



Grace For Today

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Next Gathering

Saturday May 12th

Babe Chick at 5pm

Potluck at 6pm

Gathering at 7pm

First UMC, Lindale

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Dear G.R.A.C.E.

Greetings GRACE Community! What a blessing it was to attend the Candlelight and Closing ceremonies for our Spring Walks. The Pilgrims were ALL filled to overflowing and their faces glowed with the love of Christ. During my early involvement in Emmaus, my oldest daughter would always tell me that I "glowed" whenever I would come back from any kind of Emmaus function--gathering, team meeting, Candlelight--it didn't matter. I have come to know that the glow comes from being in the very presence of God, through the fellowship of other believers. I sometimes think we could have Candlelight with out any candles! There is a song I have heard often recently that always brings to mind the GRACE community. It's called "The Face of Love". That's what I see when I look into the faces of my brothers and sisters in Christ at any community gathering. I can hardly wait to join in worship and fellowship with our new (and old) friends in Christ at May's gathering, and glory in the glow once again. Won't you join us? De Colores
God Bless You!

Susan Stallings
2007 Community Lay Director



Treasurer's Report

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! ... to all those who attended the recent Gatherings and gave so generously. Walk # 40's offering was \$396. Due to the HUGE crowd at #41, the offering was \$1230.

It takes a LOT of money to provide these Walks. Thank you seems so inadequate but it is sincerely meant!

The EFT's are up to 12 donors now. Each month \$185 is coming in through this process. You know who you are. Bless you for taking this extra step in giving.

Laquita Showen
GRACE Community Treasurer

Corner

On Saturday April the 14th we held our first official Chrysalis Steering Committee Meeting. The Emmaus Board has decided that we want to start a Chrysalis Community here in GRACE. This is so exciting for our community. Now we can share what the Emmaus Weekend has meant to all of us to our youth and young adults.

The Chrysalis movement believes that the high school and college years are the most critical time in a person's spiritual formation. During this time young people make many major decisions about religion, lifestyle, vocation, and lifelong partnerships. During these years they also face the greatest temptation to forget about God and to abandon the church altogether. Chrysalis exists to help young people meet this challenge. Chrysalis provides spiritual support for youth and young adults during these years of such dynamic growth. Chrysalis challenges them to grow not only in mind and body but also in spirit and truth.

What can you do to be involved?

1. Pray for this program, the Steering Committee, the Board and the butterflies that will be coming to GRACE.
2. Volunteer to be part of the Chrysalis Steering Committee. If interested contact Teresa Elliott.
3. Sponsorship is important to any program. As we bring this to the GRACE Community we will need youth and adults to work this event. Now is the time to sponsor youth this summer at a Chrysalis Flight so that they will be able to sponsor and work as team on the flights we plan to hold in the future.
4. Continue to learn more about what Chrysalis is and what it means.

Stay tuned for more information to come in the next newsletter.

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GRACE EMMAUS

The G.R.A.C.E. Emmaus Community wishes to continue to spread the life changing experience that an Emmaus weekend can deliver. Won't you help us by donating funds for scholarships for both pilgrims and team members? Our goal is to one day provide enough scholarships so that we can help those that cannot afford to go to be able to attend an Emmaus weekend.

We are asking you to consider donate \$5, \$10, \$25 monthly or whatever amount you would like to set the donation to. This monthly donation will be debited automatically from your bank account on or about the 15th of the month.

Thank you for your continued support of our Emmaus community.

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Monthly gift amount \$ _____

Date _____

Signature _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Account # _____

Transit/ABA # _____