



Suddenly, Jesus himself came along and joined them and began walking beside them. (Luke 24:15 – NIV)

## EMMAUS COMMUNITY FOURTH DAY GATHERING

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020 (CANCELLED)

ALL ARE WELCOME

May 6, 2020

Do you know your NEW OFFICERS for the Born Again Emmaus Community?

Mary Kruse	Lay Director
Hal Hornburg	Asst. Lay Director
Tim Hickman	Secretary
Denise Vadnais	Treasurer
Steve Stricklin	Community Trainer
Ginny Stricklin	Walk Coordinator / Team Selection Committee Chair
	Walk #62 Board Rep. / Newsletter Editor
Dennis Kruse	Member
Carol Wilson	Reunion Group Liaison
Freddie Loeber	Member
Karen Loeber	Member
John Politi	Upper Room Liaison / Librarian
Kelly Young	Member
Darryl Reid	Member
Michelle Reid	Member
Maurine Maloy	Audit Committee
Stephen Sanders	Spiritual Director
Mary D D'Alessio	Assistant Spiritual Director

### Ex Officio Members

Tom Patterson	Kairos Liaison
Terri Politi	Registrar
Curtis Lang	Website
Nikki Decker	LD Women's Walk #62

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Gathering - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month

May 12	Gathering (Cancelled)
Jun 9	Gathering (To be determined)
Jul 14	Gathering (To be determined)

### COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

De Colores Brothers and Sisters! I miss you guys! I continue to pray that you and yours are well. Please remember, if there is something that you need, reach out to myself, the Board, or any member of the Born Again Emmaus Community - we are in this together.

So, depends on how you count the days, but we are about two months into this time where people started cancelling plans. Organizers postponed conventions, concerts, and other events. Now we are paying attention to social distances and hygiene in a big way. As I write this, we are cautiously entering the steps to re-opening. The effect that this time has had on everyone is different, but few are untouched. However you have dealt with or are dealing with the changes to your life, know that I get it. I have experienced crazy ups and downs. I honestly don't know where to put everything. And, I have no idea what the next two months or even the rest of this year look like, but I know that God's got this! He is with us. He works all things for good. We may not immediately see or understand the good, but He does. Cling to Him. I urge you to look for some good in all this. Talk about the good you see. Be a light.

The days and ways of doing things are still uncertain at this time, so we will NOT be gathering on May 12<sup>th</sup>. We will move forward prayerfully and carefully. I greatly miss you all, and I miss sharing my amazing sense of humor with you (I know you have to miss that!) lol. We will commune together again, soon I pray. Until then, may the Lord carry you. I thank Him every time I think of you.

De Colores, and Be Blessed!

P.S. I don't know exactly when, but Pastor Stephen will be moving to a new church in June. I am thinking that we may not see him again while he is still our Community Spiritual Director. He has served our community for many years. (I have actual rosters listing him for at least 7.) Our Community has thrived under his shepherding. I ask that you take an opportunity to write him a note or email, thanking him for his devotion to Emmaus, our Community, and Spring Creek. He will be greatly missed.

### WOMEN'S WALK #62 (Be Still)

Greetings! I hope this note finds you healthy and happy. I am sure you are wondering what the future looks like for Walk 62 and let me be the first to tell you that there will be a Walk 62. This has been a hard season for so many of us. This spring has brought so many firsts and unknowns. As many of you know the Men's Walk has postponed until 2021. The leadership team had a Zoom meeting last week and we decided that we should follow suit and postpone as well due to Covid-19 and the uncertainty that is still looming over so many events and public places. Next year, 2021, we will have Men's Walk #61 in April and Women's Walk #62 in September.

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### WEBSITE and FACEBOOK PAGE

Check out our website at <http://www.bornagainemmaus.org> for information, Walk applications, Prayer Vigils, and more. Our Facebook page is Born Again Emmaus Community. Join today.

## WOMEN'S WALK #62 (Continued)

This wasn't an easy choice to make, as no one really knows what next week is going to look like much less next month or September even. During our Zoom call one of the ALD's mentioned the Bible verse with the phrase "Be still..." After the call, I decided to work on the note to tell everyone what was decided, but I wasn't sure what to say exactly. I decided to start with Be Still. What does "Be Still" mean? Be still means to stop reaching, stop fighting, and relax. It also means to put your hands down. Sometimes we put our hands up to defend ourselves from all that life can bring our way. I went to the Bible and looked up the verse that says, "Be still." In doing so, I learned that the Bible uses the phrase "Be still" 8 times! Eight different times in the Bible, God has said, "Pause."

Psalm 46:10 says; **Be still and know that I am God.** It's hard waiting on God's promises without growing weary, grouchy, impatient, or losing faith. During the waiting season, God will ask you to be still. Just to be still, wait on the Lord, and know that He is God. He will want you to be still and watch Him work, after all; He is in control.

Please keep this Walk in your prayers. Please keep any upcoming pilgrims in your prayers. God knows who they are and when they will feel called to come. Any questions, contact Nikki Decker at [nikki\\_decker@hotmail.com](mailto:nikki_decker@hotmail.com)

## KAIROS

Times are strange. Things are changing. Will things ever go back to "normal"? One thing for sure is that God never changes and He is always with us! Once again we have a change at the Senior Warden position of Torres. At this point we don't know who the next warden will be or how supportive of Kairos they will be. We don't know if we will be able to have Kairos 42 in July but we stand strong in our faith and push on! Saturday April 18th was our 2nd team meeting. We had 50-60 people on a Zoom meeting for 7 hours. Praise God it went off without a hitch! May 2nd was their 3<sup>rd</sup> team meeting. Please pray for God's will to be done for this weekend, for the participants and for the volunteers. As I'm sure you understand, COVID-19 has also made it hard to raise funds. The weekend will cost about \$22,000. If God so leads you, please make a check out to KPMI-Texas-Torres and mail it to me at 137 Jordan Place Boerne TX 78006. Tom Patterson can be reached at 210.573.5909 or [tom@tpatterson.org](mailto:tom@tpatterson.org). De Colores

## REUNION GROUPS

Reunion Groups are a vital part of your Emmaus experience. These small groups meet on a regular basis to keep each other accountable in their daily walk with Christ. Are you in a REUNION GROUP? If not, please [CLICK HERE](#) to see the groups we currently have. If you need more help to make contact, etc, please let me know. I want to help you...if you have questions, please contact ...Carol Wilson at [gwilson0630@att.net](mailto:gwilson0630@att.net)

## STAY CONNECTED DURING SOCIAL-ISOLATION

- Please be in prayer for The Upper Room Emmaus Ministries and all communities that have planned walks during this time.
- The Upper Room has encouraged us to continue to meet as safely as we are able in our Reunion Groups. Be creative! (Many have been using Zoom.)
- The Upper Room has resources to support us during these times. Please visit <https://www.upperroom.org/covid-19> .



**NOTE:** If you do not wish to stay connected to the BORN Again Emmaus Community, simply e-mail: [directory-unsubscribe@boerneemmaus.org](mailto:directory-unsubscribe@boerneemmaus.org)

**Gathering Location:** Spring Creek United Methodist Church, 9200 Dietz Elkhorn Rd, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015

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