



## February Newsletter

Good Day, I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In my last newsletter I spoke about time flying and so it has. We've already had our first two training days for walks #110 for men and #111 for ladies. We had our second Team Formation Day and by all accounts the training was a great success with a number of speakers giving wonderfully prepared talks. Lay Directors are busy moulding their teams and the ALDs are happily sounding the bell and making their presence felt and the Musos are making a joyful noise to the Lord. It was a privilege to take part in the early morning part of the proceedings, experiencing those lovely songs, taking part in communion and greeting old friends again. It is a Great God we serve.

I also spoke about getting the Prayer Vigils for the walks linked to our website and finally we have managed to set up those Vigils. So, please connect to [www.kznemmaus.co.za](http://www.kznemmaus.co.za) and take a few Prayer slots. This is especially important if you are preparing to sponsor pilgrims on these walks. Seeing their sponsor's names on the Prayer Vigil is so important for the pilgrims on the walk. Please also pray fervently about sponsoring those people that you have identified that would benefit from attending a walk. I'm sure that you have been prompted, by the Holy Spirit, to give others the wonderful opportunity of attending an event that has changed the lives of so many people in our community. However, we have had one very impassioned plea from our Registrar that you don't leave the sponsoring process to the last minute. Please do everything possible to get your registrations in at least 2 weeks before the men's walk. This is an extremely busy time for the Registrar.

We also had our second Board Meeting of the year and I am so pleased to announce that we have filled 2 vacant positions on the Board. The first was at our January meeting where we co-opted Liz Botha as the Chrysalis ALD and the second was at our February meeting where we co-opted Lara Wells as the Supplies Coordinator on the Board. These two ladies are the answers to many, many prayers. Thank you, to both of you, for taking on these vital portfolios on the Board. Lara will be filling a position that has been vacant for almost 18 months. This will relieve the pressure on Cheryl Otten who generously took on this role in addition to all her other duties as CLD.

Liz Botha will be filling a new post on the Board, as described in my last newsletter, coordinating and guiding all Chrysalis functions on the Board. This will be a particularly busy job for Liz as the Board took the formal decision to hold Flights in 2017 - even though we have not been able to finalise a venue for the events. Unfortunately The Wykeham Collegiate has been booked by another event. So, identifying a suitable venue, assisting in identifying Lay Directors, assisting in selecting teams and guiding the training of teams is going to keep Liz extremely busy. Team and Caterpillar application forms will be posted on our website asap.

EMSA have been very vocal in encouraging portfolio holders of Community Boards to form Sub-committees for their portfolios, so if you are approached by either of these ladies, or any Board members for that matter, please prayerfully consider assisting them with your particular expertise. Members of these sub-committees are not prevented from working on walk/encounter/flight teams in the way Board members are.

We still have 2 portfolios vacant at the moment, viz. ALD Emmaus and ALD Face to Face. If you feel prompted to take on either of these portfolios, please contact me.

Only God knows who the pilgrims on walks #110 and #111 will be. But you need to be his hands and feet. I therefore ask you, once again, to seriously consider sponsoring one or more pilgrims. If you are concerned because it will be the first time you are sponsoring, speak to someone who has sponsored before and ask them for help. Or speak to your Accountability Group Leader. Or contact me and I'll assist where I can. We can't let this wonderful opportunity slip through our fingers.

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