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Perth Emmaus
Community Newsletter – March 2018

COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Well here we are at the beginning of March 2018 and into the final leg before the 2018 Emmaus Walks. Our Team Commissioning will be held on 17th March at 7:30pm at the Willetton Reformed Church, please come along as we hold the teams up to stand on behalf of the Perth Emmaus Community.

Men's Walk #63 – Advent Park, Kalamunda

- Candlelighting – 8pm on 19th May
- Closing - 3pm on 20th May

Ladies Walk #64– Advent Park, Kalamunda

- Candlelighting – 8pm 26th May
- Closing - 3pm on 27th May

This year's Men's Walk is a very important one, as you may know the Perth Emmaus Board had the unenviable task of cancelling last year's Walk due to lack of numbers, so please do everything you can to sponsor a Pilgrim. If you have any questions about sponsoring a Pilgrim, contact me or any of the other Perth Emmaus Board members or speak to the person that sponsored you.

If finances are a problem, please contact myself or the Community Spiritual Director (Peter Johnstone). There is a fund to support those that are financially battling to attend the Walks, and everything will be kept highly confidential.

On a personal note the beginning of this year has not been that smooth, having had some surgery, then losing two of my close family members, one through a long-term illness and one (21 years old) through a vehicle accident. The silver lining to all of this has been the overwhelming amount of support both Jenny and I have received from our Emmaus family. A quick recovery for me from my surgery and back at work within 4 weeks instead of the 6 weeks suggested by the surgeons has really shown the strength of prayer, so a big thank you to all.

One last thing I would like to do is thank Madeleine Read as the outgoing Perth Emmaus Community Lay Director. Madeleine has left big shoes for me to fill. Madeleine is always there and ready to help or to do the job. Thanks Madeleine. To the other Board members who have stepped down after many years of service on the Board, Eric and Joy Loughton plus Janice Burdinat, we thank you for the time and effort you have given to the Perth Emmaus Community.

Please can you consider if you would be able to help the Perth Emmaus Board, we are in need of a few more people to join the Board, the roles that are available are varied and I am sure that we can find a place for you on the Board. Please contact me if you are considering this great opportunity to work in the background and further the work of Emmaus in Perth.

Please keep the upcoming Walks in your prayers, pray for the Pilgrims that are attending and the Team that will be serving them.

De Colores
Ben Bothma
Perth Emmaus Community Lay Director

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UPCOMING GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

Saturday March 17 - 7:30pm	Willetton Christian Church Portcullis Drive, Willetton	hosted by Willetton Warriors and the Board post Orientation gathering
Sunday April 28 - 7:30pm	St Stephens Uniting Church corner Mackenzie St & Kishorn Road Applecross	hosted by Peel Pilgrims
Saturday May 19 – 8pm	Advent Park 345 Kalamunda Road, Maida Vale	Men's Walk #63 Candlelighting
Sunday May 20 – 3pm	Advent Park 345 Kalamunda Road, Maida Vale	Men's Walk #63 Closing Ceremony
Saturday May 26 – 8pm	Advent Park 345 Kalamunda Road, Maida Vale	Women's Walk #64 Candlelighting
Sunday May 27 – 3pm	Advent Park 345 Kalamunda Road, Maida Vale	Women's Walk #64 Closing Ceremony
Saturday June 16 – 6pm	TBA Shared Dinner & Gathering	Post Walk Gathering hosted by the Board

REUNION GROUP NEWS

WILLETTON WARRIORS

Willetton Warriors is a Reunion Group which meets on the first Monday of each month. We meet at the home of Kevin and Julie Marshall at 5 Corsair Drive, Willetton, starting at 7.30pm.

We encourage each other in the areas of prayer, study and action as per the Reunion Card, and pray for one another and the wider work of Emmaus.

We then have a light supper while making Agape gifts for the next Perth Walks, Chrysalis Flights and Great Southern Walks. We are usually finished by 9.15pm, but we are free to leave as we need to.

We welcome new members (male and female) to join us for fellowship.

HILLBILLIES

The Hillbillies have started the year again with a reunion at the lovely home of Anne & John Steed, it has improved our attendances by being able to hold our meetings at the same venue.

We meet on the First Monday of every month, and when we are all there we have 25, we average probably 10 - 14, and this is a really great time of prayer discussion & Fellowship.

We look forward to once again going to York on the long weekend in June, to share in fellowship with the group up there.

God Bless
De Colores
Heather Haggerty
Hillbillies Co-ordinator

OTHER REUNION GROUP CONTACTS

The Mighty Midwest

Meeting once a month in the Geraldton area
Contact Anne Ashby anne.ashby56@gmail.com

Peel Pilgrims

Meet 2pm Sundays once a month 2pm
Contact Eric and Joy Loughton
ericjoy1@tpg.com.au

Southern Lights – Canning Vale

Meet in different homes once a month.
Contact laverne.volmink@gmail.com

PRAYER VIGIL

The prayer vigils are an essential component of each year's walks. Please consider praying for the pilgrims and teams during our upcoming walks, by using the following links to sign-up for half-hour prayer slots. You can sign-up for as many as you are able to!

Men's: http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pv_id=14543&commid=884

Women's: http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pv_id=14544&commid=884

Also, if you are willing to help with other prayer vigils around the world, send an email to perthemmausprayer@gmail.com and I'll forward requests for prayer support as we receive them.

De Colores
Steve Charles

TEAM SELECTION

I praise God for bringing together two great conference room teams for Walks 63 and 64. Now we need support teams, some to stay on site for the whole walk. Some who will come for specific periods. The dates are May 17-20 and May 24-27

The support teams are generally voluntary and full of fellowship and fun as we see the pilgrims embracing the rhythm of the Walks as led by the Holy Spirit.

If you can help with setting up on Thursday or clearing up on Sunday, that will be particularly useful as the Walk teams by Sunday are tired. Help is needed in serving each meal, clearing tables, washing up and resetting tables, supplying goodies, (some gluten free) for morning and afternoon teas and serving, keeping bathrooms clean and tidy, decorating the dining room and serving the special meal on Sat. evening and attending candlelighting, as well as helping with other needs as they arise.

If you are able to serve, for the whole walk or specific times, please let me know at gemread@iinet.net.au, kajmarshall@yahoo.com or 9332 1396

De Colores
Madeleine Read

SPONSORSHIP

The march of time before this year's walks is turning into a gallop there being only 11 weeks before the men's walk and twelve before the women's walk.

The teams are ready for their orientation this weekend and all systems are go. There is only one thing missing. WE NEED PILGRIMS.

There is still time to approach those people that you have thought about who could benefit from being a pilgrim. There is still time to look at those around you and to prayerfully consider sponsoring them.

Remember that this is a gift in God's grace to a person and that you are the one who can pass this gift on to them.

With these things in mind I encourage you to redouble your efforts and approach people who you feel will benefit from the Walk experience and go on to contribute even greater things to our task of extending the Kingdom of God here on Earth.

To get an application form for the walk, please follow this link

<http://www.perth.emmaus.org.au/application-forms>

If this is not your thing please feel free to contact me and I will find another way for you to get what you need.

Just in case you missed it last newsletter I can be contacted on 0428 855 632 or at tyrie@arach.net.au.

De Colores
Barry Tyrie

FACEBOOK

Did you know that the Perth Emmaus Community is on Facebook? You can join our group by doing a search, or click on this link

www.facebook.com/groups/perthemmaus

Join today to be part of the discussion, encourage one another and share your Emmaus experiences.

Gareth Stafford
Facebook Administrator

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AGAPE

Can I ask all who are making some beautiful agape, to please let me know what you are producing so we can start to get organised and work out appropriate timing for its distribution during the walks. Again, may I remind you that we need 50 of each item to enable distribution in the most suitable location, as in several places we do not know whether the spot is occupied by a team member or pilgrim and so cannot differentiate.

Remember to organize the letter Agape for your Pilgrim. A maximum of 12 letters is recommended. Please ensure your pilgrims full name is on the envelope, not mum, dad etc. Get these to Advent Park, to the prayer Directors or the Agape Room by the Saturday night.

Also, those of you with gardens, now in May I know there aren't many flowers abounding in our gardens then, but can you please consider any flowers that you may be able to provide for decoration of the conference room, chapel and dining room on the Walks. This is always very appreciated, and is needed for both the Men's and the Ladies walks.

Many thanks in anticipation,

Heather Haggerty

GREAT SOUTHERN COMMUNITY EVENTS

March 24th
Shared Lunch and Gathering – Kojonup
12pm

June 16th
Shared Lunch and Gathering Merredin
12pm

July 20th-22nd
Walk Training and Commissioning
Kobeelya Katanning

August 16th-19th
Mens Walk Candlelighting and Closing Service
Kobeelya Katanning

August 23rd-26th Womens Walk Candlelighting and Closing Service
Kobeela Katanning

Further info, please contact John Eva 0487777415

MEN'S WALK 63

The Lords blessing on each of you this day and praise God we have a full team for Men's Walk #63.

Peter Johnstone has emailed me to advise that he will take on the role of Spiritual Director and that he has also managed to find another Assistant Spiritual Director, Les Marshall, who is an Ordained Deacon in the Anglican Church. Peter also advised that he will get a clergy speaker to come in for the fifth talk. On behalf of the team I'd like to thank Peter for his efforts in this matter.

As I sit at my work table this morning I am contemplating the journey we've all been on for the last nearly two years and thinking about the ups and downs we've all experienced in that time. I am reminded that for each defeat there has been a corresponding victory to give thanks and praise for and now is typical of that.

So, as we go forward I am confident that no matter the outcome it will be to His glory and purpose and my task is to simply to try to respond to the leading of the Holy Spirit and to serve Him.

Brothers and sisters in Christ as we begin the real work of this Walk to Emmaus may I encourage you to, as our prayer director Barry has asked, pray for the team in general and bring forward any matters or concerns for which special prayers are needed. I'd also ask you to pray for the pilgrims our gracious Lord will entrust to us.

God bless sisters and brothers as we prepare to set out on this journey with Him. Deuteronomy 7:9 says "Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments"

De Colores

Alf Standen



LADIES WALK #64

The greatest commandment is to

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength".

the second is this, "Love your neighbour as yourself" there is no greater commandment than these. MARK 12:30 – 31

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever

To be the Lay director of Walk 64 I see as an honour and a blessing, to be able to see who God wants on his team, can seem rather daunting at times, I found that by continually praying for his leading and guidance and patience has been what has got me through thus far. I pray that God will continue to lovingly guide all that have accepted his call, and give them the courage and strength to see it through, to receive the blessings that abound from being on Team.

TEAM MEMBERS

Lay Director - Heather Haggerty

Spiritual Director - Peter Johnstone

Assistant Lay Directors - Jenny Jay, Cathie O'Dea, Sunu Rozario, Joy Loughton

Assistant Spiritual Directors - TBC

Table Leaders - Anne Ashby, Mary Roberts,

Michelle Bunn, Natalie Kay

Assistant Table Leaders - Roslyn Twine, Dawn

Timmerman, Michelle Ernstzen, Dee Fletcher,

Janet Little

Prayer Directors - Joy How, Bruce How

Musical Directors - May Thomas, Narelle

Goodall, Marlese Classen

Now we all know who is on Team, we can pray knowing that God will be working alongside each and every one of us, to do his work lovingly and prayerfully.

We must all now make sure there are enough Pilgrims for God to further his work through Emmaus.

God Bless

De Colores

Heather Haggerty