

BRISBANE NORTH COAST EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

August 2024

We are the Body of Christ

Next Gathering

When: Saturday, 10 August @ 5:30pm

Where: Morayfield Community Uniting Church

12-16 Weier Road

Morayfield QLD 4506

Please bring some food to share for a meal after the service.

Looking forward to seeing you there.



De Colores from the Community Lay Director

Greetings Everyone,

It was wonderful to see a good number of at the July gathering where we joined in fellowship and welcomed the new members from Walk 108. Thank you to everyone who braved the cold evening to attend this time of worship and fellowship.

This month we gather on Saturday 10 August, worship and fellowship at Morayfield Uniting Church commencing at 5:30pm. Please bring a plate to share as we conclude with a meal together.

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 of the board members. Thank you to those who have inquired or offered to join the Board, we expect to be able to make some announcements shortly on this.

Recently there has been several Christmas in July events being held. We attended one such function at our church that was very well supported not only by church members, but also by members of the wider community. The point that I took away that I encourage you to reflect upon is that the focus on God's gift to us all should not be our focus only once or even twice a year, but every day we need to be thankful for Jesus. Let us reflect on God's love for us all every single day.

Looking forward to joining with you at the gathering on 10 August.

De Colores

David Close



De Colores

from the Community Spiritual Director

Hello Everyone

Emmaus changes people's lives, I have said many times and the reason I can say it so confidently is that it changed my life. Many years ago, I was invited to attend an Emmaus Walk, and after saying yes it took more than twelve months before I could actually go.

Before I went there was never a quiet moment in my life. In the car the music was up loud, if I was working from home the headphones were in and the music, podcast or webinar was playing as I did something else. I am sure you can imagine the first night of Emmaus then for me was not just difficult but darn right frightening. So much so I spent the night trying to work out how I could escape (I didn't and now I am pleased to say I am very glad) and return to normality.

Why was the silence so frightening? At the time I Had no idea why, but after years of reflection I believe the answer was that I was being prepared for something I hadn't done for a long time – listening to God!

Over the years I had been very successful in blocking Gods voice out while I was busy with other things. But like any relationship if you want it to grow it's more about listening than it is about speaking. God has been trying to speak to me, but I was simply too busy to listen.

Emmaus weekends either as team member or as a pilgrim allow us the opportunity to slow down and listen to God.

BUT here's the great news God speaks to us all the time, the challenge now for all of us is to be open to hear what God has to say.

De Colores Neil Storey Community Spiritual Director

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 <u>Walk</u> an <u>Encounter</u> or for a <u>Gathering</u>.

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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Email: music@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au



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)

International Website: <u>The Upper Room (campaign-archive.com)</u>

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/



Communion Elements etc.

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,

General Donations BSB: 334-040 Walk Agape Donations BSB: 334-040

A/c No: 553 890 883 A/c No: 554 465 053

<u>For any prayer needs</u> 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, that we might be a blessing to others with the blessings Christ gives to us.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, those who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

CALENDAR EVENTS 2024

| Date | Time | Place | Comments |
|-------------------|--------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 10 August 2024 | 5:30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church | Gathering |
| | | 12-16 Weier Rd | |
| | | Morayfield | |
| 14 September 2024 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church | Gathering |
| | | 12-16 Weier Rd | |
| | | Morayfield | |
| 12 October 2024 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church | Gathering |
| | | 12-16 Weier Rd | |
| | | Morayfield | |
| 9 November 2024 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church | Gathering |
| | | 12-16 Weier Rd | |
| | | Morayfield | |

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

<u>newsletter@brisbanenorthcoast.emmaus.org.au</u>

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

BNCEM Website Coordinator

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