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## The Walk Way

### **Eastern Shore Emmaus**

## A Message From Our Community Lay Director



#### **AUGUST**

#### Dates to remember:

**Eastern Shore** 

**Community Gathering** 

August 9,2025

5:30 pot luck & fellowship

6:30 Service

<u>Church</u>

24280 Lankford Hwy

Cape Charles, VA 23310

**ES Emmaus Board Meeting** 

August 25, 2025 at 7:00pm

Woodberry UMC

All are welcome

Newsletter articles due for September's Walk Way by September 20th. If you would like to contribute an article let me know. Please use MSWord format.

Jean Baker



## NOW HEAR THIS!

Hello Everyone,

Another beautiful month has flown by and August is here. The Men's Leadership will start this week, Women's Leadership will start in 2 weeks. What a wonderful time of year for Teaming to start. Fall is my favorite time of year, I love all of the beautiful colors of fall (a sign that Spring will return and all of the bright and beautiful colors will be here again). I love the change in temperature (sweater weather) and fewer bugs lol! I realize, yes, that we still have August before we see all of the above but God provides time for us to prepare our next steps with Him in everything we do.

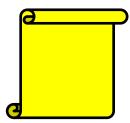
I am asking that each of you take a few minutes from each day and pray for the Walks, the Teams and the Pilgrims that are to attend. This is one of the most important things that we can do. Pray, Pray and Pray some more so that we can have successful weekends!

Please remember that the weekend belongs to the Lord, the Lay Directors are His facilitators, it's not about them but about God's Will to bring the Word of God to the Pilgrims through Emmaus. So GO Teams, you are the Children of (God! YOU have been led to this place in your life at this moment to represent God, to show Jesus to not only the Pilgrims on the weekend but to all the world all the time. So have fun and remember that we represent Jesus Christ!



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On another note, ES Emmaus Board elections will be held at the November gathering You must be present at the November Gathering on November 8, 2025 to be chosen. We will be filling 2 men positions and 2 women positions. The Community Lay Director will assign Board Positions as he/she sees fit. Applications to apply for Board membership must be submitted NO LATER than October's gathering on October, 11. 2025.

If you are interested in serving on the Board please print an application from the website or obtain from CL Brown or any Board member. It is a pleasure to serve on this Board so please apply!

Our August Gathering will be held at Lower Northampton Baptist Church on August 9, 2025. Pot Luck at 5:30, Service at 6:30. See you there!

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Wanda Ward



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#### An Article From Our Spiritual Director



#### **Emmaus August Spiritual Director Devotion:**

"Sow for yourselves righteousness; Reap in mercy; Break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the Lord. Til He comes and rains righteousness on you" Hosea10:12

#### Time to Seek the Lord

Here it is August, the summer and the growing season is ending. I planted a garden this year. Because of the wet and cold start of the growing season I planted about half of what I normally plant. So my harvest is going to be minimal with just the weather. But I ran into another problem that affected my harvest.

I have had a busy summer filled with activities taking up time that I should have used to manage my garden. I had originally planned ten raised garden spots to plant my garden. That means I weeded it, I fertilized it, I applied Sevin dust to the soil and mulched each garden spot. Then it rained and rained and rained some more. I waited for the opportunity to plant. I came to realize that due to the



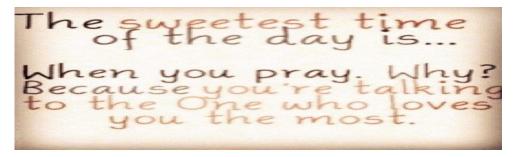
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Circumstances I was going to have to shrink my planting choices. Now fallow ground comes from preparing a space for planting our choice of seeds, but for certain reasons we do not actually plant. The ground becomes hard, weeds begin to grow and take over our garden spots. Unfortunately along with the rain we had a major heat wave this year. The seeds that I planted began to grow but I neglected the garden and put my efforts into other priorities. So you know what happened :dried up vines, more weeds and grass that limited my harvest. What does my garden have to do with Emmaus? Let me explain.

There are Christians in your church and mine that accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. They received the Holy Spirit into their hearts as their guide and protector. But over time, because of business, life's storms, distractions, personal priorities over kingdom priorities, they allowed that fertile ground of salvation to become fallow ground. Righteousness has been slowly dimming in their lives.

They are perfect candidates for the Walk to Emmaus. The Holy Spirit will do the work of getting them to say "I need to seek the Lord and His Righteousness." But it is our job to invite them to the place where He can rain down righteousness on them. It is August, time is running out for signing pilgrims up for the fall walks. So, pray that God will reveal those church members, family members, co-workers and Bible study group members that need their fallow ground plowed up and a fresh harvest of righteousness poured out on them.

DeColores
Pastor Joe Barnes ES 113



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#### **Sponsorship Corner**

#### **Hello Community Members**

It seems like we always wait til the very last minute to get those first fifteen applicants for pilgrims in to know we will actually have a walk. Why is that? (rhetorical question) It's not like the walk dates are a surprise.

If you need financial help, remember that there is a scholarship fund that can help with sponsorship fees as well as a very generous community who will be happy to contribute funds, please just ask (it will be kept confidential).

How about for the spring walk we surprise everybody and have at least fifteen pilgrim applicants by the end of January?

**De Colores** 

Jean Baker



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### T-Shirts, Ball Caps, Visors and Pens

T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Ball Caps, Visors and Pens with various Emmaus logos are available for purchase. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, please contact Curt Dennis Jr. and he will make arrangements to get them to you. He will take orders from you and will deliver them to you at the following gathering.

#### **Curt Dennis**





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**OUTREACH** 

## Here Are The Walks for August 2025

## August 7-August 10, 2025

#### **New Horizon Emmaus**

Men's walk #67

The Ark

Amherst, TX

## August 14—August 17, 2025

#### **Concho Country Emmaus**

Men's Walk #2213

Christ the Kng Retreat Center

San Angelo, Texas 76901

#### **Great River Emmaus**

Men's Walk #41

Lamoine Christian Service Camp

Tennessee, Illinois 62374

## August 21—August 24, 2025

#### **Great River Emmaus**

Women's Walk #42

Lamoine Christian Service Camp

Tennessee, Illinois 62374

#### **Big Country Emmaus**

Women's Walk #270

**Big Country Baptist Assembly** 

Lueders, Texas

#### **Hi Sky Emmaus**

Men's Walk #258

Circle Six Baptist Camp

Lenorah, Texas

#### Hawaii Emmaus

Women's Walk #57

St. Anthony's Retreat Center

Honolulu, Hawaii

### August 28— August 31, 2025

#### **Dallas Emmaus Community**

Men's Walk #288

St. Raphael Retreat Center

Dallas, Texas 75208

### August 29— September 1, 2025

#### **Mountain Top Chrysalis**

Girls Flight #44

Camp Living Water

Bryson City, North Carolina 28734

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# Eastern Shore Emmaus Board of Directors

### Qualifications to serve on the Board

- 1. Participation in the ES Emmaus community for 2 years
- 2. Served as a Team Member on at least one Emmaus Walk

#### **ES Emmaus Board Member 2025**

Board Member	Position
Wand Ward	Community Lay Director
Frank Walter	Assistant Lay Director
	Records and Manuals
Tammy Boyce	Secretary
Debbie Colburn	Treasurer
Bob Boyce	Community Spiritual Director
Joe Barnes	Spiritual Director
Gordon Ward	Pre-Weekend Chairperson
Bethany Busic	Post-Weekend Chairperson
Andy Glenn	Team Selection Chairperson
	Pilgrim Selection Chairperson
CL Brown	Nominations
Curt Dennis	Logo/T-shirt sales
Christi Medice	Outreach Agape

2 women and 2 men will rotate off of the Board for 2026

The 2026 Community Lay Director may change roles for each Board Member at his/her discretion Nomination forms must be submitted by October gathering for November vote

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Prayer Chain



#### **Dear Community**

Our plans are one of the areas of life in which it can be most difficult God. So often we look within ourselves to discover desires and ambitions and form plans based solely on our limited understanding and perspective. Why do we look to ourselves when we "do not know what tomorrow will bring?" Why do we look to our own will when our heavenly Father longs to share His perfect will with us?

One way that God seeks to reveal His plans for us is by meeting us in prayer. Taking the time to seek God in prayer will give us insight to both His heart and His will for our lives.

With those thoughts about prayer in mind, I'd like to invite each of you to join the Emmaus Prayer Team. The address to remember is EmmausPrayerTeam@gmail.com.

Steve Johnson

757-894-5858

**Emmaus Prayer Team Coordinator** 



Look to the LORD and His strength; seek His face always

2 Chronicles 6:21

#### Roster, Newsletter, Website

#### "The Walk Way"

A newsletter for the Eastern Shore

**Emmaus Community** 

Greetings to everyone! The Emmaus Directory is being maintained by Steve Johnson. Please remember that if you notice errors in the current directory please contact Steve by sending an email to:

Esvaemmaus.com, or send a note to P.O. Box 91, Franktown, VA .

Please send any updated information you may have such as addresses, marriages, or deaths and email addresses. Steve has distributed the revised directory by email. If you have a current email address on file, Steve will email the roster to you upon request. If you need a hard copy let Steve know.

It is important for the community to keep the information as up to date as possible.

Thank You!!!

Community members may request access to the **Eastern Shore Emmaus** & Chrysalis Facebook page. You will be requested to provide your walk date to be allowed in. It is for Community Members Only!

The Walk Way Newsletter will be sent via email as close to the first of he month as possible (providing all requested articles are received).

You may submit articles for the newsletter, they will be included (after review) if received before the 20th of the month.

The newsletter editor is Jean Baker

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Jean.mbaker@cox.net

Please contact me if you cannot open or do not receive the newsletter.

The website is up and running is maintained by Steve Johnson

Esvaemmaus.com



