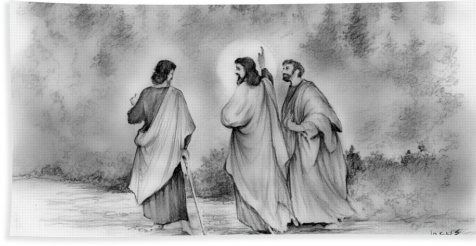


BORN AGAIN EMMAUS NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and walked with them. Luke 24:15

I am counting on Christ !

Christ is counting on you !

Join our Community at the next Gathering
Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm
Spring Creek United Methodist Church
9200 Dietz-Elkhorn Road, Boerne, Tx 78015

For those who prefer to join us via Zoom use the following Link:

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79862813056?
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COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

**Lori Balensiefen, Executive Pastor,
First United Methodist Church**



COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Ralph Rodriguez



THANKSGIVING . . . has always been a special time of year but truthfully it should not just be November we start to think about giving thanks, but a daily thing we stop and do everyday we get the opportunity! I have been working on this in my own life and want to share with you all how thankful I am to be serving in this community.

All of us are busy, all of us have places to be, kids to raise perhaps, jobs to perform and the list goes on and on, and just like this list all of us have a list of things we can be thankful for . . . what will it be for you today? This week or this month?

Every night Cindi and I give thanks for the safety of our home and the ability to have a meal in peace (even with cats looming very nearby) as we know many do not have that opportunity. I encourage you in this designated month for **THANKSGIVING**, take a minute to stop and say Thank You Jesus for all the blessings I can name and especially for the ones I forget to name.

I would be especially grateful to see you at the **GATHERING** this month so that together we can give thanks to God for being able to do so.

De Colores, Ralph

COMMUNITY MUSIC COORDINATOR

Carol Wilson

Psalm 100 - "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing."



What a better way to start our Gatherings each month. Carol lines up the musicians from different churches in the area willing to do just that!

Come lift your heart in song!

CityChurch will provide music at the November Gathering

First United Methodist Boerne will provide music in December.

De Colores - Carol

GATHERING COORDINATOR

Dory Martinez

As part of the Worship Service during our Community Gatherings every month there is a time to share the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.



This gives us all an opportunity for Christian Action. The communion elements are provided by Volunteers each month. As of last week - *no one has signed up to provide communion elements for November or December Gathering!!!*

Today I am able to say that Carol Wilson has volunteered to bring Communion Elements for our November Gathering and Ralph and his wife, Cindi have volunteer to bring Communion Elements for our December Gathering.

Maybe this is something you can put on your calendar for 2024 . . . If this is something you would like to do (being the hands & feet of Christ) please contact Dory Martinez via cell phone 210-412-4319 or send him an email at dory_martinez84@yahoo.com.

OR you can on to our website - on the Home Page you will see an Information Button - click on it - on the Drop Down you will see a choice "Gathering Volunteer" - once you click on it you will see "Communion Elements Needed for Monthly Gatherings" clicking on the **CLICK HERE** will direct you to a page with full instructions and Calendar options to choose from. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Dory!

De Colores - Dory

4th DAY REUNION GROUPS

Bill Walker

Fourth Day - Your 3 day Walk is over, every day thereafter for the rest of our lives is our 4th Day. This is Emmaus's purpose, a lifetime of discipleship, bringing new life to our churches and conveying grace where we live.

Following the Order of Reunion - the 1st item reminds us to Review our Study Sheet - Prayer, Study, Action. Have you asked yourself lately these questions? How would you respond to your Reunion Group? We all need to be reminded to spend time in prayer - in Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication.



If you would like to view the lists of both women's and men's reunion groups please open the Born Again Emmaus Community Website @ www.bornagainemmaus.org.

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If you have questions or need help with anything, please contact Bill Walker at billwal@outlook.com

De Colores - Bill

KAIROS

Tom Patterson

Friends - our next scheduled Kairos weekend at the **Torres Prison is March 6th to the 10th.** Our first team meeting is **Saturday, November 11th.**



If you would like to join us for an amazing Spiritual experience as a Kairos volunteer, please reach out to me asap.

Please keep this weekend and all those involved in your prayers. We would be blessed by your prayers and your presence on the team.

God bless you and De Colores my friends, Tom
(210) 573-5909

LAY DIRECTOR MEN'S WALK #65

April 4th - 7th, 2024 - John Decker

Greetings brothers and sisters, **The Men's Walk #65 Team is complete!**



I would like to thank all of my brothers who stepped up to volunteer their time for the betterment of their community.

Our next milestone will be our Team Social on November 18th. At the team social we will all gather to get to know one another and find out what capacity you will be serving this year. Look out for an email in the coming week for details.

De Colores - John

LAY DIRECTOR WOMEN'S WALK #66

September 19th - 22nd, 2024 - Denise Vadnais

Dates for Women's Walk #66 are set for September 19 thru the 22, 2024 at The Omega Center. Other information will follow after the holidays.



De Colores - Denise

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR UPCOMING GATHERINGS

2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm
November 14th
December 12th

Call - Email - Text your friends and family - Invite them to join you!

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may no so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in the giving that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

BORN AGAIN EMMAUS COMMUNITY

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*If you see any of these individuals, thank them for everything they
have done for our community and will continue to do.*