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Community: April 19, 2007

119 N. Briscoe

Tulia, Tx

LIVING WATER

Words from your Lay Director

Christ Arose Up from the grave, He arose, with a <u>mighty</u> triumph O'er His foes; He arose a <u>victor</u> from the dark domain, and He <u>lives forever</u> with His saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ Arose!

And all God's people said, Amen! The words of this old hymn have been sung throughout the years in churches all across our land. They still give me goose bumps of joy when I hear them.

Matthew 28:7, "Go quickly & tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead."

Easter: It's message, hope....

It's meaning, life... It's reason, love...

Many thanks to Trinity Fellowship for hosting LWC at our gathering in March. As usual the Body of Christ stepped up with great food and fellowship before we went into our time of Praise & Worship to our risen Lord. Ladies, (praise team) you all did such a beautiful job of leading us into a time of worship. Rebecca King, thank you for sharing your fourth day with us. From your testimony, it was very evident that you were right where God placed you on walk #54. Our community spiritual director, Kelly Warren led our worship service as we prepared to receive Holy Communion. Kelly, it was nice to have you back.

Yes, Alice, walk #54 probably was the "best walk ever". That just proves that everyday with Jesus is better than the day before. As always pray for LWE board as we seek representatives to serve on the board & future lay directors. Thank You nominating committee for

your continuous servant hood.

Please join us April 19th in Tulia at the First United Methodist Church for our next community gathering. It will be great because Jesus loves it when His people gather together to celebrate the RISEN LORD.

HE LIVES !!!!

De Colores!

Sue Johnson

Have you seen the website?

It is fantastic!

ARTICLES FOR NEWSLETTER

Deadline for articles for the newsletter is the 25th of each month. Articles may be mailed to 2807 W.10th St.
Plainview, or e-mailed to

kayla edwards@sbcglobal.net

Community Gathering

-- April 19 --First Methodist 119 N. Briscoe Tulia, Tx

Sponsor's Training 6:00 pm Meal 6:30 pm Worship 7:30 pm

Guests are welcome. A nursery will be provided.

Bring your favorite dishes. Wear your name tag. Bring your worship book. Come to share in the fun and fellowship!

LIVING WATER BOARD: 5:30 pm

SPONSOR'S TRAINING will be held at 6:00 pm with Elaine Barrett as leader. The Board invites and urges all new community members and others who have never sponsored a pilgrim, and anyone who has not been through a recent training class to participate. The class will last for 30 minutes.

Being a sponsor is one of the most important roles of the Walk To Emmaus. Several areas must be covered in order for the pilgrim to have an exciting and successful walk.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY GATHERINGS

April 19 1st Methodist, Tulia 119 N. Briscoe

May 17 Colonial Baptist

910 Kokomo, Plainview

June 21

Call Tonya Stokes at 806-293-4448 to list your church on the schedule. Also, it is important to let Tonya know of any changes.

It is www.livingwateremmaus.com

Welcome to Community Walk #54



Aida Almaraz
Casey Beck
Ada Brown
Chris Cambell
Julie Ellison
Debbie Garcia
Jennifer Heath
Monica Mathis
Debra Payne
Linda Ramos
Bertha Sistrunk

Gloria Alston
Lisa Bjork
Diane Burge
Mary Carter
Betty Farley
Hayley Gipson
Martha Hooper
Shamie Mitchell
Tonnette Perkins
Kelly Randles
Denise Smith

Renee Armstrong
Twila Bolinger
DeeDee Coldiron
Gail Cole
Terry Ferguson
Trisha Grieve
Rebekah King
Donna Mulkey
Delfina Perez
Sylvia Saiz
Kathleen Thornton

UPCOMING WALKS

55 Men's Walk
July 12-15, 2007
Wayland Baptist University
Larry Stokes

Lay Director

Roger Foote
Spiritual Director

56 Women's Walk
Oct. 11-14, 2007
Plains Baptist Assembly

Men's Registrar Darral Bryant 806-928-1344 or 806-771-5271

Women's Registrar Nancy Martin 806-729-3817 **Walk cost is still \$100**

节Dear Living Water Community,

For those of you who know me, you know that I am never at a loss for words. Words are what I do--it's how I make my living. But now, truly, I am at a loss of words.

I believe trying to find the words to say Thank-you to this Community, would be similar to trying to describe Heaven or even how you felt on your first Walk to Emmaus. There are no adequate words to describe how grateful and overwhelmed I am.

From the moment Don Sanders called me and extended the invitation to me to be a Lay Director, I could feel God's presence and the prayers already being lifted up on my behalf, and on the behalf of Walk #54. At one point very early on (it could have been that first phone call), I told Don I was worried that I wouldn't be able to handle it. He answered, "Alice, you shouldn't worry. You have 1,200 people praying for you!" Not only did we feel those prayers, but I also "discovered" very quickly that worrying about whether "I" could handle it was ridiculous. "I" was NEVER "handling" it. God constantly reminded me in some very subtle and some not so subtle ways that He was the One in charge.

Apart from my salvation itself, I can't think of another experience that has humbled me as much as serving as Lay Director and watching the Living Waters Community and God at work in Walk #54.

I guess the first tears of gratitude towards this Community started when Jerrilyn Blocker handed me the "Book" that contained the prayer vigil and all the "volunteer assignments" that were available for Living Water members. I was overwhelmed with gratitude each time it was passed around and filled up with the names of more people taking on different responsibilities or prayer spots.

Your agape gifts, food, letters, and prayer, prayer, prayer, sustained us in a way that we can't describe.

There were times planning the Walk where I could see that God had already gone before me and "taken care of" a situation. There were so many times that I could only stand back in amazement at what was obviously a work of God. So many of those works came through you, the Living Waters Community.

During the Walk I felt like I was just an observer—that God was allowing me to merely sit back and watch what He was going to do. The Holy Spirit really did take over. Our Spiritual Director, Sherman Aten, at one point (after we were once again awed by what the Holy Spirit had just done) said, "Alice, you need to be writing all of this down!"

I said, "But I can't keep up!"

Your prayers worked mighty miracles. Your thoughtful presence at send-off, candlelight, closing, and in your Agape touched so many hearts and souls.

I was thinking at closing what a sweet sweet fragrance was going up to the Throne of God during our pilgrims testimonies. I wish we could bottle that fragrance and pull it out to take a whiff whenever we hit a low spot! I pray that I will never forget the awesome blessing in which Jesus allowed me to be a part. I pray that I will forever be humbled by the love shown to us by the Living Waters Community and by Jesus. I did not deserve this privilege, but boy am I glad I got to experience it anyway!

On behalf of the the beautiful ladies on Walk #54, both team members and pilgrims, (and the wonderful clergy-guys of Walk #54) I want to thank this Community for showing the love of Christ. What a beautiful Body you are. What beautiful hands and feet you have.

I hope that the members of this Community will never forget just how powerful their prayers are. Never give up. Persevere. Pray, pray, pray, you are moving mountains.

Thank you so very much. We love you.

Your Sisters and Brothers-in-Christ,

Alice Gilroy and Walk #54

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FYI.: Did you know that Plains Baptist Assembly charges LWE 75 cents per person for each time you enter the camp grounds during the 72 hr. Walk? LWE depends on the offering taken during candlelight to cover this expense.

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Reunion Groups or Individuals !!!!

To further help financially would you consider purchasing the purple worship books or 4th day books or pilgrim neck crosses as an act of agape.

We respect your opinion.

NAME TAG ORDERS

Persons wishing to order new name tags should send a \$5.00 check to Living Water Emmaus Community, P. O. Box 1895, Plainview, Texas 79073-1895.

If you have lost your lanyard, and also need another cross, , the charge for the cross is an additional \$3.00. There is no charge for the "crocheted" lanyard.

Please send the following information with your order: Name, church, hometown, and mailing address. Tags will be ordered ASAP and returned to you via mail.