applications in. Neither walk is anywhere near our max capacity of 42 so **BOTH WALKS can use MORE PILGRIMS.**

I ask that each of you look within your circles of influence and prayerfully consider if there is anyone that you can sponsor for one of the walks. As a reminder, we need the full payment with each application (\$55 Pilgrim deposit and \$195 sponsor fee). Please feel free to contact me if have any questions.

Current status

TW 104 Men's Spring Walk

19 applications received

15 confirmed

TW 105 Women's Spring Walk

29 applications received

21 confirmed

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TW 88

Director of Registration

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A short note from the Sponsorship Guy

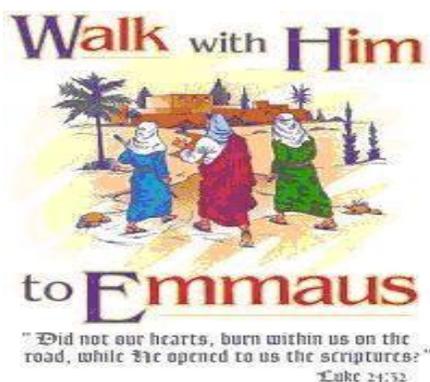
Hello Community!

Some updates for you on the number of Pilgrims we have lined up so far...

TW104 Men's Walk

For the Men... we have nearly 20 applications with more coming in. The walk is a go! As they are called and confirmed we will be communicating a firm number for the weekend.

Don't forget that the Pilgrim sponsorship fee is already paid for the men on TW104. We had a very kind community member decide to pay for any Pilgrim that can go on TW104, with the hope of our community putting together a full walk! Your Pilgrim still has to pay the \$55.00 Pilgrim fee regardless... so don't forget that part.



TW105 Women's Walk

For the Ladies. We have nearly 30 applications at the moment... more on the way. So the walk will most likely max out at the 42 top limit.

As we call each Pilgrim and get a confirmation we will communicate that back to you as well, for a firm weekend count. If you have a lady who would like to walk... please encourage her to put in that application very soon. We will likely have some applicants held over to the fall after the walk fills up.

Thanks much for your willingness to sponsor folks on the Walks. Without Pilgrims we'd be sunk!

Best regards,
Alan Peterson
TW-28



Our Next Gathering

The temperature outside was frigid Saturday night, February 15 but it was sure **Hot! Hot! Hot!** inside Ivy Memorial Baptist church in Hampton as the Tidewater and Peninsula Rainbow communities joined together for a night of fellowship and praise at the February Gathering. Talk about a group of people fired up for our Lord!!

The evening started with a pot luck dinner where the table seemed to actually groan due to all the “dishes of love” brought to share by members of the community. During Gathering our voices filled the church as we sang praises to our Lord. How blessed we were to hear the beautiful testimony of one of our sisters. The evening ended with us again at a table, the Lord’s Table, where we shared in communion.



*Calling all
Musicians &
Techies!*

The next Gathering will be **Saturday, March 15th** at Foundry United Methodist Church. This will be a Chrysalis Gathering so the youth of our community will be responsible for all parts of the evening. Come out and join us and show your support for the Chrysalis community!! Remember, this is the first Chrysalis Gathering after the **TWO FULL FLIGHTS** in January.

The pot luck starts at 5:30 and Gathering begins at 6:30. See you there!

DeColores--Lynn



Hello my wonderful TWE Community!
I'd like to start by saying: Wow, what a blessing to serve Tidewater Emmaus through leading musical worship! It is such a pleasure to worship with you all. Lately I've been reflecting that much of what happens in musical worship is actually more dependent on the worshippers, than on the musicians. *(Continued on page 5)*

How beautiful to lead a group of people with open hearts and open minds- people who are open and ready to hear a word from God. And then the feeling of the Holy Spirit sweeping into the room and taking worship where HE wants it. So beautiful.



If you would like to help

in musical

worship, we always need more hands on deck. Any instrument, any voice, I'd love to hear from you. We also need people on the

"tech team" to help unload and set up gear, and to run sound and the computer. If you would like to help, let me know.

Lastly, I am happy to say that Robert, Jacob, and I are expecting a Baby Girl on April 14! This is right around our Spring Walks, which means The Coxwell family will not be able to help with music. Both Candlelights are covered, but if you would like to help with a Sponsor's Hour, Sunrise Service, or Closing please let me know.

De Colores!

Amy Coxwell



Agape is such a gift, one that our Lord shows us through His many blessings each day and one that we have the chance to shower upon those stepping out in Faith over the Emmaus weekends. I have had the chance to go through everything passed on and have a list of things we have ready to go for the spring walks. We can still use more tissues, tissue covers and table Agape for both the Men and Women's walks. Let's shower the upcoming walks TW104 and TW105 with our great Love!!

If you feel the Lord's tug to pass something along to the pilgrims, please send me an email and I will let you know the types of items that are sparse at this time.

Another way to support the Emmaus



Community is through the "Just Give" green button link on the Tidewater Emmaus web page at www.tidewateremmaus.org this is an easy way to support the mission of the Tidewater Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis movement.

I will have the PRAYER VIGIL at the next gathering and we can begin to start signing up to give the gift of Agape through our time through prayers during the walks. It is a greater blessing to the giver than the receiver when the gift of time you give comes from the heart created by our Father in Heaven. I am so excited to be in the presence of such greatness as these upcoming walks are sure to be "the best walks ever!"

DeColores!!

Rhonda Huff

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We are looking for inspiring, amazing and Spirited filled “God moments” to share within the Community. If you would like to have us consider a God Moment you have experienced, please email it to:

Director of Communications @
twecommunications@yahoo.com

What is God's favorite Color?

Have you ever wondered what God’s favorite color might be? Some would say all colors while others have a different idea.

Penny Best was telling a cute and wonderful story about a child who had a thoughtful and inspiring answer to that very question. While Penny was helping the student in school, they said very happily, “God’s favorite color is green!”

When Penny asked why is that God’s favorite color, the student replied, “Because green is everywhere!”

How true that is! Especially when winter seems to never end and even on the coldest of days, you can look around and find green! It is God’s way of saying to each one of us, “I am Emmanuel, and I am with you always.”

Hello Emmaus Community!

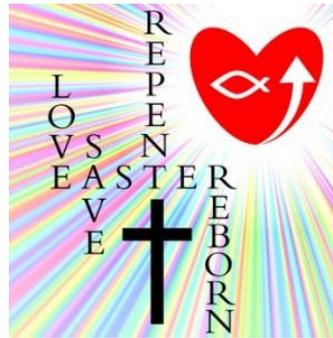
I hope you are all staying well and blessed beyond measure as this year kicks into gear and we approach the season of Lent. Life has been a crazy bustle of business for me so in writing this, it is a gentle break from that and God brings into a time of meditation as I consider what this season of Lent means and how special it truly is.

Lent is a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice and good works in preparation of the celebration of Easter. How beautiful it is to be in preparation for a Springtime Emmaus walk in the midst of this time of year. Amidst your times of prayer, continue to pray for these walks and the pilgrims that are anticipating His immense Grace to be showered upon them at Wakefield. Continue to pray for the teams as they meet and prepare to allow the Father to work through them. Pray also for the sponsors as they reach out and extend God's

DeColores,

Karla Barron, TW85

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love in all that they do to make the walk an shining example of the Father's love and continue to pray that if you are lead to sponsor that He will whisper the name of the pilgrims meant to be there this Spring on your heart.

As I search for verse to begin my own Lenten reflection, I keep coming back to Joel 2:12 Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart. It is in this verse that I see so much of the meaning of preparing for an Emmaus walk, our whole heart, a deep love for our Savior and our brothers and sisters in Christ. In the midst of this season and the changing weather, I pray you are all safe, well and touched by His abundant Hand of Grace and Peace.



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TW Emmaus Reminders:



Spring Walks:

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