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## From the Community Lay Director

WOW! Two tremendous Walks to Emmaus. What terrific turnout and support from the GRACE community for candlelight's and closings. The Spirit was dancing in our midst and with the pilgrims. Thank you, Lord Sponsors thank you for Jesus. making sure that your new 4th dayers were at the Babe Chick meeting. We had a great turn out and lots of questions were asked by the newest members of the GRACE community. One last reminder, Sponsors your job is NOT complete until you have your new 4th dayers in a reunion group. This final step is critical to the continued strength and growth of our community. It is only through the reunion/accountability groups that each of us assists others with of continuation the Emmaus experience. Your job as a sponsor is so very important, thank you for your sincere efforts of bringing your brothers and sisters in the faith to their Walk to Emmaus. Keep up the good work for our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Our work continues, we have the next GRACE Emmaus walks on the calendar for March 9-12 Men's walk and March 16-19 Women's walk.

These two walks will be held at Disciples Crossing just outside Athens, TX. Now is the time to be talking with those the Holv Spirit has put on your heart. Prayerfully, reach out and offer to discuss the Walk to Emmaus with others in vour church families. Remember, our Emmaus experience is to build up the body of Christ through invigorating energizing church members to strengthen and lead their churches.

The last gathering of 2005 will be held at St. Luke's UMC, in Kilgore, TX, on November 12. This is a Saturday, and it is a potluck meal at noon. Come, bring a dish to share and join in the fellowship and worship. We have a great time of singing and celebrating Jesus, make sure to be a part of your community gathering in November.

WE HAVE FOUND THE FIX. This week, we have discovered the disconnect between information that has been shared by members on the website (updated information, address changes, etc.) and feeding that information into our database. Sorry for taking so long in finding the problem, but I believe we are now on the right path. So, if you need to update information about yourself, please **DO USE** the website.

We also need to hear from you if you want to be considered to work on future Emmaus walks. If we don't hear from you about wanting to work on a walk team, then the selection committee has no idea of your Please, do use the interest. **Emmaus** GRACE website www.gracemmaus.org to continue to communicate your interest in being considered to work a walk. Our selection committee does its best to make certain that our conference room team is comprised of new members, some who have worked a walk or two, and those who have worked a number of walks.

The servant team is comprised of members willing to work the weekend, reunion groups, and individuals who want be participate and serve our Lord, the pilgrims, and the walk.

IF YOU WERE A MEMBER OF THE CONFERENCE ROOM TEAM FOR THE PAST TWO WALKS, we need your Walk Evaluation form NOW! Typically, these forms are completed at the conclusion of each walk and given to the Board Representative. If you have not submitted your form, part of your role responsibility is to see that it is submitted to Mike Minor for the men's walk or Betty Devine for the women's walk. Your cooperation is appreciated.

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Community Lay Director- B.B.

## Remaining G.R.A.C.E. Emmaus Calendar for 2005

November

**12** – *Gathering* (Grand Ultrea) and pot luck lunch – Noon, St Luke's, Kilgore speaker: Bill Burgdorf

**12** – Board meeting – 10 am, St Luke's, Kilgore

December

15 - Board meeting (transition to new board) - 7 pm, Lane's Chapel UMC, Tyler

January

**12** – *Gathering* – 7 pm, Lane's Chapel UMC, Tyler

**19** – Board meeting – 7 pm, Marvin UMC, Tyler

WOW!!! I know everyone has heard this before, but Walk #35 was the best walk ever. We had 33 pilgrims participating in this awesome week-end. Our God is truly amazing. The Holy Spirit was working the entire week-end in the lives of these beautiful women. I just feel so blessed to have been the instrument God chose to lead Walk #35. As all the team would affirm these 33 pilgrims were truly a blessing to us. I want to thank the Grace Community for all your months of love, support and prayers. God is good all the time!!! All the time God is good!!! Let's prepare our hearts and minds for the Spring Walks and bathe them in prayer. Again, from all of the team of Walk #35 – thank you for allowing us to serve.

DeColores, Juanita Keosoff Lay Director, Walk #35