



# KZN EMMAUS



# MINISTRIES



## NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2019

*Shalom...*

I greet you with exciting news. Our walks have a new home! Well, not exactly "new"! You see, we are in fact returning to an old tried and trusted friend from years gone by, an old friend that launched many of us on our Emmaus journey..... African Enterprise. AE is located in a picturesque, park like setting at the end of the quaintly named Nonsuch Road, and under the very professional, exuberant management of Sue Fuller (who, together with her husband Rev. Nigel Fuller, have a long history of Emmaus service) it offers the perfect, tranquil setting for Emmaus walks.

The cherry on the top of all this is, of course, the price! As you know your board has long been concerned about the spiralling costs of the walks, which at the 2018 price of R1500 were the most expensive of the 13 South African Emmaus communities. Now, with our partnership with AE, the 2020 cost will be brought down to about R1300 and if the on-going negotiations with the caterers are successful, that cost may be even a little less.



Of course none of this would have been possible without the grace and generosity of Sue and the AE management and lots of prayer on both sides of the negotiating table. Sue's willingness to meet all our idiosyncratic requirements was wonderful and we thank her and everyone else who worked so hard to put this partnership together.

We move forward into 2020 with praise and thanks, in grateful anticipation of a long and mutually beneficial relationship with AE, to the glory of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

# CHRYSALIS

It is with much joy and relief that I can announce that Tracy Roland and Dirk Lourens have, after prayerful consideration, agreed to accept the board's invitation to be Lay Directors for the 2020 Chrysalis flights 125 and 126. We wish them well and hold them in our prayers as they take on the awesome responsibility of putting together flights that will shape the spiritual lives of some 72 young souls.



The amazingly successful flights in June this year have been followed up with, not one, but two equally amazingly successful gatherings. One was for the mountain dwellers of the Underberg area and the other for the city slickers of Durban and Pietermaritzburg. Both gatherings involved sleepovers.

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The following is a slightly edited version of Scotty Kyle's report on the Underberg gathering.

"The Underberg gathering was held at Chup and Geoff Taylor's farm. It was attended by 16 caterpillars from the area as well as team members and supporters. Six others, mostly from PMB also attended. All in all, 41 people had an excellent time, first with worship and a service and then a braai at the edge of a beautiful dam. Geoff gave a message of "Counting your blessings". Many of the caterpillars talked glowingly about their Chrysalis experiences. Most want to sponsor friends next year and several expressed interest in joining the Chrysalis Team next year. Everyone had a great time and the Taylors were thanked for their hospitality and generosity" .....Thanks Scotty

I was fortunate enough to be part of the jubilant, energised Durban/ Pietermaritzburg city slickers gathering which was held at the Birds of Prey Centre. Marius and company's music group set the tone for rousing praise and worship while Rev. David Moodley gave a most appropriate message on leadership. I didn't stay for the evening braai and sleepover but by all reports they followed the same of precious, uplifting Christian fellowship.

How hart warming it is to have had so many butterflies attend these two gatherings and more particularly to have so many commit to future involvement either by sponsoring or service.

We give praise and thanks that this vital ministry is up and running again!!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

With less than two months to go to our next gathering and AGM at Westville Methodist on Saturday 19 October I extend an impassioned plea to the community for volunteers to fill the two currently vacant board positions of Supplies and Accountability.

In addition, Elaine Trotter's term as treasurer ends in December and we are desperate for someone with the necessary accounting acumen to take over this vital, specialised portfolio.

Stefan Lutz's term of leading the music portfolio also expires at year end.

I remind you of James 2:17 and urge you to please prayerfully consider making yourself available for one of these positions or, should you have any suggestions, to please let me know and I will contact the people personally. Time is not on our side. We need to have the names as soon as possible so that the necessary paperwork can be done and all formalities complied with timeously.

# HELP



## AGM AND GATHERING: SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER 2019

I know that AGMs don't exactly light your fire or stir your imagination but this one is going to be different. We have an ace up our sleeve. Although not yet finalised, we do have the prospect of an accomplished guest speaker who



will be talking on a most interesting, entertaining and enlightening topic.

Also, of course, AGM's are a vital necessity for the efficient, transparent running of organisations such as Emmaus Ministries and I would hope that anyone with the interest of Emmaus

Ministries at heart will make the effort to attend and exercise their right to take an active role in building God's church.

Although KZN Emmaus Ministries are alive and well we would love to have wider, much more inclusive community involvement. I invite you therefore, not only to please attend the AGM and gathering but to also email me with your views, suggestions and criticisms. Emmaus Ministries are your ministries, not just the board's. We need your active participation and feedback to keep us on our toes and moving forward in the right direction. After all, God is counting on us. That means ALL of us.

### THE LAST WORD

One of the deep secrets of life is that all  
that is really worth the doing is what we  
do for others.

Lewis Carroll

Yours in the service of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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