

**BRISBANE NORTH COAST
EMMAUS COMMUNITY
NEWSLETTER**

July 2024

We are the Body of Christ

Next Gathering

**When: Saturday, 13 July @ 5:30pm
 Reunion Walk 108**

**Where: Morayfield Community Uniting Church
 12-16 Weier Road
 Morayfield QLD 4506**

***Dinner will be supplied - \$5 per person –
New community members no charge***

Please RSVP (one response per household) for catering purposes by 11th July 2024:

<https://forms.office.com/r/B4Q1d8sjFk> or cld@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Dear Team Member,
You are invited and encouraged
to attend the Walk Reunion
Party!



**Saturday, 13th July 2024 at
5.30pm
come and celebrate Walk #108**

What has happened during Walk #108 is truly an amazing Act of Gods gracious Love. Join together to celebrate and catch up with new and renewed friends. We will enjoy a fellowship time and meet members of the community. Dinner will be supplied for a \$5.00 per person donation. Bring your family with you.

**To be held at Morayfield Community Uniting Church
(12-16 Weier Road, Morayfield (Behind Blue Care))**

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or

David Close (Community Lay Director):

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**Brisbane North Coast
EMMAUS**



De Colores
from the
Community Lay Director

Greetings Everyone,

It is just over a month since we joined the pilgrims and team on walk 108 in the candle lighting and the closing. What a wonderful time that was. Now as we gather on Saturday 13 July let us welcome the new members of the Brisbane North Coast Community in a time of celebration, worship and fellowship at Morayfield Uniting Church commencing at 5:30pm.

Thank you to Jill, team and all the Community that assisted with walk 108 - to hear the sharing at the closing is always wonderful. A sincere thank you to all that supported the walk.

For the gathering we will be organising food for dinner, please RSVP by the link for catering purposes. <https://forms.office.com/r/B4Q1d8sjFk>

The cost will be \$5 per person, except there is no cost to our new community members that were pilgrims on the last walk.

Just a reminder that there are vacant positions on our community's Board that we would love to fill. If you are interested and feel that you are being called to serve in this area, please speak to myself or any of the board members.

I would like to conclude with some words of encouragement on prayer from Helen Steiner Rice, that I believe came as agape on a walk that we were on.

There's no problem too big and no question too small. Just ask God in faith and he'll answer them all. Not always at once so be patient and wait. For "God never comes too soon or too late"- So trust in his wisdom and believe His word. For no prayer's unanswered and no prayer unheard.

Looking forward to joining with you at the gathering on 13 July.

De Colores

David Close



De Colores
from the
Community Spiritual Director

Hello Everyone

When we read the latest Australian Bureau of Statistics data it tells us Australia has become less Christian and more spiritual.

This month we gather after we have run another amazing Ladies Walk and unfortunately, we were unable to run a Men's Walk.

The board will gather and reflect on what happened in both cases, but I wonder what the story is that we associate with Emmaus.

It would be so easy for us to believe that when we struggle to get enough pilgrims for a walk that it's not worth doing. But perhaps there is another story that we can put with these simple facts.

If Australians are spiritual that means they are open to hearing about Christianity. If Australians are open to hearing about Jesus (many people say they would accept an invitation to go to church if only someone would invite them) then as Christians, it is up to us to in the words of Matthew 28 **"GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES"**.

Emmaus is, has and always will be about developing people so they can go back to their own faith community, and be the church. Through walk #108 the Brisbane North Emmaus Community developed leaders as they assisted on team but also were able to share a story of Grace and Love to the pilgrims.

Emmaus changes people's lives, as their eyes are opened to the story of grace in a way they have never experienced before. It is an opportunity to resource and enable local churches to be the hands and feet of Jesus and for that I will forever thank God

De Colores

Neil Storey

Community Spiritual Director

Emmaus Walk 108

Hello Everyone

What an amazing weekend we had. I feel so humbled and privileged to have been part of this whole experience. I believe God met each and every one of us where we were at over this weekend. There was a great sense of camaraderie right from Thursday night as team, pilgrims and sponsors chatted over a meal. This continued throughout the whole weekend where I believe many new friendships were formed and old ones strengthened as we worshipped together, learnt together and fellowshiped together and of course ate together. Praise God for his mercy and love that brought us all together at this time and in this place for his purpose. I believe each one of the team and the pilgrims had a divine appointment for Walk 108.

Thank you to the amazing team of people – the conference room people, the behind the scenes people on site and those that prayed and supported from afar, and the pilgrims (now community members) that have made this time such a memorable experience.

As we continue to journey together on this road of our 4th days may we be open to where God is leading us. May we continue to enjoy fellowship together, share joys and sorrows and praise God for all his blessings.

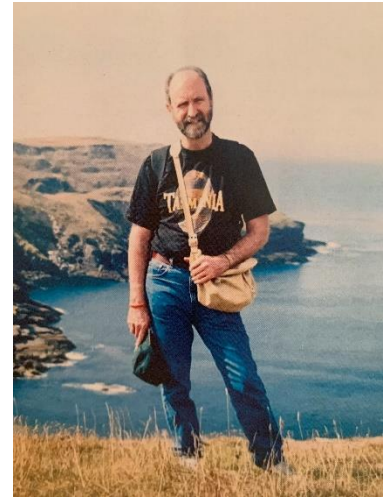
De Colores

Jill Fletcher

Vale – John Spriggs

2/9/1956 -12/4/2024

On behalf of the Kairos Prison Ministry and Emmaus Walk Communities we recognise the valuable contributions and service that John Spriggs made to these ministries and to the Residents and Pilgrims who attended these programs and their families who benefitted as a consequence.



For those of us who personally knew John we were very saddened when we learnt that he had passed away due to illness. Notwithstanding our sadness, we celebrate John's life and pay our respect to him and extend our sympathy to his family members, friends, and colleagues.

I first met John in May 1994 when he was an Assistant Lay Director for the Queensland Emmaus Brisbane North Community Men's Walk #6. John's involvement with Kairos dates back to the mid-nineties and he was there on the Kairos #1 Queensland Team at the Borallon Correctional Centre in October 1999. He was there at the start of Kairos Prison Ministry in Queensland and an active member of the Queensland State Council with some 25 years' experience and dedication as the State Council Secretary. He was continuing in this role at the time of his passing.

His faith in Jesus Christ and his commitment to his local church family as well as Kairos and Emmaus ministries, offering hope and encouragement, was a testament to us all. John was highly respected within the Industrial Relations industry.

We always enjoyed his company.

John, you will be sadly missed. Thank you for your legacy and we commit to carry them on through faith, service, and work.

Greg Trost

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Music

Music is vital to Emmaus Walks, Face to Face Encounters as well as our Gatherings

Always looking for people who can play music and lead worship! Please let me know if you like to lead singing, play the piano or other accompanying instrument; this could be for a Walk an Encounter or for a Gathering.

Do you now a person who might like to be a part of this ministry?

Please contact Leanne



Leanne Close Music Co-ordinator

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Emmaus Ministries Australia and International Newsletters

The latest Emmaus Ministries Australia and international Newsletters are available using the following links.

National Website: [Emmaus Ministries Australia \(campaign-archive.com\)](http://campaign-archive.com)

International Website: [The Upper Room \(campaign-archive.com\)](http://campaign-archive.com)

72 Hour Prayer Vigils

Check out the Walks or Encounters being held by other communities. You could join in upholding them in prayer on <https://vigil.emmaus.org.au/>



Don't forget



The bank details for General Donations just in case you missed the Gathering and would like to contribute.

*Bank details for donations to provide Agape gifts of- flowers, rainbow cake, Ice-cream & toppings,
Communion Elements etc.*

General Donations

BSB: 334-040

Walk Agape Donations

BSB: 334-040

A/c No: 553 890 883

A/c No: 554 465 053

For any prayer needs that you would like to share with the Emmaus Community,

Contact our Prayer Co-ordinator – Jenny Sims

Email: prayer@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au

Phone: 0406 477 547



A bible verse for you to ponder as we continue to worship and fellowship together -

Galatians 6:9-10

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”

CALENDAR EVENTS 2024

Date	Time	Place	Comments
13 July 2024	5:30pm	Morayfield Uniting Church 12-16 Weier Rd Morayfield	Gathering - Reunion for Walk 108
10 August 2024	5:30pm	Morayfield Uniting Church 12-16 Weier Rd Morayfield	Gathering

Let us know if you have any prayer requests and we will pray for you

prayer@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au

Please send Newsletter Items to

newsletter@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au

WEBSITE ISSUES

*The newsletter is not again able to be viewed to the current BNC website.
A new website is being looked and I will advise when the change takes place*

De Colores

Paul Fletcher

BNC EM Website Coordinator

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