



The Emmaus News

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Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Men's Walk #63	April 12-15, 2007
Women's Walk #64	April 19-22, 2007
Chrysalis Flights 25 & 26	Sept. 1-3 2007
Men's Walk #65	October 18-21, 2007
Women's Walk #66	October 25-28, 2007

Letter to the Community:

The Lord has blessed us as the body of Christ with many talents. It is awesome to see these talents displayed and used in the Emmaus Community. It was brought to my attention that many people in the community may not have been given the opportunity to use their talents. I would like to encourage each of you to volunteer your time and talents to serving God in this special way. I am sure that you will be blessed!

You may say to your self, "I don't have any special talents!" Pray about it and you may be surprised at God's answer. There are so many little things that people in the Community do that bless our lives that may go un-noticed. For example, the wonderful home-made breads for communion, sown agape bags with our names on them, and beautiful nametags everyone receives on a Walk.

Everyone working on a team uses their talent in some way. We have musicians, cooks, photographers, computer operators, speakers, singers, prayer warriors, and God's servants of many kinds. You may see a need that you are able to fulfill.

Emmaus also provides opportunities to grow. Try serving in different areas on team - Agape, Kitchen, Conference Room, or Music. Some of these may be a little out of your comfort zone, but if this is where God is leading you, it will work out fine.

If you want to take it up a notch, volunteer to work a Chrysalis Flight. The kids are full of fun and their enthusiasm is contagious. Flight team selection is going on NOW. You can let us know what areas you are interested in by filling out an information sheet or a team application sheet. These are available on the website or hard copies at our monthly gatherings.

I hope you will take advantage of the opportunities that Emmaus provides for serving the Lord and then know the blessing that comes with serving.

DeColores,
Gary Fuquay
Community Lay Director



Remember to bring your candle to candlelight!



What Is Chrysalis?

Before it becomes a butterfly, a caterpillar goes through a growth stage during which it is called a "chrysalis." On the surface it may not look like much is happening, but the delicate chrysalis process changes the fuzzy caterpillar into an awesome butterfly with wings of intricate designs and intense colors. The chrysalis process symbolizes how Christ can transform you into something beyond your dreams. It happens when you grow beyond yourself, opening your life to Jesus' power and love.

"Chrysalis" is the name chosen for the youth version of The Walk to Emmaus, its parent movement, because it symbolizes the spiritual growth that is essential between adolescence and adulthood. That growth is as crucial for youth as the cocoon is for the caterpillar. It is that precious time of nurturing a person's faith for discipleship.

Chrysalis "Flights" (for 10th through 12th graders) are three-day events held at Hill Top Camp. This three-day spiritual renewal time provides an opportunity for teens to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support, and to make new faith commitments. The point is to inspire, challenge and equip them for a closer friendship with Christ and for Christian action at home, church, school, and community.

Chrysalis lifts up a way for youth to enjoy Christ's friendship and love and to be Christ's friend and partner in the world. The three days focus on God's grace, their experience with Christ as friend, what it means to be the body of Christ, and giving love to a needy world.

Have you ever thought - I'd like work on a Chrysalis Flight? Then keep reading - this message is for you!!! It's Team Selection time for Chrysalis. Our Fall Flights are scheduled for September 1 - 3 which is Labor Day weekend. If you are interested in serving on team or would like more information about opportunities to serve with our Chrysalis teens please contact Brenda Stoner at 812-522-2196 or bkstoner@comcast.net.

If you have never experienced the joy of working with our Chrysalis youth give it a try. We are blessed with a great group of teens - I am sure you will agree. Mike and Jane Hien are the Lay Directors for the upcoming flights. Please keep them in prayer as they begin the process of team selection and preparation.

Blessings,
Brenda Stoner, Chrysalis Team Selection



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April Hoot:

Sunday, April 1st, 3 pm
Rocky Ford Free Methodist Church,
3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus

No April Gathering Due to Walks

Men's Walk #63

Sendoff/Sponsor's Hour, Thurs, April 12, 7 pm, Camp Lakeview
Candlelight, Sat, April 14, 8 pm, Asbury UM Church, Columbus
Closing, Sun, April 15, 3:30 pm, Camp Lakeview

Women's Walk #64

Sendoff/Sponsor's Hour, Thurs, April 19, 7 pm, Camp Lakeview
Candlelight, Sat, April 21, 8 pm, Asbury UM Church, Columbus
Closing, Sun, April 22. 3:30 pm, Camp Lakeview

4th Day Meeting/Walk Evaluations,

Tues, April 24. 7 pm, Asbury UM Church, Columbus

May Gathering

Pitch-in Dinner to Welcome New Pilgrims

Friday, May 18, 6:30 pm
First Church of the Nazarene, 311 Myers, Seymour
Childcare provided for children ages 6 & younger

