

Northern California/Nevada  
Emmaus/Chrysalis Community News  
Summer - Fall 2011



*"When He was at the table with them, He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him." Luke 24:30-31a*

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**Community News**

**Emmaus and Chrysalis Boards to Merge**

At the July 2011 joint Emmaus and Chrysalis Board meeting it was decided to merge the two boards as many of policies, procedures, and functions of each are common. An excellent example of the benefits of this move was seen in the beautifully smooth 2012 Walk and Flight scheduling work that took place at that meeting. Praise God!

When worked out, it is expected that this merger will increase opportunities to serve in the Community rather than reduce them – and in many instances, that service will be more productive. There are, of course, Chrysalis-specific items to be worked on and those can be handled by the Chrysalis Standing Committee.

The details of how the merger will be accomplished have yet to be worked out and important considerations in this effort will be found in an article on page 2.

**Additional Walks and Flights Slated for 2012**

Be sure to note that the Community is planning two sets of Flights and two sets of Walks in 2012.

Flights: Atwater in the Spring and a location to be announced in the Summer

Walks: Sacramento in the Spring and a location to be announced in the Fall

(check the Community website from time-to-time for updated information: [www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org))

**Volunteering to Serve**

"Christ is counting on you" is on our Fourth Day crosses! To make volunteering easier, there is a new form on the Community website ([www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)) to help you out.

(see the article on page 4 for more information)

**Emmaus / Chrysalis  
Remaining 2011 and Beginning 2012  
Walk and Flight Calendar**

**This Information is Current as of  
July 29, 2011**

**REMAINDER OF 2011**

**EMMAUS** – Carson Valley UMC, Gardnerville, NV  
1375 Centerville Lane

**Women's Walk #58 August 4-7**

Lay Director: Lynda Jamieson

**BEGINNING OF 2012**

**CHRYSALIS** – Atwater UMC, Atwater, Ca  
2550 Linden St.

Team Meetings: January 27-29

**Girl's Flight February 23-26**

Lay Director: Ruth Ridgway

**Boy's Flight March 8-11**

Lay Director: Steve Plocher

**EMMAUS** – St. Mark's UMC, Sacramento, Ca  
2391 St. Marks Way

Team Meetings: dates to be announced

**Men's Walk #46 May 3-6**

Lay Director: tba

**Women's Walk #59 May 17-20**

Lay Director: tba

**CHRYSALIS:** Plans are underway for **Summer Girl's  
and Boy's Flights**

**EMMAUS:** Plans are underway for **Fall Men's and  
Women's Walks**



**Community Website**  
**[www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)**



## I Can Relate – Can You?

Are you somewhere in this picture: struggling to keep up with the increasing pressures of your job; constantly interrupted by your cell phone; expected to respond to the daily barrage of e-mails; rushing to sort through the daily stack of mail, most of which is “presorted standard”; hurrying to get the kids to school, soccer practice, music lessons; worrying about your kids (and you) getting their homework done? How about this: concerned you might lose your job or be furloughed or have your pay reduced; worried about making ends meet; anxious over what’s happening to your adult children; agonizing over an aging parent’s deteriorating health; bothered by the endless stream of bad news coming from the television set? And then in all of this you hear, “Are you going to sponsor a Pilgrim?” Practically speaking, where does sponsoring a Pilgrim fit into your priorities?

Priorities? Wasn’t something said about priorities during your Walk to Emmaus? Yes, but that was different; that was in the relative comfort of a conference room several years ago, not in the real world today. Unfortunately, that talk, Priority, doesn’t mean anything unless it applies in the real world, and applying it in today’s real world is hard work. But, if sponsorship of just one individual is not high on your list of priorities, that one individual is not likely to ever experience the affirmation you felt during your Walk. And that one individual is facing the same picture, the same stresses you are facing. Prioritizing is not easy when we feel we control so little of what life forces on us. On the other hand, affirming love is a gift, a gift worth more than the time it takes to give it to one who is close and in need of spiritual renewal.

Your church is also feeling twenty-first century priority pressures, religious priorities competing against economic and social pressures in ways we haven’t felt for many years. Your church can benefit from the leadership the Walk to Emmaus experience provides. The Northern California/Nevada Community is also dealing with the effects of competing priorities. Our community is not nearly as active as it was five years ago. For example, four of the last six men’s walks have had to be cancelled due to an insufficient number of Pilgrims. There were some Pilgrim applicants, but they were denied the Walk experience and nearly all fell by the wayside. What did your Walk experience mean to you? Was it sufficiently uplifting, sufficiently meaningful in your Christian growth that you want to share it with someone you know needs renewal and affirmation and time out from everyday struggles? Sponsorship is a gift you can give that individual. Your Community Board of Directors will make sure Walk opportunities continue to be available; but ultimately it’s up to all of us as Community members to raise the priority of sponsorship to the level necessary to continue making disciples for the church. Are you going to sponsor a Pilgrim? Warren Schwegel

## Important Emmaus/Chrysalis Board Merger Considerations

As noted in ‘Community News’ on page 1, the Emmaus and Chrysalis Boards have voted to merge. While the Community has already seen benefits of this action, the details of this merger have yet to be worked out. Our joint Community leaders have, and will continue to, focus on God’s transforming work with Walks, Flights and the Fourth Day. They also have, however, other spiritual, moral, and legal obligations to meet – important considerations in the merger details. One example is our obligation to continue to honor our annual signed covenant with Upper Room Emmaus in that members of the local board are to be elected by members of the local community (something it has taken us the past five years to accomplish). Further, as a California non-profit corporation, our bylaws legally bind our Board and its officers to this. As has been done the past three years, our Community Board has assigned Nomination Committee leaders who are charged with developing a slate for the local Board elections to be conducted in the fourth quarter of 2011 (seven or eight candidates for five open positions). If you have an interest in running, or would like to suggest someone, please contact Bud Cassevah ([dalefanbud@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dalefanbud@sbcglobal.net); 530-383-7254), or Warren Schwegel ([schwegel@cwwo.com](mailto:schwegel@cwwo.com); 916-791-1397). So, while Emmaus and Chrysalis continue to focus on working together as one in our programs, they will also be working out the merger details on the side. The Bible reminds us that though the spiritual work of the church is the most important, there is still other work to be done. De Colores! and Fly With Christ!

*How great is the love the Father has lavished on us,  
that we should be called children of God!  
And that is what we are!  
1 John 3:1*



### Newsletter Information

Newsletters are published two or three times a year – typically just prior to a set of Men’s and Women’s Walks. Submittals and related question are encouraged and should be sent to [newsletter@ncnec.org](mailto:newsletter@ncnec.org). Information is current at time of publication. Updates and corrections are published on the Community website: [www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)

## Welcome to the New Emmaus Members

### Men's Walk 45 Atwater UMC March 17 - 20, 2011

*"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God - not the result of works, so that no one may boast." Ephesians 2:8-9*

Tom Allen, Garden Valley CA  
Arlis Bortner, Le Grand CA  
Pat Franklin, Valley Springs CA  
Jose Garcia, Coloma CA  
Manuel Garcia, Placerville CA  
Bob Harper, Modesto CA  
Dick Higginbotham, Modesto CA  
Bobby Jones, Sacramento CA  
Tom Klasey, Auburn CA  
Phil Martin, Modesto CA  
Jay Pierce, Merced CA  
Don Rainey, Modesto CA  
Michael Shumway, Foster City CA  
John Wickeraad, Granite Bay CA

*Trust in the LORD with all your heart  
And lean not on your own understanding;  
In all your ways submit to him,  
And he will make your paths straight.  
Proverbs 3: 5-6*

### Pilgrim Minimums

In fairness to Conference Room and Background Teams, your Board has established the following policy: A Walk will not go forward unless there are twelve or more Pilgrims registered by the Monday before the Team Weekend. Without this minimum of twelve, the Team Weekend and the Walk will be cancelled. The Community minimum of sixteen registered Pilgrims two weeks before the Walk will continue unchanged (Pilgrim applications must be postmarked two weeks before the Walk. This date is posted for each Walk on the Emmaus Calendar on the website). So, who are you praying about Sponsoring in 2011? Pray, then Act!

### Women's Walk to Emmaus 57 Atwater, CA

March 31 - April 3, 2011  
*"Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us."  
Hebrews 12:1b*

Emi Alicaya, Elk Grove CA  
Germaine Beatovich, Sacramento CA  
Cathie DuChene, Citrus Heights CA  
Susan Goodman, Sacramento CA  
Karen Hill, Clovis CA  
Chris Huffman, Colusa CA  
Irene Kelley, Rancho Cordova CA  
Alice Kubo, Sacramento CA  
Denice Leslie, Hughson CA  
Barbara Mark, Valley Springs CA  
Chris Martin, Valley Springs CA  
Kathy Mayo, Lincoln CA  
Tanis Palmer, Roseville CA  
Helen Paratore, Lincoln CA  
Carla Pedrini, Valley Springs CA  
Suzie Rathbun, Rio Linda CA  
Shigeko Shibata, Sacramento CA  
Calley Wheeler, Rio Linda CA



### Welcome to the New Chrysalis Butterflies

### Boy's Flight 31 Asbury UMC Livermore, CA March 24 - 27, 2011

Jacob Carey, Burson CA  
Frankie Gigliotti, Valley Springs CA  
Brian Hahner, Rio Linda CA  
Jordan Ilagan, Fremont CA  
Steven Long, Hughson CA  
Jay Manalo, Newark CA  
Stephen Schumacher, Reno NV  
Joey Dave Valdez, Hayward CA  
Michael Valles, Valley Springs CA



## *How Can You Serve the Community? There is a new Interest form on the Web Site*

How Can You Serve Your Emmaus/Chrysalis Community?  
What a great question – you know Christ is counting on each of us!

There is a new form on the Community website ([www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)) that lets you indicate how you might serve (click on the ‘Service’ box on the Home page). Pray about what you are called to do to help transform lives through our Walks and Flights, then fill out the simple form on-line and e-mail to the address provided (or surface mail it if need be). This is a great way to let our Community leaders know you would like to work on Walks or Flights, or help in a wide range of needs. Don’t see your calling on the form? Easy – just add it where the form says ‘Other.’ Remember the talk where we were reminded that We are His hands and feet? Things haven’t changed. Bless you for praying about Community service. De Colores! and Fly With Christ!

## *Emmaus/Chrysalis Donations and Scholarships*

### **Community Donations**

Each year your Emmaus/Chrysalis Community requests a \$20 per member tax deductible donation – or, better yet, \$25, with the additional \$5 going to the Emmaus/Chrysalis Scholarship Fund – an important contribution to help with God’s work in transforming lives through Walks and Flights.

Make your check out to Emmaus, note ‘Donation’ on the memo line, and mail it to the Community Treasurer, Rob Dunning, 715 New Valley Rd., Colfax, CA 95713. Bless you for your help.

### **Community Scholarships**

Do you want to sponsor a Pilgrim or Candidate – or work a Flight or Walk? Don’t let financial issue stop you. Partial and full scholarships are available.

For Emmaus, contact Sharon McCommas Burr ([comld@ncnec.org](mailto:comld@ncnec.org); 530-406-1769).

For Chrysalis, contact Ellen Thomas ([chrysalisd@ncnec.org](mailto:chrysalisd@ncnec.org); 775-673-1443).

## *Unity in the Community*

“Unity in the Community” – That’s what the Boards of the Emmaus/Chrysalis community agreed on when they recently voted to merge the two separate Boards into one UNITED Board. So, what if you aren’t yet a member of the Board, how else can you participate in “Unity in the Community?”

We are ALL united in Christ, so “Unity in the Community” for you means to work TOGETHER with everyone around you – at home, school, church, Chrysalis, Emmaus – EVERYWHERE! If you are not working WITH those around you, then you are working AGAINST them. Participate in the work that the community is doing for the glory of God, and you will participate in “Unity in the Community”.

Begin by finding out what others are doing around you. No more complaining about being bored this summer! Read your church bulletin, school newsletter, community newspaper, or the remainder of this Emmaus/Chrysalis Community newsletter. Get online and look at your church’s website, your school website, or the Northern Nevada Emmaus/Chrysalis community website ([www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)). What is happening around you? God is always encouraging you to get involved by showing you the needs that are all around you.

“Unity in the Community” means connecting with God and those around you. Have you attended worship lately? What about joining or starting a Bible study in order to get to know Jesus better? Are you part of a reunion group or accountability group? What are the events happening in your community? A picnic in the park? A fundraiser for an organization you are interested in? A Gathering or Feast? Youth Group? Vacation Bible School?

“Unity in the Community” means using the talents and interests that God has given you. Where are your talents needed? Can you help teach Sunday School? Can you make agape for the next Walk or Flight? Can you pull weeds or mow grass? Can you stuff envelopes? Can you pray for a Walk or Flight somewhere in the world, or pray for the needs in your community? Can you collect canned food for the hungry? Can you read to a child? Can you collect school supplies for the coming school year? Can you sponsor someone to a Walk or a Flight, maybe a friend, parent, your Church secretary or even your Pastor?

Don’t be that cold ember that is sitting on the hearth, away from the fire of God’s love. Jump into your Community and get fired up! If we all join together for the Glory of God, we will have UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY!  
Fly With Christ! and De Colores!

Ellen Thomas

**Women's Walk #58  
Team Members**

Lay Director	Lynda Jamieson
Spiritual Director	Kathryn Dunning
Clergy	Karen Watson, Dawn Pidlypchak, Pat Leamy
Board Representative	Sharron Williams
Assist. Lay Directors	Alice Hanson, Nancy Baker, George Baker
Table Leaders	Pam Chesser, Jilie Bley, Monika Nielsen, Beth Blackwood, Lois Scott, Zora Fowler
Assist. Table Leaders	Marlene Counce, Ellen Thomas, Susan Sargent, Lauren Broad, Constance Rice, Rosa Washington- Olson
Music Chief	Debi Flory
Team Chiefs:	
Kitchen	Mardiece Patrick
Agape	Karen Shumway
Decorations	Pat Fabsits
Love	Glenda McClelland



**Candlelight and Closing  
2011 and Early 2012**



***Candlelight - Arrive at 8:00pm  
Closing - Arrive at 3:00pm***

**2011**

**August 6 & 7      Gardnerville, NV**

**2012**

**February 25 & 26    Atwater, Ca  
March 10 & 11      Atwater, Ca  
May 5 & 6            Sacramento, Ca  
May 19 & 20         Sacramento, Ca**

***The Pilgrims***

Women's Walk #58  
Gardnerville, NV  
August 4 - 7, 2011

Lynn Allison, North San Juan CA  
Debbie Arnold, Carlin NV  
Linda Bellemore, Minden NV  
Debbie Cole, Gardnerville NV  
Heidi Doherty, Olivehurst CA  
Dollie Graydon, Grass Valley CA  
Janet Herald, Olivehurst CA  
Dorothy James, Elverta CA  
Wanda Kennedy, Davis CA  
Luanne Konrath, Reno NV  
Shirley Logan, Georgetown CA  
Margie Matoba, Davis CA  
Lynda Mullin, Colfax CA  
Patty Ramirez, Yerington NV  
Chrissy Reinholz, Gardnerville NV  
Karen Richins, Auburn CA  
Kimi Ronay, Sacramento CA  
Nina Sivak, Carlin NV  
Esta Smart, Ceres CA  
Brandin Smith, Yerington NV  
Glory Smith, Yerington NV  
Tina Weekley, Sacramento CA  
Betty Weiser, Yerington NV  
Wendy Weller, Elk Grove CA  
Sara Zeigler, Sacramento CA



**LADIES!!**

Remember your Walk? Remember how it made you feel? Remember the love? Remember how it lifted you up to reach out as Christ's hands and feet to the world? Many of us should be better stewards of this powerful ministry. It is now time to step up and bless your husband or male friend with this same powerful walk with our Lord. The Walk to Emmaus is designed to be shared and there are far too few couples that have had the joy of sharing this experience.

(See the article on Equal Commitment - page 6)

## Sponsorship

Sponsoring someone for a Walk or Flight is a beautiful, yet serious undertaking. We want to remind the Community of major sponsorship duties. These include:

- ✠ Praying throughout the process: Praying before the invitation is extended, Praying during preparation for the Walk, Praying during the weekend (**Sign up on the 72 hour prayer wheel or prayer scroll by going to the Community website and clicking on 'Prayer Vigils'**) and then continue Praying on into their Fourth Day.
- ✠ Gathering Letters
- ✠ Delivering your Pilgrim to the Walk site
- ✠ Attending Sponsor's Hour and praying for your Pilgrim
- ✠ Attending Candlelight as a part of the Community
- ✠ Attending Closing as a part of the Community
- ✠ Being available to handle errands and chores in the Pilgrim's absence
- ✠ Transporting your Pilgrim home after the Walk
- ✠ Taking your Pilgrim to Gatherings
- ✠ Successfully getting them into a Reunion group



### Is God calling you to Work a Walk or a Flight?

Action Team (Background) Applications are available on the WEBSITE ([www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org)) or from the contact persons listed below:

**For Emmaus Walks:** Lois Scott,  
E-mail: [walkservant@ncnec.org](mailto:walkservant@ncnec.org)  
Phone: 916-989-0325

**For Chrysalis Flights:** Ellen Thomas  
E-mail: [flightservant@ncnec.org](mailto:flightservant@ncnec.org)  
Phone: 775-673-1443

#### Please Note:

**Volunteers for Walks and Flights must submit an application for each Walk or Flight they wish to work.**

**And for Kairos Weekends, contact** Warren Schwegel, regarding volunteering, snacks. etc.  
E-mail: [schwegel@cwo.com](mailto:schwegel@cwo.com)  
Phone: 916-791-1397

## Equal Commitment Rule For Walks

Emmaus strongly supports the sanctity of marriage and does not want to become a wedge or divisive force. Thus, The Walk to Emmaus International leadership has developed the 'Equal Commitment Rule' designed to promote harmony in a marriage. This does not mean Emmaus is only for married couples. Emmaus equally encourages single persons to participate as well.

The Equal Commitment Rule strongly encourages both husband and wife to participate in The Walk to Emmaus. Hence, it is the Sponsor's important responsibility to present the Walk to both and to make certain any questions about the Walk and the Fourth Day are fully answered. In doing this the Sponsor is not alone. There are Community members who will readily assist when needed (for assistance contact the Community Lay Director – Sharon McCommas Burr; [comld@ncnec.org](mailto:comld@ncnec.org), or, 530-406-1769).

Sponsors who follow the Equal Commitment Rule are supporting their Pilgrim and their Pilgrim's marriage. De Colores!

*Come, all you who are thirsty,  
come to the waters Isaiah 55:1a*

### Contact Information

We want to hear from you!! Use the following guide to direct your communication to the correct person.

- comld@ncnec.org** - Emmaus Community Lay Director  
Phone: 530-406-1769
- 4thday@ncnec.org** - Reunion Groups, Gatherings and other 4th Day activities
- chrysalis@ncnec.org** - Anything Chrysalis related  
Phone: 775-673-1443
- comsd@ncnec.org** - Community Spiritual Director
- database@ncnec.org** - Add or update email, address, phone number, church etc.
- newsletter@ncnec.org** - Newsletter information
- prayerchain@ncnec.org** - Prayer Chain
- prayerscroll@ncnec.org** - Flight Prayer Vigil
- prayerwheel@ncnec.org** - Walk Prayer Vigil
- walkregistrar@ncnec.org** - Pilgrim Applications
- walkservant@ncnec.org** - Walk Background Team
- webservant@ncnec.org** - Website and general Community contact. Phone: 916-408-1990





## Gatherings 2011

Check the website ([www.ncnec.org](http://www.ncnec.org))  
for the most recent information and what to bring.

### San Joaquin Valley (Lodi to Madera)

Saturdays from 11am to 1pm

August 6 at Merced UMC,  
899 Yosemite Parkway, Merced, CA **New Area!!**

Contact: Barbara Barker:  
[bbarkers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bbarkers@sbcglobal.net) or 209-577-6966

### Greater Sacramento Area

Contact: Warren Schwegel  
[schwegel@cwo.com](mailto:schwegel@cwo.com) or 916-791-1397

### Sierra Foothills Cluster

Sunday Afternoon 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
September 11 at Sierra Pines UMC  
22559 West Hacienda Dr., Grass Valley, CA  
Contact: Lynda Jameison at [rev2b@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rev2b@sbcglobal.net)  
or 530-632-6935

### Truckee River Area

Fridays beginning at 6:00 pm

July 29 Portola UMC  
396 2nd Ave. Portola, CA  
August 26 Sparks, UMC  
1231 Pyramid Way Sparks, NV  
September 23 Kings Beach UMC  
8425 Dolly Varden Ave, Kings Beach, CA  
October 21 South Reno UMC  
200 DeSpain Ln. Reno, NV  
November 18 St. Paul's UMC  
1660 Grandview Dr. Reno, NV  
December - No Gathering - Merry Christmas!

Contact: Sharron Williams 775-425-2478  
[truckee\\_river\\_gathering@yahoo.com](mailto:truckee_river_gathering@yahoo.com)



## Directors for 2011

### Northern California/Nevada Emmaus Community

Community Lay Director	Sharon Burr
Past Community Lay Director	Warren Schwegel
Asst. Community Lay Director	
Secretary	Barbi Brinkman
Treasurer	Rob Dunning
Community Spiritual Director	Dawn Pidlypchak
Clergy	Gary McAnally
Clergy	Kathryn Dunning
Newsletter/Website	Dave Shumway*
Database / Registrar	Karen Shumway
Fourth Day Coordinator	Kelly Dobrovolny
Literature Chair	Lynn Toth
Site Selection Coordinator	Barbi Brinkman
Action Team Coordinator	Lois Scott
Walk Support Coordinator	Jim Perkins
Agape Coordinator	Dwight Clark
Prayer Vigil (Prayer Wheel)	Brian Barker
Chrysalis Board Rep.	Lynette Grandison
Prayer Chain	

Linda Fitzgerald  
George Baker  
Irv Joseph  
Tobe Smith  
Becky Stockdale  
Chuck Mook\*

Candlelight Coordinator  
\* Non-Board Members

### Northern California/Nevada Chrysalis Community

Community Lay Director	Ellen Thomas
Asst. Community Lay Director	
Past Community Lay Director	
Community Spiritual Director	Becky Goodwin
Asst. Comm. Spiritual Directors	
Secretary	
Treasurer	Rob Dunning
Registrar	George Baker
Emmaus Liaison	Lynette Grandison
Committee Chairs:	
Historian	Haley Robbins
Safe Ministries Coord.	Nora Schmidt
Community Agape	Steve Plocher
Next Steps	Bud Cassevah, Adam Walker
Site Selection	Michele Robbins, Jillian Robbins
Communications	Sarah Davis, Bill Thomas
Music Coordinator:	Ralph Whitten

You and YOUR GUESTS are  
Encouraged to attend  
any or all Gatherings

Northern CA/NV  
 Emmaus/Chrysalis Community  
 487 Bullion Mine Court  
 Lincoln, CA 95648

## Return Service Requested



Summer - Fall 2011

*"Be Still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:10*

Events	Dates	Location
<b>2011 Calendar</b>		
<b>Women's Walk #58</b>	<b>August 4-7</b>	Gardnerville, NV
Emmaus/Chrysalis Board Meeting	October 22	So. Reno, NV
<b>2012 Calendar (Partial)</b>		
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<b>Girl's Flight</b>	<b>February 23-26</b>	Atwater, CA
<b>Boy's Flight</b>	<b>March 8-11</b>	Atwater, CA
Sacramento Walk Team Meetings	tba	Sacramento, CA
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