



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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Letter to the Community:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

God is so good!!!! What a beautiful spring He has blessed us with. Doesn't that make you thankful for all the senses He has given us? The sounds of the birds singing, the smell of the fragrant flowers, the feel of the warm sun, the beauty the colorful trees, bushes and flowers, and the taste of the first green onions.

Along with those blessings we have at this time almost full walks!!! Good job sponsors-thanks for being obedient. It is not too early to be listening to God (per Mike Seany at the gathering) and to be praying whom God wants you to sponsor for the fall flights and walks. You all know what a blessing a walk or a flight is. Lets be planting seeds- after all it is spring, for the fall. In 1 Corinthians 3:6 Paul wrote, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth". Let's get the fall flights and walks full to the brim and see what God will be doing!

I am so proud to be a part of this great Emmaus/Chrysalis community! Hope to see you all at the men's send off April 12 and women's send off on April 19. Remember the Candlelights will be at Community Church of Columbus. Happy Spring and have a blessed Easter as we celebrate the resurrection!

See you soon, Cindy Massey

Set-up April 11 at 5pm - Contact: Dave Goodner (343-3726)

Men's send off - April 12 at 7pm
Candlelight - April 14 at 8pm (Community Church of Columbus)
Closing - April 15 at 3:30pm

Women's send off - April 19 at 7pm
Candlelight - April 21 at 8pm (Community Church of Columbus)
Closing - April 22 at 3:30pm

Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Men's Walk #83	April 12-15, 2012
Women's Walk #84	April 19-22, 2012
Men's Walk #85	October 18-21, 2012
Women's Walk #86	October 25-28, 2012



Former Pilgrims (both New and Old)

As Emmaus Community members, you are invited to continue your Walk to Emmaus experience by participating in future community events.

Columbus Emmaus Gatherings

Come the 3rd Friday of each month for worship, fellowship, and refreshments.

The May Gathering is at **Sandy Hook Methodist**, 1610 Taylor Rd. in Columbus. Pitch-in dinner is 7:00 PM. New pilgrims don't need to bring anything other than your name tag and cross. A Fourth Day meeting at 6:00 PM.

Sponsorship

Encourage others to attend a Walk to Emmaus. Help others to learn about God's love and ways to serve Him.



Send-Offs, Candlelights, Closings

As community members you can participate in future walks by coming to any or all of these walk weekend events. You can buy your own candle at the next candlelight for \$5.00. Candlelights are at Community Church of Columbus, 3850 N. Marr Rd..

Fourth Day Meeting

Come and learn about Reunion Groups, and how to make your Fourth Days better.



Make or Supply Agape for Walks

Express yourself with some "crafty" item that helps show God's agape love for the pilgrims and team members.

Serve on an Emmaus Team

Consider volunteering to be on a future team. Training will be provided. You can serve in the conference room, kitchen, or everywhere (Agape team member). Visit www.columbusinemmaus.org for an application form.

Pray and Write

Write agape letters for pilgrims and sign-up on the walk prayer charts.



We need volunteers to help serve on the set-up crew for the Spring Walks. Show up at Lakeview Camp on Wednesday, April 11, at 5 p.m. Contact Davd Goodner (343-3726) if you have any questions.

It Is All About Sponsorship

Question: How are Sponsors involved on the Thursday night of a Walk?

Answer: The Sponsor's responsibilities on that Thursday evening are a form of prayer and sacrifice. Sponsors want their Pilgrim to know that they are personally interested in their participation in the Walk. So sponsors have many ways to assist their pilgrim that evening.

PRIOR TO THURSDAY

1. Gather the agape letters for your pilgrim.
2. Perhaps buy an Emmaus cup for your pilgrim & give it to him/her at Send-Off.
3. Perhaps take some of your pilgrim's favorite snacks to Send-Off.
4. Prepare to wear your nametag (but not your Emmaus cross).

ON THURSDAY

1. Bring your pilgrim to the campground.
2. Plan to arrive between 6:30 and 7 pm (Send-Off starts around 7:30).
3. Assist your pilgrim with luggage and registration.
4. Involve him/her in the Send-Off (introduce them to new friends).
5. Participate in the "Sponsor's Hour", immediately following the Send-Off.
6. Deliver the agape letters after the Sponsor's Hour.

If you have access to the Internet, much more information is easily found at the Columbus Emmaus website, listed in this newsletter. Once there, click on the "Member Information Area", and enter the user ID and password listed below. Then click on the "Help documents". On the left side you'll find a "Sponsor's Checklist". On the right side you'll find both "Suggestions for Sponsors" and "Emmaus Sponsorship".

By humbly keeping these responsibilities, you'll offer your pilgrim a great start to his/her weekend with the Lord!

Pastor Mike Seaney & Marlene Vandeventer

P.S. It's not too early to start thinking and praying about sponsorship for the Fall Walks.

Men's Walk #85 is October 18-21

Women's Walk #86 is October 25-28



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www.columbusinemmaus.org

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No Gathering in April

April Chrysalis Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 3, 2012 - 6pm
Memorial Baptist Church
2320 7th St., Columbus, IN

April Emmaus Board Meeting

Saturday, April 9, 2012 - 9 am
The Rock
3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN

May Gathering & 4th Day Meeting

Friday, May 18, 2012
6 pm - Chrysalis Hoot Rally
6 pm - 4th Day Meeting
7 pm - Pitch-in Meal
Sandy Hook Methodist Church
1610 Taylor Rd., Columbus