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# Lowcountry Emmaus Community

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

**November Gathering on Friday,  
November 19th @ 7 pm  
New Hope United Methodist Church  
1243 Jedburg Road,  
Summerville, SC 29486**

**Gathering Note:**

*We would ask that you consider wearing a mask to protect yourself and those around you.*

**Marlene Harter: Literature and Supplies: Devotional**

For I am determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

1 Corinthians 2:2

No matter how insignificant we may feel, when we determine to proclaim Jesus, we make a difference.

Edward Kimball was a Sunday School teacher in Detroit in the 1850's. When a young visitor told Kimball that he had no interest in knowing Jesus, he could not let it go. Kimball went to his workplace, purchased a shoe shine, and began to witness to him. Before he left D. L. Moody received Jesus as his Savior.

Moody became a powerful evangelist who reached more than one hundred million people with the Gospel. Frederick Meyer's congregation heard about the American revival and invited Moody to London. He preached three sermons, every one entitled, "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus." Revival swept through the church, and Meyer's ministry was transformed.

J. Wilbur Chapman came to Christ in Myer's church and eventually moved to Chicago where he led Billy Sunday to salvation. Sunday became a great preacher, and Mordecai Ham was saved at one of his meetings.

Ham went on to become one of the first tent revivalists. One night in North Carolina, under Ham's

large circus tent where people stood shoulder to shoulder, a young man came to check out the spectacle. That night in 1936, Billy Graham came to know Jesus.

Because one seemingly insignificant Sunday School teacher was serious about winning the lost, generations of people around the globe were impacted by Christ. What you do for Jesus matters.

Go and tell! Win the lost!

May you commit to be salt and light, to proclaim Jesus at every turn.

And may you stand amazed at the difference He makes through you!

Remember Go and Tell! Win the Lost. Tell others what Jesus has done for you. Be natural and spread

the good news of Jesus Christ to all.

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Marlene Harter

Lowcountry Emmaus

Walk # 47



**From Gatherings: Ronnie Brewer**

The “Lowcountry Emmaus Community” held the October 2021 “In Person Gathering” on 15 October 2021 at the Bushy Park Industrial Recreation Site (Charleston International Manufacturing Center), Goose Creek SC. The “Gathering” was the last outside venue until next Spring. A special thanks to Jimmy Hinson for helping with setup.

If you missed the October 2021 Gathering well guess what, you have an opportunity to attend the November 2021 Gathering! The following information pertains to the next “Gathering”.

Gathering Date/ Location---The November 2021 Gathering will take place on 19 November 2021 starting at 7 PM. Location will be at the New Hope United Methodist Church (New Hope Community/Jedburg Area).

Social Time---The Board decided that once again we will not have any scheduled social time prior to the actual "Gathering". This does not mean that we cannot visit before or after the "Gathering" but it will not be part of the "Gathering" agenda. The "Board" will provide water for the community.

Social Distancing---Seating will be as if it were at a normal church service. Since this will be an inside "Gathering" masks will be required.

Gathering Agenda---Songs, Guest Introduction, Lay Director Report, Board Reports, Prayer/Prayer Concerns, 4<sup>th</sup> Day Speaker, 4th Day Spiritual Response, Communion (Self Contained Package) and Closing.

Additional "Gathering" Information: "Gatherings" cannot be held without a host church

or location. I ask that you consider hosting such an event, so we can schedule out for the rest of this year and into next year. The "Community" does not have a location to go to after the November "Gathering". It is important that we gather to keep our Emmaus Community active.

There has been some who have questioned the Board for continuing with "Gatherings" during this pandemic time. A point well taken. As the Board Member in charge of "Gatherings" I feel that our churches are open and we are in church

on Sundays. I ask, is an Emmaus Gathering not an extension of church service? Prior to starting back with the “Gatherings”, the Board gave much thought to having or not having “Gatherings”. We decided that for the Community to survive, there was and is a need to gather as a “Community”.

I look forward to this continued “new start” for our Emmaus family. See you on 19 November 2021 at 7 PM. Any questions pertaining to the upcoming or future “Gatherings”, please call me at 843 754 9257.

Ronald L. Brewer, Lowcountry Walk #50, Table of John  
Board Member in charge of Gatherings



**From Fourth Day: John Lyons**

Greetings to my Emmaus family. I am John Lyons, Low Emmaus Walk #80. I sat at the table of Matthew.

During the pandemic, I discovered I had a lot more time on my hands. I used some of this time to reflect on my Walk and the impact it has had on my life. During the Walk, we learn many things about priorities, grace, discipleship, the body of Christ, and much more. The

thing that I remember the most is the visual aid that was used to reinforce the meaning of some of the lessons: the three-legged stool. It has been a few years since my Walk, but the powerful simplicity of the stool image remains strong in my weak mind. I can recall how as the talks progressed, a stool was assembled from the concepts in the talks. The completed stool represented the model for living a “Life of Grace.” The first leg of the stool represented a “Life of Piety.” The presenter put the leg into a round base and demonstrated the uselessness of a stool with only one leg. If the stool represented a “Life of Grace,” more than just Piety would be needed. Later, we heard about how we could grow in grace through study. That presenter added a second leg to the stool to represent “Growth through Study” and quickly demonstrated to us that a stool with two legs was not much more useful than a stool with only one leg. At the end of the “Christian Action” talk, the presenter inserted another leg representing “Christian Action” and showed all the pilgrims the completed stool in the hopes that we would understand that a “Life of Grace” must have these three legs.

It did not happen during the weekend, but eventually the light bulb illuminated and I got it. (Duh!) When did I get it? At one of our Tuesday morning reunion groupings, I realized that the tri-fold Reunion grouping card had three columns – piety, study, and action – just like the three-legged stool. (Duh!) The card helped us review the progress on our Fourth Day Walk. The card let us help each other be accountable in the three areas of our “Life of Grace.” From that moment on, I understand that if I am going to live a “Life of Grace,” then I must participate in all three “legs.” To only participate in one or two would not provide the balance I need to live a “Life of Grace.”

As I look back on all my Fourth Days since the Walk, I see how being part of the Emmaus community has helped me grow spiritually. I doubt if sainthood is in my future, but I believe the spiritual pursuit of a “Life of Grace” definitely is. However, spirituality, like so many things, is an “inside job.” I don't want to admit how many Fourth Days I have wasted because I let outside events determine if I would grow spiritually that day. Participating in my reunion group has helped me stay on track

and keeps me focused on the things I can do in the arenas of piety, study, and action that lead to a “Life of Grace.” Before my walk, I seldom prayed or read devotions, but now I pray and read a devotion most days before or during my morning coffee. Sometimes, I participate in group devotional readings and discussions with other folk who want to grow spiritually. These are amazing experiences. Since the Walk, I have joined Bible studies and read spiritual books. I have also found myself volunteering to be of service to my family, friends, my church, and my local and Emmaus community. Some of you reading this are probably thinking “It won't be long before he will be drinking the Kool Aid.” Honestly, I have even thought that myself at times. However, I think living a “Life of Grace” by doing as many things as possible on the Reunion Group card is a lot better and healthier than “drinking the Kool Aid.” I am a member of the Sunrise Reunion Group. Our group gathers at 8:30 a.m. at Cracker Barrel on Main Street in Summerville. We order breakfast and take turns reviewing the card. I believe that without the help of the members in my reunion group, I would see little, if any, progress toward a “Life of Grace.” I am grateful for the changes that have occurred in my life since my Walk. I love each and every member of my reunion group. I am also so very grateful to everyone in the Emmaus community for letting me serve them as a member of the Board of Directors. I am your Fourth Day and facilities servant.

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**From Registrar: Karen Ayers**

I hope you have all heard the exciting news that we have scheduled walks for 2022! The Men's Walk is planned for March 10-13 and the Women's Walk the following weekend, March 17-20. I have sent emails to the pilgrims I have addresses for and heard from several who are still interested in attending so I've started a new list. The first 36 I receive for each walk will be confirmed and others put on a waiting list. Sponsors, please talk to your pilgrims, make sure they have the dates and let me know as soon as they are ready to commit to attending. I do not need new applications unless any of their information has changed. If a refund was issued, a new registration fee will be required (\$30); scholarships are available. For more information or if you have questions, my contact is 843-812-8644 or [klayers49@yahoo.com](mailto:klayers49@yahoo.com). DeColores!

We will meet for a board meeting, November 9 @ 7pm via Zoom.