

Big Country EMMAUS community

*Community gathers the 1st Tuesday
of each month.*

*May 4 and June 1 will be held at Cowboy Heritage
Church, Clyde. (See inside for directions)*

Babe Chick Orientation at 6:00

Enjoy a Time of Praise & Worship at 6:30

Childcare is Provided for ages 9 and under.

May and June 2010



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The means of communication of the younger generation has become primarily through the written word. They seem to enjoy the use of email, text, twitter, Facebook, and chatrooms. There is a shying away from voice methods like phone and social gatherings. There seems to be a movement toward the impersonalization of life through the lack of involvement.

There is communication, but without the benefit of voice inflection, the communication certainly has changed. A case in point might be if I wrote, "I read the Bible". Did you interpret that to say that I read the Bible on a regular basis, or did that say to you that I have read the Bible in its entirety on a previous occasion? You see, without the tones of voice, the sight of facial expression, and the benefit of body gestures, communication can and does drastically change.

When we as a community say that God has certainly blessed us in a mighty way, what does that communicate to us? When we find ourselves in the position of financial stability, what does that say about our stewardship? When all of the Walks are blessed with a full complement of pilgrims, what does that mean to our methods? When each Walk is "The Best Walk Ever", does that signal improvement with each additional Walk?

I believe what it should communicate to us is the need for a renewed desire to be even more responsible in our endeavors, a greater responsibility to follow the model that has been successful in 164 walks in this community, a greater desire to integrate the new pilgrims into a reunion group so that they can maintain the accountability that will help them to continue their walk, and a greater need to become personally involved in all of the facets of our community.

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Directions to Cowboy Heritage Church in Clyde: travel east down I-20, exiting on Hays Road which is exit 299. Go north on Hays Road approximately 1/2 mile. The church is a large building on the left with a red roof. See you all there!

PLEASE NOTICE:

THERE WILL NOT BE A NEWSLETTER MAILED IN JUNE. THIS NEWSLETTER CONTAINS THE COMMUNITY GATHERING DATES FOR MAY (4TH) AND JUNE (1ST) ON PAGE ONE.

Please help us grow reunion groups! Anyone wanting to help, please contact Bobby Johnson, 829-2306, Iris Williams, 677-9036, or Tommie Moore, 673-5899.

Hey Community!!! We still need people to volunteer to help with the loading and unloading of the trailer. If you would like to help, please contact Janel Young at 572-3045.

E-Mail Newsletter—PLEASE NOTIFY ME IF YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES OR IF YOU WANT TO BE ADDED TO THE EMAIL LIST

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If you know of anyone who is not currently receiving the newsletter either by regular mail or email, please let me know. If you would like to have something published in the newsletter please e-mail or call Terri, 698-4294 by the

15th of the month.

2010 Emmaus Board

Community Lay Director: Don Martin—
529-3170

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Lee Butler—518-2448

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698-1013

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You see, without the tones of voice, the sight of facial expression, and the benefit of body gestures, the type of communication that results is not the type that glorifies our Father in heaven. It will not be the type that generated an atmosphere of love and forgiveness. It will not be the type that considers involvement an integral part of loving our fellow man. But with those components added, it will be the communication device that can properly convey the love of the Father for His children.

De Colores,

Don Martin, Community Lay Director

***His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of the Lord.
Matthew 25:21***

Chrysalis Corner

Summer is fast approaching and we all know what that means—everybody is going to be very busy. It also means that our summer Chrysalis events are just right around the corner. Every summer I have had countless people come up to me at Closing for the Chrysalis events and say, “I was going to sponsor a youth in my church but time got away from me”. Well, please don’t let that happen this summer. If you know of a youth who may want to participate in Chrysalis this summer, please do a couple of things. First, pray and ask God if “this” youth is the one HE wants you to sponsor. Second, get an application and get it filled out and turned in. Third, pray, pray and pray some more, that God’s will be done with the youth you choose to sponsor. (While you are at it, pray for the teams that the Lord is putting together as you read this letter.) The dates for this summer’s events are

July 22nd-25th—Girl’s Chrysalis #50; Lay Director—Donna Wise

July 29th-August 1st—Boy’s Chrysalis #51; Lay Director—Jeff Hargrove

Please get those applications in early and often. The Lord always does amazing things with our youth at these events, so don’t let your youth miss out because time got away.

God Bless you and yours,

Mitchell McLain, Chrysalis Community Lay Director

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2010 Walks

July 22-25, 2010

Girl’s Chrysalis #50

Donna Wise

July 29-August 1, 2010

Boy’s Chrysalis #51

Jeff Hargrove

August 19-22, 2010

Men’s Walk #165

September 9-12, 2010

Women’s Walk #166

October 14-17, 2010

Men’s Walk #167

November 4-7, 2010

Women’s Walk #168