



Crossroads Emmaus

August 2025

Dates of Interest:

Board Meeting

September 16, 2025

7:00 p.m. Zoom

Gatherings will now be on Fridays.

September 19, 2025 – 6:30 PM

Bayside Community Church

25080 State Highway 172

Olivia, TX

Up Coming Gatherings

Exciting Walk News!

Upcoming Walks

We have a Men's Walk
being planned for the
first of 2026.

Please be in prayer.

Documents

Reunion Groups



2024-2025 Community Officers

Community Lay Director &

Board Chairperson: Mike Myers

Vice Chairperson: Cindy Krause

Secretary: Belinda Waters

Treasurer: Retha Hahn

Immediate Past LD: Mike Alderson

Walking in the Word

and

Working for the Lord

My daughter and her family live in Harris County along a somewhat major road. She lives right beside an elementary school, so traffic picks up at times during the day. One day in March, she had been home for a bit when the weather alert came on. Severe wind and rain were likely across her area. Afternoon storms are frequent during the spring, and flooding can be a real problem. Suddenly, she heard a huge crack and thump. One of the trees had broken off and was laying across the roadway blocking it completely. As she quickly secured the kids in the house and went through her thoughts on how she was supposed to get HER tree out of the road, neighbors arrived to help. Hatchets and chainsaws appeared from everywhere, and they all got to work. The group worked through as the storm slowly subsided getting the tree off the road and allowing traffic to pass. The people took turns attacking a huge problem as if they had worked together all their lives. Chopping up and removing a tree of that size is not an easy task as some of you may personally have the experience.

She said having each of these people (some she barely knew) come to her aid was meaningful in so many ways. One neighbor, who always keeps his Christmas lights up way past Christmas commented, "Maybe HOA will get off my back for a while." She thought how we judge people and circumstances more often than we should.

I questioned why so many hatchets were readily available in the city. She felt that after the Harvey flood, people wanted to be sure they could get out of their homes from the roof.

We never know when we will need assistance or be called upon to assist.

Are we ready?

De Colores,

Cindy

HELP!!

We have two missing totes
of green Emmaus song books.

If you know where they might be
please call our Board Music Rep.

Jay Thigpen 361-648-2100.

If you feel a calling to
sing or play an instrument with
our music team, please call our
Board Music Rep.
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Crossroads Emmaus Meeting Minutes July 15, 2025

Attendees:

Board Members: Mike Myers, John Behrens, Cindy Krause, Retha Hahn, B.J. Drehr, Jay Thigpen, Karen Webb, and Debbie Head.

Call to Order: Mike Myers, Community Lay Director, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Rev. Debbie Head opened with prayer.

Community Lay Director Report: Mike Myers – Zoom meeting invites will always “start” at 4:30 even though the meetings are not until 7:00 pm.

Community Spiritual Director’s Report: Debbie Head – Rev. Debbie reported that she will be missing most gatherings as she leaves Thursday afternoon to go back to her home in New Braunfels.

Minutes: Minutes from May and June meetings were submitted. Cindy Krause motioned to approve them as read. Karen Webb seconded. The motion carried

Treasurer’s Report: Retha Hahn – Submitted the financial report as information.

Gatherings Report: Cindy Krause reported that there were about 25 at the June gathering in Edna. The July gathering will be on the 17 th at First English Lutheran in Victoria. The August gathering will be August 21 st at Palacios FUMC.

Committee Reports:

Agape Letters (Wall): Cheryl Worley – No report

Candlelight: Mike Kinsey – No report

Community Trainer: Kimberly Blezinger – No report. Please note that Kimberly’s mother-in-law is very sick and in the hospital.

Ministry Manager/Website: Ministry Manager: All required persons have signed the Upper Room Covenant however, due to no fault of her own, Rev Debbie’s has been unable to complete her Ministry Manager account which had prevented the covenant from being processed. I was able to populate the information earlier today and resubmit the covenant for processing. We expect to receive completed confirmation within the next week.

□ Website: Men’s Walk # 92 information has been posted to the website. At this time, the information includes locations, dates, registration fee, Lay and Spiritual Directors, and prayer vigils ready to accept sign-ups.

The page is ready to receive team member list and pilgrims as that information is received. • The gatherings are listed on the home page through August. I do not have information for the September gathering. • I will also need the date for the next board meeting.

Prayer Vigils: Linda Alderson – Prayer Vigil is ready for Walk 92.

Music: Jay Thigpen – No report

Newsletter-Perseverance Press – Cindy Krause reported the Newsletter will be out on Thursday of this week.

Reunion Groups: Mike Myers –Rev. Debbie reported that a new men’s group has started in Seadrift.

Registrar Report: Retha Hahn – We’re ready to receive pilgrim applications.

Team Selection: Karen Webb reported that Wes is working on the team. He is having some success with those who have not been involved in a while.

Trailer-Sharing the Love of Christ Reunion Group, Salem Lutheran:

Retha Hahn – No report

Lay Director’s Report: Wes Dukes – No report

Spiritual Director’s Report: Dianne McCleary from FUMC in Port Lavaca has agreed to be an Asst Spiritual Director for the CR Community.

Old Business: None New Business: None

Next Meeting: August 19th, 2025 at 7:00 pm via Zoom unless some request in person.

Adjourn: Mike Myers closed the meeting with prayer at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Retha Hahn 08.18.2025

