

Tidewater Emmaus/Chrysalis

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Important Information

**July's Gathering –
Eastover Retreat Center
601 Eastover Drive
Spring Grove VA, 23881
Saturday – July 19, 2014
Gathering @ 7:30pm
Directions From US460**

- Turn Right on E Main Street
(7-11 is on the corner)
- Slight Left onto Birch Island
- Left on Carsley Rd
- Then another Left on Carsley Rd
- Right on Martin Luther King Highway
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**DEADLINE: TEAMING
APPLICATIONS ARE DUE
BY: July 19th**

Upcoming Walks:

Men's Walk TW 106
Oct. 23-26, 2014
Women's Walk TW 107
Nov. 6-9, 2014

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

1st Annual Tidewater Emmaus/Chrysalis Golf Tournament

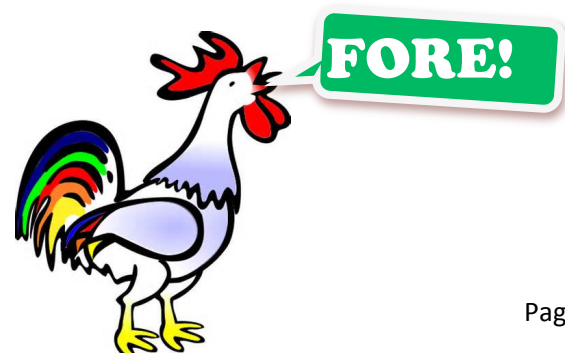
Thursday, September 25th at
12:00 noon.
Battlefield Golf Club
1001 S. Centerville Tpke
Chesapeake, VA 23322

Cost \$100 per golfer Companies can
sponsor holes for \$100 and we will put
a sign at the tee box.
BBQ dinner will be served

If you have any questions please
contact Johnny Nelson at:
nelsonjohn@cox.net or 757-572-3278

Make checks payable to TWE
mail to:

John Nelson
928 Forest Lakes Circle
Chesapeake, Va. 23322



Tidewater Emmaus Community,

Today is July 4th, Independence Day. 238 years ago, America celebrated its Independence as a Free country. When I think of the significance of this day, it makes me reflect on the freedom we receive from our Father. 2 Corinthians 3:17 tells us, "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom." We are given the freedom to choose to follow and the freedom to live in our faith, knowing that we are His forgiven people and saved through the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ. Though our lives may be filled with the shackles of this world, we are truly Free to breath in all of the gifts our Lord and Savior has given us.

As of today, the Board has reached just over half way through this year as a board together. We have completed 2 out of 4 walks and recently held an Emmaus Leadership Training with the North-East Regional Emmaus Leadership Team. This training was instrumental in education and direction for the board. Each board member signs a covenant with the Upper Room in January and commits to following the direction of the Upper Room with regard to the Emmaus model. An Emmaus Walk is a copyrighted model and by signing the covenant as Christians, we have made a commitment as a community to follow as humble servants. This is not always an easy commitment to carry out, as is nearly always true of our faith walk with Christ. Our journey is often wrought with trials. The board has made some decisions to correct elements of the weekend that the Tidewater Community has been slow to change to meet the model changes over the years. Most of those decisions are slight and will flawlessly meld into our norms. The greatest change will be the omission of Sunrise from the Emmaus Weekend. This was a difficult decision to make and not one made lightly, but in the end we are servants and called to follow and our commitment to being true to the covenant we signed and honest with our signing that we will indeed follow made the decision somewhat pure in its simplicity. It is my prayer that the community use this change as a time to dedicate increased prayer for the weekends and the pilgrims who regardless of

what changes exist, will be blessed beyond measure by God's plans and not our own.

Teaming Applications are still needed. We will continue to take applications through July 19th. We continue to need applications for 1st time teamers, 2nd-3rd time teamers, seasoned teamers, and CST team. If God is whispering to you and you are feeling that tug on your heart, please send in your application. There are a host of men and women that God is calling to the weekends in the fall and He needs a community team to be His hands and feet for those called.

Be blessed this weekend and celebrate Freedom. I leave you all with two verses that I feel so greatly sum up my humble portion of this newsletter.

Galatians 5:13 "For you were called to freedom, brother. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

DeColores Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Karla Barron, TW-85

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Hello Again My People!

I spent the last month thinking about the many ways in which we serve this community. Specifically about the agape we share so much of through the year and on the walks.

When we go through the walk, Agape is revealed through so many different forms; all of it surmounting to be an overwhelming gift of love.

Once Karla was the agape person on the board and I remember being amazed at how many different varieties of agape she was keeping track of. Now Rhonda Huff, our Director of Agape does an amazing job of keeping up with the agape we receive and making sure there is enough to support the walks from beginning to end.

So, this is two-fold. One, if you feel compelled to help make some agape and you don't know what to make, Google "agape" or follow this link
<http://www.pinterest.com/trenchem/emmaus-chrysalis-agape/>

Anything you make should be enough to cover 72-75 people per walk.

IHS,

Andy Barron

TW-86 - Director of Weekends



TW Emmaus Reminders:

**FALL TEAMING
APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY
JUNE 20th! Go to
www.tidewateremmaus.org to
print your application today!**

Fall Walks:

TW 106 Men's Walk -----

Oct. 23 – 26, 2014

TW 107 Women's Walk ---

Nov. 6 - 9, 2014

A Poem to Stir Your Thoughts...

Jesus on the 4th of July

*We gather 'round to celebrate
On Independence Day
Pay homage to our country
As the children run and play.*

*With barbecues and picnics
And fireworks in the air
The flag we own is proudly flown
To show how much we care.*

*The stars and stripes spell freedom
She waves upon the breeze
While bursts of colors can be seen
Above the towering trees.*

*This is all quite wonderful
We revel in delight
But God above in divine love
Has brought this day to light.*

*With just a stroke of liberty
A touch of His great hand
He gave democracy to us
And helped this country stand.*

The stripes upon our stately flag

*We're touched by His sweet grace
Each star of white that shines so bright
Reflects His loving face.*

*So as you turn to face the flag
For battles that were fought
Be filled with pride for those who died
And freedoms that were bought.*

*But don't forget to thank the One
That gives the bright display
The reason why we paint the sky
On Independence Day*

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Happy Independence Day!

Chrysalis Summer Flights!



Hello TWC & TWE Community!

We're gearing up for our summer girls flight TWC 55. And we could really use your support as a community, in many ways.

1. **Prayer** is a vital part of every weekend, please go to www.tidewaterchrysalis.org and sign up for a spot (or two) on the weekend prayer vigil
2. Make and share **agape**- letters, table agape, etc. Let's shower our girls with small signs of God's love!
3. We currently have 10 confirmed young ladies and are still accepting applications to fly for this summers

weekend, July 18th-20th. Applications to attend/**sponsor** are on the website as well.

4. The address to the retreat center is 601 Eastover Drive, Spring Grove,VA 23881 (<http://www.eastover.org>)

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5. We would love to have you join us for **Gathering and Candlelight on the Saturday July 19th at 7:30.**

6. We would love to have you join us for **Closing on Sunday, July 20 at 4:00pm.**

Additionally, there are 15 positions on the Chrysalis Board that need to be filled. We need both youth and adults to fill these positions. If you would like to be part of the community in this needed role, please consider completing a board application or emailing for more information.

If you have any questions, please contact me **Rob Coxwell TWC 24** at rmcj87@aol.com

Contact Us!

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