



FOOTHILLS EMMAUS COMMUNITY

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On behalf of the Foothills Emmaus Community, I extend a warm welcome to the newest members of Walk #50. I pray that your walk has changed the way in which you see the world. One of the things that I stress about Emmaus is that it is intended to build church leaders and not take the place of church. I look at the people that Alice and I have sponsored and the contributions they have made in the life of their church and in others. My Emmaus experience had a significant impact on me and because it was such an influential part of my spiritual formation, I have continued to make the Emmaus community a priority and a part of my life. While I am active in my church, I also want to serve the Emmaus community in hopes that others can experience the same love and joy that I was so blessed to experience.

Prayer

Please send an email to the Prayer Chair prayer@foothillsemmaus.org if you have a prayer request to have the support of the community in offering your prayer up to our Lord

I encourage you to keep the weekend that you experienced in your heart. On various occasions take the letters from your walk and read them again as it reinforces the love that exists in this community and in your family. Look at the “write- downs” and remember the talk and how it affected you. Stay in contact with those people you met during the weekend. Get involved in a reunion group, and attend Gatherings. Be in prayer for the community, upcoming walks, and future pilgrims. But most importantly, consider sponsoring others so that they too may experience the love and grace we are afforded. Your walk was made possible by those who went before you who wanted to be a Blessing to you so that you could share in this experience. It is my hope that you will extend this same opportunity to others. Sponsorship is the most important contribution you can make.

If there is anything I can do to help you, feel free to contact me directly or another member of the board. We will always be here as part of your fourth day. My you be blessed in your walk with Christ.

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John MacKeil
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Membership Database

At the April gathering we officially launched our new online membership database. We have been working on this for the better part of a year and feel now is the time for the community to begin using this. Over the years our membership directory has gotten in pretty bad shape. We have old, missing and incomplete information for many of our members.

Our new online membership database allows you to update your own information and will vastly improve the communication and efficiency within our community. Eventually we will be able to use our database for team selection, sponsor tracking, online walk applications, volunteer signups and much more. However, our database will only be as good as the information that it contains.

IMPORTANT: Everyone needs to verify their information no matter how recently or how long ago your information was entered or changed in the old directory. Some of the changes made to the directory in the past year were made after we sent our initial files to be uploaded into the database. Additionally, for several years now we have operated on a separate email platform. This meant that changing an email address required someone to change the community directory as well as the email listserv. There are numerous instances where an email address was changed in the listserv but the old one remained in the directory. Several of those email addresses are now loaded into the new database and therefore need to be updated again.

To access the database click [here](#) or copy and paste the website, **fec.inetmember.com**, into Internet Explorer. Your user ID should already be set as your email address and your password is: **fecfec**

REMINDER: You must log in using **Internet Explorer** as your web browser. Other browsers may (or may not) allow you to log in but the site will not fully function unless you are using Internet Explorer. **Internet Explorer is a free web browser available for download [here](#).**

FIRST TIME USERS: When you log in for the first time please follow these steps:

1 Hover the cursor over "You" in the top menu and click on "All about you"

2 Hover the cursor over "Information" and click on "Name / contact"

3 Update any wrong or missing contact information (**be sure to click "update information" to save the changes**)

You don't have to fill out all of the information fields but remember that email and phone numbers are *very* important come time for team selection.

4 Click on "verification" in the menu bar and verify that your information is correct

5 In the top menu, hover over "You" and click on "Change your sign in info"

6 Choose a new user ID and password if you wish, or you may leave it as is. (**be sure to click "change user ID" and/or "change password" in order to save the changes**)

TROUBLESHOOTING: If you have trouble logging in please try these steps:

1 Make sure you are using Internet Explorer

2 Try using any old email addresses you have had since attending the walk

3 Try the user ID as: Your.Name

If those things fail, click on the button that says "Problems?" to send me a message or email me at shaverb@helenachemical.com. I will do my best to get back to you within 24 hours.

I hope you will try it out. There will be some growing pains as we all learn to use this new system but I think you will quickly see how beneficial it is.

De Colores,
Brad Shaver

Upcoming Gatherings



December 16th at 7:30 pm
United Methodist Church of Covenant
9020 Asheville Hwy
Spartanburg SC 29316

November 18th at 7:30 pm
Central Presbyterian
1404 N Boulevard
Anderson SC 29621



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Our goal is to strengthen Church Leaders
through a Christ led Pilgrimage know as
“Walk to Emmaus”

Visit our website below for more information and upcoming events.

www.foothillsemmaus.org

Share the Gift



Thinking about who you can sponsor on the next walk?

The Upper Room has released a great video with testimonies that explain what happens before, during and after an Emmaus weekend. You can view this video online, and share the link with anyone you would like to sponsor.

Click on the link or copy and paste:
<http://vimeo.com/8697255>

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