

# KOINONIA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



## Upcoming EMMAUS Gathering:

**February 8, 2019 (6:30 p.m.)**

Somerset United Methodist Church  
8175 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Somerset, TX 78069

**(see map later in newsletter)**

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*From Your Newsletter Coordinator:*

As you know Jim Rhoades has been lovingly publishing the Koinonia newsletter for us for the past several years and last month's newsletter was his last. I know Jim's input will be missed and I for one am so grateful for all he has added to this community via the newsletter. Please keep Jim and Annie in your prayers.

And so it begins. I have taken on the task of publishing the Koinonia monthly newsletter and pray that I can provide you the same quality of a newsletter that you have come accustom to receiving. You will notice

that much of the background has been removed. This request was made so printing the newsletter will not consume as much ink and hopefully print quicker.

There are three key things to keep in mind when we talk about Sponsorship:

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*First, good sponsorship is the first act of agape before a Walk ever begins; the experience of the Walk for a pilgrim really begins with how we handle sponsorship.*

*Second, good sponsorship undergirds the whole weekend with sacrificial love on behalf of each pilgrim. Sponsors use discernment in recruiting pilgrims and provide personal acts of agape during the three days for the pilgrims. These acts of agape include prayer, agape letters, presence at Candlelight and Closing, and follow-up.*

*Third, good sponsorship is the foundation for a healthy, effective Emmaus movement that is fulfilling its true purpose: the development of Christian leaders and the renewal of the church in ministry*

Please be in prayer that God not only provides us with Pilgrims for the walk but that he provides all those willing to serve as sponsors.

## Koinonia 2019 Gathering Calendar

March

Lytle UMC

**Remainder of Year TBD**



**2019 Walk to Emmaus Schedule**

**Later in Newsletter**

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Dale and Dawn Gallia are the reps for Koinonia Chrysalis.

They are currently looking for anyone (adult or teen) who might be qualified and interested in working with Chrysalis.

If you have attended the Walk to Emmaus or a Chrysalis Flight (ages 15-18) you are qualified to serve.

If interested, contact either:

Dale Gallia (210-430-9630) [dalegallia@gmail.com](mailto:dalegallia@gmail.com)

Or

Dawn Gallia (830-741-0034)

[mcguired9699@gmail.com](mailto:mcguired9699@gmail.com)



*Jesus said, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and thieves break in and steal."*

**Matthew 6:19**

**We're meant to focus our lives, not on the gifts, but on the Giver. We're meant to focus our lives on created things, but on the Creator. He is the only perfect one and eternal. We should not trust any created thing too much and let it be our God.**

**Don Krumrey  
St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Hondo, Texas**

## **Men's Walk #6**

**05/23/2019 – 05/26/2019**

The Men's Walk to Emmaus #6 is scheduled for the weekend of May 23 thru May 26, 2019. The team meetings are scheduled for Saturday, February 9, March 9, April 13 and May 11, with the Consecration occurring at the Gathering on May 10. All team meetings are being held at New Fountain United Methodist Church in Hondo.

### **SPONSORS ARE NEEDED!**

Applications are currently being accepted for pilgrims.

You can email your team application to Alan Toalson at:  
[g\\_toalson63@yahoo.com](mailto:g_toalson63@yahoo.com)

Applications, along with the walk fee (\$236) should be sent via mail to the following address:

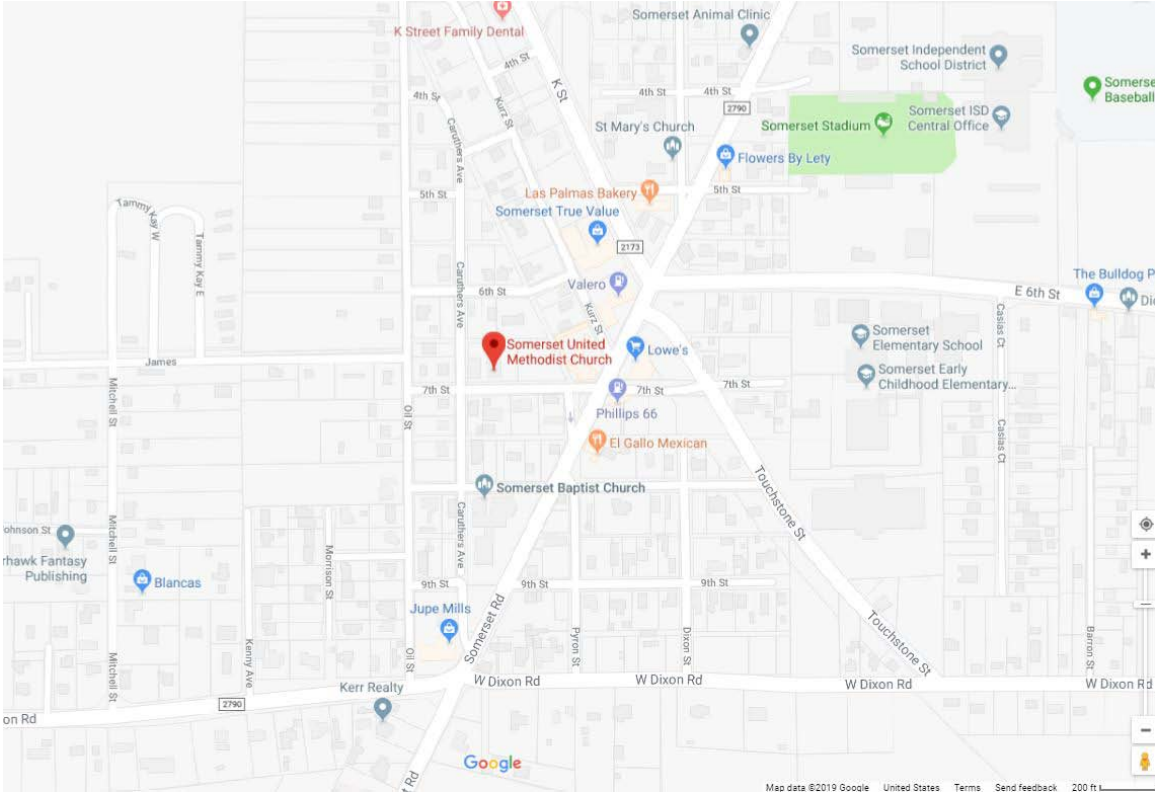
**Debbie Pruett, Registrar  
P.O. Box 2068  
Lytle, Texas 78052**

**Checks should be made payable to: Southwest Texas Koinonia**

Scholarship funds are also available should there be a need.



**Map:**  
**Somerset United Methodist Church**  
**8175 7<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Somerset, TX 78069**  
**(830) 429-3255**





**TBD**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Gender</b> | <b>Community</b> | <b>Walk #</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Walk Lay<br/>Director</b> | <b>Email Address/Website</b> |
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## *Reunion Group Opportunity*

### Koinonia Reunion Groups (MEN)

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| Lytle UMC<br>Wednesday Mornings                    | 6:30 AM | Scott Martin (830) 772-3395   |
| Lytle UMC<br>Living Dust<br>Mondays                | 6 PM    | Scott Martin (830) 772-3395   |
| St. Paul, Hondo<br>Early Birds<br>Mondays          | 6:30 AM | Don Krumrey (830) 742-9991    |
| St. Paul, Hondo<br>Night Owls<br>Wednesdays        | 7 PM    | Pat Cleary (210) 913-1160     |
| Yancey UMC<br>If interested please contact:        |         | Sam Dubberly (210) 241-7719   |
| Lytle UMC<br>O dark 30 boys<br>Wednesdays          | 6:00 AM | Kyle Jackson (210) 414-3471   |
| Currey Creek<br>Boerne, TX<br>Tuesdays             | 5:30 PM | Steve Balthrop (210) 827-7112 |
| Medina Valley UMC<br>If interested please contact: |         | Jim Rhoades (210) 326-2737    |

## *Reunion Group Opportunity*

### Koinonia Reunion Groups **(WOMEN)**

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| @Naomi Diner's<br>Lytle Morning Doves<br>Thursdays                    | 6:30 AM          | Connie Norton (210) 422-6329<br>Michelle Keith (210) 394-5386       |
| @Linda Bahlmann's<br>Lytle Dusk Angels<br>Thursdays                   | 5:00 PM          | Linda Bahlmann (830) 709-5848                                       |
| The Town Criers<br>Quihi (varies)<br>Thursdays                        | 7:30 AM          | Tara Lewis (210) 601-0130   |
| Lytle<br>Friday   | Mid-mornings     | Debbie Pruett (210) 416-6370  |
| St. Paul, Hondo<br>BOA's for Christ<br>2/4 Mondays                    | 5:30 PM          | Deb Cleary (210) 542-7563   |
| St. Paul, Hondo<br>Hearts for Him<br>Wednesdays                       | 12 PM            | Johnette Dixon (830) 931-4238                                       |
| Medina Valley United Methodist Church<br>If interested please contact |                  | Shirley Shirley 210 219-1549  |
| Lake Hills UMC<br>Tuesdays<br>Wednesdays                              | 10:30 AM<br>7 AM | Jackie Blakemore (830) 510-4042<br>Sandy Trenkelbach (830) 510-4697 |
| Devine First UMC<br>Thursdays – Emmaus Room                           | 4:00 PM          | Lisa Garner (830) 663-3185  |

**Please submit any corrections to the above listed reunion groups to your newsletter coordinator at [llbogert@gmail.com](mailto:llbogert@gmail.com)**

## The Purpose of Emmaus

*The purpose of Emmaus is the renewal of the Church as the body of the risen Christ in the world through the renewal of church members as faithful and committed disciples of Jesus Christ. Emmaus expands participants' spiritual lives, deepens their discipleship, and rekindles their gifts as Christian leaders in their churches and communities.*



**Pastors and Church Family –  
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for those folks who do not  
have e-mail.**

**Thanks,  
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