



# Llano Estacado Emmaus Community Newsletter

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## Community Meeting Thursday, February 6 7:00 p.m.

The next Llano Estacado Emmaus Community meeting will be at Aldersgate UMC. **Bring your favorite snack to share.** Guests are welcome, and a nursery is provided for children kindergarten and younger.

Upcoming Community meetings are:

Feb. 6	Aldersgate UMC	10306 Indiana Ave
March 6	Lakeridge UMC	4701 82nd St.
April 3	Trinity	University & S. Loop 289
May 1	Cumberland Presbyterian	7702 Indiana Ave
June 5	Monterey Church of Christ	58th & Memphis
July 3	Aldersgate UMC	10306 Indiana Ave
Aug.	Indiana Ave. Baptist Church	9507 Indiana Ave
Sept.	Trinity	University & S. Loop 289

## THANK YOU.....

Dear Emmaus Community,

The ladies of Women's Walk #73 (November 2002) would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your love and prayers. Your acts of agape through prayer, food, creativity and service touched our hearts and brought us closer to the One we all serve. Once again, we have seen the bounty of God's blessings poured out for the benefit of others. Thank you for giving of yourself so that we might join Him on the road to Emmaus once again.

De Colores!

Women's Walk #73

Melissia Mason, Lay Director

Send in your fourth day stories to share!!

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**Littlefield Epiphany #4** was held at the Bill Clayton Detention Center on January 2nd-5th and God did some awesome things in the lives of 31 young men. The final team meeting was at the Ark in Amherst on Thursday night, where the team was commissioned for the weekend. The room at the BCDC where the weekend took place was occupied by some of the residents, so everything in the room had to be completely set-up and tore down each day. Larry Harvey was the Spiritual Director and the assistant Spiritual Directors were Andy Melton, Lisa Green, Doyle Garner, Mickey Oglesby, Clay Fowler, and Vincent Gallegos. These preacher people listened to God and led 31 boys aged 10 to 15 years old through a spirit filled weekend. We had a couple of boys accept Christ for the first time, while others we know a seed was planted. The boys enjoyed being led into worship by the music team of Jim Bob and Kelli Archer and Bill Hodges. Team members from both the Llano Estacado and the New Horizon Emmaus Communities joined together to mentor the boys one-on-one throughout the weekend. The team and the boys were fed two home-cooked meals each day, prepared by a wonderful cooking team. I'm not sure of everyone that helped, but I would like to mention a few, Deanne & Bill Sowder, Bryan Kube, Sam Armstrong, Kitti Poage, Bob Gee and Skylar Gee, and Tree McGill. The table servants made up of Chrystis young men and women were Joseph Hutchinson, Garrett Irwin, Ashley Smith, Cassie Gee, and Mikala Beam. It really makes you know God can touch the lives of young people when you see them be willing to give of their time and talents. These young men and women touched not only the lives of the BCDC boys, but will always have a special place in mine.

The highlight of the weekend was seeing the transformation of the boys from shy, reluctant young boys on Friday to worshipping brothers in Christ on Sunday. Open mike where any boy can come and give a testimony was a blessing to every team member there. I don't believe there was a dry eye in the house. God is good all the time.

This ministry would have a hard time succeeding without the support of the Emmaus communities. Thank you for your prayers, your participation, your financial support, and your servant hearts. Also, thanks to Kairos for the use of their tables for the weekend. Each of you made a difference in the life of a kid! Epiphany #5 will be sometime in August and Jim Bob Archer will be the Lay Director. Please lift Jim Bob and the team that God and Jim Bob will put together in your prayers, along with the boys and staff at BCDC.

God loves you ... Jesus proved it.

Teresa Waters Epiphany #r4 Lay Director

# Women's Walk #74

## Pilgrim List

Not Listed on the web.

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## 2003 Walk Dates

Feb 13 - 16	Women's #74	Diane Wittie
Mar. 20-23	Women's #75	Sherry Gosdin
Apr. 24-27	Men's #49	Buddy Baldrige
June 12-15	Women's #76	LeaAnn Lust
July 17-20	Men's #50	Keith Laughery
Aug. 7-10	Women's #77	Debbie German
Sept. 18-21	Men's #51	Barry Pittman
Oct. 16-19	Women's #78	Andra Solomon
Nov. 6-9	Women's #79	Pearl Renfro

## Epiphany Dates

Aug. 3-5	#4	Teresa Waters
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## Kairos Dates

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All Walks and Flights are held at Mercy Center in Slaton, unless other wise indicated.

## 2003 Cleopus

March	Norway - Walks
June	Norway Celebration and Release
Fall	Sweden - Walks
Oct. 2	Joint Community between NewHorizons and Llano Estacado Emmaus hosting the Scandinavian Communities

## College Journies 2003

Jan 2 - 5	Girls #12
LD - D'Yon Butler SD - Greg Hasselhoff YLR - Meridith Schacht	
Jan 23 - 26	Guys #10

## High School Flights 2003

June 19 - 22	Girls #17
July 10 - 13	Guys #

Our High School Flights are taking off! If you would like to sponsor a caterpillar you can get an application off of the Emmaus Web Site or contact any of the Lay Directors or a Board member.



# Chrysalis Connection



## **HELP WANTED**

If someone from the Chrysalis Community feels led to write articles for Chrysalis please let me know. The newsletter is in need of updated information for Flights. I would greatly appreciate the help!!!  
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## **PRAY BEFORE IT STARTS**

A torch has been lit today to be passed along to your friends.... asking them to pass it along....and along....and along. We can do something about the threat of war; both in Iraq and with terrorists. In the OLD TESTAMENT, God's armies were always led by the priests. When the waters parted in the Jordan, it was the priests' feet which first hit the turbulent river. In the NEW TESTAMENT, Christians are also referred to as priests.... all Christians. We must, therefore, go in first. As the possibility of war approaches with Hussein and Iraq, we are asking the priests to step in first....ahead of our military. Let us be setting up camp for our soldiers entrance into the conflict. How? By prayer. Let us be sending in "prayer missiles," "cruise and scud prayers" to target enemy plans. "Patriot prayers" to shoot down incoming threats. We should be praying for two things: (1) that the enemy leaders become confused, disoriented, and distrustful of each other; that their entire system of attack fall apart, and (2) that in God's wildest ways, these enemies would become aware of His deep love for them and the war Jesus already fought for them, personally, on the cross. God had Gideon reduce his army from 32,000 to 300 men. He then equipped them with nothing but trumpets, pitchers, and torches. What an odd combination to fight off well-armed soldiers. When Gideon gave the command, the Bible says the enemy fled crying and turned on each other....all because God messed with enemy plans.

Prayers were started for this about a month ago. On CNN last weekend a report came out that although Hussein has nothing to lose, his generals do. Is confusion beginning to develop? Please pray for God to set the stage for defeat of all those who intend to do harm. When our men and women of uniform arrive on the scene, may they be surprised at how God had camp set up before they ever got there.

Would you please do two things? (1) pray, and (2) pass this along to others you know will pray. May we build a Prayer Army of over a million in force....

Beginning with you.

*It is amazing how many of you have written letters to say thank you for the reminders we have included in our newsletter about our brothers and sisters serving in the military. This war on terrorism affects each of us. We are in this together as a nation and Christians*

The Storms of Life By Amy Bearden 6/1/01

When the rain is falling down and the clouds are in the sky  
When you think it's never going to end, Cheer up, don't you cry.  
The storms of life will come to pass and The sun will come to shine,  
For God is here to give us hope and to keep us all in line.  
Put your faith and trust in Him and Give Him all your troubles  
And when the storm clouds go away Your joy-it will be doubled.  
He puts us through these trials of life To help us grow and learn,  
To see if we are strong enough or To see if we will burn. Keep  
your eyes upon the Lord, Say your prayers out loud. Even  
though you think He can't, He can hear you through the clouds.  
So, when the storms of life are pounding down on you, Remember  
to stand strong in what you believe and the sun will come  
shining through.

## **Letter from the Editor.....**

I have greatly enjoyed the letters community members have been sending in. Thank you for commenting on articles written and stories shared. The greatest resource our community has is you.. the members. I am not a writer, as I am sure some of you have noticed, so I appreciate the help.

I served on a walk last November and had the privilege of serving a fine group of women. I was amazed at the beautiful singing and stories shared. I was even more amazed by the challenge some of these women have taken upon themselves. I want to tell you about a bunch of gals from St. Ester's table who were so moved by the weekend, they have taken the Fourth Day Challenge seriously. They have started their own reunion group, are planning pillow agape, and family socials. They decided that each person comes from a different place in life, but they need each other as prayer partners and friends to make their walk stronger. These women were babe-chics when these ideas formed, but they have followed through and are growing the way our Lord intended. I think they have raised the bar for us all.

We need reunion groups!! We need a circle of friends and prayer partners to be our support. Don't wait for someone else to ask you to join a group. Start your own. If you need a group not yet formed, ask people to join. We are not shy in telling people about something good that happens in our life. Don't be afraid to ask people to pray with you. It is a compliment! Even Jesus did not walk alone. He had friends to pray with and for Him.

Prayer is important. We can't live without it. I know a few people that if they know you are having a rough day, will drop everything and offer to pray with you. I admire that. It is not that their words are eloquent or poetic. It is that their words are heartfelt and they believe the Lord hears them. We are teaching our sons to pray at the dinner table. Sometimes they are grateful for little things like no spinach. My favorite thing they are thankful for, is when they say thank you Lord for one more day as a family. I am telling you ... Thank you.. for one more day as a part of the Emmaus Community. Lizabeth

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The Plan of the Master Weaver

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Our lives are but fine weavings  
That God and we prepare,  
Each life becomes a fabric planned  
And fashioned in His care.  
We may not always see just how  
The weavings intertwine,  
But we must trust the Master's hand  
And follow His design,  
For He can view the pattern  
Upon the upper side,  
While we must look from underneath  
And trust in Him to guide.....  
Sometimes a strand of sorrow  
Is added to His plan,  
And though it's difficult for us,  
We still must understand  
That it's He who fills the shuttle,  
It's He who knows what's best,  
So we must weave in patience  
And leave to Him the rest.....  
Not till the loom is silent  
And the shuttles cease to fly  
Shall God unroll the canvas  
And explain the reason why—  
The dark threads are as needed  
In the Weaver's skillful hand  
As the threads of gold and silver  
In the pattern He has planned.

From a Hallmark card, Author Unknown

No Ordinary Moments

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This is not an ordinary moment. No moment ever is. No matter how mundane the task or the situation may be, it is overflowing with special possibilities and opportunities for joy. No moment is ordinary because life itself is so inherently and overwhelmingly extraordinary.  
Stand up, open your eyes and pay loving attention to what is here and now. Free this moment from the shackles of your worries, your fears, your disappointment and frustration, and begin to see how truly wonderful it can be.  
Everything you could ever need or desire has already been delivered to you. It spreads out in all directions as far as the eye can see and as far as the mind can imagine, here and now.  
And you have the immensely good fortune of living it, of moving through the richness of life that is all here in this moment.  
Accept it for all it is, appreciate the beauty, the wonder and the limitless possibilities.  
Your life is not way off in some imagined future someday. The fullness of it is here and now, in this moment that is in no way ordinary, ready to be lived.

Ralph Marston

Have no regrets.... do all you want to do.. say all you want to say. Never put off what you can do today, for tomorrow is still a mystery wrapped in itself. God gave you today as a miracle. Watch them unfold every moment.