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WORDS FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

Hello once again,

Well, we had a wonderful time of worship and listened to a wonderful testimony of how God is still using the “Walk” to draw people closer to him at our last community meeting at FUMC in Tulia. Ernie gave a wonderful testimony and Alfred did a wonderful job of leading us in praise and worship. Those who did not make it missed a blessing. The board decided not to schedule anymore July Walks unless we had at least 20 men on a waiting list and even then we may want to schedule it for mid to late September. As of now this means that we will only have one men’s walk scheduled each year and that will be in January. We are still looking for someone to take over the duties of keeping the lay directors box and team manuals. Tonya has done this for the last several years and it is time for someone else to have the opportunity to serve that community. This person really needs to be a past lay director, have access to a copy machine and be very well organized, which leaves me out. I would appreciate your prayerful consideration of this very important duty and if you feel like this is something that the Lord is leading you to do for the Living Water Emmaus Community, give me or Tonya Stokes a call and we will be glad to discuss it with you.

Our next community meeting will be at the Caprock Canyon State Park, near Quitague. This is one of the most exciting meetings that we have each year and I certainly want to encourage everyone to come and enjoy God’s beautiful creation and a wonderful time of praise and worship. Brother Ron Brunson and the band from the Cowboy Church will be leading the praise time. I certainly hope that you will put this special night of September 16th on your calendar. I have heard rumors that Joe Ike Clay may even be able to come up with a bunch of watermelons. Also if anyone wants to make home made ice cream that would really be good. My favorite is Butterfinger.

Please begin to pray for the Roach unit in Childress Kairos. The dates are from 23 September to 26 September. If you have never been involved in a Kairos but feel that God is calling you into a ministry to inmates, please give me a call at 806-292-5995 and I would love to talk to anyone who would be interested. God can change any life, even a convict.

I will close for now and get this off to Kayla. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the state park on the 16th.

Your Brother in Christ
Melvin Vanlandingham

Community Gathering
-- Sept. 16th --

Caprock Canyons State Park
Quitague

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

- Sept. 16 Caprock Canyons State Park, Quitague
- Oct. 21
- Nov. 18 First Methodist Lockney
- Dec. 16 First Methodist Hale Center

Call Kayla Edwards @ 292-4807 to list your church on the schedule or e-mail kayla.edwards@yahoo.com.



Shirley & Marcy
A mom was concerned about her kindergarten son walking to school. He didn't want his mother to walk with him. She wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe.

So she had an idea of how to handle it. She asked a neighbor if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her.
She said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed.

The next school day, the neighbor and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor girl he knew. She did this for the whole week.

As the two walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week. Finally she said to Timmy, 'Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week?

Do you know her?'
Timmy nonchalantly replied, 'Yeah, I know who she is.'
The little girl said, 'Well, who is she?'
'That's just Shirley Goodnest,' Timmy replied, 'and her daughter Marcy.'
'Shirley Goodnest? Who the heck is she and why is she following us?'
'Well,' Timmy explained, 'every night my Mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, 'cuz she worries about me so much.

And in the Psalm, it says, 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life', so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!
The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

May Shirley Goodnest and Marcy be with you today and always.

Sometimes we wonder, "What did I do to deserve this?" or "Why did God have to do this to me?" Here is a wonderful explanation! A daughter is telling her Mother how everything is going wrong, she's failing algebra, her boyfriend broke up with her and her best friend is moving away.
Meanwhile, her Mother is baking a cake and asks her daughter if she would like a snack, and the daughter says, "Absolutely Mom, I love your cake."
"Here, have some cooking oil," her Mother offers.
"Yuck" says her daughter.
"How about a couple raw eggs?" "Gross, Mom!"
"Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking soda?"
"Mom, those are all yucky!"
To which the mother replies: "Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake!"
God works the same way. Many times we wonder why He would let us go through such bad and difficult times. But God knows that when He puts these things all in His order, they always work for good! We just have to trust Him and, eventually, they will all make something wonderful!
God is crazy about you. He sends you flowers every spring and a sunrise every morning.
Whenever you want to talk, He'll listen. He can live anywhere in the universe, and He chose your heart.
Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we are here we might as well dance.

***I hope your day is a piece of

UPCOMING WALKS		>>WALK COST \$140<<	
#68	Women's Walk October 14-17, 2010 Plains Baptist Assembly Janet Pyle, Lay Director Rance Young, Spiritual Director	#69	Men's Walk January 27-30, 2010 Plains Baptist Assembly Shannon Thrasher, Lay Director Robert Malcolm, Spiritual Director
Men's Registrar	Darral Bryant	806-928-1344	or 806-771-5271
Women's Registrar	Nancy Martin	806-729-3817	

Jesus
Never Thought of This
Jesus died over 2000 years ago.
Nobody has ever referred to him as the late Jesus,
Not even the heathens.
Nowhere in history.
Nowhere has He EVER been referred to in past tense!
He is the Living God!

When Jesus died on the cross He was thinking of you!

 When you are feeling Blue,
It's best to hum a tune,
it cheers you up and gets your mind off of your troubles...

From Your Community
Everyone has been asked to..
Please fill out a new DATA Sheet and get it turned in as soon as possible...
Data Sheets may be found on the web sight at..
www.livingwateremmaus.com..
Mail to: Elizabeth Franklin..
1004 Vernon..
Plainview, TX 79072 or e-mail to..
texas_maw_maw@suddenlink.net..
806-296-6090..

REUNION GROUPS
We are UPDATING the Reunion groups roster.
If you are part of a reunion group..
PLEASE contact Stacie Hardage with information about your group.

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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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 292-4807 or e-mailed to kayla.edwards@yahoo.com