

Emmaus Monthly

December 2005 Newsletter

Gatherings

When: Saturday 10th December

Where: Turrumurra Uniting Church (Turrumurra Ave, Turrumurra - car park entrance off Gilroy Lane)

Time: Community Gathering with a shared tea at **6:00pm** (please bring a plate of food to share) followed by the Worship Service at **7:00pm**

Kitchen: Lane Cove Lanterns

Spiro: Jackie Somerville

KAIROS OUTSIDE 14

The KO 14 weekend was held on 18-20 November at Merroo. Once again, it was a testimony to the fact that God does more abundantly than anything we can ask or imagine - and so do His family! Again and again, we saw the theme of our weekend confirmed: 'Together We Can'...

The guests (and I) were so blessed in the team God had called to the task: women and men with awesome gifts and servant hearts. Warmest thanks to all those who supported us by praying (our Prayer Vigil was filled three times over!), by offering transport, making agape and coming to Candlelighting and Closing. Our guests were 'blown away', as ever, by the love of God expressed through His people - and found renewed strength and hope to take back out into their difficult circumstances. All of them, at the end of the weekend, accepted the Kairos Outside neck cross and affirmed that they were 'counting on Christ' - which was a very special joy. (We sang "Amazing Grace" in good heart, indeed!)

Those of you who came to Sunday's Closing and heard the testimonies, and saw the smiles, will have gathered that we had a pretty amazing weekend. (And those who kindly drove our guests up on the Friday night will also have seen the *transformation* in some of those faces!) Team and guests alike were indeed 'encouraged in heart and united in love' (Col 2:2). All praise and glory to the Lord!

Thank you for sharing this very special ministry with us.

De Colores,
Claire Wright

Alarga Walk #106

Dates - 30th March - 2nd April 2006

Lay Director - Betty Snelling

How can you help?

Sponsorship: Please if you do know someone who would like to go on an Alarga walk please let us know. For further information you can contact me via email at registrar@sydneyemmaus.org.au or Ph: 9899 7383.

This link will take you to the application form for both the Men and Women's walk:

<http://www.sydneyemmaus.org.au/forms/AlargaRego2006.pdf>

Kim McCarthy - Registrar

Prayer: The Prayer Vigil for the Alarga Weekend will be on the Sydney Emmaus webpage early in the New Year. Do please log in and "sign up" for one, or more, prayer slots. **Peter Francis** - Prayer Co-ordinator

Kitchen: I would love to hear from anyone who can help in the kitchen during the Alarga walk. Please email me at kitchen@sydneyemmaus.org.au or ring 9452 3793. **Tova Swadling** - Kitchen Co-ordinator

Agape: Agape required. Please remember your reunion group on the back of the agape or your name and walk number. We have had a little mix-up with agape getting to the centre; so if you cannot have it at Elanora by **7:45pm** on the Thursday night of the walk, please contact me before Wednesday to arrange delivery/pick-up time.

I require a list of agape you are making, what it is (including verse), one week prior to a walk for easy distribution of agape over the weekend. Please remember, 60 pieces per agape for each walk. If you need ideas, I have plenty! Contact me via email agape@sydneyemmaus.org.au or by ph: 9874 7356

Have fun creating your agape!

Vicki Harding - Agape Co-ordinator

FIJI Development Fund

For the September Walks next year where we hoping to invite Grace and Immanuel Reuben to be on an Emmaus Walk team and some further leaders to experience Emmaus as pilgrims. A 'Fiji Development Fund' has been set up to support this outreach and we need your help to build it up. If you are able to help by making a donation to the fund you can contact our Treasurer [Di Dodds](#) (ph: 9651 4214).

To contribute to this fund we are also trying to organise a Garage Sale, if you are interested in organising this event, have any ideas or items that could be added to this Garage Sale it would be greatly appreciated.

You can contact Brian via email spiritualdirector@sydneyemmaus.org.au or ph. 02 9713 9467.

De Colores

Belinda Cant - Newsletter

Dear Emmaus Prayer Partners,

Many thanks for your prayer support throughout the year. My prayer has included a blessing for you as you bless others in prayer. In no time at all the New Year will be with us. Next year will be different for Emmaus with an Alarga Weekend early in the year (30th March - 2nd April) and Men's and Women's Emmaus Walks to occur later on (Men's: 7-10th September; Women's: 21-24th September). The Prayer Vigil for the Alarga Weekend will be on the Sydney Emmaus webpage early in the New Year. Do please log in and "sign up" for one, or more, prayer slots. But, don't wait until then. Would you even now pray for sponsors for all next year's events? Would you be a sponsor yourself? Ask God, He'll lead you.

May you have a wonderful Christmas season of celebration of the good news of the Messiah, our wonderful Saviour Jesus Christ.

With love and blessings,

Peter Francis - Prayer Director
