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## <u>September</u>

Dates to remember:

**Eastern Shore** 

**Community Gathering** 

September 13,2025

5:30 pot luck & fellowship

6:30 Service

Exmore Baptist Church
11624 Occohannock Neck
Rd

Exmore, VA 23350

**ES Emmaus Board Meeting** 

<u>September 22, 2025 at</u> 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.

## The Walk Way

## **Eastern Shore Emmaus**

# A Message From Our Community Lay Director



Hello Everyone!

I pray you are enjoying the cooler weather. It has really been a relief for me. I really have enjoyed it. I have loved being out on my porch early, listening to God, the birds, and sometimes the quietness. I thoroughly enjoyed being alone with God, talking to Him Praying and doing my devotional in the beauty of His creation. I thank him every day for all that he has given us here on this earth.

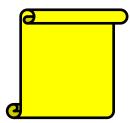
On to the other stuff, we don't have much more time before the walks will start to creep up every single day closer and closer. I'm praying that we wind up with 30 pilgrims. Our Community is growing by leaps and bounds, Praise God for all that he has done for us. Every walk we have had a full team with the perfect number of pilgrims. I know he will send us the perfect number of pilgrims this time but I sure would like to see 30. The deadline for the Men's Pilgrim applications are September 25, the deadline for the Women's pilgrim applications is October 9. So get those applications in remember I'd like to see 30 but God will provide the correct number, not me. Also remember these will be the most amazing weekend ever.



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Message from our Community Lay Director (continued)



The men are teaming and they are going strong. We have a lot of newcomers and that is absolutely wonderful. Thank you for stepping up men. I know you will enjoy the fellowship with your brothers in Christ and that you will build relationships that will last a lifetime.

The women have had their two leadership meetings, planning is going wonderful and they too are building new relationships that will last a lifetime.

Jesus said in the Bible, Matthew 18:20 when two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. (NIV) This is one of the reasons it's been such a gift to have so many teamers and so many pilgrims on our walks. Because Jesus has definitely been there with these men and women because they gathered in His name, Praise God. So keep praying for our walks, for the teams, and for the pilgrims. Speaking of praying for the teams and the pilgrims, please sign up to pray on our prayer vigil. This is one of the most important jobs of the weekend. You may not be there in person, but you will be there to cover these wonderful people in prayer. These men and I thank you now, for signing up. Well time to go.

Our next gathering will be September 13. 5:30 for dinner, 6:30 for the gathering. It will be held at Exmore Baptist Church. Hoping and Praying to see you all there. We have Pastor Jonathan Carpenter who will be there to serve Communion.

De Colores

Wanda Ward



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### An Article From Our Spiritual Director



"For we are God's Laborer's, you are God' field, you are God's building"

1 Corinthians 3:9

### **September Celebrates Labor Day**

When we think of September, we think of Labor Day. For some people it indicates the end of the summer, for others it means picnics, carnivals fireworks, and of course the one big party.

The real reason for our celebration in America for Labor Day is a result of a movement in the late 19th century, a time of difficult working conditions hours. This holiday recognizes the social and economic achievements of American workers and their contribution to the nation's strength and prosperity. (Credit Google Search) While celebrating Labor Day in America can be a healthy thing for spending time with family and friends in a leisure celebrative fashion, there is another kind of Labor Day that Christians should be celebrating.

That day was the day that we surrendered our lives to Jesus Christ and asked Him to be our Lord and Savior. On that day we chose to deny ourselves and follow Jesus. Our designed purpose in life begins in revealing Him within us. He chose us to serve the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. God now invites every Believer to become partners with Him in Kingdom work.

God nurtures us in our spiritual growth and develops the gifts we need to tend God's gospel field. As we develop our gifts others we become more available to help others and show them the way to become workers together with God.



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This month I want to celebrate the Emmaus Teams, ES 128 and ES 129 as we put all we have into being faithful workers for God. He uses the gifts of the individual team members and combines them into a team working in unison with God. I know the Pilgrims will be able to say of the Team members, "I came looking for Christ and found Him on this weekend".

And thank you, community, as you pray, volunteer, support and show your agape love as members of the team in being faithful laborers to God.

Happy Labor Day America and Happy Labor Day Kingdom Laborers.

De Colores,

**Joe Barnes** 



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### A message from our Community

### Foundation of Prayer

All of us, as lovers and followers of Jesus, are ministers in some capacity. With that being said, it is essential that our devotion to prayer and the prayers lifted be huge and powerful. Prayer is one of the most powerful weapons we have as Christins today. No one wants to fight a large scale battle with a water pistol. It can and should be used in every facet of our lives.

Recently I began to grasp the magnitude of 1 Samuel 12:23. "Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way" NKJV. I was not aware that it was a sin **not** to pray for someone. I am grateful that I have developed the habit of praying in 'real time'. If I hear of a prayer need, even if I don't have time for a long detailed prayer, I lift the need of the person to the Lord in that very moment and ask Him to bless, heal or fill the need according to His will. Then, when I am home alone with Him, I can add the need or person to my prayer list and bring it before the Lord again.

Prayer is a privilege. Paul tells us in Thesslonians 5:17 tp "pray without ceasing". How can we be obedient to this? We must grasp this honor which is granted to us by God. Therefore His power, glory and compassion are being made available to us as a gift. This gift is a time to seek Him out, talk with Him and share our needs.

Prayer is a personal need. Thise precious moments when you are pouring out your heart to the Lord, one can feel the reassurance of knowing God hears us. He not only hears us, He is truly listening. It is always the right time and the right place to pray. The Lord gives numerous scriptures for guidance with prayer. Every second of every day is the right time to pray. Likewise, any place you call to the Lord, He will meet you there.

How you position your physical body when you pray can vary and correlate with the praise, needs or thanks being offered upto Him. Believers can stand before God because He gives us the strength and permission to do so. He tells us we can approach His throne!! We, as mere humans, can approach the throne of God!! Hallelujah!!

Though He gives the privilege and instruction of prayer, we must slso remember He is God, Himself. We are His children and must approach our Father in submission nd humbleness.

One f the most crucial pieces of prayer is to approach it with an open heart. The Lord already knows wht is within us but He desires for us to give it to Him freely. There are not enough words to give the Lord all the honor, devotion and respect He deserves. Our time of prayer with Him an every moment is to be treasured. We can be ourselves. From a pure heart, even

with no spoken words, the Lord

Get intimate with God, it is a most

Pamela Parks



hears and He listens.

precious time.

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### Sponsorship Corner

### **Hello Community Members**

**Thank you** for filling the men's and women's walk with Christians looking to strengthen their faith and deepen their walk with the Lord! Your Sponsorship grows God's Labor Force in His Gospel Fields!!

Please make sure that your pilgrim has a basic understanding of the intention of the walk. A three day course in Christianity that encourages them in their Faith and can help teach them to become leaders in their home Church/community. Please do **not** give away how we do this!

Be sure to reach out to their families (secretly of course) for some personal agape and provide/obtain an emergency phone number so that they can be reached if necessary during the walk (hopefully not!).

**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 September 2025

## September 3— September 6. 2025

Singapore Walk to Emmaus

Men's walk #81

Singapore

September 4— September 7, 2025

**Houston Bay Area Emmaus** 

Spanish Women's Walk #107

The Lodge at Danbury

Danbury, TX 77534

**Valley Walk to Emmaus** 

Men's Walk #40

Pine Eden

Hamilton, GA 31811

**Western Rockies Emmaus** 

Men's Walk #73

Camp Christian

New Castle, CO

**Highland Rim Emmaus** 

Men's Walk #69

First United Methodist Church

Winchester, TN 37398

September 4— September 7, 2025 (cont'd)

**Dakota Emmaus Community** 

Men's Walk #69

Lake Poinsett Camp

Arlington, SD

September 10— September 13, 2025

**Singapore Walk to Emmaus** 

Men's English Walk #83

Singapore

**Singapore Walk to Emmaus** 

Women's English Walk #84

Singapore

September 11— September 14, 2025

**Great Plains Emmaus** 

Men's Walk #122

Canyon Camp

Hinton, OK 73047

September 11— September 14, 2025 (cont'd)

**Western Rockies Emmaus** 

Women's Walk #74

Camp Christian

New Castle, CO

**Dayspring Emmaus** 

Walk #124

**Tatnall Campground** 

Claxton, GA 30417

**Mesquite Country** 

Christian Emmaus

Women's Walk #138

Camp Butman Merkel, TX

**Piedmont Emmaus** 

Men's Walk #119

Camp Maranatha

High Point, NC

**Valley Walk to Emmaus** 

Women's Walk#40

Pine Eden

Hamilton, GA 31811

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Outreach (cont'd)

## September 17— September 20, 2025

### **Northern Lights Emmaus**

Men's Walk #39

Monroe UMC

Monroe, OH 45050

## September 18—

## **September 21, 2025**

### **Great Plains Emmaus**

Women's Walk #123

Canyon Camp

Hinton, OK 73047

### **Southside Virginia Emmaus**

Walk #125

Virginia Nazarene Center

Buckingham, VA

### **Dayspring Walk to Emmaus**

Walk #125

Claxton, GA 30417

### **Dakotas Emmaus Community**

Women's Walk #70

Lake Poinsett Camp

Arlington, SD

#### **Houston North Emmaus**

### Community

Men's Walk #119

Tomball, TX 77375

## September 18— September 20, 2025

### **Piedmont Emmaus**

(cont'd)

Women's Walk #120

Camp Maranatha

High Point, NC

### **Blue Lake Emmaus**

Women's Walk #287

Blue Lake Assembly

Andalusia, AL

## September 25—

## September 28, 2025

### **Southside Virginia Emmaus**

Walk # 126

Virginia Nazarene

**Retreat Center** 

Buckingham, VA

### **Richmond Emmaus**

Men's Walk #144

Chanco on the James

Spring Grove, VA 23881

### **Blue Ridge Emmaus**

Women's Walk #98

Bonclarken

Flat Rock, NC

## September 25— September 28, 2025

## (cont'd)

### **Chattanooga-Lafayette Emmaus**

Men's Walk #64

Georgia

### **Highland Rim Emmaus Community**

Women's Walk #70

Winchester, TN

### **Rushing Wind**

Women's Walk #161

Waka Christian Center

Waka, TX 79093

### **GRACE Emmaus**

Men's Walk #110

Camp Gilmont

Gilmer, TX

### **Missouri East Emmaus**

Women's Walk #179

Camp Allen

Greenville, MO 63944

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## Don't forget!

## ES Board of Directors Election in November

# Nominations must bre submitted prior to October's Gathering

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

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**

One of the most rewarding aspects of experiencing God is his abounding peace. Peace is not something this world can offer us. This world is run on chaos, stress, confusion, striving, and many pursuits that offer no satisfaction. Even in this life, God provides us with the peace of Heaven, the peace that comes from having our hearts focused on a true relationship with him.

Jesus says in John 16:33, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." When we seek relationship with Jesus we are seeking relationship with the One who conquered death and destroyed any and every scheme of the enemy against us. To know him is to know a true Conqueror. And in knowing him our lives become wrapped up in his. Our worried and fearful hearts become wrapped up in his heart of peace.

One way to experience God's peace is through the communication of prayer with Him. With prayer in mind, I'd like to remind each of you about the Emmaus Prayer Team. To make a prayer request or receive prayers for other members of the community, the address to remember is EmmausPrayerTeam@gmail.com.

**DeColores** 

Steve Johnson

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### 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

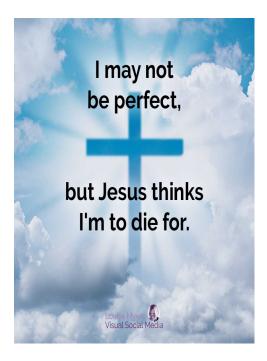
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Jean.mbaker@cox.net

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



	September Gathering		
5:30	Saturday, September 13,2025	6:30	
Potluck	Exmore Baptist Church	Worship	
And	11624 Occohannock Neck Rd	And	
Fellowship	Exmore,VA 23350	Service	