

# Houston North Emmaus Community

## Pilgrim's Journey

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'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

The Gospel of Luke 24:32

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From the Community Chairman

Welcome Community to 2014.

This year's Walk season is upon us and **we all have opportunities to bless each Walk with prayer and participation.** The leadership and teams for Walk 74 and 78 are in place and have completed their Team Training. It is a very powerful experience when teams are formed and bond for the common purpose of leading and serving the Pilgrims on their Walk. The presence of the Holy Spirit is ever so evident through Team Training, each Team Meeting, and with every celebration of Communion.

As I mentioned above, we have the opportunity to support each Walk with our prayers.

- Pray for the Walks, that they make and that they meet our Father's purpose
- Pray for the team members who have accepted the call to serve
- Pray for the Sponsors, that the Holy Spirit guides them to seek people that need to go on their Walk and that they have the courage to plant that seed
- Pray for the potential Pilgrims that they hear the offer with open minds and hearts
- Pray for the Clergy to commit their time to offer spiritual leadership and participation for this ministry

In addition, we need you our 4<sup>th</sup> Day to be Sponsors. Without Sponsors, we won't have Pilgrims and without Pilgrims, we won't have a Walk. Imagine the impact on the community if everyone reached out to share the Emmaus opportunity with someone. We call this "Each One – Reach One." If you have never attended sponsorship training before, we have training for you. This training covers all the responsibilities of sponsorship. Sponsor Training is held prior to the start of each Gathering. If there is a special need in this area please contact [Larry Thieme](#) .

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## Community Projects:

As a community, we are kicking off two projects in February. These projects will be 4<sup>th</sup> Day lead. One project is focused on Clergy support of Emmaus for both HNEC's and their Church's Communities. The other project is focused on Sponsor encouragement. We need Sponsors, what more can I say... Many of you can remember a time when there were waiting lists for the Walks. In recent years, we have had to cancel a men's Walk and again have had to reduce their walks from 3 a year to 2. It has been some time since we had a full Men's or Women's Walk. For the leaders of the local church communities, we need your support for this effort. We realize the contact information we have on record for the local church community leadership could be dated; so we are asking you leaders to proactively contact us at [communications@h nec.org](mailto:communications@h nec.org) with your church's name and your contact information. It is my vision that this effort continues year after year and sustains this Emmaus Community.

For persons wanting to serve on the teams I encourage you to fill out the [Team Interest Form](#) that is on our web site. To make it easier to find there is a direct link to it in the left column of the home page under the Walk Information section. Also, we need Day Servants too. For the [Day Servant Application](#) click on the Applications and Documents link and the form's link is at the bottom. We need your service!

I ask this Emmaus Community for its support, prayers, and blessings as we move through this Walk season.

*In His Service*

**Jeff Mueller**

*HNEC Community Lav Director*

## Mark your calendars and make your plans... 2014 Walk Dates!



| <u>Walk</u>      | <u>Date</u>       |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Men's Walk #74   | March 27 – 30     |
| Women's Walk #78 | April 3 – 6       |
| Women's Walk #79 | July 24 – 27      |
| Men's Walk #80   | September 25 – 28 |
| Women's Walk #81 | October 2 – 5     |

## **DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN FIND AND FILL OUT All of the forms below on the website?**

[HNEC Pilgrim Application](#)  
[HNEC Sponsor Form](#)  
[HNEC – Sponsor Checklist](#)  
[HNEC - Sponsor Request for Pilgrim Letters](#)  
[HNEC - Information Sheet for Sponsors](#)  
[HNEC Team Service Interest Form](#)  
[HNEC Day Servant Application](#)

**Remember !**

**We now offer the capability to pay for walk fees for  
teams and Pilgrims online via **PayPal!****



### ***Table and Pillow Agape***

Always make a few extra in case items are misplaced or broken.

- 50 pieces — Pilgrims & table leaders
- 60 pieces — Pilgrims & conference room team
- 75 pieces — All pilgrims and team

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**LOVE an Agape Servant. Please label your bags, sacks, containers,  
etc. with:**

**# of pieces.  
Preferred time to distribute.  
Intended recipients.**

**Thanks!**

## ***Pilgrim Applications***

Please make sure you are using the 2013+ forms for pilgrim applications.

Application forms should always be submitted in a timely manner and keeping the following in mind:

- The maximum number of Pilgrims per walk is 36.
- Walk registrations can be accepted up until the beginning Walk date provided openings are still available.
- Applications are considered received in the order of their postmark date.
- For questions about pilgrim applications, status, etc., contact registrar Tom Hollis at: [registrar@h nec.org](mailto:registrar@h nec.org)
- For financial assistance on Walk fees, contact Jeff Mueller, Community Chair. [Jd-mueller@att.net](mailto:Jd-mueller@att.net)

Go to the “[Applications and Documents](#)” link on the web.  
[www.hnec.org](http://www.hnec.org)

## ***Community Related Sites***

[Houston West Emmaus Community](#)  
[Houston Bay Area Emmaus Community](#)  
[Cradle of Texas Emmaus Community](#)  
[Houston West Chrysalis Community](#) - Newly chartered  
[Cradle of Texas Chrysalis Community](#)  
[Kairos Prison Ministry](#)  
[Texas Epiphany Ministry](#)



All HNEC Emmaus Walks are held at the beautiful Kaiserhof Retreat Center.  
<http://www.kaiserhofretreatcenter.com/>



The Son is the light of God’s glory and the imprint of God’s being.

Hebrews 1:3





# **Community Servanthood**

[www.hnec.org](http://www.hnec.org) / [Community  
Servanthood link](#)

To volunteer for any area of service or if you have any questions, contact HNEC Board members:

**Kelly Freeman** (281.734.1998 - [rayfree@embarqmail.com](mailto:rayfree@embarqmail.com))

or

**Bobby Hantleman** (281.744.2253 - [bhantelman@ferrariofhouston.com](mailto:bhantelman@ferrariofhouston.com)).

**REMEMBER:** You can sign up as individuals, reunion groups, groups of Emmaus friends, family groups, or church Fourth Day Emmaus groups. Don't let the total number required for each event intimidate you! We can put you with others who may sign up for the same event.

**\*\*\* You may also sign up directly via our online registration\*\*\***

[Community Servanthood Online Registration](#)



## ***Descriptions of Areas of Service***

### Thursday Snack Supper

Requirement: 6-8 people

Arrival time: 5:00 pm

Task: Provide light supper for team and arriving pilgrims and sponsors

### Saturday Agape Dinner

Requirement: 6-12 people

Arrival time: 3:30 for decorations; 4:30 for food preparation, serving, and cleanup

Task: Provide special Agape Dinner for pilgrims and team. Fourth Day persons from multiple churches can join together. If you want to serve, let us know and we will put you together with others.

### Saturday Candlelight Parking Attendants

Requirement: 4-6 people

Arrival time: 7:15 pm

Task: Direct traffic to designated parking areas.

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## *Descriptions of Areas of Service* Continued

### Saturday Candlelight Luminary Team

Requirement: 6-8 people

Arrival time: 7:00 pm

Task: Set up luminaries for pilgrim arrival and take down after Candlelight is finished.

### Saturday Candlelight Service Team

Requirement: 6-8 people

Arrival time: 6:30 pm

Tasks: Set up the Fourth Day service area in the Dining Hall; serve as ushers; hand out candles and then collect them; assist in taking down chairs in the Dining Hall after the Fourth Day service.

### Sunday Moving Cleanup

Requirement: 4-5 people

Arrival time: 1:30 pm

Task: Move furniture from cabins to the conference room; move kitchen supplies from the dining hall to the property room; move agape supplies from the inn to property room; and to assist the servant team in the cleanup of Kaiserhof.

### Rose Providers

Requirement: Individual or small group

Arrival time: Saturday night or early Sunday morning

Task: Bring 4 dozen (48) roses to Kaiserhof to be handed out to pilgrims, table leaders, and assistant table leaders in their rooms prior to breakfast on Sunday morning.

**\*\*\*\*To see what opportunities are still available check the Signup Genius website at \*\*\*\***

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4DABAB23A57-hnec2>



### ***NEEDS OUR HELP!***

We need people to sponsor "Caterpillars"

Forms can be found at

<http://www.discoverchrysalis.com/page.asp?nvc=718&page=2764&topic=Flights>

Select "**Connect**" then "**Flights**"...

### **Upcoming Flights**

Girls Flight #5 March 9th - 12<sup>th</sup>

Boys Flight #6 March 13th - 16<sup>th</sup>

You can get to the Prayer Clocks at

<http://www.discoverchrysalis.com/default.asp>

***"Fly with Christ"***

## Houston North Emmaus Community Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at The Woodlands United Methodist Church from 7:00-9:00 pm.

Fourth Day members are welcome to attend as guests. If you have concerns that you would like to address with the HNEC Board, you may contact Jeff Mueller, Community Lay Director ([jd-mueller@att.net](mailto:jd-mueller@att.net)) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, and you will be added to the meeting agenda.

### HNEC 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

|  |                      |              |  |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--|
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## Team Selection

We have had a wonderful response from those who are desiring to serve on upcoming walks!! It has been a joy to see the outpouring of love our fourth day community has had for new pilgrims and their upcoming walks. We all remember that weekend where God drew us in, loved on us and told us just how much we meant to Him! Now is our turn to be the physical hands and feet of Jesus to others in our community. Please be in prayer for potential pilgrims and sponsorship. You can always forward names of potential pilgrims to Paul or Becky to place in the pilgrim box we pray over.

Please continue to be in prayer for upcoming Emmaus walks and if you desire to work a walk, please email either [Becky Burks](#) or [Paul Decker](#) with Team Selection or fill out the online [Team Service Interest Form](#)

Also, we are making a concerted effort to find out who is not receiving emails from HNEC. If you know of any Fourth Day member who is not getting emails, please send their name, phone number, and email to [Paul Decker](#) so we can correct any problems or see why they are not receiving our emails.

De Colores  
Paul Decker

Note from Communications -

The active Emmaus season is starting again! If you have not received any emails from HNEC yet this year (and haven't opted out of our email system) please let us know at [communications@h nec.org](mailto:communications@h nec.org) so we can check on the problem. If you're not sure, we can send you a test email to check and see if our system can reach your email address.

You can find lots of information about handling your HNEC email at [www.hnec.org/email](http://www.hnec.org/email), including changing your email options and changing your contact information in the HNEC data base.



## **PILGRIM'S JOURNEY NEWSLETTER**

The *Pilgrim's Journey* newsletter is published 4 times a year. All issues will be emailed to all Fourth Day members in our Data file. We recommend that you keep your information updated on the web site to ensure receipt of HNEC communications. If you miss a Newsletter they are all posted on the Houston North Emmaus web site at [www.hnec.org](http://www.hnec.org).

The recently updated web site has everything you will want to know about the happenings going on in our Community.

If you have questions or suggestions about ways we can enhance and improve the communication and information to our Community please don't hesitate to contact us.

In Him...

***Marty and Ray Cox,  
HNEC Communications***