



# Common Ground

November 2009

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Bill Hay  
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***From the:***

## ***Community Lay Director***

Servants,

Hello to all, May the grace and peace of Christ be with you. I know that many of our community have sickness and sorrow in their families at this time. Please post these so we all can be in prayer with you. I hope and pray that we all are working on our reunion groups. This is truly a very important part of our Christian walk. I hope to see a full house at the gatherings coming up. Please come, bring someone with you and let us all rejoice together. Our fourth day speaker will be coming from the last walks. Please be in prayer for those we will be sponsoring in the spring. Please be working on your agape for Chrysalis now. Please let us all make a true effort to be at the December gathering, both Emmaus and Chrysalis.

Please keep Brad Colson and Kathy Farley in your prayer as they are working, praying, and preparing for the spring walks.

Let us all be in prayer for our country and the leadership in these times, and our troops and their families.

I am asking for your HELP, as most of you know I work with a group who goes down south every Christmas and builds or rebuilds homes. This year we need your prayers and financial support. Please be in prayer about your part in this Great Mission. If you have questions about this mission you can ask any of the following: Bobby & Tammy Barnett, Jamie Lee, Brad Colson, David Norwood, Jim Cothran, Lynda Cochrum Karnes, Bob Alexander or myself. We need to raise \$35,000. Checks need to go to Reidland UMC ( Christmas House at 5515 Reidland Road, Paducah Ky. 42003). "I would like to see our community build a home!!!!!"

Have a Great Day, and do something nice for someone just because you can. Let us all be doers not just talkers. Let us not only bring the Light of Christ in to the room but help us to BE the Light of Christ to the world.

In Christ Service  
Bill Carr  
Community Lay Director

Announcing Lay  
Directors for Spring  
Walk #100 Brad Colson  
Walk #101 Kathy Farley

## *From the Lay Director of Walk #101*

Dear Emmaus Community,

God is so faithful! Our prayers were answered. God moved in powerful ways in the hearts of the men and women on Walks 98 and 99. As we looked forward in anticipation of what God has in store for the men and women of Walks 100 and 101, I ask for your prayers. We as a community know first hand how the Lord responds as we seek Him on behalf of our pilgrims. He has *always* been faithful in changing hearts, drawing them closer to Him. One of the things that I love most about how God works in each weekend is the extra surprises, the huge miracles, that the team members see God doing right before their eyes. Without any doubt we know that our mighty God is in our midst. And then it happens, He changes us, as well, each time we serve Him on "The Hill". My husband, Oatman and I are so thankful for each of you, our Emmaus family. Please keep praying for our community and begin now praying for Walks 100 and 101.

De Colores  
Kathy Farley  
Lay Director Walk 101

Here is the list of our newest community members and team members from Walks 98 and new members from Walk 99.

## Walk 98

Brad Albertson	Mike McCollum
Jeff Allen	Mark Mullins
Joe Beal	Joe Neely
Stacey Bradley	Todd Oliver
Nick Burroughs	Bill Pickens
Clay Campbell	Ron Pitts
Greg Carlton	Randy Rambo
Eddie Carr	Edward Rickman
Zip Chittenden	Barry Roberts
Richie Clendenen	Eric Roberts
Brian Collier	Tim Rodgers
Brad Colson	Mark Russell
Bob Copeland	Bobby Sams
Ezra Cox	Anthony Schaeffer
Bart Crum	Adam Shields
Tommy Durham	Daniel Slayden
Tony Ellegood	Ray Solomon
Oatman Farley	John Staley
Dennis Foust	Clint Talmadge
Glynn Goldsmith	Ed Teodozow
Joey Green	Joe Thorn
Bug Harper	Scott Toney
Bill Hay	Alan Trull
Nick Hayden	John Watson
Kent Hjerpe	Tommy Wilkey
Jon Hooper	Chris Williams
Charles Joyce	Ricky Willis
Frank Karnes	
Bruce Kimbell	
Jamie Lee	
Mike Looney	
John Lynn	
Gerald McClain	

## Walk 99

Evie Beal  
Julie Burroughs

Tammy Chitten-  
April Cornelius

Jenny Clen-  
Sylvia Cherry  
Tonia Cook

Christa Cope-  
Ginny Cox  
Stacy Crawford  
Tina Driskell  
Jana Dye  
Dayna Gutherie  
Carol Hargrove  
Tiffany Hjerpe  
Sharon Ingram  
Teresa Joyce  
Cathy Madden  
Mary McGill  
Patsy Nesler  
Diane Ouellette  
Mary Pitts  
Lea Powell  
Brandy Roberts  
Lisa Rodgers  
Rita Sams  
Nancy Solomon  
Lisa Speed  
Alicia Watts  
Beverly Wilkey  
Melinda Wilson  
Linda Winstead  
Mandy Winsett  
Patti Yount

## Notes from the Board Meeting:

Dates:

Spring walks:  
Men's April 8-11 and  
the Women's 15-18

This is a change due to  
the quilt show.

Nov gathering 11/7,  
Board meeting at 5:00  
and gathering at 7:00

Dec gathering 12/5,  
Board meeting at 4:30  
and potluck gathering  
at 6:00.

Jan gathering 1/17,  
Board meeting at 6:30  
at Broadway UMC and  
gathering will be at the  
Chrysalis candlelight.

## Important News from Basic

The "Smoking" policy at BASIC will be strictly enforced for the Spring 2010 walks. The ONLY place smoking will be allowed is in front of the Conference Room where the "Butt Cans" will be placed. There can be no more smoking in front of the Manna House or in front of the Ark. This is for the health and safety of everyone.

## A Devotion from Bro. Steve Web

We want to please God because of His mercies / Romans ...

**Scripture: 1** I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service.

**2** And be not fashioned according to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, and ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

**3** For I say, through the grace that was given me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think;...

Sometimes we have dry spells. I remember when Deb and I moved to Adamsville they hadn't had in rain in a long time and things were really dry. The house we moved into didn't have any grass at all and no hope of ever having any because the ground was so dry. That was two years ago, but now it is very different there is plenty of grass because we have had plenty of rainfall this year. It may be a little too wet in some areas--well nothing is perfect right? But what we seek is balance, well that is what I need anyway.

I have people come up to me after the sermon is over and make all kinds of comments about it. Some complain that I don't have enough "hellfire and damnation" == They say preacher I need you to step on my toes a little. Others recognize the grace, the forgiveness, the opportunity to have a new beginning, the opportunity to become a witness and a disciple in way they had never thought of before that day. My reply is always that I have to go where the H S leads me.

I can almost always distinguish between those who feed on God's word regularly and those who don't. The ones who have a strong relationship with God are the ones who are never hungry, but they are able to see with new eyes. The ones who are hungry try to gorge themselves on Sunday morning to get enough in one hour or so to last until the next time it is offered.

Their spiritual stomachs are bloated from starvation because they do not have a regular diet.

In dry spells we have to do what we can to keep things alive and growing. The reason we had no grass at the new house was because no one was taking care of feeding and watering it, not necessarily the dry weather. When we are spiritually hungry we need to be fed and that food is available 24/7, but one must go after it and eat. When we are on a regular diet of spiritual food our spiritual bodies thrive and our minds are renewed and we can have that pleasing relationship with God and our neighbor.

The food is there for the taking and there is plenty of it, so get on a regular diet and you will never be hungry. You will eat because it is what sustains you and keeps you balanced.

### A note from the newsletter editor:

I would like to introduce myself. I am Clint Talmadge, Purchase Area Walk to Emmaus #92, where I sat at the table of Mark, and I worship and serve at Zion's Cause Baptist Church.

I have taken over the Editor's position from Susan Engle, who has faithfully tackled the task for some time. I am not nearly as artistic as Susan, but I will do my best to keep the community informed of all the happenings and opportunities that exist.

Additions, notices, articles and other input for OUR community newsletter can be sent to: [unclebudd@bellsouth.net](mailto:unclebudd@bellsouth.net).

De Colores,  
Clint