

BRISBANE NORTH COAST
EMMAUS COMMUNITY
NEWSLETTER
August 2018

Next Gathering

When: *Saturday, 11th August 2018 – 5.30pm
(Dinner to share following the Gathering)*

Where: *Morayfield Uniting Church,
12-16 Weier Rd, Morayfield*

love to see you there!

De Colores



From our Community Lay Director

Welcome to August! In just 2 months we will be running our next set of walks. The teams are coming together slowly but surely. As always God is forming the team that will best serve the needs of the Pilgrims who will be participating. It has been encouraging to hear that there are a few newer members of our community stepping up to be involved. So that it is not just the same faithful servants putting their hand up all the time. If you would like to be involved in the walks in some way and don't get contacted please contact me either by phone (0411 88 99 55) or email (am@krosch.com.au). We would like to give all the members of our community an opportunity to be involved in the walks we run. But unfortunately some people fall through the cracks and for this I am sorry.

It is also time to start thinking about sponsoring. Without pilgrims we cannot run the walks. It causes a lot of stress and frustration for the Community Registrar and Walk Lay Directors when applications come in at the last minute. In the lead up to the last couple of walks, registrations have been so late coming in that we haven't been sure if we would be able to run the walk or not. And have even had to cancel the walks that were scheduled for Hervey Bay last year because of insufficient numbers. Cancelling a walk is an expensive exercise as we not only forfeit the deposit but the time the team has spent preparing for the walks. Late registration is also unfair on the pilgrims as it doesn't give them sufficient time to prepare for the Walk to Emmaus when the application process is rushed. So please prayerfully consider who you could sponsor,

approach them early and make sure you get their applications in before registrations close.

Finally, as the end of the year fast approaches, now is the time to consider if you would like to nominate to be a member of the board next year. The Board of the Brisbane North Coast Emmaus community is responsible for ensuring that our community continues to run smoothly. Board members are elected by the community generally for a three year term. If you would like more information about what's involved in being a board member, please ask me or any of the other board members. We will be calling for nominations for the board at the next Emmaus Gathering, Saturday 11 August at Morayfield Community Church.

Hoping to catch up with many of you at the next gathering,

De Colores

Andrew Krosch

For any prayer needs that you wish to share with the Emmaus Community, please contact our Prayer Co-ordinator, Beryl Nielsen at berylnie@gmail.com or 0438 488 843



From our Community

Spiritual Director

“Let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.” (2 Cor. 7:1)



Clearing the rubble and restoring lives

In the book of Nehemiah, we learn that the walls of Jerusalem were broken and the gates burnt. Being a true ambassador of God, the news of destruction brought great empathy to the heart of Nehemiah.

I was fascinated recently reading the reflections of Lorraine Francis, Mission Director, Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission India; and where my thinking has been after our first Face to Face Encounter and the prayer patterns that Nehemiah used to seek the Lord and enquire of Him with regard to the devastation and restoring the fortunes. As we come to reflect on the future of our Emmaus Community and where we might see Walks, Flights (in the future), and Face to Face Encounters, leading us; the description of the prayers of Nehemiah resonated:

1. Praying with compassion (Neh. 1:4): The earnest prayer of Nehemiah filled with deep compassion, was the kind of prayer that moved God’s heart.
2. Praying with repentance (Neh. 1:7): On behalf of his people, Nehemiah confessed his sins together with the sins of his people. The corruptness and disobedience against God came before his eyes and he begged for mercy.
3. Praying with remembrance (Neh. 1:8-9): Nehemiah remembered God’s faithfulness in Moses’ time. God warned the Israelites but made room for repentance if God’s people returned to Him.
4. Praying with focus (Neh. 1: 11): Nehemiah knew that his job to rebuild would not be easy. His focused prayer melted the heart of God. His prayer was a prayer of perseverance.

5. Praying with action (Neh. 2:12): Nehemiah was a man of action. He prayed but also acted upon what he wanted to do. He arose in the night with a few trusted men, keeping his goals in confidence.

As God used Nehemiah and his co-workers to rebuild the broken walls, God is using us to assist people rebuild their faith encounters through Emmaus Ministries. Yes; God is using you and me to clear the rubble that the enemy has accumulated in lives for years; even our own lives. Will you pray that the Lord will use us to help others and that we will live lives that are fruitful for all to know who our God is!

Please pray for your Board Members as they deliberate and decide on the future of Emmaus Ministries and how we move forward seeking God in this community.

De Colores

Margaret Niethé



Don't forget



The bank details for General Donations just in case you missed the Gathering and would like to contribute. Also the bank details for donations to provide Special Agape – flowers, rainbow cake, morning and afternoon teas etc.

General Donations

BSB: 334-040

A/c No: 000 0553 890 883

Walk Agape Donations

BSB 334-040

A/c No: 000 0554 465 053

Pilgrim Registration Form –

Go to www.brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au you will find “click here” for registration forms. Please register pilgrims for Walks 101 & 102 quickly, the sooner the better, the Prayer Directors can then be praying for your pilgrim by name.

Men's Walk 11 – 14 October. Women's Walk 1 – 4 November.



Men's Walk # 101

October 2018

God the Rock is at work putting together the team for Men's Walk # 101. Let continue to give Him the praise for the team He is putting together and the upcoming pilgrims.

Most of team is now in place but I am still waiting on an Asst. Table Leader, the Music Team, the Agape Team and the balance of the Spiritual Team. These I would like to have in place by the Formation Day on the 18th of August so continue to uphold us in prayer.

As I mentioned last month, Pilgrims are an essential part for any walk. Without them the walk won't go ahead so who do you know from your church family, your circle of Christian friends or acquaintances who haven't had a walk experience that would benefit from 3 day spent with God? My challenge for you is that you continue to pray for who you can sponsor for the upcoming Men's & Women's walks.

Please continue to pray for the team formation and for the pilgrims who are being called.

De Colores

Paul Fletcher (LD)



Women's Walk # 102

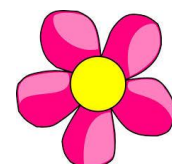
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Wow, we nearly have a full team. Thank you to those who have said yes to be on team, I am looking forward to working with you all. We still require a Senior Assistant Lay Director, Assistant Table Leader, Board Representative and one more for the Music Team.

I am looking forward to the Team Formation Day on Saturday 18 August 2018 and Team Training Days on Saturday 8 September 2018 & Sunday 9 September 2018, which are being held at Grace Lutheran College, Caboolture.

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| Lay Director | Leane Edgar | Table Leader | Barbara Richardson |
| Spiritual Director | Wendy McHugh | Table Leader | Carolyn Dean |
| ASD 1 | Jenny Sims | Table Leader | Lidie Gravett |
| ASD 2 | Moira Dodsworth | Table Leader | Jennie Fick |
| Senior ALD 1 | TBA | Assistant TL | Lizzie Fletcher |
| ALD 2 | Amanda Wallis | Assistant TL | Rochelle McGuire |
| ALD 3 | Val Handreck | Assistant TL | Heather Leak |
| Board Rep | TBA | Assistant TL | TBA |
| Dining Room | Rodney Adam | Dining Room | Geoff Irwin |
| Dining Room | Heather Adam | Dining Room | Bev Irwin |
| Support Co-ordinator | Greg Trost | Prayer Directors | David Close |
| Support Co-ordinator | Helen Trost | Prayer Directors | Leanne Close |
| Music Team | Judy Powell | Tech Support | Leanne Close |
| Music Team | TBA | | |
| Agape | David Smith | | |
| Agape | Jo Smith | | |



2018 CALENDAR

| DATE | TIME | PLACE | COMMENTS |
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| 11 August 2018 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier Rd, Morayfield | Gathering & Commissioning of Lay Directors for Walks #101 and #102 (Board meeting prior) (Board Nominations) |
| 8 September 2018 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier Rd, Morayfield | Gathering & Commissioning of teams for Walks #101 and #102 (Board meeting prior) |
| 11 – 14 October 2018 | | Glendalough Outdoor Education Centre | Men's Walk #101 |
| 13 October 2018 | | VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED | Gathering and Candlelighting for Men's Walk #101 |
| 1 – 4 November 2018 | | Glendalough Outdoor Education Centre | Women's Walk #102 |
| 3 November 2018 | | VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED | Gathering and Candlelighting for Women's Walk #102 |
| 10 November 2018 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier Rd, Morayfield | Walk Celebrations (Board meeting prior) |

DON'T MISS OUT!