

## Fourth Day



October 2011

### FROM THE LAY DIRECTOR

As I contemplate ending my term as Lay Director I'm finally starting to think about what I should have been thinking about when I started as Lay Director. Specifically, vision. What should the Round Rock Emmaus community look like in a year, or two years, or five years? And here are some of the ideas I'm kicking around:

*Worship.* Ultimately, the whole point of Emmaus is to worship our awesome and loving creator, through our presence at monthly gatherings, through our participation in re-union groups, through our bringing pilgrims to a deeper walk with Christ and through our participation in our churches. The Round Rock Emmaus group ought to be all about helping people figure out how to worship God more fully and frequently. So what does that look like?

*Inclusiveness.* At the recent conference-wide gathering (which was awesome, by the way, for those who missed it!) Jim Cooney pointed out that there are literally hundreds of non-Methodist churches that have sent pilgrims on walks in the Central Texas Conference over the last several years. I'm sure some of those are in or near Round Rock. There are also several Round Rock Methodist churches such as Journey of Faith, Rockbridge, and Good News, that do not seem to be plugged into Emmaus at all. This needs to change.

*Connection.* This goes hand-in-hand with the other two. We need to do a better job of communicating among ourselves in an ongoing way and not relying solely on a monthly newsletter to be our connection. We also need to do a better job of evangelizing Emmaus in our home churches (I plead totally guilty on this one). I think the passing of the torch to a new newsletter editor creates an awesome opportunity for our incoming leadership team to evaluate the landscape of communication alternatives and select a mix that will more fully integrate our Emmaus community into a true community.

Well, those are my ideas. I'm not really sure how to implement any of them, but I look forward to talking about this with all of you.

De Colores.

Tommy Prud'homme  
Lay Director



OCTOBER  
GATHERING  
THURSDAY, 10/20  
7PM @ SPUMC

NOVEMBER  
GATHERING  
THURSDAY, 11/17  
7PM @ SPUMC



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## AGAPE...AGAPE...AGAPE...

Draw outline of a pumpkin on orange copy paper.

Print "Be A Pumpkin", below, inside the pumpkin. A tealight candle can be included also. Wrap the tealight in netting or tulle, tie with ribbon and use the paper pumpkin as a tag.

### BE A PUMPKIN!

Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin.

God picks you from the patch, brings you in, & washes all the dirt off you.

Then he cuts off the top and scoops out all the yucky stuff.

He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc., then he carves you a new smiling face and puts his light inside you to shine for all the world to see.



## REUNION GROUPS

Reunion Groups are a very important part of the Emmaus & Chrysalis experience.

The importance of involvement in a reunion group cannot be overemphasized.

Reunion groups provide a natural launching pad for mission in the community.

Reunion groups are also a support base for acts of agape for Emmaus and Chrysalis weekends.

Shared engagement in service to others deepens friendships and opens up avenues for Christian action.

Two men's groups meet in Round Rock on Thursday evening. Contact [rr4thdaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:rr4thdaygroup@gmail.com) for more information.

**If your reunion group is not listed, or if the information here is incorrect please Contact:**

[rr4thdaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:rr4thdaygroup@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING WALKS IN 2011/2012

### 2011 WALKS

374 Oct 20-23 Women Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Glen Rose

### 2012 WALKS

375 Jan 12-15 Women Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Glen Rose  
 376 Jan 26-29 Men Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat Center, Brownwood  
 377 Feb 2-5 Women Latham Springs Baptist Camp, Aquilla  
 378 Feb 16-19 Men Greene Family Camp, Bruceville  
 379 Mar 22-25 Women Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat Center, Brownwood  
 380 Apr 19-22 Women Latham Springs Baptist Camp, Aquilla  
 381 May 3-6 Women Greene Family Camp, Bruceville  
 382 May 17-20 Men Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Glen Rose  
 383 Sep 6-9 Women Greene Family Camp, Bruceville  
 384 Sep 20-23 Men Latham Springs Baptist Camp, Aquilla  
 385 Oct 4-7 Women Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Glen Rose  
 386 Oct 18-21 Women Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Glen Rose



### THIS IS OUR PRAYER

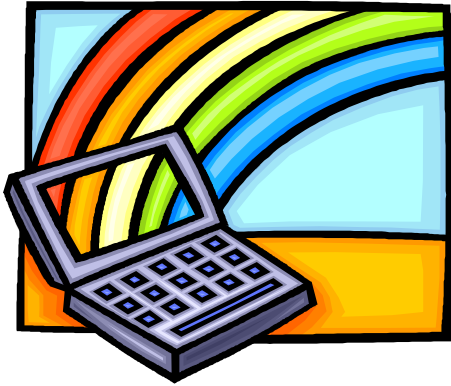
Sherri & Family  
 Walk 374  
 Our Service Families  
 Peace in our world

Any prayer concerns or changes to this list can be emailed to [chilitamaria@yahoo.com](mailto:chilitamaria@yahoo.com). Names will appear on this list for 1 month and then will be removed.

Please resubmit if prayers are still needed.  
 Only first names will be used for privacy reasons.

### De Colores





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<http://www.gbgm-umc.org/ctcwte/>

Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

<http://www.roundrockemmaus.org>

Round Rock Community Web Site

## EMMAUS 2011 GATHERING DATES

Gathering Date	Gathering Location
January 20	First UMC-RR
February 17	First UMC-RR
March 24*	First UMC-RR
April 28*	First UMC-RR
May 19	First UMC-RR
June 16	St. Philips UMC – RR
July 21	St. Philips UMC – RR
August 18	St. Philips UMC – RR
September 15	St. Philips UMC – RR
October 20	St. Philips UMC – RR
November 17	St. Philips UMC – RR
December 15	First UMC-RR

We will meet on the **third Thursday of the month.**  
Worship begins at 7:00.

*\*Gathering will be the 4th Thursday of March/April*

## TRUSTED SERVANTS

**Lay Director: Tommy Prudhomme**

**Assistant Lay Director: Paul Geurard**

**Music Director: Ingrid Durfee**

**Newsletter Editor: Sheila Wacker**

**Spiritual Director: Rev. Lee Trigg and Rev. Steve Buchele**

**Treasurers: Jim & Sally Schuermann**

**Agape Coordinator: Diane Leeks**

## GREETINGS FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITORS:

Happy Fourth Day to All Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Thank you to everyone for their contributions to this newsletter. Any submissions to the newsletter (articles, announcements, etc) are always welcome. The newsletter submission deadline for November will be Saturday, November 12th. Please feel free to email any submissions, questions, suggestions, or comments you may have.

The newsletter is posted on the [www.roundrockemmaus.org](http://www.roundrockemmaus.org) website (no password required). We'll still be maintaining the email archive in the private area, since the messages contain individual email addresses. You can always login and check for any emails that have been sent out.

May God's grace and peace be with you in the coming month.

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