

# The Rooster Crows



## Seaside Emmaus Spring Walk Dates

Men's Walk – #145  
2/28/19 thru 3/3/19  
Lay Director: Jeff Davis  
Spiritual Director:  
Benji Simmons

Women's Walk 146  
3/7/19 thru 3/10/19  
Lay Director: Monique Holkeno  
Spiritual Director:  
Pam Muisse



## CHRYSLIS WALK DATES

Girls Flight 54 Spring  
March 16-18 2019  
Lay Director: Shannon Hardwick

Boys Flight 54  
March 23-25, 2019  
Lay Director: Joey Park

Chrysalis Prayer Vigils can be found on [www.3dayol.org](http://www.3dayol.org). Registration for caterpillars and Big House,  
Please contact: Adrienne Anderson 843-421-6863

Seaside Emmaus Community [www.seasideemmaus.com](http://www.seasideemmaus.com)

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

### SONGS IN THE DARK

For those of you who were not able to be at the last Gathering, you missed something special. We had a great meal, and lots of good fellowship, but when it came time for worship, something happened out on the road that caused the electricity to go off. No lights and no amplification. We were there in the dark.

I was okay. I'm a United Methodist Minister. I'm used to being in the dark.

We went ahead with worship. Some of us used cell phones to give a little light. It was enough for us to get through. We shared concerns, offered prayers, sang hymns of praise, had a Fourth Day talk and a clergy response, celebrated communion. Just like always.

Except one thing was different. Since we had no amplification, we had to listen more carefully to each other. We paid attention, concentrated on what was being said.

And the light we did have, from cell phones or other places, seemed to shine so much brighter in the dark there.

Because we listened, paid attention, and the light was so much brighter in the dark, God's presence seemed closer than ever.

I think that's what Christmas is really all about. In our darkest time, God sends the Light of the World to us, so we can see him better, can listen more attentively, can pay attention. The Gospel of John does not give us the Christmas story. But John tells us this- "In him (Jesus) was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:4-5)

The darkness cannot overcome it. As a matter of fact, it only makes it brighter.  
Merry Christmas Mike Henderson

## From the Community Kitchen

I just want to say "Thank you" to all those who served in the kitchen for walk #144. Your help made the kitchen a success for the walk! I hope to see you again at the Spring Walks! I am taking kitchen sign ups for the spring walks. Please remember we need cooks, servers, clean up and dining room set up.

Schedule for help needed is as follows for Friday, Saturday and Sunday:

Breakfast 6 - 10 AM, Lunch 10 AM - 2 PM, Dinner 2 PM - 6 PM

\*Sunday dinner sign up is for Kitchen and Dining room breakdown.

We could also use people who are willing to wash linens and rags during the weekend too! I could also use help for kitchen set up Thursday afternoon.

Please help us make the kitchen and dining room service a success again!

I can be reached at 3366844846 call/text or via email: DelAnn.Treat@icloud.com.

Please include the day, meal and how you would like to serve.

Thank you, DeColores DelAnn Treat Phone # 1-336-668-4846

## Housing

Last month I put a plea in this newsletter for help with set-up, sendoff, and take down for the Emmaus walks. I want to make it more clear. Those of us who are doing it now are willing to adjust those times and day for set-up and take down. My only restriction is Monday evenings. Thank you for your consideration on this matter. Bob Elwood

## MUSIC

When you sing, you make war.

I know, what an odd sentence to read during the month of December when we remember the birth of our Lord and Savior. Keep reading and you will understand where I am coming from today.

Chances are you didn't connect singing and warfare together, but it's a theme visible in Scripture. In Colossians 3, Paul is challenging the Colossians to literally put sin to death in their lives, to kill sin. So all the commands to love and peace and forgiveness and teaching and singing are attitudes and habits of the believer that will kill sin!

We see the same thing in Ephesians 5, the command to address one another in song comes right on the heels of "[make] the best use of the time, because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5:16).

And the more you think about this, it makes total sense: What posture must be more hated by the evil one than the posture of a believer who is singing? I can't think of many stances you can take that identifies you with Christ and against Satan more than eyes, heart, mind, and voice lifted to heaven in song!

It's very hard to lie, be greedy or to look at something inappropriate when, you're "singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart" (Ephesians 5:19). Simply, a heart that's doing that will not easily give in to temptation.

A singing heart is a heart at war with the work of the evil one and the power of sin. So this month when we sing JOY TO THE WORLD THE LORD HAS COME, let's remember we are at war and our Savior came, lived, died and rose in victory. So dear sweet Emmaus friends - sing and be at war! Lynn Tyler

## December 7, 2018 Gathering

### Directions To December Gathering

**Union UMC Conway, 4491 U.S.701, Conway SC 29527**

Board Meeting 6:00, Gathering and Fellowship 6:30, Worship 7:30

**From Florence:** head into Conway on 501. Turn left on Wright Street. See directions below.

**From Myrtle Beach:** 501 toward Conway. Turn right on to Wright Blvd. See directions Below

**From North Myrtle, Little River area:** US 17-S to 90 W towards Conway turn right on 501 Bus S. Turn Left on 701 S. Go 5 miles church on left.

**From the South:** Take 544 to 501 Turn right on Wright Street. Turn Right on south Hwy. 701. Go 4.4 mi. to 4491 Highway 701 South. Church on left.