Arizona Walk to Emmaus Newsletter

Rooster Tales

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Gathering/Training Schedule

<u>Flagstaff Area</u> (all at Trinity Heights UMC, Fellowship Hall, childcare provided):

July 8 - Training 2:00 p.m., 4th Day Dinner 5:00 p.m. **Sept. 30** - Gathering 5:00 p.m.

Nov. 18 - Training 2:00 p.m., Gathering at 5:00 p.m. Cindi Martinez's email for more information is cjemartinez@juno.com

Phoenix Area: (all at Central UMC, Kendal Hall)

Sept. 8 - Gathering at 7:15 p.m.

Oct. 10 - Gathering at 7:15 p.m.

George and Cathy Smoot's email for more information is gwsmoot@inficad.com

East Valley Area:

1st Sunday of each Month- Gathering at 11:45 a.m. at Grace UMC at the corner of Gilbert & University. Rich & Nancy Foster's email for more information is ndmfoster@aol.com or (480) 982-9141

<u>Tucson Area:</u> (all of the following begin at 5:00 p.m. with a potluck & 6:30 p.m. for Gathering) **July 15** - Christ Church UMC, Tucson

Sept. 16 - St. James UMC, Tucson

Dave Camp's email for more information is J.D.Camp@att.net

Yuma Emmaus/Cursillo Community:

Paula Volenstine's email for more information is volenstine@earthlink.net

Walk Schedule

Walk 165, June 1-4, 2006, Trinity Heights UMC, Flagstaff, Darrin Womble, Lay Director Walk 166, June 15-18, 2006, Trinity Heights UMC, Flagstaff, Donna Norris, Lay Director Walk 167, October 5-8, 2006, First Mesa UMC, Mark LaTour, Lay Director Walk 168, October 26-29, 2006, First Mesa UMC, Jody Hill, Lay Director Walk 169, February 8-11, Location TBD, Art Brooks, Lay Director

Walk 170, February 22-25, Location TBD, Dusty LaNoue, Lay Director

Beds Needed

Think back to that wonderful night's sleep you had on your pilgrim walk. Remember how comfy cozy your bed was, and how easy it was to get up (all the way up from the floor) the next morning? Well, we have found some wonderful alternatives to the current mats that lay on the floor. The beds we have found sit up off the floor about 2 feet, are quite wide, have a strong, metal frame, support 300 lbs., they're long enough for the tallest of guys, and they go into a bag at the end of the weekend. They will pack away nicely in the trailer. They run approximately \$60 each.

If you would like to donate enough for one or more of these new beds, please let Lynn Garner know at jack2lynn@cableone.net.

Note:

There will be no Rooster Tales for July or August. The Rooster will crow again in September.

Walk 166 - June 15-18, 2006, Trinity Heights, Flagstaff

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Community

At the last Board of Director's meeting it was decided that applications for upcoming Walks <u>must</u> be in the hands of the Registrar <u>3 weeks</u> prior to the Walk weekend. As you know, much prayer and preparation goes into sponsoring a Pilgrim and time is needed to make banners and collect agape. Lists, labels and name tags need to be made by the Registration Committee. The 3 week deadline will enable the Registrar and sponsors adequate time to prepare for the Pilgrim's weekend, as we want it to be a most memorable time for the Pilgrim.

Just a reminder: effective January 2006, the fee for a weekend is \$95, which includes the \$20 deposit to be sent in with the application. The remainder is due by the time of registration on the Thursday night of the Walk.

Kairos Outside #1, Phoenix

Is God calling you to share His love and grace with a neglected part of society: namely, women with incarcerated loved ones? "I was in prison and you visited me". Mt. 25:35-36.

If so, then please plan to attend one or two special events on Sunday, June 11 at Mt. Claret Retreat Center, 4633 N. 54th St. [Camelback], where Kairos Outside Weekend #1 Phoenix is taking place {and where many of your Emmaus and Cursillo sisters and brothers are serving as team members.} Come at 5:30 a.m. for Flowers at Dawn {Mananitas}, a surprise morning for our guest retreatants where each of them will receive a flower from each team and outside community member, making a sweet bouquet of God's love and grace. [Please bring enough flowers for two dozen guests.]

And plan to return at 2:00 p.m. for the closing, where team and outside community welcome our guests into God's loving family [YOU].

Do come and be part of a cloud of witnesses to women who are 'doing time' along side their loved ones.

Every Blessing, Lori Rand Emmaus sister and Team Leader Kairos Outside #1, Phoenix

John 3:16

A little boy was selling newspapers on the corner, the people were in and out of the cold. The little boy was so cold that he wasn't trying to sell many papers. He walked up to a policeman and said, "Mister, you wouldn't happen to know where a poor boy could find a warm place to sleep tonight would you? You see, I sleep in a box up around the corner there and down the alley and it's awful cold in there for tonight. Sure would be nice to have a warm place to stay." The policeman looked down at the little boy and said, "you go down the street to that big white house and you knock on the door. When they come out the door you just say John 3:16, and they will let you in."

So he did. He walked up the steps and knocked on the door, and a lady answered. He looked up and said, "John 3:16." The lady said, "Come on in, Son." She took him in and she sat him down in a split bottom rocker in front of a great big old fireplace, and she went off. The boy sat there for a while and thought to himself: John 3:16...I don't understand it, but it sure makes a cold boy warm.

Later she came back and asked him "Are you hungry?" He said, "Well, just a little. I haven't eaten in a couple of days, and I guess I could stand a little bit of food," The lady took him in the kitchen and sat him down to a table full of wonderful food. He ate and ate until he couldn't eat any more. Then he thought to himself: John 3:16...Boy, I sure don't understand it but it sure makes a hungry boy full.

She took him upstairs to a bathroom to a huge bathtub filled with warm water, and he sat there and soaked for a while. As he soaked, he thought to himself: John 3:16... I sure don't understand it, but it sure makes a dirty boy clean. You know, I've not had a bath, a real bath, in my whole life. The only bath I ever had was when I stood in front of that big old fire hydrant as they flushed it out.

The lady came in and got him. She took him to a room, tucked him into a big old feather bed, pulled the covers up around his neck, kissed him goodnight and turned out the lights. As he lay in the darkness and looked out the window at the snow coming down on that cold night, he thought to himself: John 3:16...I don't understand it but it sure makes a tired boy rested.

The next morning the lady came back up and took him down again to that same big table full of food. After he ate, she took him back to that same big old split bottom rocker in front of the fireplace and picked up a big old Bible. She sat down in front of him and looked into his young face. "Do you understand John 3:16?" she asked gently. He replied, "No, Ma'am, I don't. The first time I ever heard it was last night when the policeman told me to use it," She opened the Bible to John 3:16 and began to explain to him about Jesus. Right there, in front of that big old fireplace, he gave his heart and life to Jesus. He sat there and thought: John 3:16....don't understand it, but it sure makes a lost boy feel found.

Out of the Mouths of Babes

A Nun asked her class to write notes to God. Here are some they handed in:

Dear God:

I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset You made on Tuesday. That was cool.

Dear God:

Instead of letting people die and having to make new ones, why don't You keep the ones You already have?

Dear God:

Maybe Cain and Abel would not have killed each other if they had their own rooms. That's what my Mom did for me and my brother.

Dear God:

If You watch me in church on Sunday, I'll show You my new shoes.

Dear God:

I bet it is very hard to love everyone in the whole world. There are only 4 people in our family and I'm having a hard time loving all of them.

Dear God:

In school they told us what You do. Who does it when You are on vacation?

Dear God:

Are You really invisible or is it just a trick?

Dear God:

Is it true my father won't get into heaven if he uses his bowling words in the house?

Dear God:

Did You mean for the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident?

Dear God:

Who draws the lines around the countries?

Dear God:

I went to this wedding and they kissed right in the church. Is that OK?

Dear God:

Did You really mean "do unto others as they do unto you"? Because if You did, then I'm going to get my brother good. Dear God:

Thank You for the baby brother, but I think you got confused because what I prayed for was a puppy.

Dear God:

Please send me a pony. I never asked for anything before. You can look it up.

Dear God:

I want to be just like my Daddy when I get big, but not with so much hair all over.

Dear God:

You don't have to worry about me; I always look both ways.

Dear God:

I think about You sometimes, even when I'm not praying. Dear God:

Of all the people who worked for You, I like Noah and David the best.



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