

Community: January 15, 2009
Trinity Fellowship Church
200 S. I-Hwy 27
Plainview

LIVING WATER

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Words from your Lay Director

I hope that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year! Can you believe another year has come to a close? What now? Are we all so tired of the hustle and bustle that now we are going to relax? That is exactly what I had planned for my life. I had really been excited that I was going to go off of the LWE board and get to watch while others took over. I figured that it was time for me to go off and make a way for someone else to experience what I had on the board, a blessing. When my name was brought up for the Community Lay Director, I groaned inwardly. I told Steve that I would think and pray about it, but I had every intention of saying "no". I had no peace for days. I was wrestling with God about this decision. I told Him that I had worked really hard for 3 years on the board and I was ready to relax. Still no peace. Finally one morning on my way to work, I said: "Okay, God, show me the answer!" Did He ever? I got to work and read several emails from friends about working hard and keeping God's work going. WOW, I felt like a child that had been reprimanded for doing something naughty. But what really hit me in the face was when I was reading the bible and I was reading the very first book of Genesis. Have you ever thought about it. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...he created the creatures, trees, flowers, water, and on and on...and it was all beautiful. He was making a wonderful place for His most special creation of all...the one He loved more than anything else...humankind, created in His own image. First, God, in His sovereignty, made a place for us: earth, a place of great beauty to enjoy and one that provided for our every need, and heaven where we can live with Him forever. In the beginning, He was preparing for us. God doesn't follow the rules; He creates them. He doesn't worry about political correctness; He does whatever needs to be done to work things out for our good and His eternal purpose. The book of Proverbs tells us, "There are many plans in a man's (or woman's) heart, nevertheless the Lord's counsel-- that will stand" Proverbs 19:21. You and I don't need to understand; we just need to follow. That is what I felt that God was saying to me. I felt ashamed that I was going to go my own way, because I was tired.

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DeColores,
Debbie Crosby

Community Gathering -- January 15 --

Trinity Fellowship Church
Plainview, TX

Board 5:30 PM
Sponsor's Training 6:00 PM
Meal 6:30 PM
Worship 7:30 PM

Guests are welcome and a nursery is 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. Worship begins at 7:30 with praise songs, and closes with communion.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY GATHERINGS

January 15 - Trinity Fellowship Church
200 S. I-Hwy 27
Plainview, TX

February 19- First Methodist Church
119 N. Briscoe St.
Tulsa, TX

Call Sue Johnson at 889-3331 to
list your church on the schedule.

T.G.I.F. - TODAY GOD IS FIRST

LIVING WATER MEN'S WALK #61 Jan. 29- Feb.1



Pilgrims
Mike Allen Brian Bennett Bill Murcheski
Cary Skaggs Gary Skaggs Donnie Stone
Jonathan Whedbee

This list is subject to change.

Team		
Tommy Horsford, Lay Director	Robert Malcom, Spiritual Director	
Tim Hardage	Paul Schacht	Shannon Thrasher
Art Wall	Ed Jennings	Roger Foote
Gregg Culwell	Dallas Stringer	Keith Pyle
Kim Seago	Joe Barrera	Darral Bryant
Richard Rockwall	Butch Harrell	Bill Ayers
Dane Sanders	Terry Murrell	Danak Spradlin
Jack Ball	Bobby Jones	Johnny Boyce
Gregg Carroll	Ricky Cross	Eldon Box
Jake Galvan	Rodney Hunt	Morris Applewhite
Juan Bustos	Zack Cummings	Darrin Cook
Clint Hunt	Team dedication will be at the next community meeting.	

UPCOMING WALKS >>WALK COST \$100.00<<

#61 Men's Walk	#62 Women's Walk
January 29- Feb. 1, 2009	June 11-14, 2009
Plains Baptist Assembly	Wayland Baptist University
Tommy Horsford, Lay Director	Cheryl Teeter, Lay Director
Robert Malcolm, Spiritual Director	Kyle Brock, Spiritual Director

Women's Registrar Nancy Martin 806-729-3817
Men's Registrar Darral Bryant 806-928-1344 or 806-771-5271
••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.

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In Hebrews 13:5 God promises us that He will NEVER leave us or forsake us. So, how could I even think about leaving, or if not leave, sit back and let someone else do the job, when He is so faithful to us. And then, how can I forget the extreme sacrifice that He made: His Son. I had to ask the Lord to forgive me for thinking I could let others do the job that He wanted me to do. I vow to God and to each of you that I will work hard this year to do the job that is before me. I will be here for each of you, but, most importantly, I will be here for God. We all have a responsibility to Him to do the job that He has set before us. Join with me this year in seeking what it is that God wants us to do. Whether it be Community Lay Director, a sponsor, a prayer warrior or whatever He has in store for us. I know that we will be richly blessed if we truly seek His will. Please, pray with me and pray for me that I will keep my sight on Him and His will, not my own. And keep your LWE board and committees in your prayers for them to seek His will. Thank you, for showing me that you are confident in my abilities to do this humble job. "I can do all things through Christ, Who strengthens me." Philipians 4:13

I hope to see you all at the January 15 community meeting at Trinity Fellowship.
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From your community !!
just wanted to say hi and ask you to wish everyone in Texas a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year... I am Chaplin at a truck stop in Junction City and I am the Chaplin at a nursing home here. We also just planted a home church and it is already growing and we should turn it into a church plant within a year...God has really blessed us since i was forced to quit my career and go back to college and train for a new one...plz keep us in your prays and tell everyone at College Heights to pray for us and that we said hello. oh and plz give anyone interested in contacting us our email address is bigjimtheway1955@yahoo.com
Pastor JimPritchett

WALK INFORMATION FOR PLAINS BAPTIST ASSEMBLY NEAR FLOYDADA

FOOD AGAPE - Bring to send-off on Thursday night January 29th to the kitchen of the Jubilee Conference Center. If your pilgrim has special food needs, please provide them. If food agape is brought after Thursday night, leave it in the Agape Room on the end of the building.

PLACE MATS - Bring for all eight meals on Thursday night to the Agape Room. These must all be there at that time!!

AGAPE GIFTS - Bring Thursday night to the Agape Room in Jubilee Conference Center. To assist the servant team, your cooperation is appreciated on the following:
-Do NOT "personalize" agape with pilgrims' names. (Of course, it is OK to include your name or the name of the reunion group providing the agape.)

- Do NOT bring personal gifts for pilgrims. (Give after the walk.)
- Do NOT bring any agape after Friday noon.

CAMERAS - Please do NOT bring cameras to send-off, candlelight or closing. The only pictures made during a walk will be of table groups.

SEND-OFF, Jan. 29th - Gather in the Worship Center by 7 PM. Immediately following will be **Sponsors' Hour** in Jubilee Conference Center Chapel.
CANDLELIGHT, Jan. 31st - Do not arrive at the Worship Center before 7:30 PM. This will help to keep your presence a surprise! Worship service will begin about 8:30 PM. The pilgrims are scheduled to arrive at Candlelight at 10 PM.

CLOSING, Feb.1st - Do not arrive earlier than 3:30 PM. Worship service will begin about 4:30, with the pilgrims scheduled to arrive between 4:45 and 5:00. Volunteers are needed to help with clean-up after closing.

••Don't forget your working battery Candlelight's, if you need to purchase one the price is \$5 from De Chance. Loners are available to be returned after candlelight. ••

Psalm 46:19

'Be Still and Know that I AM GOD'

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*I would rather live my life as if there is a God,
and die to find out there isn't, than
live my life
as if there isn't, and die to find out
there is.*



† 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, 79072 or phone 291-8755 or e-mailed to kayla.edwards@yahoo.com