

Wasatch Front Walk to Emmaus

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Wasatch Front Emmaus News!

The Goal for this newsletter is to promote and encourage growth. Growth in our relationship with God, with others and as a community.



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Upcoming Events

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DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
03/10/2018 New Date	Training Session #2	9 AM to 5 PM	Community UMC
03/24/2018	Training Session #3	9 AM to 5 PM	Hilltop UMC
04/13/2018	Short Script Review	6 PM to 8 PM	To be determined
04/14/2018	Training Session #4	9 AM to 5 PM	Community UMC
04/26/2018	Teams arrive;	Noon	Big Canyon Ranch
04/26/2018	Men's Walk Commissioning	5:30 PM	Big Canyon Ranch
04/26-29, 2018	Men's Walk	7 PM (Pilgrims Arrive)	Big Canyon Ranch
05/03/2018	Teams arrive;	Noon	Big Canyon Ranch
05/03/2018	Women's Walk Commission-	5:30 PM	Big Canyon Ranch
05/03-06/2018	Women's Walk	7 PM (Pilgrims Arrive)	Big Canyon Ranch



SPECIAL EDITION!

This edition is dedicated to the upcoming walks

We are so **EXCITED** to offer our pilgrims a wonderful atmosphere to attend the 2018 Wasatch Front Walk to Emmaus.

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CALENDAR EVENTS

- **Training Session #3**
March 24— Hilltop UMC

WALK SCRIPTURE!

Women's—Ephesians 4:1-2

"I, therefore (Paul), the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to live (and serve) in a way that is worthy of the calling to which you have been called, demonstrating all expressions of humility, gentleness, and patience, accepting one another in love."

Men's -Matthew 22:36-40

³⁶ "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ And He said to him, "YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND." ³⁸ This is the great and [a]foremost commandment. ³⁹ The second is like it, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.' ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

REMEMBRANCE... *Remembering His words..*

“Do this in Remembrance of Me.”

*The Lord's
Table*



*These are the words of
Jesus to his Disciples at
the Last Supper.*

Lay Director's Vision for 2018 Walk

The following was presented as food for thought for the Women's Walks as it pertains to the support team's:

The vision for this walk is found in **Philippians 2:5-7**, *In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.*

It is my belief that in life and especially on this walk, we are to take on the role of servant, putting our pilgrim's needs ahead of our own; ahead of the schedule; ahead of the surprises we have in store for them; ahead of what our expectations for them might be. We are to serve them with the fruits of the spirit found in Galatians 5:22. We are to serve them with **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control** (and I would add **flexibility!**). In addition to our pilgrims, we must remember those words while serving with one another. I look forward to working with you all in this community; we've grown closer over the past three trainings, and it promises to be an exciting, moving weekend! I look forward to serving these pilgrims as they experience firsthand through our servant hood, the love that God has for his children and the love demonstrated through his son, Jesus Christ!

De Colores!

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PRAYER NEEDED...

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

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

wasatchemmaus@gmail.com

Prayer

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Michelle Wood on March 5th. Michelle has been an active member in our community and a member at Community UMC and will be greatly missed. Please pray for Michell's family. We can celebrate her reunion with our Lord and Savior but her presence here with us will be greatly missed.

Please continue to pray for Pilgrims, sponsors and those who will be serving in the 2018 Walk. We are in the planning stages and pray for the hearts of the community to be moved to serve.

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 (1st&3rd) 8:30am—9:30am—Community UMC 163 W 4800 S Ogden 84405 - Pam 801-540-3205



GO INTO THE WORLD

We have less than six weeks before our first walk in two years. Praise God! Amen? Amen!

The numbers look good for this to be a go. There is much to be thankful for! Speakers are getting lined up. Donations are coming in to help with scholarships. There is indeed much to have an attitude of gratitude.

Yes, but there is still much to do.

I want to commend all in the community to keep thinking about whom to invite to the walk. We are invited in Mark 16: 15 to “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.” Notice the verbs – go and proclaim. What is not there are the verbs – wait and answer.

Go and proclaim are active verbs: verbs in motion. And the good news in Mark is a mandate for all of us to go and proclaim. Not just those who are extroverts and marketers.

I operate from a theology that all of us have a calling to be answer God’s call for us to be part of the labor force to help Jesus with the harvest (Matthew 9: 37-38).

I also operate from a belief that many have no real idea what it might look like to be unconditionally loved by others around them. Yes, there is a lot of good information shared at Emmaus, but I think one of the primary purposes is to shower pilgrims with Grace, more Grace than they ever had reason to believe existed.

In the movie *Charlie*, developed from the novella, *Flowers for Algernon*, the question is asked: “How much is enough love?” The answer is “less than anybody gives, less than anybody gets.”

The world needs more love in it. The person you have not invited might just be the person who needs to experience three days of unconditional love. Go and proclaim that!

Dennis Shaw, Spiritual Director, Men’s Walk

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.

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 prevenient grace.



New Website

The Wasatch Front WTE is in the process of making [website changes](#).

PLEASE VISIT THE SITE AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO:

wasatchemmaus@gmail.com

Musical Resources Needed

If you have wanted to learn guitar and work towards becoming a musical resource, please contact **Susan Jelus**. She is offering guitar lessons to teach songs and cords.

susanjelus@gmail.com

Tid Bit

What Does It Mean to Be Godly?

"And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8)

Being godly means living a life that pleases God—acting justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with him. The key, though, is the walking part. It's only when we walk with God in a relationship with him that we're able to do what's right and love others. As we spend time getting to know him, he changes us. The change comes as we see how awesome God is and how we, with all our imperfections, pale in comparison. It comes as we learn that God became a man—Jesus Christ—just so he could die a painful death to save us from our sin. And what is our response? Amazement? Gratitude? Yes, but it has to be more than that. God wants us to be totally devoted to him, in much the same way you probably dream about being devoted to a husband or wife. Because of your love for that person, you'll want to spend time with them and you'll do nice things for them—not because you have to, but because you really want to. When we have this kind of devotion to God, the things we do for him won't be a chore to dread. They will become something you look forward to doing. Not only will that be more pleasing to God, you'll like it better too!

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GRACE AROUND THE WORLD!

We are disciples



Love One Another.

John 13:35—"By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

What a wonderful opportunity we have to express our love for fellow men and women in Christ. An opportunity that comes about but once a year.

Think back on your Walk to Emmaus experience. Imagine for a moment your greatest joy during that weekend, and when you realized that you were experiencing something very special.

Now imagine bringing that GIFT of LOVE to another believer. What a joy to be blessed with that opportunity.

We are quickly approaching 2 very special weekends and ask you to prayerfully consider sponsoring and/or serving our brothers and sisters. **DO NOT LET MONEY BE AN OBSTACLE.**

Please reach out to Paul or Roni to become involved.

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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.

“Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.” --Philippians 4:8

DWELL ON THESE THINGS



Last weekend, Roger Waite, said “We should guard our hearts against being prideful.” I apologize, Roger, if I have badly paraphrased you. His comment reminded me that right now, we must prepare our hearts to *serve others with humility as the walks rapidly approach*.

John 13 describes that remarkable act of humility when Jesus kneels before his disciples and washes their feet. The washing of feet was a necessity in Jesus’ time. People wore sandals on their feet and the dusty roads of the region made foot washing pretty close to imperative. This task sounds pretty unpleasant, and was usually the role of a slave.

While John doesn’t record it, the foot washing followed a discussion in which the disciples were trying to determine who among them was the greatest! (See Luke 22:24–30).

It was then that Jesus wrapped a towel around His waist, went to his knees, and began to wash the feet of His disciples. I am certain that the discussion of “who is the greatest” came to an abrupt end!



Then Jesus asks a question, “Do you understand what I have done for you? You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right to do so for so I am. *If I then, the Lord and Teacher washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.*”

What is the lesson for the disciples and for us? Jesus had humbled Himself and performed this service for them. I am convinced that the disciples learned that sacrificially meeting the needs of others is what they should do.

It is what we should do as well.

Much remains to be done so the walks are “mountain top” experiences for our pilgrims. Everyone in our community has a role in this. Will you prepare your hearts for self-sacrificing service? Is there someone you should sponsor? Will you pray? Is there some role you should embrace in working the walks or just helping with the finances? If your answer is yes, reach out to Paul or Roni today and ask what you can do, humbly and with a self-sacrificing heart.

One last thing: thanks Roger!

De Colores!
Phil
Wasatch Front Lay Director