

The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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From our Community Lay Director...

What a blessing our Fall Walks have been! Each walk is unique as the wonders of God's handiwork are found in the tiniest details. For some it was an encouraging word they received as they walked along the road, a truth that was spoken during a talk, the surrender of self during dying moments, or countless examples of God's love and grace being lived out in the community of believers.

In case you missed closing, this will give you a glimpse into the events of the weekend when our Pilgrims answered those two questions: What have these 3 days, the walk to Emmaus, meant to you, and What are you going to do with this experience?

- God loves me more than I have ever loved Him! I'm going to go tell people about it!
- The biggest thing that I'm going to bring home is that the peace of God is real.
- You have to experience it! There are no words! I think I was able to really truly forgive myself.
- I've always been somebody that looks for "God moments". I heard this voice say, "Silly boy! They're ALL God moments!"
- These gentlemen behind me are the brothers I didn't even know I had.
- I'm going to be a better disciple of God, a better father, a better husband.
- The love has been something I've never seen in my life. I'm going to share the Word and be on fire for Jesus.
- I have gotten rid of a lot of garbage.
- I'm going to find out where God can use me, be faithful, love Him, love people and know that He loves me more than I can ever imagine.
- What this has shown me is that I need to be a father like our Father. I'm going to be the husband that my wife needs. I'm going to be more active in my church and show the unconditional love that He wants for everyone.
- I'm going to surrender to the Lord every day and let the Holy Spirit guide me.
- I am one piece of a larger body of Christ. I'm going to do everything I can to Glorify God!
- This is going to change the way I serve.
- Once you know God loves you, your life is never the same.
- I experienced brokenness but I also got to experience being made whole.
- I came in guarded, broken and hopeless. I've released the anger I've had and I feel so loved.
- I cannot be an invisible Christian anymore.
- Renewed, restored, recommitted...Here I am send me!

Obedience, surrender, forgiveness, community - these were consistent themes as each individual shared. May we continue to be a community that offers love and grace to those around us. Can there be anything better than the body of Christ loving each other on behalf of Christ?

God's Blessings, Brenda Stoner Community Lay Director *Community Lay Director Community Lay D*





A big THANK YOU to the community once again for stepping up and doing your part to make and provide agape for the fall walks. It is such a blessing to walk

alongside so many faithful disciples who want to serve the Lord. The pilgrims and team were blessed by your acts of agape from send off right up to closing. A friendly reminder to everyone to keep those agape mail bags handy as you will need them when you are serving on a walk or flight. If your agape mail bag becomes misplaced, a \$5 donation is suggested to cover the cost of material for a new bag. God's blessing and grace on your Fourth Day.

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Your Agape board members, Cheryl Motosicky and Debbie Frey.



An update from the Chrysalis board:

The spring Lay Directors have had team selection and are actively filling their team. Please be in prayer for them as they continue this process. It's not too late, if you're interested in serving, please fill out a volunteer application and get it submitted right away. ~ Also ~ The board is seeking an individual who would like to serve on the Chrysalis board in the music position. This individual should have knowledge of music and sound equipment and have a servant's heart. If this is you or someone you know, please reach out to Dave at <u>dweaver@columbusinemmaus.org</u>.

Fly with Christ! Leah Griffin



You're Invited!

We will be welcoming our newest Community Members at the November Gathering Friday, November 15, 2019 6:30 to 9:00 pm First Christian Church <u>531 5th St., Columbus IN</u> 6:30 pm Pitch-in Dinner 7:30 pm Praise and Worship

To our newest members, please come and enjoy. You are required to just bring yourselves and your family.

Community Members please bring 1 - 2 of your favorite dishes to share





From our Data Coordinator...

Community Members:

Thanks to everyone who has signed up for the new Emmaus Ministry Manager website access. This new community member view came online in September of this year and many have made their updates. Please sign up or sign in at <u>https://ministrymanager.upperroom.org</u> and update your information if you have changes.





Dates for upcoming Walks and Flights...

Chrysalis Flights #75 and #76 March 28—30, 2020 Lay Directors ~ Mark & Trish Kelly @ Camp Hilltop * Currently taking Caterpillar applications!

Men's Walk #115 April 2—5, 2020 Lay Director ~ Jeff Sutton @ Camp Lakeview * Currently taking Pilgrim applications!

Women's Walk #116

April 16-19, 2020

Lay Director ~ Sue Putterill @ Camp Lakeview

* Currently taking Pilgrim applications!

~ Attention Chrysalis ~



Questions about the Bible? Your Life? Need some encouragement or fellowship? Bible Study Opportunity! Chick-fil-A ~ Tuesdays 4:00 to 5:30 pm Contact Pastor Brian Buterbaugh ~ 812-371-6297



* The Caterpillar and Emmaus Applications are posted on the website. You may download one at:

Columbus IN Area Chrysalis Flight Application

Columbus IN Area Emmaus Walk Application



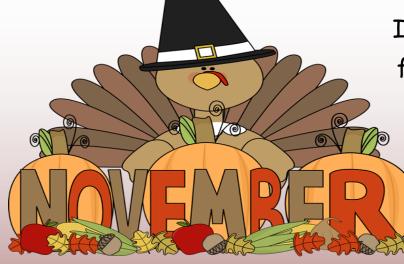
<u>Community Gatherings</u> November Gathering/Welcome Pitch-in Friday, November 15th, 6:30 to 9:00 pm <u>1st Christian Church. 531 5th St., Columbus, IN</u>

<u>Spring 2020 Flight & Walk Dates</u> Flights #75 & #76 March 28-30 Emmaus Men's Walk #115 April 2-5 Emmaus Women's Walk #116 April 16-19

Board Meetings

Chrysalis - Tuesday, November 5th ~ 6:00 pm @ The Rock, 3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus Emmaus - Saturday, November 9th ~ 9:00 am @Westside Community Church, Columbus





In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. I Thessalonians 5:18



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