

# LowCountry Emmaus

*And their eyes were opened, and they knew him. Luke 24:31*

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## **FROM THE LAY DIRECTOR**



### TO THE COMMUNITY,

I would like to thank Wesley Memorial UMC for hosting our gathering this month and Gary Fellers for his fourth day testimony. I missed a lot of you this month, but I know there are a lot of you experiencing graduation and awards ceremonies.

If you haven't heard I have been elected your Emmaus Lay Director for another year and I thank the board and the community for having faith in me to do this job. I personally would like to thank those who have served on the board and have rotated off (Steve Gaither, Lisa Hawkins, Kerry Dwyer, Joel Stickland, Emily Ghasemzadeh, Hal Ellman, Babs Patrick). Serving on the board is truly a form of servanthood and a blessing to do Gods Will. We have selected job positions for our new board so take a look at the newsletter and see who is charge of the various job responsibilities and be ready to step up and help the board members in their respective jobs.

As we approach the summer I hope everyone is doing well and I want you to keep in mind sponsorship and the need for pilgrims. Sponsorship is the most important job of an Emmaus community because without it we don't have

walks and we are not doing what God has called us to do. We are presently about 9 pilgrims on the men and women walks and I have faith we will get to the required 20 in time for decisions to be made. Team selections are going forward and team trainings so we are stepping out that these walks will take place as God planned. Be in prayer for the team selection, the team, pilgrims and the walks.

Again thank you for all your help during the last set of walks and I expect good things from the community in the upcoming walks.

DECOLORES,

DAN HARE

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### **We mourn the death of one of our community:**

Ethel Kirkland, LCE Walk # 49, died on April 30 at the home of her daughter in Maryland. A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on Saturday, June 24 at 2 pm at Carteret Street UMC in Beaufort.

Mrs Kirkland was Karen Ayers mother. Our prayers and love go out to the family.

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Need an application? You can download one on the web at  
<http://www.umcsc.net/communities/lowcountryemmaus/application.pdf>  
don't forget to check the important dates on the back page.

**FROM THE SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR**

My name is Robert Nix. I went on Low Country Emmaus Men's Walk #30. I sat at the table of Paul.

Over the years, as I was moved from Parish to Parish, someone would say about the former Pastors, "You have big shoes to fill!"

I thought about the people who have been the Spiritual Directors for Low Country Emmaus over the years; Cliff Gilmer, Ken Land, Frank McCoy, Mike Henderson, David Lupo, Joe Long and Steve Gaither. Truly big shoes to fill!!!

The list of pastors who have served the community in so many ways is very long and again, **BIG SHOES TO FILL.**

I may not be able to fill these shoes, after all. I wear size 9 ½ shoes and some of the pastors wears size 12's.

So I guess I will have to depend upon their influence and try to walk in my 9 ½ shoes.

Second, I have discovered that a Parish Pastor is no stronger or no weaker than his or her parish. We have a great community. We have a great tradition. I believe, we, Low Country Emmaus, have a great future in store.

So let's work together; let's grow our community, our churches and God's Kingdom.

De Colores,

Robert

**THIS MONTH'S GATHERING**

**Our Gathering, this month, is scheduled for 7:30 PM, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Church of the Palms UMC, located at 1425 Okatie Hwy., Okatie, SC.**

**DIRECTIONS TO CHURCH OF THE PALMS**

**From Charleston:** Hwy. 17 South to Gardens Corner. **Turn left** on Hwy. 21 South to Beaufort. Go about 12 miles (3<sup>rd</sup> Stoplight- 1.3 mi. past Air Station), turn **right** on Hwy 280. Go 1.2 miles; **turn right** at stoplight on Hwy 170 West. Go 14.3 miles and Church of the Palms is on the **left**.

**From I-95:** South to **Exit 28**. **Turn left** onto Hwy 462E toward Hilton Head (pretty good 2 lane road). Go about 18 miles and **bear right** on Hwy 170 West. Church of the Palms is 0.8 miles on the **left**.

If you prefer to drive more interstate, continue on 95 South to **Exit 8** and take Hwy 278 East toward Hilton Head for about 7 miles, then exit at Hwy 170 East toward Beaufort (**left turn at stop sign**). Go 3.3 miles and Church of the Palms will be on your **right**.



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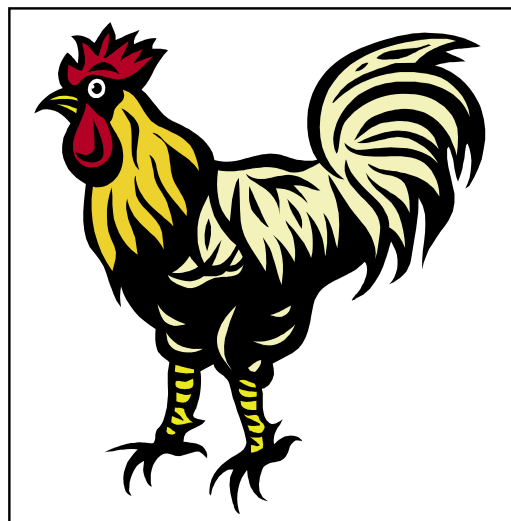
**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Thanks to all who contributed at the May gathering. If anyone has bills that need to be paid, please try to catch me at the gathering or mail to 984 Grafton Dr, Beaufort 29902. I know a lot of folks will be travelling during the summer, but many of our expenses continue as we prepare for our next set of walks this fall--you can always send in contributions via mail as well.

Beginning Balance	\$3083.78
Deposits	279.45
Disbursements	571.98
Ending Balance	\$2791.25
Savings	\$2,993.36

***DeColores,***

***Karen Ayers, Vice President/Treasurer***



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**Lowcountry Emmaus**  
**Calendar of Events**

**June-Church of the Palms, Okatie**  
**July-Knightsville UMC, Knightsville**  
**Aug-Trinity UMC, Bamberg**  
**Sept.-Pineopolis UMC-Pineopolis**  
**Nov-**  
**Dec-Stallsville UMC, Summerville**  
**Gatherings-3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, monthly**  
**Board meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. monthly**

**2006 Walk Dates**

**Men: October 12-15, 2006**

**Women: October 26-29, 2006**

*20 applications for Fall walks must be  
received by July 12, 2006*

Remember: All dates are tentative until we have  
enough pilgrims registered for that weekend.

**Deadline for newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month**