

On the Path



The Newsletter of the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community

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Walk In the Light

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The By-Laws of The Southern Maryland Emmaus Community

The following document is provided to the community for information by the Board of Directors.

BYLAWS
of the
SOUTHERN MARYLAND EMMAUS COMMUNITY

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this community shall be Southern Maryland Emmaus Community, hereinafter referred to as the Community.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1. The object of the Community shall be to inspire, challenge, and equip church members for Christian action, in their homes, churches, places of work, and the world community through the Emmaus experience.

Section 2. The Community is affiliated with the International Emmaus Movement of The Upper Room, Nashville, Tennessee.

Fall Walks at West River

Don't forget - the walks are back at West River. All community events will take place in the dining hall at West River.

See page 2 for the community event days and times.

Local Gatherings

Southern Gathering:

Lexington Park UMC 2nd Saturday of each month 5:00 p.m. Potluck, 6:00 p.m. Worship

Central Gathering:

Calvary UMC 3rd Saturday of each month 6:00 p.m. Fellowship (bring snack) 7:00 p.m. Worship

Northern Gathering:

1st Laurel UMC 4th Saturday of each month 5:00 p.m. Potluck 6:00 p.m. Worship

In addition to the monthly gatherings, plan to join as a community at Candlelight and Closing of each Walk. In a month when a 4th Day Seminar is scheduled (May & November) we will have one Gathering only at Calvary UMC immediately following the Seminar.

There will be no gatherings in November due to the fall Walks.





Fall Walks - 2008 - West River

Men's Walk # 29 - October 30 - November 2

Women's Walk #30 - November 6 - 9

Make plans to attend the community events for each walk:.

Thursday - Sponsor's Hour - 7:00 p.m. Saturday - Candlelight - 8:00p.m.

Sunday - Closing - 4:00 p.m.

This Week: 06/09/2007

Emmaus Community Stats

31 Weekends in

16 States and

3 Countries

13 Women's Weekends and

18 Men's Weekends



Sign up to pray for our walks (and others) online at: www.3dayol.org

Pilgrim and Team Applications and this newsletter may be downloaded from the web at www.orgsites.com/md/somdemmaus/index.html

CLICK on "Document, Lists and Newsletters"

Recurring Events of the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community

Central Gathering: 6/21, Calvary UMC, Waldorf 7:00 p.m. Fellowship 6:00 p.m.



Southern Local Gathering: Lexington Park UMC 6/14 Potluck at 5, gathering at 6:00.

Northern Local Gathering: FUMC Laurel, 6/28 Potluck at 5, gathering at 6:00.

Board of Directors Meeting: 6/21 3:00 p.m. at Calvary UMC

4th Day Seminars

The 4th Day Seminars are held in the spring and in the fall following the men's and women's walks. The next seminar date is November 15, 2008, 4:00 p.m. at Calvary United Methodist church in Waldorf. Attendance at a 4th Day Seminar is required in order to sponsor pilgrims, and highly recommended for those who wish to team.



Southern Maryland Emmaus Community Reunion & Accountability Groups

The Reunion Group Coordinator, Gordon Piscacek, would like to hear about any active Groups in Southern Maryland. If you are having difficulty finding a Reunion Group, contact Gordon. Experience the 4th Day feeling with your fellow Emmaus travelers.

Bethel UMC, Upper Marlboro

Co-ed - monthly first Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

Calvary UMC, Waldorf

Men Tuesday - 7:15 p.m.

Women Thursday - 5:00 p.m. at Panera's

First UMC, Laurel

Men Saturday - 7:00 a.m. Women Saturday - 8:30 a.m.

Good Shepherd UMC, Waldorf

Women Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

Call 301-653-7570 for directions (not at church)

Men Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

La Plata UMC, La Plata

Women Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Lexington Park UMC, Lexington Park

Co-ed Tuesday 7:30 a.m. Bob Evans

Co-ed Thursday - 11:30 a.m. (home setting)

Living Springs Christian Fellowship, Bowie

Co-ed Tuesday - 6:00 p.m.

Naval Air Station, Patuxent River

Men, Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.

Olivet UMC, Lusby

Meets at pastor's house monthly on

third Friday 6:00 p.m.

Shiloh UMC, Bryans Road

Co-ed - Tuesdays 6:00 p.m.

Waters Memorial UMC, St. Leonard Pastors, Tuesday -1:00 p.m.

www.orgsites.com/md/somdemmaus/index.html

Visit our new website. No need to register at our new website as no personal information is maintained. Migration plans are underway that will give us a shorter more easily remembered name, but for now, use the address above to access the new site.



On The Path

Deadline for next issue is August 1, 2008. The preferred method of submission is as an MSWord document file or a WordPerfect file sent via e-mail to the following address: dbrennan6@verizon.net Very short articles or notes may be sent in the body of the e-mail message. Please send your comments and recommendations as well to the editor, Dan Brennan, at the e-mail address above.







Southern Maryland Emmaus - Leadership & Service



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Southern Maryland Emmaus is affiliated with the International Emmaus Movement of The Upper Room, Nashville, Tn. Emmaus is a program offering of Upper Room Ministries of The United Methodist Church. Our purpose is to inspire, challenge, and equip church members for Christian Action.

Please contact the POC for your church as listed in this newsletter if you are not receiving the newsletter. If your church does not currently have a POC, please prayerfully consider volunteering for that role.



Southern Maryland Emmaus - Leadership & Service

Most Southern Maryland Committees are chaired by members of the Board of Directors, but service on those committees is open to all community mem-

AGAPE Support Diane Walker Newsletter Dan Brennan Child Care Vacant Prayer Partner Coordinator Diane Walker Community Historian Len Lent Prayer Vigil Coordinator Sara Martin **Event Coordinator** Vacant Registrar Roy Downs

Gordon Piscacek Comm. Spiritual Director Sue Shorb-Sterling Reunion Group Entertainment Dan Brennan Team Selection Coordinator Linda Flanagan

Vacant Facility Representative Fourth Day Seminar Board Reps from walks **Gathering Coordinator** Vacant Pilgrim Selection Roy Downs/Donna Young

Vacant Music Director Rich Weaver Supply Comm. Lay Director Janet Goodwin Sponsorship Ruth Dixon

Poem from Walk 28

Life builds into a cacophony Dizzy we spin, spin, spin And then stumble **STARTLED**

We pause

In the moment of shock

God sneaks in

Though the fall may hurt Our vision clears And priorities shift Toward health

Toward fullness

That we might flourish

Writer - Anonymous

Still Needed

Central Gathering Coordinator - contact Janet Goodwin

Child Care Coordinator AND Child Care Volunteers - contact Janet Goodwin.

Great Start for West River Capital Campaign

At the two spring Candlelight events we took a second offering toward our three-year \$1,500 pledge to the West River Capital Campaign. You were most generous—the total of these first two special offerings was over \$700! It is our intent to continue with the second offerings at all Candlelights through 2010 and to forward all receipts to West River.

God Bless You for Your Abundant Spirit



^{*}Communications includes e-mail, P/POC, Web, Directory and Newsletter sub committees



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This is the person to contact for newsletter distribution

If your church is not listed, please volunteer to be the Prayer POC send your name, e-mail address and telephone to emmausnews@calvumc.org

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Chrysalis Training

Emmanuel UMC, Saturday, June 14th from 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. There will be a bag lunch, drinks and dessert provided.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. All persons who have completed a weekend experience of the Walk to Emmaus sponsored by the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community shall be members of the Community.

Section 2. Persons who have completed a Walk to Emmaus, Cursillo, Tres Dias, or similar 72-hour weekend may become members by participating in the activities of the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community and asking the Directory Coordinator of the Community to include their names in the mailing list.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Purpose

Direction of the Community shall be vested in a Board of Directors

Section 2. Composition

The Board will consist of fifteen (15) elected lay members, the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community Spiritual Director, and the Southern Maryland Emmaus Community Assistant Spiritual Director. Each member of the Board shall have one vote.

Section 3. Terms of Office

- a) Lay persons on the Board shall be elected by the Community members in three (3) year terms. There are three (3) classes of five (5) lay members each, serving staggered terms.
- b) Board Members cannot succeed themselves in consecutive terms. A two (2) year waiting period is required until a past board member is eligible for re-election.
- c) Terms of office shall begin July 1 and shall terminate June 30, except for officers who shall serve until election of new officers in July as provided in Section 5.
- d) Nominations for the Board elections shall be made at the May Board meeting. Any member of the Community may submit potential nominees.
- e) Board elections will be held at the June Gathering of the Community, with ballots printed in the June Newsletter. Those not present at the June Gathering may mail their ballot to the Community Registrar within 30 days of the nominations being publicized. Votes will be tallied 31 days after the nominations are publicized. Election shall be determined by a plurality of votes actually cast.

Section 4. Officers

Officers shall be the Chairperson, Vice—Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer; and in case of absences will chair meetings in this order. The Vice—Chairperson must be eligible to serve an additional term on the Board and serve as the Chairperson if elected to that post. Officers can accept responsibility of a Work Area in addition to an elected position on the Board. Only Board members are eligible to be Officers.

Section 5. Election of Officers

Officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the July meeting for a one-year term of office effective with the close of the July meeting.

Section 6. Meetings

The Board shall meet monthly in regular meetings unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board in a regular meeting.

Section 7. Quorum

Fifty percent (50%) plus one (1), rounded to the next highest whole number, of the members of the Board of Directors present at a duly called meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Section 8. Spiritual Director

The Spiritual Directors of the Community shall be selected by the Community annually. Term of office shall begin July 1. Each Spiritual Director will serve a two (2) year staggered term, the first year as the Community Assistant Spiritual Director and the second year as the Community Spiritual Director. Either Spiritual Director may be replaced during the term by ten (10) affirmative votes of the Board plus ratification by the International Spiritual Director of the Walk to Emmaus, who shall not be a voting member of the Board for purposes of removing the local Spiritual Director.

Section 9. Past Chairperson

The immediate past Chairperson of the Board shall serve on the Board one (1) additional year or the normal term of panel, whichever is longer.

Section 10. Special Meetings

Special Board meetings may be called by the Chairperson upon own initiative or when requested in writing by ten (10) members of the Board. A minimum advance notice of three (3) days is required for a Special meeting.

Section 11. Vacancies on the Board

The Board may elect persons, upon nomination by the Chairperson, to fill vacancies until the next regular election. Such persons are eligible for election by the Community at such regular election.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall name individuals to chair the following committees: Gatherings, Registration, Group Reunions, Team Selection, Newsletter, Music, Entertainment, Event Coordinator, Directory, E-mail/POC, Childcare, Web/Board Liaison, Agape Support, and any other committees that the Board deems necessary. Committee chairs serve at the pleasure of the Board and are accountable to the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The Chairperson of the Board will be an exofficio member of all standing committees.

ARTICLE VI. Walk to Emmaus

Section 1. The Community shall follow the guidelines of The Upper Room Walk to Emmaus program in the formation of the three—day (72-hour) experience "Walk to Emmaus." The guidelines are attached hereto.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall have general oversight in all matters relating to the local Walk to Emmaus Community.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall choose a Lay Director for each Community Walk to Emmaus weekend.

Section 4. The Spiritual Director for each Community Walk to Emmaus shall be selected by the Community Spiritual Director and Community Assistant Spiritual Director after <u>consultation</u> with the Board and the chosen Lay Director for that Walk.

Section 5. The Team Selection Committee will be chaired by a member of the Board, include 2 at-large members, and include the Community Spiritual Director, Weekend Lay Directors and Weekend Spiritual Directors for that set of Walks.

Section 6. Weekend Assistant Spiritual Directors will be selected by the Community Spiritual Director, Community Assistant Spiritual Director, and the Weekend Spiritual Directors for that set of Walks, in consultation with the Weekend Lay Directors.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments may be presented to the Board by any member of the Board one (1) month in advance of consideration by the Board. If the amendments are voted in the affirmative by a three-fourths (3/4) vote they will be circulated to the membership by the Community Newsletter and if no petitions signed by at least twenty-five (25) community members objecting to the new amendments are received, the amendments will be considered adopted. Any objections must be received within sixty (60) days of the mailing of the notification. If an objection petition is received the amendment will be considered voided. If the Board then wishes to submit the amendment to the entire Community for a vote it may do so. A majority or plurality of votes cast by the membership will decide the matter.

ARTICLE VIII. RATIFICATION

The Bylaws are to take effect immediately upon certification of the Board that a majority of the mail ballot of the Community approves them.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, assets will be sent to the Northeast Region Emmaus Representative. In the further event that the Northeast Region Emmaus Representative does not want such assets, they will be sent to the International Upper Room Emmaus Community.



Chrysalis News

Decolores Everyone!

It's Time for another:



What is a Hoot? It's a youth gathering for fun and fellowship. It has

- music
- · group discussions
- food
- fun & games
- · Prayer & worship

It's coming Satuday, August 2nd from 7 - 9:00 p.m. It will be at Trinity UMC in Prince Frederick.

Everyone is welcome!

The event is sponsored by Chrysalis in Southern Maryland.

Christian Action

If Christian action is your plan Seek Christ our Lord, the Son of Man Cause in His grace you'll know you can Witness to others, and be grand.

We need to honor, serve, and speak For Christ our Lord in whom we seek And Christian action, big or small With our dear Lord, we can do all.

So plan, pray and be humble Reach, don't preach and heal Cause God won't let you stumble Make known His love, so real.

So live a Life of Piety
Our God will set you pace
And study in His holy word
To live a "Life of Grace".

Written by the Table of Ruth, walk #28

How to Submit an Article to On The Path

As the editor of *On The Path*, nothing gives me greater pleasure than to receive the support of community members through the submission of articles and other material for publication. Not only does it save me from having to find ways to fill empty space, but it results in a much more interesting and timely publication for our members.

DO

- Use a word processor to write your document
- Submit the article as an attachment to an e-mail message to: dbrennan6@verizon.net
- Submit your article by the due date listed in each newsletter issue
- Proofread your article for spelling and grammar

DON"T

- Use fancy or special fonts, formatting, tables, or other embellishments. They will be lost when your file is imported into the page layout program used for the newsletter, and will create additional work for the editor.
- Avoid typing the text of your article into your e-mail message unless it is very brief. This requires additional formatting on the receiving end.

So, to encourage you to submit your thoughts and to help me keep my sanity, I wanted to share with you a few DO's and DON"Ts to consider when preparing your article for submission.

Thanks to all who help to make this a truly community publication. Dan Brennan - Editor

It's Time to Vote!

Each June we have the opportunity to elect new members to the Board.

The Ballot below lists all the nominations.

There are two ways to vote:

- 1. Vote in person at one of the June Gatherings
- 2. Print out this ballot, fill it in, and mail it to:

Southern Maryland Emmaus Vote P.O. Box 1242 Leonardtown, Maryland 20650

All ballots are due (or must be postmarked by) July 5, 2008.

Southern Maryland Emmaus Board of Directors Ballot				
Please vote for lay members (up to five) you'd recommend for service on the Board.				
Jeanne Parr (Good Shepherd UMC)	Sheila Hutson (Bethel UMC)			
June Fauber (Clinton UMC)	Dale Merkle (Calvary UMC)			
Mary Ulrey (St. Paul UMC - Lusby)				
Ballots due July 5, 2008				







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"Were not our hearts burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road, while He was explaining the Scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:32

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