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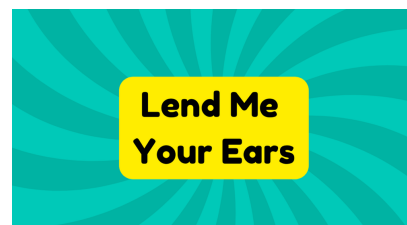
October 2025

The Walk Way

Eastern Shore Emmaus



A Message From Our Community Lay Director



October

Dates to remember:

Eastern Shore

Community Gathering

October 11, 2025

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Gathering begins at 7:15 pm

Camp Occohanock

9403 Camp Ln

Belle Haven, VA 23306

ES Emmaus Board Meeting

October 27, 2025 at 7:00pm

Woodberry UMC

All are welcome

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

Jean Baker

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Hello to Everyone

Hard to believe that September is over already. This month has flown by so very quickly, how does that happen?

It is the beginning of my favorite month, October, and favorite season, Fall. And of course our Fall walks to Emmaus are my favorite. The men are in full force and ready for October 9th, the beginning of their weekend, with new Pilgrims that hopefully will be joining our community. They have 24 Pilgrims and 30 Teamers. I have been praying for them since before the Lay Directors were chosen, and I know that many of you have also been praying. Please continue to pray for both Teams and Pilgrims. The women are preparing for their weekend also. They still have time to accept applications even though they have 30 pilgrims. Keep sending those applications in. Why? Because someone may have to drop out and we can fill the spot. Also, if pilgrims "roll over" to the Spring they will be guaranteed a spot. So keep praying about who you can ask to experience the Emmaus Walks. Please come out and support our Teams and Pilgrims for all special events during the Walks. It really means so very much to each and every Teamer and Pilgrim.

Gordon is continuing to update on our Facebook page about Pilgrims and whatever else is necessary to keep you informed about the Walks.

Elections for the Board is coming soon, in November! All applications should be submitted and are listed in the newsletter. Please be present for the vote at the November Gathering.

Well, there you have it. Remember that God is Good All the time and All the time God is Good!

Ephesians 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

De Colores,

Wanda Ward



The following Community Members have submitted applications to serve on the Eastern Shore Emmaus Board of Directors. At the November Gathering the Community will vote on which 2 women and which 2 men will be selected to serve the 3 year term. Please pray for God to lead you in your selections.

Men

Robbie Daum

Cody Lewis

Steven Atkins

Women

Laura Atkins

Jean Baker

Gail Deans

Meagan Lewis



Let us not become weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up. GALATIANS 6:9

An Article From Our Spiritual Director



Emmaus October Spiritual Director Devotion

"Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." II Corinthians 5:18 – 20

Time to Fall Back

October is always a reminder that fall is upon us, and this is the month that we set our clocks back an hour. We claim that we gain an hour back this month because in the Spring we set the clock ahead for an hour (losing an hour) now in the fall we set the clock back an hour (gaining an hour). What do we do with that gained hour as we call it? We all joyfully claim that we can get an extra hour of sleep. Now, I am not here to make us feel guilty for using the hour we gain by our clocks falling back an hour to sleep. That will not change this year for me as well, but I want to think about falling back spiritually.

Falling back spiritually from a negative point of view can be a negative in that it would mean surrendering ourselves to temptation and falling out of fellowship with God. But instead, I want us to think about falling back in a positive way. In the Army, if we decided to fall back, it could mean that we were admitting that we had lost the battle and we must retreat. Or falling back could mean that we were falling back to reassess our plan and regroup to move forward.



It is time for us as followers of Christ to fall back to reassess our approach to our battle with evil today. It feels as if we are fighting evil with everything we have in our arsenal and the enemy just increases its attacks, much like we see in our wars going on in our world today.

While I believe that we cannot compromise our stand with God and His word, we are attempting to do what God promises He will do. 1 Samuel 17:47: "All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands." So, we need to fall back and reassess our role that God has committed to us and be ambassadors for Christ and pleading on God's behalf to the world to be reconciled to God. We cannot change anyone's heart from evil, but we can introduce them to the One that can by representing Him with the gospel message that we have within us. Once we fall back and focus on our part, God will give them to us and now we are ready to advance the Kingdom. Let us move forward again!

De Colores,

Joe Barnes



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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A message from our Community

My journey with Jesus Christ started when I was 60 years old. I knew something was missing in my life. I got baptized and started going to church. I went to a few different churches, I went to Diamond Spring Baptist Church with my Mom and Stepdad. My mother has dementia and had to stop going to church. I felt like I didn't belong but I know that God had plans for me.

I ran into my ex-brother-in-law John and his wife. I had not seen him in 20 years. He said that he had heard that I was giving my heart to Jesus. He asked me if I would be interested in a spiritual walk on the Eastern Shore and invited me to attend Grace Bible Church with him. I said yes to both. I was blown away by the music at the church, it was like a Christian concert! Later, when the Pastor asked us to pray, Jean held my hand when we were praying. That's when Jesus said "This is your home".

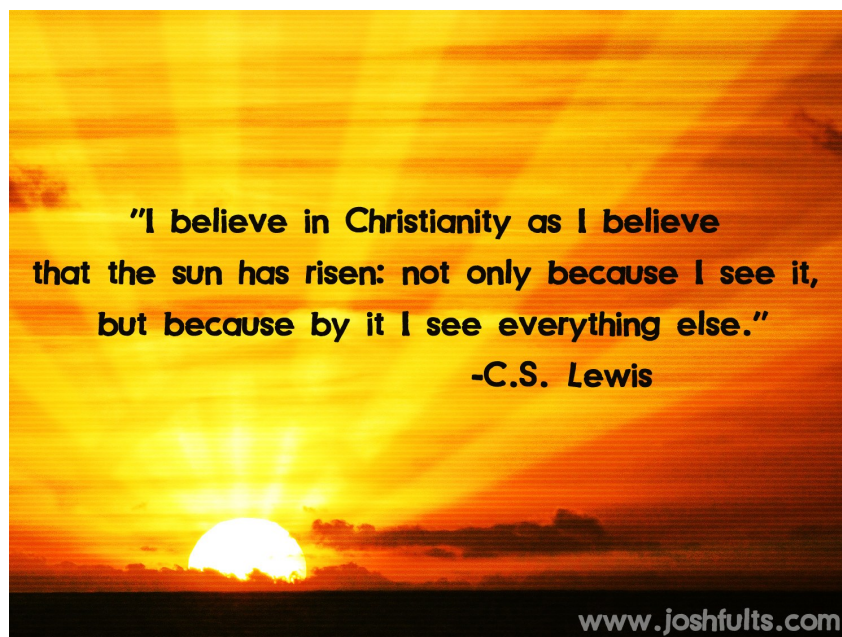
Then I went to the Emmaus walk. I was very nervous at first, I did not say a whole lot but took everything to heart. I was very afraid to talk in front of a lot of people.. I was so humbled by all the people that prayed for me and all the letters and the love shown to me. I knew then that Jesus loves me.

I know now what my 4th day means. It just gets better and better.

When I got back home I got more involved in my Church. I think Jesus put John and Jean in my life to help me spiritually grow. All my brothers and sisters in Christ, I am grateful to you all.

Billy Duke

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Sponsorship Corner

Hello Community!

Just a reminder to all sponsors to make sure that when you bring your pilgrims to camp on Thursday night:

Please do not arrive before 6:30 (give the team time to eat)

Check your pilgrim in and take them to their cabin and make their bed

Stay for sponsor's hour to pray for the pilgrims and the team

Attend those special events Saturday night and Sunday morning

Be present for closing

I know we are all looking forward to two wonderful walks where God is praised and our hearts re-kindled with fire of His love.

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Jean Baker



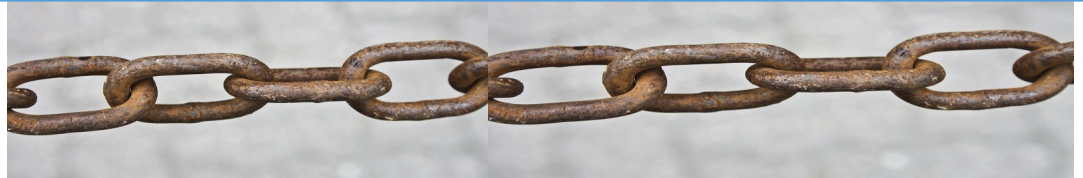
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Here Are The Walks for October 2025

Unfortunately, the web site for the Upper Room is not available so the events are not able to be listed. Hoping to have this information soon!!

Prayer

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Brothers And Sisters In Christ,

As we are called to the light, we are called to be fully known. Many of us shudder at the thought of complete, total vulnerability, and fall subject to the lie that we could never be fully loved if someone saw all of us. While God knows the secrets of our heart already, we will not receive the fullness of his love here on earth until we willingly open them up to him. God patiently waits for us to make ourselves fully known to him, all the while beckoning us with his loving-kindness. He declares his good nature to us through Scripture, circumstances, and his Spirit, knocking on the door of our hearts that we might let him in to love us, heal us, and set us free.

One way to know and become known by God fully in through honest, heart-felt, genuine prayer. As I mentioned, we understand that God knows our hearts, but when we make the decision to share freely with him in prayer, and listen for His response, our relationship with him will undoubtedly deepen and become stronger.

With those thoughts about honest 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

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

The website is up and running is maintained by Steve Johnson

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