



The Emmaus News

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From our Community Lay Director...

Greetings:

This past Friday we had a Gathering at CCC. I was disappointed by the turn out. Though the worship was great, it would've been nice to have had a few more of the community there. We were unable to commission the Chrysalis team due to the fact that they were training for the upcoming flights. Please be in prayer for both the teams and the Caterpillars. I guess what I'm trying to say is that we all need to be more involved with our community. Our community is only as strong as the people that are involved. Our next Gathering is on September 23, 2022. It is being held a week late to accommodate my not being able to be there on the 16th. At the Gathering, we will be commissioning the teams for the upcoming Walks. Please try to attend. It will be at Westside Community Church, 124 Tipton Lakes Blvd, Columbus, In. Until then I hope all of you are well and being blessed.

De Colores,

Mike Hess, Community Lay Director

Be still
and know that
I am
GOD
Psalm 46:10

From our Community Spiritual Director...



I read a story about a husband planning to take his wife to her school reunion. She was concerned about remembering the names of her classmates. But her husband remarked that they will all have the same name! She didn't know what he was talking about until he said, "Everyone will be named 'There', because everyone will be greeted with 'Hello There'".

"Hello there" is often how we greet each other, especially at our Emmaus events. That's because a number of you are not wearing any nametags! That's no problem for Jesus, who as the Great Shepherd knows all the sheep by their names (John 10:3). He doesn't call out "you there" or "y'all" when speaking to us.

But not wearing our nametags is a problem for us, for several reasons. First, putting on our nametag reinforces our sense of belonging to the Community. Second, we can renew our Walk/Flight relationships when we notice nametags that look like ours. Third, wearing a nametag enables much easier fellowship when we can readily see someone's name. And finally, our Communion servers can invite us by name to partake, personalizing our experience a little more.

Of course, at our Gatherings, generic nametags can be created if you forget yours, or if we have guests. But I would encourage you to wear your Walk/Flight nametags whenever we gather. And I would also encourage our Lay Directors to create nametags that easily display the first name (some of the type size seems to have shrunk in past years).

Jesus knows our names; but let's allow our Community to know each other as more than "there"!

De Colores,

Pastor Mike Seaney,

Community Spiritual Director

*The Gatekeeper opens
the gate for him, and the
sheep listen to His
voice. He calls his own
sheep by name and leads
them out.*

John 10:3





From our Chrysalis Community Lay Director...

Chrysalis is excited about the flights coming up during Labor Day weekend.

*** Of special note*** Candlelight will be at Camp Hilltop (6014 Hamilton Creek Road) Sunday evening starting at 8pm.

Team training occurred at the same time as the Gathering last week. We appreciate your prayers in lieu of a team commissioning.

Thank you so much for your continued generosity to support purchasing of Bibles for each caterpillar. Of course we are always open to additional support (publishing prices have jumped recently) as this is an ongoing cost.

Please, please, please sign up for the Prayer Chart (link is on the Emmaus website). When the Caterpillars are introduced to the Prayer Chart, the knowledge that so many people, some that you're familiar with but most that you're not, who are performing wonderful works of agape for the entire 72 hour weekend is very powerful.

Sean McAlister,
Chrysalis Community Lay Director





From our Agape board representatives...

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

As preparations for the Spring Walks were underway, we were frequently asked, “Do you still need Agape?” The answer is, and will always be, a resounding “Yes!” We will NEVER turn down Agape!

The Fall Walks are just around the corner! Time is growing short for preparing those sweet Agape gifts, showing some love to those pilgrims God's called to attend. A reminder: if you're providing for pilgrims only, we suggest 36 pieces for each Walk; for pilgrims and team, we suggest 90. Please label if you have a preference as to where you want the Agape to be placed (bed, conference room, dining hall).

We are in need of volunteers to handle the snack/drink table for Send-Off at each of the Fall Walks (those dates will be Thursday, October 27 for the Men's Walk, and Thursday, November 3, for the Women's). If you, or your reunion group, would be interested in providing cookies, drinks, and servers for the snack table at one or both of the Walks, please contact one of the Agape Co-Chairs listed below.

At the August Gathering our numbers were few....but God's presence was felt nonetheless! Watch this newsletter for date/time/location of the September Gathering and plan to attend for a wonderful evening of worship and fellowship with the Body of Christ!

Your Agape Co-Chairs,

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Community Gatherings

Next Gathering September 23rd at 6:30 pm

At Westside Community Church

124 Tipton Lakes Blvd, Columbus, IN 47201

LAST NAMES N~Z PLEASE BRING SNACKS AND DRINKS

Chrysalis Flights #81and #82

September 3-5, 2022

Men's Walk #125

October 27-30, 2022

Currently accepting applications

Women's Walk #126

November 3-6, 2022

Currently accepting applications

Board Meetings

Chrysalis~Tuesday, September 6th, 6 pm at The Rock,

3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN 47203

Emmaus~Saturday, September 10th, 9 am at Westside Community Church

124 Tipton Lakes Blvd, Columbus, IN 47201



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