

## Mailing Lists

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# The Fishnet



## From the Community Director:

De Colores! Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.* - Proverbs 16:3

The Walk #44 weekends are just around the corner and the time has come once again for the members of the Channel Islands Emmaus Community to prepare their hearts for service by way of our very powerful prayers. In scripture God promises to bless that which is offered up to Him, and as always, the faithful men and women of this Emmaus community have answered the call to do whatever it takes to help create an environment of agape love for the pilgrims who will be attending the weekends.

I am very encouraged by the spirit of service displayed by every team member at all of the team buildings. The pilgrims who will be attending will definitely feel the agape love of Christ as they grow within this experience. And this growth will be taken back to the pilgrim's home churches where God will use them to do even mightier works for many years to come.

Again, I want to thank those of you who support this ministry with your many prayers, your financial assistance, and gifts of hands-on servanthood. They all are such a wonderful expression of sacrifice and I personally appreciate them deeply.

Please continue to maintain the Spirit of God in your hearts and remember the words of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, during this season of growth within our community: *"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."* May God bless you and yours as you walk with Him daily.

Strength & Honor,  
 Kevin Ferguson  
 Community Director

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## From Our Walk 44 Lay Directors

De Colores,

Emmaus community, I am so blessed to have Valiant men of God working on Walk 44. Our first Team Building on January 15<sup>th</sup> went better than I could have ever hoped. "God was in the house", is the best way I can describe it. The Team is jelling and everyone is dedicated in their task and positions. I am truly amazed how everything comes together and how God humbles us at the right time to let us know HE is in charge of our Walk.

We have four men already approved and 6 to be approved; our Pilgrim list is growing, WOW! I feel that this Walk may have a good number of Pilgrims. My hope and prayer is that the Pilgrims and the Team experience our Lord Jesus in a powerful way.

I can't wait for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Building to see what God has in store for us to learn and grow stronger as a Team. I can't believe that it's so close to the weekend for Walk 44.

Paul Giddings  
Lay Director for Walk 44

Paul added this after January :

In our second Team Building we heard 6 talks: 3 from Clergy and 3 from the Laity community. The team was blessed by all the talks and everyone has the spirit of God. I am excited and honored to be working alongside "Valiant Men of God".

Like Paul reminds us in Romans 8: 35 "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?"

DeColores to the Bold Women of Walk #44!

God has assembled a team of hopeful, bold and loving women to work the next walk. We are blessed to have so many willing servant sisters, and are looking to add a few more to the cook team, so if you have been thinking and praying on the subject but just aren't sure...this is your message...do it!

God is working so beautifully in each of us as he prepares us and the pilgrims for our time together in March. I encourage each of you to open yourself to the bountiful blessings that come in so many different forms at Emmaus...sponsoring, working, praying...and as you consider or engage in each of these activities, keep the message of this Walk close to your heart, "Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold." 2Corinthians 3:12.

My prayer for each member and future member of our CIE community is the recognition of every bold moment that occurs in our lives...all a result of our hope and love in Jesus Christ.

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Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold.

2 Corinthians 3:12

## Angels cont'd & Community Calendar

### Men's Walk:

Thurs. Feb. 24th- help needed  
9am-4pm (for church setup)  
Fri. Feb. 25th-27th- help needed in the kitchen (stay for 1 or more meals)  
Sun. Feb. 27th- help needed  
7am-3pm (for packing, vacuuming & cleanup)  
Lay Director- Paul Giddings  
AHCF- Dean Huebert  
Head Cook- Steve Rainer

### Women's Walk:

Thurs. Mar. 3rd (same times & duties as above)  
Fri. Mar. 4th-6th (same duties as above)  
Sun. Mar. 6th (same times & duties as above plus storing all Emmaus gear)  
Lay Director- Jan Newton  
AHCF- Linda French  
Head Cook- Kim Anglin

### Special Events:

Candlelight-  
Men- Sat. Feb. 26th (8pm)  
Women- Sat. Mar. 5th (8pm)  
Mañanitas (flower shower) -  
Men- Sun. Feb. 27th (6am)  
Women- Sun. Mar. 6th (6am)  
Closing-  
Men- Sun. Feb. 27th  
(2:30pm)  
Women- Sun. Mar. 6th  
(2:30pm)

### Walk Location:

Ventura First UMC  
1338 E. Santa Clara St.  
Ventura, CA 93001

In His service,  
Steve Rainer  
Head Angel CIE  
(805) 206-8453

### Agape Lists

We have 42 Pilgrims (17 men and 25 women!) scheduled to experience Walk 44. Please lift up in prayer these **Pilgrims** and Team members during the Walk weekends:

<b>Linda Arvizu</b>	<b>Bruce Arvizu</b>
<b>JoAnn Babcock</b>	<b>Josh Aston</b>
<b>Kathleen Ballagh</b>	<b>Gary Babcock</b>
<b>Sarah Barber</b>	<b>Doug Ballagh</b>
<b>Liz Becker</b>	<b>Michael Delgado</b>
<b>Merylee Blair</b>	<b>Jack Hewson</b>
<b>Joan Casagrande</b>	<b>John Iwansky</b>
<b>Martha Cope</b>	<b>Steve Koep</b>
<b>Candice Delgado</b>	<b>Ken Miles</b>
<b>Laura Dolan</b>	<b>Keith Pellerin</b>
<b>Laurel Hewson</b>	<b>Randy Perez</b>
<b>Liz Hoskinson</b>	<b>Rich Reynolds</b>
<b>Danielle Iwansky</b>	<b>Tom Saldin</b>
<b>Janice Jennett</b>	<b>Jim Sawyer</b>
<b>Teresa Koep</b>	<b>Tom Shideler</b>
<b>Britney McCarthy</b>	<b>Kent Unsworth</b>
<b>Janaan Miles</b>	<b>Ben Urias</b>
<b>Janna Pellerin</b>	
<b>Sue Poulson</b>	
<b>Maria Reynolds</b>	
<b>Jacqueline Rousseaux</b>	
<b>Terry Saldin</b>	
<b>Norma Shannon</b>	
<b>Vinnette Slatten</b>	
<b>Maggie Spencer</b>	

## Sponsorship

The next set of walks will soon be here. The Men's Walk is 2/24 - 2/27 and Women's Walk is 3/3 - 3/6. The deadline for submitting applications for pilgrims was 2/12.

If you are sponsoring a pilgrim, please remember there are responsibilities in sponsoring. Do take your pilgrim for dinner on the way to the walk; do make sure you have provided an air mattress and bedding plus an extra blanket for the cold nights.

Remember to bring the agape letters you have from family and friends. Plan on staying for Sponsor's Hour and praying over your pilgrim's cross, attending Candlelight on Saturday night, attending Closing on Sunday and taking your pilgrim home. It is also important that you bring your pilgrims to the Reunion following the walks, which is on 3/19. This is a part of showing God's agape love to your pilgrim.

If you have questions, please let me know either by email or phone. I am available to assist you.

Blessings,  
Carolyn DeVore  
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## Calling All Angels

De Colores Brothers & Sisters!

It's that time again. Walk #44 is fast approaching and there is a need for Angels willing to serve. For those of you who have signed up as team members for the upcoming Walk, Thank you! For those who cannot work a full Walk or have never worked on one, now is the perfect opportunity to reconnect with our amazing Emmaus community by offering to serve as an Angel. Angels are a vital part of any Emmaus Walk. As an Angel, you provide much needed help to aid the teams when needed most.

Some of the duties of an Angel include: 1) Arriving on Thurs. morning to help set-up the church for a Walk 2) Assisting in the kitchen where needed 3) Coming on Sunday to help clean the church, pack Pilgrims' belongings or helping put Emmaus gear back in storage, just to name a few. The services an Angel provides also helps give exhausted team members an extra pair of hands & feet in assuring that the Pilgrims have the best experience God has to offer them.

I ask that you please prayerfully consider Angeling for either the Men's or Women's Walk. If you feel called to serve in this capacity, please respond to this message with: 1) your name 2) daytime phone number 3) day (or days) you can come in and the time you can be there. When you arrive at the church please check in with the Asst Head Cook Facilities or Head Cook. The dates & times typically manned by Angels are on the next page. Whether you can or cannot Angel for the Walk, please join us for the special events also listed. On behalf of both teams, thank you!

## From Our Community Spiritual Director

Talking About Grace

Shared by Lew Fry, Spiritual Director

*{I wanted to share a few thoughts with you about living out the grace of God in our lives; but I was having some trouble finding words for exactly what I wanted to communicate. I decided to search the internet for some wisdom on the subject. What I discovered was an article that "said it all" so powerfully that I didn't want even to TRY to rephrase it. So with his permission, please be blessed by these words from Pastor Craig Green, Community Spiritual Director of Emmaus of the Cumberland:}*

We Emmaus folks love to talk about the grace of God: The Preventive grace that woos us towards Him, the Justifying grace that saves us, and the Sanctifying grace that sets us apart for ministry. What we may forget is the fact that God has a specific goal in mind as He pours out His grace upon us.

Preventive grace is always at work in our lives to lead us to repentance. It isn't enough to simply be "wooed", we need our lives powerfully and dramatically turned away from sin and turned toward the Lord. Repentance is God's gift of turning us, and preventive grace is His way of leading us to repentance.

Justifying grace works in our lives to not only take us to Jesus, but to be in intimate relationship with Him. The goal of justifying grace is a day-by-day intimate walk with Jesus, not just a one-time prayer to go to heaven. Justifying grace should lead us to talk-like, think-like, act-like, love-like, heal-like, smell-like, Jesus!

Sanctifying grace always has as its goal Holy Spirit baptism, not just goose bumps or warm feelings. The supernatural presence and power of God in our lives is the point, not self effort to be "holy". Religion, of course, is the opposite of grace. Sanctifying grace is explosive and unpredictable. It is gifts and it is fruit.

So, as we talk about the graces of God, let's do a self-examination. Has my life been powerfully turned around by God's grace (preventive grace/repentance)? Am I walking day-by-day and arm-in-Arm with Jesus (justifying grace/intimate relationship)? Are "rivers of living water" flowing out of me, the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit (sanctifying grace/Holy Spirit baptism)? If so, praise God! If not, pray for God to grace you until you are fully graced in Him! Repentance/Intimacy/Power. Now that is grace!

Yours by the Blood

Craig Green  
Emmaus of the Cumberland Community Spiritual Director