**EMILY’S HOUSE**

**The Emily Smith Foundation**

**A Non-Profit Foundation for the Sole Purpose**

**Of Helping Cancer Families Make Lasting Memories**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Emily’s House was organized, incorporated and set forth with the sole purpose of helping families stricken with cancer to give them a place for a week to make memories with their loved ones, to relax and enjoy life, without the struggles of financial decisions or worry. The foundation will cover all costs associated with the recipient family’s trip, other than medical issues and travel. Covered expenses will include meals, lodging and religious/spiritual needs.

Emily’s House is founded out of love for a great woman who fought a valiant battle against Glioblastoma Multiforme’. The organization will purvey the enduring love, spirit and care that Emily Turner Smith displayed throughout her entire life. Emily lived a life built on service and putting others ahead of herself. The foundation’s core principle is to perpetuate God’s biggest rule for all of us to live by, *Love Thy Neighbor As Thy Self*. We will promote the importance of “Paying it Forward,” and doing a good deed for someone every day no matter how small. Small gestures can mean the world to those who are struggling with a terminal illness, be it patient or caregivers.

Emily’s House was founded in the small coastal resort town of Pawleys Island, SC. Donations will enable the organization to provide the following services.

Find beach homes that will either be donated for the week or rented to us for a reasonable sum.

* Provide all meals including any dietary restrictions or allergies.
* Provide a travel allowance to and from the location.
* Provide activities to get families involved to include counseling in the form of shared stories or religious/spiritual guidance.
* Provide recipient families with river cruises or near coast to 20 miles fishing trips at no charge (determined by physical capacity of family members).

Emily’s House will be composed of volunteers with a shared mission to show love, care, support, mercy, grace, and comfort to recipient families. Families will find a community of people, who are committed to continue the legacy of the woman who has inspired this cause, Emily Turner Smith.