

Wasatch Front Walk to Emmaus

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The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders.

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CALENDAR EVENTS

- July 15 Gathering—Aldersgate UMC, Brigham City, UT
- September 16 Gathering—Grace Community Bible Church, Sandy, UT
- November 18 Gathering—Community UMC, Ogden, UT



UPCOMING EVENTS

[CLICK HERE FOR CALENDAR](#)

Our Next Gathering will be July 15, 2017 from 3pm— 5pm

Location: Aldersgate United Methodist Church
[235 E. 850 S, Brigham City, UT 84302](#)

Please plan to attend. We will be having a wonderful message on God's Grace and time of fellowship. Please bring a fellow brother or sister in Christ to join us.



EXTRA! EXTRA!

Western Regional Leader Rick Hornbeck to speak at July Gathering.

Please join us for this special event as Rick gives an encouraging talk specific to the Wasatch Front Walk To Emmaus group.

July 15, 2017 from 3:00-5:00pm at Aldersgate United Methodist Church

[235 E. 850 S, Brigham City, UT 84302](#)

OUR DAILY BREAD!

John 3:16-17 (NASB) - ¹⁶“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. “

The Lord's Table



REMEMBRANCE...

"Do this in Remembrance of Me." These are the words of Jesus to his Disciples at the Last Supper. Remembering His words..

We all sometimes lose our focus when we are caught up in our daily lives. It is so easy to be overwhelmed with work, family and the day-to-day grind of life.

John 15:4-5 tells us; "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Abide in Greek is *menō*. It is often translated

as "Remain". This verse is speaking about our relationship with Christ Jesus. We have our role as He has His role. We are the branch and depend on Him to bear fruit. He must Remain in us for us to grow.

As we focus and depend on God, we become fruitful in His purpose. Taking time each day from our busy life to refocus on Christ makes us more Christ-like. The fruit we bear is the fruit of the vine; God's fruit!

As we grow in our faith and dependence on our Lord, we are changed and equipped to serve those around us in Grace and Truth.

~ De Colores

Romans 12:5 "So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another."

PRAYER NEEDED...

Please let us know of anything you would like the community to pray for.

Please send Prayer Requests and Gratitude messages with the subject EMMAUS PRAYER to:

wasatchemmaus@gmail.com

See the South Africa Prayer needs in "Grace Around the World"

Thank you for your prayers for 95-year old Morrie Whitlock (Pam Ford's father). He had been seriously ill and was hospitalized. Last Friday Morrie came home, fed the barn cats, and mowed an acre of grass! Apparently he is doing much better!

FOURTH DAY!

Romans 12:5 states; "So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another."

For those who have not taken the opportunity to become part of a Forth Day group, we encourage you to do so. Much of our success as disciples and as Christians relies on fellowship.

Through fellowship, we are able to continue to grow and to encourage others in their walk.



Remain Focused

FOURTH DAY GROUPS: (If one will not work, or your group is not listed, please contact Paul at wasatchemmaus@gmail.com.)

Men's:

Wednesdays 7am—Left Fork Grill (68 W 3900 S , Salt Lake) - Dennis 435-512-2186

Friday 7am—Dee's Restaurant (4700 S Redwood Rd, Kearns) -

Saturdays (2nd&4th) 9am—10am—Community UMC 163 W 4800 S Ogden 84405 - Gary 970-371-5129

Women's:

Wednesday 7pm - Homes (West Jordan, So Jordan, Riverton) - Nancy 801-915-4304

Saturdays 8:30am— High Point Coffee (7800 S. 1735 W. off Redwood Rd)

Saturdays 830am—Dee's Restaurant (Washington Blvd, Ogden) - Ruth 801-547-8044

Saturdays (1st&3rd) 830am—930am—Community UMC 163 W 4800 S Ogden 84405 - Pam 801-540-3205



GRACE OF GOD

Dear friends of Emmaus,

As we gather as the Body of Christ to be the followers of Christ, we often need to be reminded of the importance of the Grace of God. It is, after all, “Amazing” as you’ve probably heard! As we talk about Grace in the Emmaus community, we talk about it in many ways but the three ways we usually discuss it are: Preventient, Justifying and Sanctifying. I wanted to remind us about the first one for this Pastor’s Corner this month.

Prevenient Grace is the gift of God’s grace being given to all people as a gift of relationship that includes salvation, reconciliation and eternal life. The word “grace” has a root meaning of the word, gift. Prevenient grace means God is present with us throughout our lives and is at work from the moment we begin to be until the time we accept for ourselves the love and relationship that God offers us in Jesus, the Christ. The term, preventient, comes from the Latin word that means, “to come before”.

It is God wooing us and drawing us closer to God’s Will and love. God created us and from the very beginning God wants us to know how much God loves us and cares for us. God wants us to know that we are valuable and important.

Every time I hear about the high suicide rate in Utah for teenagers or the abuse of others or the pain of feeling “invisible” for the homeless, I wonder what would happen if they all were told that God loves them so much that God is seeking them out to let them know they are his children? Would someone consider suicide if they knew they were a special “child of God”? Would they be as willing to abuse others if they remembered that God created them special and they were loved by God just like we are? Would they be treated as “invisible” if we remembered that God wants them in God’s life?

The fact that God is seeking us to share the love that God has even before we know about that love is a reminder that we all must be pretty special to the Creator of the Universe! “God doesn’t make junk!” is a phrase we hear often but do we live as if we believe it? If we truly believed this, would there be homelessness when we knew they were our brothers and sisters? Would there be poverty? Would there be crime or murder or a multitude of other things? Maybe! I just can’t help but think that it’s much easier to hurt or harm others when we think they’re totally different from us than when we believe we have much more in common with them!?! Won’t it make a difference in how we treat others if we see them as fellow valuable creations of the same God?

I’m also reminded that I am a human being who makes mistakes. Romans 3:23 reminds me that, “All sin and fall short of the glory of God.” We all make mistakes and one of the greatest mistakes is to not recognize our own value or to not recognize the innate value of everyone else that God has created! I could be wrong about another person and determine that they are either “good or bad” but God never makes a mistake. God sees everyone as a unique creation of God that is worthy of being determined to be, “very good”!

Prevenient Grace reminds us of God’s love AND our unique valuableness! Praise God!

Love,

Gary

SPONSORSHIP

HOW DO WE SPONSOR?

1. Pray for the person’s openness to God’s call to discipleship, not for how to get him or her to go on a walk.
2. Make an appointment with the person or couple for the person of discussing participating in Emmaus.
3. Extend an invitation; invite the prospective pilgrim to attend for the sake of a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ, not just an event to go to. Share your faith; explain the basic elements of the Walk, its’ purpose, and follow-up dimensions that help us live in grace for the rest of our lives. Take the attitude that you are giving the person a wonderful gift rather than that he or she needs to go.
4. Ask the person to make a commitment by filling out the registration form. If the person is married, speak with both partners and encourage equal commitment by both.
5. Continue to pray for your prospective pilgrim, prepare agape letters, and enlist the support of their pastor. Collect 8-12 personal agape letters. Do not ask the team to deliver personal gifts during the three days. Mark an “F” on the immediate family letters for them to be read first.
6. Support the Walk through your prayers during the 72-Hour Prayer Vigil and your presence at Send Off, Sponsors’ Hour, Candlelight, and Closing. Support the pilgrim’s family by house sitting, baby sitting, watering plants, picking up mail, feeding pets, or just checking in with a spouse to see if any help is needed.
7. Encourage the pilgrim in his or her Fourth Day involvement. Give your friend an opportunity to talk through and appropriate the experience. Help the pilgrim find a group, or be prepared to start a group with him or her for a period of time until others join the group. Take the pilgrim to Gatherings as your guest for a couple of months.
8. Help the pilgrim reenter his or her church and consider ways to act out new commitment and enthusiasm.
9. Inform the pilgrim reenter his or her church and consider ways to act out new commitment and enthusiasm.
10. Help the pilgrim sponsor others

Sponsorship is an act of love for God, for the pilgrims, for the Emmaus community, and for the church. It demonstrates agape love, making us instruments of preventient grace.



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TID-BITS

Our Perspective and Attitude Create Our Reality...

Worst Day Ever?
By Chanie Gorkin

Today was the absolute worst day ever
And don't try to convince me that
There's something good in every day
Because, when you take a closer look,
This world is a pretty evil place.

Even if
Some goodness does shine through
Once in a while
Satisfaction and happiness don't last.
And it's not true that
It's all in the mind and heart
Because
True happiness can be attained
Only if one's surroundings are good
It's not true that good exists
I'm sure you can agree that
The reality
Creates
My attitude
It's all beyond my control
And you'll never in a million years hear me say
Today was a very good day

Now read it from bottom
to top, the other way,
And see what I really feel
about my day.

Book of Romans

Dallas Theological Seminary is one of the premier Christian schools in America. Did you know you have access to free on-line courses offered by DTS?

The current offering is an 6-week course on the book of Romans. The courses put you right in the classroom but you can study at your own pace.

Click the following link to register for the class:

[Register for Romans Free](#)

GRACE AROUND THE WORLD!

Good evening Wasatch Front Emmaus

I greet you in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. May His blessings abide with you and all your Emmaus/Chrysalis communities.



Cape of Good Hope Emmaus Community, South Africa's next girls Chrysalis Flight no 31, will be held from **14-16 July 2017**, the next boys Chrysalis Flight no 32, will be held from **21-23 July 2017**, the next mens Walk to Emmaus, Walk 86, will be held from **07-10 September 2017** and the next ladies Walk to Emmaus, Walk 87, from **14-17 September 2017**.

I am reaching out to other Emmaus/Chrysalis Communities to request them to:

1. fill 3 or more half-hour prayer slots on our Prayer Vigils which could be found on the website links below and to
2. send us Agape letters to our Butterflies on Flights 31 and 31 and to our Pilgrims on Walks 86 and 87 from your Emmaus/Chrysalis communities.

Girls Chrysalis Flight 31: <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=13576&commid=916>

Boys Chrysalis Flight 32: <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=13577&commid=916>

Mens Walk 86: <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=13575&commid=1061>

Ladies Walk 87: <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=13574&commid=1061>

Please let us take hands and pray for the butterflies/pilgrims on these walks.

Thank you and God bless.

Love you in Jesus name.

De Colores
Retha Wiid

Table Esther, Walk 65, Cape of Good Hope Emmaus Community, South Africa

FROM THE BOARD

Board Goals for 2017

1. Include more Clergy from outside our present community to attend and participate in future Walks to Emmaus.
2. The community should provide a schedule for monthly meetings which should provide six months in advance of future Walks to Emmaus.
3. Investigate the possibility of using a Conference Center to house and feed future Walks to Emmaus.
4. Receive and listen to objections of past participants of the last walk.
5. Communicate better within the Walk to Emmaus community, pilgrims, Clergy, and volunteers.
6. Reach out to get broader participation from non-denominational and other mainline Christian Churches.

These goals were discussed and it was agreed the Communications and Planning actions must start right away for the Walk to Emmaus for 2018.



“Western Regional Leader Rick Hornbeck to speak at July Gathering”

FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR



Rick Hornbeck

Western Regional Leader Rick Hornbeck to speak at July Gathering.

Mark your calendar and set aside the date for a special afternoon of fellowship and a special guest speaker.

Rick Hornbeck has been the Western Regional Leader for the Walk to Emmaus since April 2016. Although Rick is relatively new to this position, he has been involved in the Walk to Emmaus movement since he went on his Walk in October 1997.

Rick has held many lead positions on Walk Weekends, as well as served on his local Community's Board of Directors for about 8 years. He has been married to his lovely wife Beth for over 34 years and has two grown sons.

Rick recently retired from a large water and wastewater utility in the San Francisco Bay Area where he worked as a financial analyst. Since retirement, Rick and Beth have moved to Capitola, CA, a small coastal town on Monterey Bay. They spend their days walking along the beach and enjoying the beauty of God's creation.

Rick is still active in his local Emmaus Community and cites his Walk to Emmaus experience as one of the most profound and influential experiences on his Christian life. He looks forward to meeting you all in person on July 15.

This will be a great opportunity to invite a friend to join us from 3pm-5pm July 15, 2017 at [Aldersgate UMC](#) in Brigham City.

Peace be with you!

Phil Evans

Wasatch Front Lay Director

