

**BRISBANE NORTH COAST
EMMAUS COMMUNITY
NEWSLETTER
April 2019**

Next Gathering

**When: April 13th Starts 5.30pm
Gathering and Celebration Walk #101**

**Where: Morayfield Uniting Church
12-16 Weier Road Morayfield**

***Come join the fun in
Worship !***

De Colores



Hello Community

From our Community Lay Director

Welcome to the newest members of our community from Walk #101. What a walk! What a privilege to hear the stories at the Closing Service. I encourage the New Fourth Dayers from Walk #101 and their sponsors to attend the Celebration of Walk #101. This will be a great opportunity to reconnect with your new friends and meet other members of Brisbane North Coast Emmaus Community.

I ask that you uphold Women's Walk #104 Lay Director, Leanne Close, and Face to Face Encounter #2 Lay Director, Judy Ironside, in your prayers as they begin the task of putting their teams together. Please also uphold Men's Walk #103 in your prayers as the Board seeks to find a Lay Director for this walk. Due to timing and other factors the people that were in place for this walk are unavailable. I know that God has the right person in place to lead this walk and we need to be open to his leading.

I would also like to officially thank Paul Fletcher for accepting the invitation to be Community Lay Director Elect and will be taking over from me as Community Lay Director in the near future. Please keep Paul in your prayers as he prepares to take on this role.

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Andrew Krosch

tough times but God has been faithful to us renewing us and strengthening us when we needed grace to carry on.

This is the third time I have been part of this community. The first time was when the original Emmaus Community in Queensland divided into North and South. (I was a pilgrim on Walk 25 of the Queensland Community July 1992 at Margate – table of Esther!) I was on team at a few Walks at Margate during that time. Then in 2008 to 2012 when I was minister at Cherm-side-Kedron Community Church, I was Spiritual Director of Walk 78 in 2011. The next year we moved to Dalby, where I was minister until 2017 and now we have reconnected with this community. I was an ASD on Walk #102 last year. It's good to renew friendship with people like Greg and Helen Trost, Margaret Niethe, Kathy Cooper and others, and to see that God's ministry of love and grace is continuing in the lives of people in this Community. One of the joys of being part of Emmaus is the strong bond with fellow Christians which continues as you move from place to place. We have been part of the original community, as well as Brisbane West Community and the Downs Community.

My Emmaus Walk was life-changing for me. I came to the Walk very wounded and God healed me of the pain I was carrying and reaffirmed my call to ministry. It was an overwhelming experience of God's love and grace to me which set for me a new course. God said to me, "If you keep looking back, you'll turn into a pillar of salt!"

How great, indescribable and generous is God's grace to us. How precious is God's love for us! How amazing that God wants us to change our world as we display God's likeness and live in Christ and for Christ in our own sphere of influence!! What a privilege it is to serve the Lord in whatever capacity or role we are called to in this Emmaus Community! I look forward to our continuing journey together as a Community, and for all that God has in store for us out of the abundance of his love, mercy and grace.



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Jenny

From the Board

Our current Board Executive members are:

Community Lay Director	Andrew Krosch
Past Community Lay Director	Christiane Nivala
Community Lay Director Elect	Paul Fletcher
Community Spiritual Director	Rev Jenny Sims
Past Community Spiritual Director	Ps Margaret Niethe
Registrar	Rebecca Fletcher
Secretary	Linda Waldock
Treasurer	Gary Nicholls

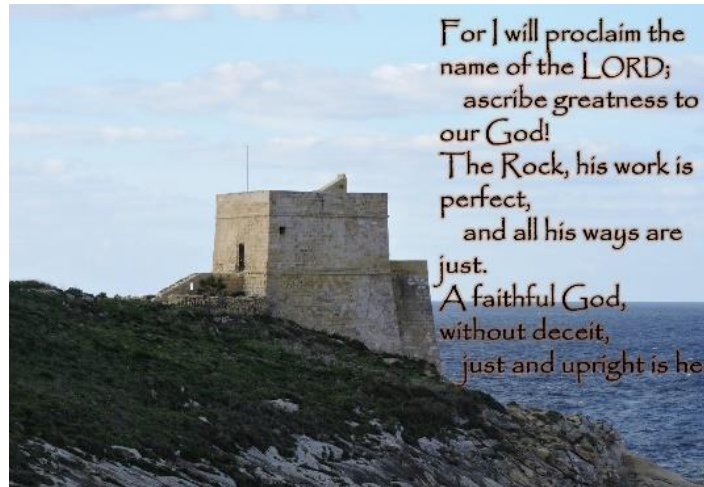
Co-ordinators are:

Prayer	Margaret Niethe
Walks	Michelle Krosch
Face to Face	Lyn Chalmers
Supplies	David Close
Music	Leanne Close
Dining Room	Wayne & Janelle Morrison
Agape	Lu Evans
Gatherings	Ian Riding
Website	Paul Fletcher
Newsletter	Helen Nutley; Margaret Niethe

Next Board meeting April 13th @ 3.30pm @ Morayfield Uniting Church.



Men's Walk # 101



Ascribe greatness to our God!

I want to thank all those who made Men's Walk # 101 a success - those who were on team and those who came and helped, but most importantly I want to thank God who was there the whole weekend guiding and directing all that went on.

Walk # 101 was originally to be held in October last year but was postponed because God had other plans. I believe the walk was a great success due to our God, the Rock, whose work is perfect, His ways are just and His timing is impeccable. He knew who was to be on the walk and he touched each person, encouraging, refreshing and renewing their faith in Him.

15 pilgrims attended Men's Walk # 101 at Glendalough on the weekend of 14th to the 17th March 2019. The pilgrims arrived on the Thursday night expecting a weekend of walking but soon realized that physical exercise was not what they were getting. They were in for a walk though God's love and all present, pilgrims and team, soaked up the love expressed by the Emmaus community as well as the outpouring of God's love by His Spirit on all those who were on the walk.

The pilgrims interacted well in their table groups and a real bond was formed with those on the tables as well as lifelong friendships with all those on the walk.

I look forward to seeing what He has in plan for the latest fourth dayers.

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Paul Fletcher (LD)



Don't forget



The bank details for General Donations just in case you missed the Gathering and would like to contribute. Also, bank details for donations to provide Agape gifts of- flowers, rainbow cake, Ice-cream & toppings, Communion Elements 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

For any prayer needs that you wish to share with the Emmaus Community, please contact our Prayer Co-ordinator, Margaret Niethe

email: pmniethe@hotmail.com or

phone: 0416 070 852



National Secretariat 2019

Over the weekend of March 29-31 members from our community joined the broader Emmaus Ministries community to discuss and celebrate all that Emmaus is in Australia. Next Edition will have a report from our Representatives.



Face to Face Encounter #2 will be held at Gympie Regional Uniting Church, Red Hill Road, Gympie on Tuesday 11, Saturday 15, Tuesday 18 and Saturday 22 June 2018.

Our team is starting to take shape and God is richly blessing us with the people He is putting before us to be on Team. I ask you please to start talking to people who would be possible Pilgrims, so we can make this a great Encounter.

Judy Ironside

Encounter Lay Director

Dates to remember for Face to Face

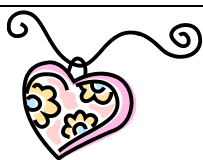
Orientation April 27th 8.30 am @ Gympie Uniting Church Redhill Road Gympie.

Team Training May 10 (Friday) & May 11 (Saturday)

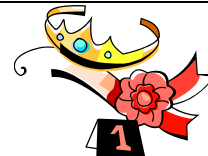
Gathering for the Candlelighting will be June 18 @ Gympie Uniting Church Hall, Redhill Road Gympie to start @ 1.30pm.

Closing will be June 22 @Gympie Uniting Church to start @ 2.30pm(approx.).

Please note for Agape a Face to Face Encounter is both Male & Female, thus Agape needs to appropriate for both.



Agape



Thank you: to all Agape Groups that have made agape gifts at various times. Your ongoing support will be appreciated by the pilgrims and teams throughout 2019.

Face to Face #2 at Gympie will be our next event so it is requested that agape be brought to the **May Gathering**. If this is not possible please contact Lu Evans to arrange collection/delivery details.

Please make **50 pieces of each item** (with a small safety pin attached where possible) There will be 11 times when agape is put out for the pilgrims (during Face to Face) Also make sure your containers have the name of your group and contact phone number attached so that all unused agape can be returned to you.

When planning what you will make please remember the **Focus of each Day** varies:

Firstly – **God calling us**

Secondly – **Jesus died for us**

Thirdly – **Holy Spirit empowers us to be the Body of Christ in the world.**

It will be helpful if groups could let me know what you will be making so we can eliminate the possibility of double-ups.

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Lu Evans

Agape Co-ordinator

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2019 Calendar

DATE	TIME	PLACE	COMMENTS
13 April 2019	3.30pm 4.45pm 5.30 pm	Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier, Street Morayfield	Board meeting Co-ordinators arrive Walk Celebration #101
27 April 2019	8.30am	Gympie Uniting Church	Face to Face Orientation Community Welcome
11 May 2019	5:30 pm	Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier, Street, Morayfield	Gathering –Chrysalis
8 June 2019	8.30am 5:30 pm	TBA Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier, Street, Morayfield	Walk Orientation Gathering Commissioning of Face to Face Encounter #2 team
11 June 2018		Gympie Regional Uniting Church, 15 Red Hill Rd, Gympie	Face to Face Encounter –Session 1
15 June 2019		Gympie Regional Uniting Church, 15 Red Hill Rd, Gympie	Gympie Face to Face Encounter –Session 2
18 June 2019		Gympie Regional Uniting Church, 15 Red Hill Rd, Gympie	Face to Face Encounter –Session 3 Candlelighting (In the Hall)
22 June 2019		Gympie Regional Uniting Church, 15 Red Hill Rd, Gympie	Face to Face Encounter –Session 4 Closing (In the church)
13 July 2019	5:30 pm	Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier, Street, Morayfield	Gathering, Face to Face Encounter celebration & Commissioning of Walks #103 & #104

God Bless You as you Walk with Him