

# FEBRUARY 2022 CHATTER



**Our Mission:** *Empowering leaders through Emmaus and Chrysalis to be the hands and feet of Christ!*

**Our Vision:** *Fourth Day Leaders embodying Christ!*

## FROM OUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

How often have we said [or heard others say], these are challenging times. We've read of the land of milk and honey. Who said it would be humanly possible to enter? Always, challenges are many-fold; armies had better weapons, impenetrable defence systems – 'who can stand before the sons of Anak?'

Israel refused to follow Moses into the Land and preferred to listen to the report of 10 of the 12 spies – at the cost of a generation perishing in the desert. Deut.1:19-40. What about their destiny?

We, too, forget that the Lord was on their side – and ours. The God for whom nothing was impossible. Israel forgot to step out in their own faith.

**CHALLENGE** for us all – **step out of the boat!**

The promised land means entering God's full potential for our individual lives. We need, too, to embrace the calling and the works God has prepared for us before the foundation of the earth. Ephesians 2:10

We are invited to discover a new depth and level in our walk we have not attained. This is the Father's invitation to tackle the giants and strongholds we may have arranged ourselves in the past. As believers in Jesus, we need to enter into the fullness of His promises. Entering and possessing the good land means we need to enter the fullness of what the Father has for you and me.

Decisions to be made – I will not be intimidated any more by the giants I might face.

I will ask the Lord to take me over the Jordan and to begin possessing the land of the Enemy. I will be prepared to possess a new territory and pursue a new calling. May 2022 be the year of breakthrough and miracles for all of us.

De Colores

Heather Couchman





## **Gold Coast Emmaus Gathering**

**Saturday, 5th March 2022**

**First Commissioning Service for Walks 144 and 145**

**@ Burleigh Church of Christ**

174 West Burleigh Rd, Burleigh QLD 4220

“LET THERE BE LOVE SHARED AMONG US,

LET THERE BE LOVE...”

LET’S ALL GET TOGETHER TO SING SONGS OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP, TO PRAY WITH ONE ANOTHER AND TO SHARE IN COMMUNION.

GATHERING STARTS AT 2.00PM. COVID restrictions will be in place according to Government requirements

### **Join us on Facebook**

Are you on our Facebook page?

Gold Coast Emmaus is a private group for Emmaus and related 4th day participants to keep in touch with the our community and events.

Only members can see the posts

Answer the questions and approval will be certain.

Approval is only given to those who have attended Emmaus and related events e.g. Chrysalis, Cursillo, Kairos, face to face

### **Prayer**

Prayer is the foundation of our walks

The prayer directors support on site and in the lead up to the walks but the prayer vigil is special

Please show your support by joining the prayer vigil at <https://vigil.emmaus.org.au/>

Links to all community prayer vigils can be found there.

Grace and peace be with you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins according to the will of our God and Father; to whom be glory for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

Wow, what a month we have just had. So much going on in the world, but we who are in Christ Jesus are at peace, knowing that our Lord Jesus Christ is looking after us.

Our last gathering was great. The Holy Spirit turned up in a mighty way. Thank you to all who came and to those who participated. It was good to be able to share with our NSW members in person. Looking forward to seeing more at our next gathering, which will also be the Commissioning of our teams for the up coming walks in May. My prayer is (and always has been) that the Holy Spirit Fire will fall down on each and every member of our Emmaus Community.

By the time this goes to print, we would have had our first team get together. I am sure it would have gone well, and that our teams are starting to bond with each other. Thank you to Peter and Kerry for putting God's teams together. I believe that the team we end up with, is the team that God wanted.

Preparation is going ahead well for the Walks. There have been a few hiccups, but with God's help we will over come these.

Peter has given us a challenge, that is to get 5000 people praying for each of our walks. I don't know about you, but can you imagine having 5000 names up on the wall in the conference room for the pilgrims to see. Can you imagine how this will make them feel? How did you feel when you realised that there were people, who you did not know, praying constantly for you during the walk? 5000 people praying will simply amaze them. We do our 72-hour prayer a little bit differently. We do not ask for people to sign up to pray in half-hour slots, but we ask that they pray whenever the Lord prompts them to do so. We also ask them to pray for protection of all teams and pilgrims before the walk and also in their 4<sup>th</sup> days. They do not have to be Emmaus People, but can be family, friends, work mates, church friends, anyone who will be willing to pray. Please let us know if you are praying and also give us a list of those who are willing to pray as well.

At our last board meeting, we decided that we would give a \$1000 donation, on the community's behalf, to Mt Tamborine Convention Centre, to assist them in paying the loan taken out to purchase Camp Tamborine from the Presbyterian Church. We feel that this is a good tithe with our funds, as we are not being charged rent for the storage of our crockery, tents, and also our trailer. If we were to pay rent, I believe it would be far more than this amount.

Looking forward to catching up with you all at our next gathering.



## **2022** - Gatherings & Board Meetings

March 5  
April 2  
May 7  
June 4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Day BBQ  
July 2  
August 6  
September 3  
October 1  
November 5  
December 3 - Christmas get together  
Training Days and Walks  
Meet and Greet - 26 February Postponed to 5th March before the Gathering  
Training Day 1 - 12 March  
Training Day 2 - 26 March  
Training Day 3 - 30 April  
Debrief - 18 June  
**Men's walk - 19 - 22 May**  
**Women's Walk - 26 - 29 May**

### **Prayer/Praise Points**

**If you have a prayer request or a praise point, please email Peter at [prayer@goldcoast.emmaus.org.au](mailto:prayer@goldcoast.emmaus.org.au)**

We give thanks and praise, Lord for the easing of restrictions, which makes it easier for us to meet and worship together.

We pray that the negotiation with MTCC, will be successful and all that we need for our Walks will happen.

We continue to uplift all the team members of both Walk 144 and Walk 145 to You, Father, that your loving protecting arms be around each and every one of them, keeping them safe and keeping them focused on what they need to do.

We pray for the pilgrims for both Walks, Father. You know who they are. Bring them together with those who can sponsor them for the Walks.

We lift up to You, Father, all those within our families, and Community, who need healing, for whatever ills, conditions that maybe afflicting them, and if it is Your will that they endure what is happening to them, we pray You give them the strength to do so.

We pray, Father, that You will support us in our endeavours to gather the 5000 names requested for the 72 prayer vigil.

We give thanks and praise to You, Father, for all the blessings and guidance that you give us in all that we do, and the love You shower upon us each and every day.

From Walk 145 Lay Director

Well, we have begun our meetings for the team. When you read this, we will have had our Meet and Greet for the teams for Walks 144 and 145, and heading for our first Training Day. Walk 145 has a full team and I know they are going to be an amazing bunch. I trust you will all be praying for the Team and the Pilgrims we will be ministering to. I'm excited to see our team come together as a cohesive unit.

At this time, I have absolutely no idea how many pilgrims we will have. What was that line in that movie? "If you build it, they will come". Well, we're building our team, and God will bring them. Please remember that the Team is not just those who will be on the mountain. The team is everybody who contributes in one way or another to make this a memorable Walk for the new Pilgrims. Whether you make Agape, participate in the 72 hour Prayer Vigil, help in the Dining Room, or attend Candlelighting and/or Closing.....you are TEAM and you are important!

I hope you are working on Agape for both Walks. (I am) After so long between Walks, we're hoping for some wonderful items from you. You don't have to nominate when your agape is to be used – that will be sorted out by Charles and Heather and Judy. Please let them know what you have and when you can bring it to the Gatherings. (the sooner the better)

Just for a moment wearing my 'other hat'..."Face to Face".

South Brisbane Community is about to host a 'Face to Face Encounter'. I am planning to attend the Candlelighting and Closing so if anybody would like to join me, please let me know. I have room in my car for 4 passengers. The venue is Real Life Uniting Church, 129 Dennis Road, Springwood 4217, and dates are as follows:

Mondays 9am to 4pm  
Encounter 1 21 March  
Encounter 2 28 March  
Encounter 3 04 April (Candlelighting?)  
Encounter 4 11 April (Closing)

I look forward to seeing you all again at the Gathering on March 5<sup>th</sup>

De Colores

Kerry Skee



Using something from our last Chatter, It's Peter again wearing a different hat.

As the Board Prayer Director, I would like to encourage you all to support the teams and pilgrims, by lifting them in prayer, even now as we begin the training for the Walks.

For those who could not make the Gathering in February, Jill was talking about the need for people to sign up for the 72 hour prayer vigil. Which I would like to encourage you to do now. I would also like to urge you to ask your churches, your friends and families to sign up for the prayer vigil, as we are going for GOLD in the number of names we want on the walls to let the pilgrims know how many people are praying for them. This time last year, we set a target of **1000** names on the wall, up from the 500 plus those we had on our last Walks. However when Jill asked me at the Gathering how many names we wanted, without hesitation, I gave an answer of **5000**. That is the figure that God has given me.

Can you imagine how that would be for the pilgrims to see 5000 names on the walls of the conference room, knowing that all those people are praying for them. So I am asking you all to help make this a reality and make it happen.

I know this may seem like an impossible ask, however, if we have faith and pray into this, it will happen. Let me close with a short prayer to encourage you:

*Son of God, who subdued the troubled water and laid to rest the fears of men, let Your majesty master us and Your power of calm control us.*

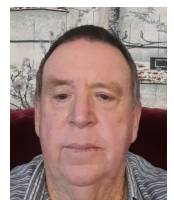
*Replace our fears with faith and our unrest with perfect trust in You, who lives and governs all things, world without end.*

~ John Wallace Suter (1859 – 1942) ~

May God, continue to bless you and keep you,

Peter Osborn

Board Prayer Director





## From Walk 144 Lay Director

Greetings All,

Well here we are, as I prepare this, inside 90 days to the beginning for the Men's Walk. I would ask you to uphold the team in prayer as they prepare for a busy 3 week period, with the Meet and Greet happening on the 26<sup>th</sup> Feb, the Team Commissioning as part of the March Gathering on the 5<sup>th</sup> March, followed a week later by the 1<sup>st</sup> Training Day on the 12<sup>th</sup> March. We are then giving them a week off before coming back for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Training Day, on the 26<sup>th</sup> March.

On the subject of the Walks, we are asking for any able bodied men, who may or may not be on team, but are willing to lend a hand. We need you to help set up the marquees within the conference hall at Camp Panorama, quite possibly on the Thursday of the Walks, from lunch-time, and then help pull them down again at the end of the each Walk on the Sunday night. If you can help, please get in touch with myself, Kerry, or any of the Board members, so we can co-ordinate your efforts.

I would also like to thank you in advance for your willingness to help make these Walks, our first in over 2 years, the best they can be, in our new location.

I would like to encourage you to show your support for the teams by being there for them, particularly at the Team Commissioning during our Gathering of the 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Also continue to pray for the Pilgrims who will be attending not only the Men's Walk, also the Women's Walk the following week.

De Colores,

Peter Osborn



## PRAYER POINTS

### PRAY CALENDER Gold Coast Emmaus Walk 144 & 145

May 19 - 22, 2022 & May 26 - 29, 2022

<b>March 1<sup>st</sup></b> Lay Directors Peter & Kerry	<b>March 2<sup>nd</sup></b> Spiritual Directors Neil and Robyn	<b>March 3<sup>rd</sup></b> ALD Tim & Robyn	<b>March 4<sup>th</sup></b> ALD Ian & Ahlu
<b>March 5<sup>th</sup></b> ALD Roger & Helen	<b>March 6<sup>th</sup></b> ASD Narelle & Heather	<b>March 7<sup>th</sup></b> ASD John & Bev	<b>March 8<sup>th</sup></b> ASD Brad & Trevor
<b>March 9<sup>th</sup></b> ASD Graham & Wendy	<b>March 10<sup>th</sup></b> TABLE LEADERS Harry & Tracey	<b>March 11<sup>th</sup></b> TABLE LEADER Treven & Olga	<b>March 12<sup>th</sup></b> TABLE LEADER Ted & Lilly
<b>March 13<sup>th</sup></b> TABLE LEADER Doug & Sureetha	<b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b> TABLE LEADER Robert & Pam	<b>March 15<sup>th</sup></b> ATL Reza & Sue	<b>March 16<sup>th</sup></b> ATL Bob & Christine
<b>March 17<sup>th</sup></b> ATL Keith (Dusty) & Suzanne	<b>March 18<sup>th</sup></b> ATL Allan & Joan	<b>March 19<sup>th</sup></b> ATL Philip & Ruth	<b>March 20<sup>th</sup></b> Music Directors Gloria, Shirley & Kim
<b>March 21<sup>st</sup></b> Support Directors Michael & Tracey	<b>March 22<sup>nd</sup></b> IT Jill & Nicole	<b>March 23<sup>rd</sup></b> Prayer Directors Jim & Ruth	<b>March 24<sup>th</sup></b> Prayer Directors Janine & Damien
<b>March 25<sup>th</sup></b> Dining Room Margaret & Valerie	<b>March 26<sup>th</sup></b> Dining Room Assistants	<b>March 27<sup>th</sup></b> Dining Room Cook	<b>March 28<sup>th</sup></b> Agape Charles, Heather & Judy
<b>March 29<sup>th</sup></b> 72 Hr Prayer Vigil Jill & Michael	<b>March 30<sup>th</sup></b> Special Agape Tim	<b>March 31<sup>st</sup></b> <b>PILGRIMS</b>	

#### CASE DISMISSED

Satan laid out my sins as he stated his case,  
 And I was so ashamed that I covered my face,  
 For the sins he spoke of, I truly had committed,  
 But surprise, surprise, the judge said I was  
**ACQUITTED!**  
 What? Wondered I, how could this be?  
 Then I saw the judge – t'was my Jesus who'd died for me!  
 Unfair! Said the devil, you can't be both judge and defence  
 Oh but I can, said Jesus – now devil get thee hence!  
 Injustice, Protested Satan, how can you forgive a sinner like this?  
 Because of **MY BLOOD** said Jesus, now  
**"CASE DISMISSED".**



