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## Community Meeting

## WESTERN HERITAGE FELLOWSHIP HALE CENTER. TEXAS

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Community Lay Director

### **May Community Letter**

Lately I have been reflecting on time and how quick that time is passing. It seems to me that this world keeps us so busy that we wake up in the morning and go through this whirlwind of a day, just in time to go to bed again. I know that God did not intend for our days to be this busy, or for our mind to be overloaded all day long with text, phone calls, or social media. I have determined that I have to be purposeful with my actions, I have to predetermine that I am going to take the time to witness for the Lord, and take the time to listen to others as I go through my day. If I am not purposeful about my actions, I will find myself empty at the end of the day knowing that I accomplished nothing for God. I am finding as I predetermine that I am going to look for opportunities to minister to people that the door always opens and I find many opportunities to help others, or actually lead them to Christ.

I am sitting in Ohio as I write this and I was just able to talk with a woman from Morocco. She was raised Islam, but she said that she has no religion. I simply told my story of what Jesus did for me and how he speaks to me. After telling her my story, she said she wanted to become a Christian and was going to read her bible. I will ask to pray with her before I leave the restaurant. Telling someone about Jesus is simply to tell your story of what Jesus has done for you.

In James we learn that life is but a vapor, here today and gone tomorrow. I encourage you to be purposeful with your time and predetermine to look for opportunities to minister to others. God has chosen to use you, to be His hands, His feet and His mouth. I encourage you as you wake up in the morning to ask God to see the world through his eyes and to ask Him for a heart to minister to others. There is a lost and dying world that needs to hear your story.

Lord help us to have ears to hear and a heart to obey your voice in Jesus name.

De Colores Jeff Braselton

# Community Gathering --May 19--

Western Heritage Fellowship Hale Center, Tx

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

Guests are welcome and 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 Janet Pyle 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

May 19 Western Heritage Fellowship Hale Center, Tx



June 21 Tuesday

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

### To My Living Water Emmaus Community

This is a heart filled apology for not fulfilling my obligation as the Newsletter editor. No excesses can be made by me, except to tell you that I have had a lot to juggle in my life these past few months. Many of you know that my mother and fellow emmaus sister has not been well since September, but she finally gave up her fight and went to be with our Lord on April 17th. Two days prior to her passing our weekend x-ray tech was called home also, this was a complete shock as she was taken suddenly. With her passing and my mothers, I have had to fill in on weekends at the hospital and take care of my life in general. I love doing the newsletter, but if you fill like you would want someone else to take it over I will completely understand. Since I am working late on Thursday's I have not been able to attend many meetings and miss seeing and fellowship with you all. I pray you are all well and love to keep up with the post on our Facebook page. Thank You for the love that has always been shown to me and my mother. This tool of Emmaus turned my life around and without it I would not be the Christian woman I am today and that I strive to be everyday. Thank you for showing me Christ Love and being there for me.

Christ Love, DeColores

KAYLA EDWARDS WALK #41

Growing old is Awesome when you look at it like this!!! Some very true words to ponder....I hope you enjoy.

As I've aged, I've become kinder to myself, and less critical of myself. I've become my own friend.

I have seen too many dear friends leave this world, too soon; before they understood the great freedom that comes with aging.

Whose business is it, if I choose to read, or play on the computer until 4 AM, or sleep until noon? I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 50, 60 &70's, and if I, at the same time, wish to weep over a lost love, I will.

I will walk the beach, in a swim suit that is stretched over a bulging body, and will dive into the waves, with abandon, if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the jet set. They, too, will get old.

I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten.

And, I eventually remember the important things.

Sure, over the years, my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break, when you lose a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But, broken hearts are what give us strength, and understanding, and compassion. A heart never broken, is pristine, and sterile, and will never know the joy of being imperfect.

I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face. So many have never laughed, and so many have died before their hair could turn silver.

As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think.

I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong.

So, to answer your question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become.

I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be.

And I shall eat dessert every single day (if I feel like it).

MAY OUR FRIENDSHIP NEVER COME APART, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART!

## **UP COMING WALKS**

>> Walk Cost \$140 <<

#87 WOMEN'S WALK JUNE 16-19, 2016 GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN NOW, Living Water Emmaus Registrar

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Sign up your CHURCH For COMMUNITY MEETINGS



Pick Your Month before someone else gets it..... CALL OR E-MAIL ME @

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When hosting community, Churches are responsible for the Dinner & dessert plates, napkins, silverware, cups, & drinks. Childcare is optional for the church, but Emmaus does pay \$25.00

Just Some Thoughts By: Glenda Tipton

As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:9

Joy comes in our lives when we have something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.

Barbara Johnson

Teach me to feel another's woe, to hide the fault I see; that mercy I to others show, that mercy show to

me. Alexander Pope

Love can't be bought, it is priceless and free--love, like pure magic, is a sweet mystery. Helen Steiner Rice

Whatever problems we're going through, they didn't come to stay;

they "came to pass."

Barbara Johnson

May I ever be aware in everything I do that knowledge comes from learning - and wisdom comes from You. Today make the most of small opportunities and tasks. They could just be the start of great things.

Helen Steiner Rice

Prayer is the song of the heart. It reaches the ear of God even if it is mingled with the cry and the tumult of a thousand men. Kahlil Gibran

Wait on the Lord, be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart. Psalm 27:14

Laughter is the invisible armor to protect us from the stresses of life.

Barbara Johnson

He prayeth well who loveth well both man and bird and beast. He prayeth best who loveth best all things both great and small; for the dear God who loveth us, he made and loveth all.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge

WOMEN'S WALK #87
>>>FULL WALK<<<
AMHURST, TEXAS
JUNE 16-19, 2016

JUNE COMMUNITY

MEETING WILL BE ON

TUESDAY JUNE 21st

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HOST THIS MEETING PLEASE CONTACT ME 806-292-4807 KAYLA EDWARDS