



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

Letter to the Community:

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It is only me, or was it just yesterday we were all discussing starting to write the new year with a 2000....and already, here we are thinking of writing 2010! For me, it seems like not long ago, we were dreaming of starting a Walk to Emmaus in the Columbus area, after several of us had made our walks in surrounding areas, many cases out-of-state. Now, in this year 2010, we will be hosting walk #78! Praise be to God for bringing us this far. Now, let's all work together to "listen" to how He wants this Community to continue in the years to come.

In the beginning, when we were a smaller community, everyone knew one another, and almost everyone turned out for whatever needed to be done. Now, we are a very extended family, and many of us do not know, or remember, many names. As I've aged, I find I have more trouble remembering names, often recognizing familiar faces, searching for that name. Often, I'm embarrassed as it's someone I've even worked with on team. Aren't we glad God doesn't have this memory problem? He knows who we are, and what we need, and even remembers how we answered those "two questions" at closing. So, how is our scorecard? Are we where we promised? Or are we still struggling? Either way, He is there to walk with us, just like he did on our 72-hour Journey. So, for those of you who have been around "for awhile", and those who are just joining us in our Community, here's my invitation.

On your new 2010 Planner (or electronic whatever...I still use a paper one), mark it so you will remember to attend a Gathering. (We'll have the annual calendar out soon, but usually we meet the third Friday evening, except for months with walks.) You may think there will be enough there without you, but your friends will miss you. A lot of planning and effort goes into hosting Gatherings, and, what if many others also feel they won't be missed? If two or three are present, God is there also; but don't you think He likes to see crowds gather in His name?

A big **thank you** to Bill for filling the slot of Community Lay Director so well this past year. You'll still see Bill around, as he is on the Board for another year. **See you January 08 at Rocky Ford Free Methodist**. We'll also be commissioning the Chrysalis team. *Please, plan to join us.*

A.C. Reeves
 Madisonville Walk 17, Table of Mark
 Community Lay Director

Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Chrysalis Flights #35 & #36	Jan 16-18, 2010
Men's Walk #75	April 8-11, 2010
Women's Walk #76	April 15-18, 2010
Men's Walk #77	October 21-24, 2010
Women's Walk #78	October 28-31, 2010





January Gathering at Special Time

The January Columbus Emmaus Gathering will be held on Friday, January 8, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. The location will be Rocky Ford Free Methodist Church, 3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN. This special time will afford us the opportunity to have the Chrysalis Team dedication before the upcoming flights. Flights #35 & #36 are set to be held January 16-18 at Hilltop Christian Camp.

It is not too late to sponsor a youth on these flights. Contact Teresa Russell, Chrysalis Community Lay Director, at trussell@columbusinemmaus.org.



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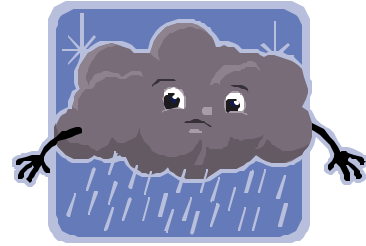
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1. Community News updates on the home page www.columbusinemmaus.org
2. Those who have an email subscription to the newsletter will receive an email when a decision for cancellation has been made. *If you do not have a subscription, you can subscribe by going to the website home page.*
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January Chrysalis Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2010—6 pm

First Christian Church
531 Fifth St., Columbus, IN

January Gathering

Friday, January 8, 2009—7 pm
Rocky Ford Free Methodist Church
3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN

~ *Chrysalis Team Dedication* ~

J-Z bring snacks, drinks
Childcare provided for ages 6 & under

January Board Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2010—9 am
Rocky Ford Free Methodist Church
3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN

Chrysalis Flights #35 & #36

Sponsor's Hour/Sendoff— Saturday, January 16, 2010
Registration begins at 8:30 am. Sendoff begins at 9 am.
Hilltop Christian Camp, Brown County, IN

Candlelight—Sun, Jan 17, 2010, 8 pm
Asbury United Methodist Church

1751 27th St., Columbus, IN

Closing—Mon, Jan 18, 2010, 5 pm, Asbury UM Church

