

# Highlands Emmaus Community News

## October 2009

### HIGHLANDS EMMAUS COMMUNITY

Spiritual Director – Mike Somers  
Lay Director – Steve Wagner  
Secretary – Donna Camper  
Treasurer – Dale Dietz

#### Board Members:

##### 2010

Crystal Davidson  
Bob Luke  
Duncan McGregor  
Gordon Munsey  
Margaret Swiney

##### 2011

Donna Camper  
Bill Everett  
Amber Fiedler  
Rick Guthrie  
Karen Starnes

##### 2012

Kim Clabo  
Dorothy Powers  
David Scyphers  
Terry Stinson  
David Woods

#### Work Area Chairpersons:

Agape Gifts – Connie O'Dell  
Agape Letters – Crystal Davidson  
Background – TBA  
Communications – Susan Link &  
Susan Dietz  
Communion Elements –  
Bill & Patty Ogle  
Facilities – TBA  
Fourth Day Meeting –  
Kendrea Todt  
Fourth Day Speakers –  
Jo Rita Pickel  
Historians – Michelle Bell &  
Lori Grubb  
Membership Records –  
Mary Burns  
Music – Dave Tynes  
Prayer Vigil – Julia Johnson  
Purchasing – Carol Prost  
Registrar – Laura Pepper-Weiler

Tax deductible honorariums and  
memorials to the general  
community budget may be made  
at any time.

Board meetings are held on the  
first Monday of each month at  
Pleasant View UMC, Abingdon,  
VA

Gatherings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Saturday of each month except  
July and December or when  
announced.

#### 2009 Walk Dates:

Men's Walk 2010: July 8-11

Women's Walk 2010: July 15-18

[www.highlandsemmaus.org](http://www.highlandsemmaus.org)

## October Gathering!

October 17, 2009–6:30 p.m.  
Elizabeth Chapel UMC

1041 Elizabeth Chapel Road  
Bluff City, TN



## Your New Highlands Emmaus Directory!

Please check your name and information in this new directory. Contact Mary Burns with any corrections of changes to your address and phone number or if you wish to be removed from our mailing list. Email [mnburns1@charter.net](mailto:mnburns1@charter.net) or phone 423-968-5620. You may also contact Susan Link with email address changes. Email Susan at [egape@earthlink.net](mailto:egape@earthlink.net) to receive newsletters via email, as well as Highlands Emmaus news and prayers and praises from people in our community.

Here are a few great ways to use your directory: Highlight the names of the people you have sponsored, people who were at your table during your walk, or people who you have served on a team with. Are you staying in touch with them? Inviting them to Gatherings? Highlight the names of the people you don't know and challenge yourself to get to know and pray for at least one family you don't know in 2010. Or pray for each person listed in this directory by name!

## A Few Notes from Our Community Lay Director

Over the last 14 months Maria and I have experienced both ends of the emotional roller-coaster that you find at the airport. In August of 2008 we said good-bye to our daughter Alley, as she left for Guam to serve in the United States Navy. We said goodbye with much sadness, knowing we would not see her for well over a year. There were many tears, as Alley assured us she would be OK. Fast forward to mid-September 2009, Maria and I are back at McGee-Tyson airport in Knoxville, although we have tears again, this time they are tears of joy. Our daughter is home for 3 weeks. For some people goodbyes are very difficult, I think mainly because of the unknown, as to what lies ahead, for others goodbyes are part of their life, and they accept them as such.

I say all this about goodbyes because, as most of you know we will be saying goodbye to Emory and Henry for our summer Walks. Next summer our Walks will be held at the Jubilee House in Abingdon. I am excited about the direction our Community is going. Although the place we hold our Walks will be different, I know The Holy Spirit will be with us leading and directing us as always. This is an exciting time to be a part of Highlands Emmaus Community, as we say goodbye to and old friend, Emory and Henry, and hello to new opportunities.

I am also excited about some news for the youth of this Community. I will let those who are starting up this wonderful opportunity give you those details. Thanks for helping to make Highlands Emmaus Community, the best ever.

Peace and Joy.....Steve



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Be sure to regularly check our official Highlands Emmaus website for events, news, past publications, prayer vigils, and more!

## *Next Board Meeting:*

Nov. 2, 2009 @ Pleasant View UMC, 7 p.m.

Board meetings are typically held on the first Monday of each month, unless otherwise noted, and are open to all members of the community.

What **ARE** You  
Thankful  
for?

Email Susan Link and tell her so she can share it in the next newsletter! [egape@earthlink.net](mailto:egape@earthlink.net)

## *2010 Walk Dates:*

Men's Walk: July 8-11  
Women's Walk: July 15-18

*Now taking applications!*



## *Highlands Emmaus's First Chrysalis Flight Scheduled!*

Exciting News for Highlands Emmaus! The board approved a Chrysalis Flight for 2010 and the date is set for June 10-13. Chrysalis is a flight sponsored for youth between the ages of 15 and 19 that have finished the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. It will be open to 12 boys and 12 girls and applications will be available online. Chrysalis Flight is a similar journey to the Walk to Emmaus for high school age students. Location and further flight details are being worked out. What a great opportunity for the youth of our area!

## **Emmaus Information Boards Now Available for Your Church**

Special thanks to Rachel Guthrie for putting together Highlands Emmaus Walk display boards. The boards are available for exhibit in your church and can be picked up at gatherings.

Please use this page to make changes or add new Directory addresses.

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