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Gathering Coordinator's Message

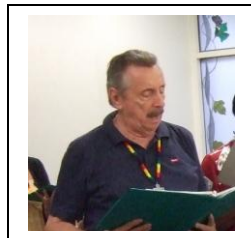
Happy New Year!

I have only been a member of the Emmaus Community for about five years, so I don't know some of you folks. But I do know all of the ones who faithfully support our community. So, I am extending an invitation to all of you to attend our next Emmaus Gathering. It will be held at the **First United Methodist Church** on Saturday, **January 14th**. Communion Service with lots of singing will be held in the Butterworth Chapel starting at **6 PM** with pot luck and fellowship to follow in the Komuro Social Hall.

We will have a special Fourth Day speaker, so I urge you all to attend and let's make our Hawaii Emmaus Community a really live one. And you can bring guests!! They don't have to have attended the Walk. So, I am praying that I will see lots of you at the Gathering.

De Colores,

Chuck York,
808 551-4781



Board of Directors

These members will be electing officers in March. Please pray for them and our community

Class of 2012

Winnie Ching, Rev. Rob Lloyd, Helena Ogle, Chuck York & Patrick Zukemura

Class of 2013

Marine Anien, Paul Barton, Laurie Fifita, Gayle Reese & Simon Sansano

Class of 2014

Chandary Davenport, Rev. J.T. Greenleaf, RoseLee Kalili, Jesse Navarrete, & Dolores Oakes.

Community Lay Director's Message

Happy New Year!

Our Hawaii Emmaus Board of Directors will be electing our 2012 Officers in March so I will continue to serve as your community lay director until then and take this opportunity to send this message.

2012 according to the Chinese lunar calendar is the year of the Dragon. Legend has it that Buddha asked all of the animals to meet him on Chinese New Year. Twelve came, and Buddha named a year after each one. He announced that people born in each animal's year would have some of that animal's personality. Those born in dragon years are innovative, brave and passionate. Salvador Dali, John Lennon and Mary-Louise Parker were all born in the year of the dragon.

Dragons are regarded as mythical beasts, but myths may likely have some factual basis. The Bible and Christians have viewed the dragon as representative of Satan. Dragon appears 12 times in Revelation (King James Version), but in no other books of the New Testament. The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible has replaced the word dragon with serpent or crocodile in most cases. I wonder why?

I think there are dragons and some even in us. That is why God sent his Son, Jesus, who sacrificed his life to forgive our sins. John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but may have eternal life."

2012 provides us, the Hawaii Walk to Emmaus community, an opportunity to add members to our community with two walks and further develop our leadership with a Western Region Training that we will host in November. May we be innovative, brave and passionate for our walks and training. May we tackle the dragons in us and in our community as we make ourselves & others stronger disciples for Christ.

De Colores!
Patrick Zukemura,
808 391-3464



Message from Spiritual Director



“Come and see.” John 1:46 b

When Jesus was calling the first disciples, he simply said, “follow me” and many left their homes, their jobs, their lives to do just that. But Jesus did not do all the calling himself. Those who answered the call to follow Jesus also themselves lead others to him. That was the way it was with Philip. The Gospel of John says Jesus finds Philip and invites him: “follow me.” No signs and wonders. No flashy display of power or authority. Jesus doesn’t argue either. He simply invites. Jesus just says follow, and Philip did. And then Philip finds Nathanael. Philip tells Nathanael, “we have found him about whom Moses and the prophets wrote: Jesus of Nazareth.” Nathanael is skeptical. “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” We all have our prejudices, don’t we? “Can anything good come from _____ (You fill in the blank of a neighborhood, a town, a state, a region, a nation)? Notice, then, what Philip does not do. He doesn’t argue with Nathanael. He doesn’t blast him for being bigoted, he doesn’t argue his position, nor does he get defensive. He doesn’t try to shame Nathanael, or lay a guilt trip on him. Philip simply invites: come and see. Jesus still does most of his calling through others who have already said, “yes” to an invitation to follow Christ, to become more like him, and to begin to do what Jesus did. We who have been invited are to spread the invitation. Not by argument, not by blasting away at resistance, not by taking personal any rejection or perceived rejection. We are simply to tell others of the one we have found (or perhaps more accurately the one who has found us) and pass along the invitation. No coercion, no manipulation, no debate.

This is a good thing to keep in mind as we begin the process as a community of finding pilgrims on this year’s Emmaus Walks (Men’s: May 24-27. Women’s August 16-19). Simply tell others what the Walk To Emmaus

has done for you, and then invite others to “come and see.” No hard sell, no pressure. Just come and see. This is how we are intended to “make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ.”

De Colores,

Pastor Rob Lloyd

Hawaii Regional Leadership Training

The Regional Training for the Walk to Emmaus will be held at the St. Anthony Retreat Center in Kalihi, November 9 & 10, 2012. We will have the opportunity to train with folks from the mainland and the Pacific Rim. We would like to see at least thirty (30) of our community members get trained on running a weekend walk using the new manual. There will be a Clergy Certification session which we are encouraging all clergy in our community to attend. We are getting more information on this session and will get them out to everyone. **PLEASE KEEP NOVEMBER 9 & 10, 2012 open on your calendar. Registration materials are posted on website: www.hawaiiwalktoemmaus.com**

Walks for 2012

It is never too early to sponsor pilgrims for the 2012 Walks. Begin now to consider who you would like to sponsor for the 2012 walks. Pray for them before you approach them. Remember that Walk to Emmaus is an ecumenical movement and all members of the Christian faith interested in developing their leadership skills are invited. Also consider applying to work on either the men’s or women’s team. Applications for team and pilgrims are on our website www.hawaiiwalktoemmaus.com

Men’s #37: May 24-28, 2012

Women’s #38: August 16-19, 2012