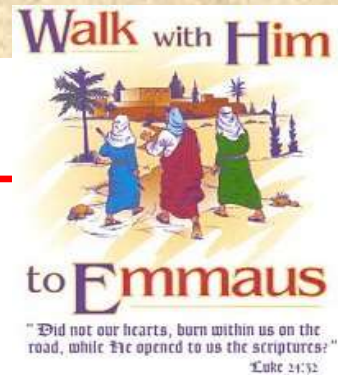


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Decision Making Time.

By Bill Purvis Ministries

Proverbs 1:7 "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Making decisions can be a breeze for some of us. It's as simple as putting your socks on in the morning. For others, making a decision is the hardest thing in the world to do. It's analyze, re-analyze, pause then analyze some more.

Whether you're in the first group or the latter, one thing is key. Does the decision you're about to make honor God?

Before you jump . . . or stall to make a decision, you have to consider how it affects the Kingdom of God. This verse in Proverbs says, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge . . ."

This promise means that when you place Him first, you'll have the ability to make the right decisions.

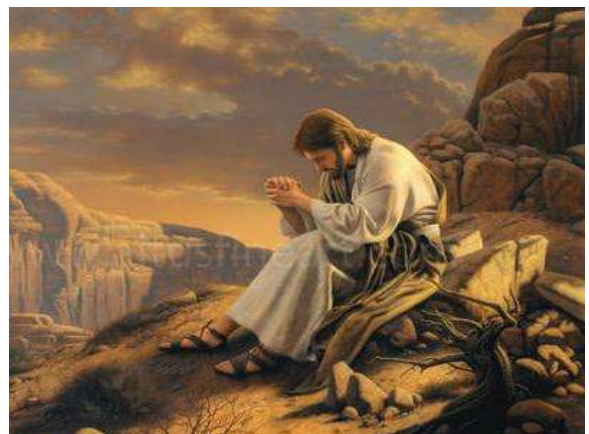
Isn't that what we really want anyway? Don't you want to make the right decision? If you will honor God with your decisions He will honor them as well.

In every decision-making moment, ask yourself what you can do to honor God in it. This, above all else, is the best way to guide your life.

This verse also makes it pretty clear that only fools despise God's wisdom. Quit waiting to bring God into the equation at the end of the deal, He should be at the table from the very beginning.

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Lay Director Women's Walk #129

By Viki Pickard

It is with great honor that I give you a report of WW# 129. First of all let me give my personal appreciation for allowing me to be Lay Director of WW # 129. From the time I went on my walk #52 the Lord told me one day I would be Lay Director. I am not sharing this as a "hey look at me I am Lay Director" but from the point of view that the Lord told me that one day I would be given the opportunity to give back what was given to me on my walk. To show the love, servant hood, grace and friendship that were shown to me and to be able to give it back to women that were called to WW #129.

After being asked to be Lay Director I prayed about it and asked the Lord to send the team that he wanted to bless WW #129. I still stand in amazement of the team that the Lord put together. I could not have searched the world over and found more Godly women and men than those the Lord called to walk # 129. There was perfect harmony and cooperation from all. Matter of fact at the second meeting we had a young woman come in the door and I asked her if I could help her and she said she read they needed team members for the walk and she would like to work. Now if that is not the Lord bringing a team together then I am blind.

I will not sit here and separate the team by job description. We were one team and that is all there is to it. Everyone that was called to work the walk worked the position that the Lord put them in. The walk was not blessed because of me but because women and men heard the call of the Lord and said here I am, use me and yes Lord, I will serve.

The only recommendation that I have is that you allow the whole team to meet at team meetings. You cannot bond totally as a team without it. It will take nothing away from the walk it self by allowing the whole team to meet together. By everyone hearing the talks they will be able to have the feel of the atmosphere of how the walk is going and it will also help them if they are needing to hear a word the Lord is saying thru the talks.

At follow up all of my critique sheets were from conference room and 1 from support team. Support team does not feel the need to come to follow up when they did not hear any of what happened in conference room. Also, in the critique sheets that I got back, several of them said, for improvement the whole team needs to meet together at team meetings.

The walk itself was an awesome walk. We saw the hand of the Lord from the beginning. The Holy Spirit was present and moved among us with freedom. I stand in awe of seeing the Lord touch the women as they submitted themselves to the Holy Spirit's direction. The Lord changed some women and they will never be the same again.

Thank you once again for trusting WW # 129 to me as LD. May the Lord continue to bless our community as we strive to serve and reach out, in Jesus' name.

Viki Pickard



GTEC 2010 BOARD NOMINEES

Voting Ballot Instructions

Please vote. Each community member (those completing the 3-day weekend) is entitled to submit one ballot, one time only. Ballots are available in this newsletter, at Gatherings, by E-mail, and by download from our web site at <http://www.goldentriangleemmaus.org>.

Ballot by Gatherings: Ballots are available at the community Gatherings on August 21st at Wesley United Methodist Church in Beaumont and September 18th at the Aldersgate in Port Arthur. Request a ballot, complete it and place it in the voting box at the Gathering.

Ballot by E-mail: Submit your votes to Johnna4700@yahoo.com.

Ballot by Snail mail to: GTEC, PO Box 7566, Beaumont, TX 77726

PLEASE SUBMIT ONLY ONE BALLOT ONE TIME.

Voting will be open from August 21, 2010 until September 30, 2010. Ballots received after September 30, 2010 will not be counted.

2010 BOARD NOMINEES

MEN – VOTE FOR 3

HARRY CRONK
 JOHNNY JOHNSON
 STEVE MENARD
 GEORGE MIDGET
 ZIM MORRIS
 ROBERT MOXLEY
 MIKE NEIL

WOMEN – VOTE FOR 3

KALLAUGHA CONN
 RAMONA GUILLORY
 KATHY MCEWEN
 DONNA WINDHORST

Community Spiritual Director

Rick Sitton, 755-4403

Asst. Comm. Spiritual Director

Mark Pederson, 769-2878

Community Lay Director

Gage Barker, 866-1099

Asst. Comm. Lay Director

Don Sample, 899-1650

Secretary

Cindy Deranger, 786-4282

Treasurer/Pre-Emmaus

Esther Daniels, 790-2969

Community Support

Richard Breedlove, 755-7508

Purchasing & Properties

Rick Davis, 753-3581

Gatherings

Kenny Comeaux, 769-9129

Music

Russell Cardwell, 466-5366

Chrysalis

Leigh Waldrep, 550-1218

Pilgrim Registrar

Sandy Wilson, 670-6153

Teams Registrar

Liz Sheffield, 727-7801

Team Selection

Liz Sheffield, 727-7801 (women)

Brian Blevins, 363-0187 (men)

Chair of Internet & Technology

Johnna Cormier, 626-2897

Training

John Shepherd, 962-5993 (men)

Ramona Guillory, 626-1821 (women) (Chair)

Facilities

Tom Crump, 281-1649

Diversity

Debbie Daly, 313-1008

Group Reunions/Follow-up

Jesslyn Mayfield, 898-2139

Agape

Curtis Lisenby, 397-4069

Prayer Vigil (Chair)

Theresa Cowart, 735-9232

Newsletter & Publicity

Linda Morris, 626-4113

Cindy Granger, 337-515-1391

Come Join Us at the Gathering!!!

By Don Sample

What do you think of when you hear or read about the Golden Triangle Emmaus Community? Hopefully you think of relationship, because when we say we are a community, in effect we are saying we are in relationship with others who also are a part of the community. Relationships take work, and one of the features of the Walk to Emmaus, which helps us build the relationships in the community, is the follow-up after the walk. Through group reunions, community gatherings and team service we meet Christians we never knew before, and we renew our friendships with those we have known a long time and with whom we have served.

Our next opportunity to build the community is the gathering at Wesley United Methodist Church in Beaumont, August 21st. Dust off your name-tag and join in the gathering – food, fun, fellowship, and gathering in the name of the Lord is a great way to spend a Saturday evening. Call someone you know through Emmaus, maybe someone you have not seen for a while and invite them. Come meet the men who have just finished Walk #127. Renew your relationships and your community.

Be there or be square. I'll plan to see you there!

De Colores
Don Sample

Women's Walk #128 Lay Director

By Cindy Deranger

How do you measure the success of a walk? I could start off by echoing what every Lay Director before me has said. It was an awesome experience and the pilgrims got it! With that being said.....

The attacks on this team began long before the walk ever started. This team stood firm and fast! They were up to the task of making sure the pilgrims had the experience of their lives. This was the most awesome team that I have ever worked with and I am not saying it because I was the Lay Director, I am saying it because it was true. It was so blessed by this group of women and it was my honor to serve with them.

Wow! These pilgrims knocked my socks off! By the first talk they were so into it. They literally took the ball and ran. I saw them let go of hurts and pain and leave with smiles on their faces. All pilgrims spoke at closing and we had about 80% come to the follow up meeting. Several reunion groups have already been formed and many new fourth day are planning on working future walks. They had a glow about them and they left this weekend knowing that Jesus loves them. So if you measure success by this, then yes, it was a success!!

Cindy Deranger

Chrysalis Community



Greetings from the Chrysalis Community!

Chrysalis is a 3-day retreat during the month of June that aims to impact high school aged youth. The weekend focuses around helping teens become more like Christ and learn to include Him in their everyday life. “Chrysalis was an amazing experience,” Taylor VanDevender said. “It taught me that love is the easiest way to reach someone and that God understands when I make silly mistakes, but He loves me anyway.” Chrysalis is open to all youth between the ages of 15 and 18, or from exiting 9th grade to exiting 12th grade. It is NOT too early to register a caterpillar! Please prayerfully consider sponsoring sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, or other teenagers that you know. We also need team members for the flights! The girls’ flight is June 11-14 and boys’ flight is June 18-21. To sponsor a caterpillar, apply to serve on the team, or just learn more about Chrysalis; please visit our website at <http://goldentrianglechrysalis.org/>.

2011 Chrysalis Flight Dates

(Open to youth who have finished 9th grade to new high graduates, 15-18)

We are in need of Team Members and Butterflies!!!

Girl’s Flight #29 June 9-12 LD – Sherry Leger

Boy’s Flight #30 June 23-26 LD – Russell Cardwell

Kairos of Texas

By Kairos

Kairos of Texas ... to bring Christ's love and forgiveness to all incarcerated individuals, their families and those who work with them, and to assist in the transition of becoming a productive citizen. To learn more...

<http://thebamfordgroup.com/kairos/>



*Kairos Prison Ministry
Texas Chapter*



Epiphany Ministry, Inc...

By Sherry Boutte

Epiphany Ministry, Inc. ...

is an ecumenical Christian Ministry for young men and women who are in the custody of Juvenile Justice Facilities. To learn more...

<http://www.epiphanyministry.com/>

The mission statement of Epiphany Ministry, Inc. is:

**"TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE TO
INCARCERATED JUVENILES."**

Upcoming Epiphany Weekend:

We will be having an Epiphany weekend August 26-29th. The Lay Director will be Tim Rouen. We will need prayer support and wall agape. We cannot do a weekend without prayer. If anyone would like to donate green agape we would greatly appreciate it. It cost around \$125.00 per youth. We don't have pilgrim fees as Emmaus does. Our green



Agape comes strictly from donations only. So if you would like to be a part of this blessing you can give your green agape to the contact information as follows:

You may mail it to:
P. O. Box 2003
Vidor, Texas 77670-2004

Or contact:

Paul or Sherry Boutte
[www.srboutte59@yahoo.com](mailto:srboutte59@yahoo.com)

If you would like to attend closing for Epiphany #7 it will be Sunday, August 29th at 3pm. Please contact Paul or Sherry Boutte with your driver's license number so you can be put on the list for entry.

God Always provides our needs.
Praise and Honor to Him and Him above.
UAC Chair: Sherry Boutte
UAC Liaison: Paul Boutte

2010 Dates – Walks, Gatherings & Board Meetings



2010 Walks

Men's Walk	#130	Sept. 23-26	Rick Carruth, LD
Women's Walk	#131	Oct. 14-17	Sharon Mannino, LD

2011 Walks

Men's Walk	#132	Jan. 27-30	Harry Cronk
Women's Walk	#133	Feb. 24-27	Johnna Cormier
Women's Walk	#134	July 28-31	Liz Sheffield
Men's Walk	#135	Sept. 22-25	John Shepherd
Women's Walk	#136	Oct. 20-23	Cindy Granger

2010 Gatherings

Aug. 21 at [Wesley United Methodist Church](#), 3810 N. Major Drive Beaumont, TX 77713

Sept. 18 at [Aldersgate Trinity United Methodist Church](#), 3600 Memorial Blvd, Port Authur, TX 77642

Oct. 16 TBA

Nov. 20 at [St. Paul's United Methodist Church](#), 1155 West Round Bunch Rd., Bridge City, TX 77611

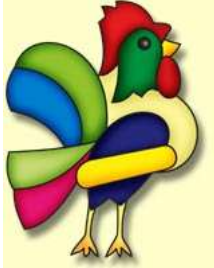


2010 GTEC Board Meetings

All Board Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month. All are welcome to attend.

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We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

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Remember team applications need to be turned in at least 4 months prior to the walk.

4th Day come out and support the walks:

Send Off – Thursday, 6pm
Candlelight – Saturday, 8pm
Closing – Sunday, 4pm

Gatherings are usually held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at various churches. Snack supper is at 6:00pm – bring your family and your food. Worship follows at 7:00pm. Everyone is invited to gatherings! PLEASE attend the gatherings – we have reformatted the event so that there is less talk and more worship, music & praise!!!

Check the website as well for updates on upcoming gatherings.

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