



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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Hello Community!

It finally happened! After many months we held our first Gathering. It was awesome to be back together again with brothers and sisters in Christ.

- Psalm 95 Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
3 For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
4 In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.



There is no doubt that during the Gathering a joyful noise was made unto the Lord. What a blessing to watch the Chrysalis and Emmaus members work together as a praise team to bring glory to our Risen Savior, our salvation!

If you were unable to attend or missed the livestream, then check out our Facebook group to see the video. Thank you Garden City Church of Christ for hosting us. Mark your calendars for our next Gathering on April 16 at 7pm. We will be commissioning the upcoming Chrysalis flights #77 & 78 that will take place on May 17-20. Please pray for Mark and Trish Kelly as they continue to prepare for these flights.

De Colores,

Kim Bieker, Community Lay Director



From our Community Spiritual Director ...

They had been disciples of Christ for a while. But now they were gathered together: some with unshaken faith, some with deep hurts, and some with fading hopes. Then suddenly they all encountered the Risen Christ together, and Jesus imparted upon them what each one needed most. Later, they would impact many communities as they lived out the Good News of Christ.

That's one description of Jesus' disciples before and after that first Easter. But it also fits with each of our Emmaus Walks! Our pilgrims gather together from local churches to encounter Christ in a special way. Encouragement, healing, and transformation can occur in that weekend. Their families, churches and communities then benefit from that encounter.

As we celebrate how that first Easter began an amazing movement then, we also celebrate how our Walks will likely return this Fall to continue the amazing Emmaus movement! What a joy it will be to watch new Team relationships and table communities form in Christ. May our prayers and acts of agape help us continue Christ's work among us!

De Colores,

Mike Seaney, Community Spiritual Director



Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 11:25, 26

The Chrysalis Community would love to accept donations of Agape for the flight May 15-17th, 2021. All snacks must be individually packaged and all drinks must be in cans or individual serving size bottles. Table and bed agape is welcome also! We so appreciate all of your support for our youth! Prayer Charts will be available soon!

HERE'S THE NEWS

Dear Emmaus Community -

The Chrysalis Board has worked very hard to put new policies and schedules in place for the upcoming flight. With the help of several medical professionals as well as the new camp directors, we have come up with some changes and adaptations to make this flight as safe as possible. We will be wearing masks on this flight at all times we are not able to social distance appropriately. We will eat in the cafeteria at assigned tables in shifts so that we can be spaced appropriately and the Kitchen team will be made up of adults only. We are still working on this part, but be assured it will be as safe as possible. We will be sleeping 6 feet apart and there will be schedules for showering and bathroom cleaning will happen more frequently. We will most likely hold Candlelight at Camp Hilltop outside (more information later as we figure this out), and send-off will be distanced. If you have any questions at all about the new changes for this flight, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Community Spiritual Director Brian Buterbaugh. While this flight will not look like all of the others, it will meet a desperate need for fellowship in a positive Christian manner for which our youth need. I am so grateful for and proud of our board, as we have worked together with the Lay Directors, Mark and Trish Kelly to make this flight a possibility. We covet your prayers for a successful flight and ask that if you have a caterpillar to please sign them up ASAP so we can make sure we are able to include everyone safely.

Fly With Christ!

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As physicians active in the Columbus IN Emmaus and Chrysalis communities, we thought we'd write some brief comments regarding planned upcoming mid May 2021 Chrysalis flights. We feel these flights can happen as Covid-19 cases continue to drop significantly in southern Indiana and more adults are vaccinated. Precautions on the flights will include mask wearing the whole weekend, and social distancing will be followed. The teen caterpillars are familiar with these measures from their schools over the past year. These flights will look different with spacing out during talks, during dining times, and with sleeping arrangements. Leaders will be following CDC guidelines for camps. Teens in our area NEED these flights. These are crucial years for their spiritual development. They need to be encouraged in their faith from adult and fellow youth leaders. Please support these flights with your prayers, sponsorship of youth, and agape.

In Christ, Dale Guse, M.D. and Linda Guse, M.D.

Agape Needs

We are excited and expectant for the Lord's abundant blessings to be lavished on the upcoming Fall Walks! We need your help to supply non-perishable agape items for the pilgrims and the teams for the Conference Room, Meal Table and Pillow! Remember to make 90 pieces for each walk for both team and pilgrims. Or if you prefer, about 70 items for conference room only. God Himself is the Author of life and creativity and we know He gives His children great things to enjoy! If you have any questions or need ideas, please contact ~

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Amy Cooley @ acooley@columbusinemmaus.org



Thank you SO much and **De Colores!**



Emmaus Community Musicians

We have an exciting opportunity for you to continue participating with the Community Music presentations at our monthly gatherings....it doesn't have to come to an end at the conclusion of your Walk!!! The "Emmaus' Got Talent" program can continue to allow your God-given talents to bless the gatherings with your enthusiastic participation with vocals or musical abilities with the songs that you know or utilized during the walks and thereby lead the Community with songs of praise for Our Savior. If you are willing to participate, contact Mark Helms at 812-343-9202 or Mark Fisher at 812-447-0723 and let's lead the Praises to the Lord with whatever you would love to do.

The Caterpillar and Emmaus Applications are posted on the website.



You may download one at:

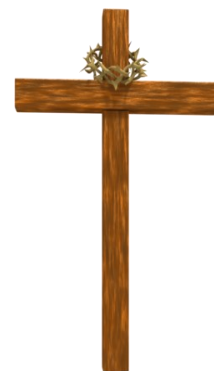
[Columbus IN Area Chrysalis Flight Application](#)

[Columbus IN Area Emmaus Walk Application](#)



Community Gatherings...

April Gathering ~ Friday, April 16th ~ 7 pm
 Commissioning ~ Chrysalis Flights #77 & #78
 Location to be announced shortly...



Updated Dates ~ Spring Chrysalis Flights

Chrysalis Flights #77 & #78 ~ May 15 ~ 17, 2021

Fall 2021 Walks

Emmaus Men's Walk #121 ~ October 21 ~ 24, 2021
 Emmaus Women's Walk #122 ~ October 28 ~ 31, 2021

Board Meetings

Chrysalis - Tuesday, April 6th, 6:00 pm

3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN

Emmaus - Saturday, April 10th, 9:00 am ~ via zoom or

Westside Community Church, 124 Tipton Lakes Blvd., Columbus



We are on Facebook!



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www.columbusareaemmaus.community

Emmaus Information Page (for community members)

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