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# Lowcountry Emmaus Community

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*And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him ~ Luke 24:31*

**Please stay safe and continue practicing  
social distancing.**



## **From the Community Lay Director: Dan Hare**

To the Lowcountry Emmaus Community,

I hope everyone is doing well in these struggling times, but remember GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME. Our world is in turmoil but God is always still the same as he has always been.

If you are getting depressed remember your Emmaus Walk when we had those dying moments and gave up those problems to God. Now is the time to do that again and know God is with us always. If you have special needs please reach out to our Emmaus for prayers and other needs, because we are still here. We are still having Board meetings and working on Walks when we are safe enough to have them again.

We are still looking for volunteers to serve on the Board ,because this normally a three year term and due to our present circumstances , our board members who rotating off have been willing to serve for the time being until we can elect a new board. Please contact me or any board member about this opportunity to serve your Lord through Emmaus.

Emmaus has been a tool for churches to help improve servant hood in their churches, so keep in mind so when this pandemic has leveled off to where it is safe to meet in groups and we can have gatherings and walks again.

I pray every day for your safety and this world so we can get back to GOD's work in making disciples for JESUS.

Low Country Emmaus Lay director

Dan Hare



# Registrar

## **From the Registrar: Karen Ayers**

I've been in touch (or attempted) with all of the pilgrims who were scheduled for the walks via email or snail mail. A few have requested refunds, as have some sponsors. The good news is that 5 men and 18 women have asked to remain on the list and be notified as soon as we have dates available; they expressed excitement and anticipation of a wonderful experience. Sponsors, please continue to talk to your pilgrims on a regular basis and help them maintain that sense of eagerness for the Walk to Emmaus. I hope you are all safe and well, and that we can resume gatherings and reunion groups soon while assuring everyone's health and well-being. Please contact me if you have any questions about your pilgrims' applications or if they have expressed concerns to you.

## Featured Board Member:

### Meet Karen Ayers



This month we are highlighting Karen Ayers as our Board member of the month.

Karen attended Lowcountry Walk #51 in 2003 and sat at the table of Margaret. She attends church at Bethel UMC in Harleyville.

Karen has 3 daughters and 5 grandchildren. Karen is a retired nurse and dental office manager. Most of her hobbies/volunteer work revolve around Emmaus and her church. She devotes her time to singing in the choir, attending Sunday School, helping in VBS and worship services and serving in Emmaus.

Currently, Karen serves the Emmaus Community as our Registrar. This job involves sponsorship training, organizing/coordinating pilgrim applications, registration, and cabin and table assignments. Previously, Karen served the Board and community as chair of Agape, Music and Entertainment and as Treasurer. She also has served as an ALD.

Karen's favorite Emmaus moment was going back the first time on a team and seeing everything again that she didn't remember from her own walk. She also enjoys the special times of working in the kitchen. The biggest impact Emmaus has had on Karen's life is her desire to feel close

to Christ thru a life of spiritual discipline, study and action and a group of like-minded friends who support her in the ups and downs of life.

Karen continues to be involved in Emmaus because it renews and reminds her of Jesus' love for her, demonstrated by her reunion group and many community members. Continued involvement in Emmaus also reminds her of her responsibility to be the hands and feet of Christ wherever she is. Karen's closest friends are in Emmaus and her church.

Thank you, Karen, for your years of service to the Lowcountry Emmaus Board!

If you or someone you know would like to serve on the Emmaus Board please submit names to Our Asst. Lay Director, Tom

Thurman, or to any Board Member.

## COUNT ME IN

Ten little members standing in line, one disliked the President.....then there were nine.

Nine ambitious members offered to work late, one forgot her promise...then there were eight.

Eight creative members had ideas good as heaven, one lost enthusiasm...then there were seven.

Seven loyal members got into a fix, they quarreled over programs.....then there were six.

Six members remained with spirit and drive, one moved away....then there were five.

Five steadfast members wished there were more, one became indifferent...then there were four.

Four cheerful members who never disagree, "Til one complained of meetings....then there were three.

Three eager members! What do they do? One got discouraged....then there were two.

Two lovely members; our rhyme is nearly done. One joined the bridge club....then there was one.

One faithful member was feeling rather blue, she met with a neighbor....and then there were two.

Two earnest members each enrolled one more; doubling their number....and then there were four.

Four determined members just couldn't wait; Til each won another....then there were eight.

Eight excited members signed up sixteen more....In another six verses, there'll be one thousand-twenty four!

Hey! Count Me In!

Submitted by Peggy Lawton

**Please say Count me in and contact any board member with your willingness to serve on the Lowcountry Emmaus Board.**

We will try to meet for a board meeting, July 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm via Zoom.