



The Emmaus News

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Community Inc.

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A note from our Community Lay Director...

The first Gathering of 2023 is history and I survived being in front of a crowd. (Don't say you will never do something as it may come back to bite you.)

We had a good attendance for a cold January evening, and thanks to the First United Methodist Church for allowing us to use their beautiful facility.

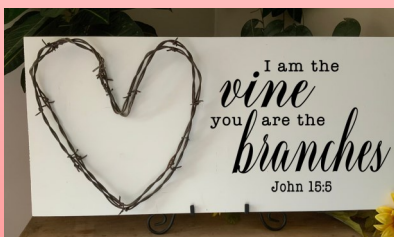
Dave Engle shared his Fourth Day story with us, and you will find a summary later in the newsletter. I call it, "Change My Heart Oh God."

I've had a little surgery this month to open up a blocked vessel in my right leg. If I hadn't gotten this done, I risked the loss of a foot or lower leg due to poor blood flow.

That made me think about our own spiritual connection to the Lord. Sometimes in the business of life, trials, challenges, illness, and circumstances, we develop poor flow to the throne of grace. We may even experience some blockage and risk our loss of spiritual connectedness.

Jesus said in John 15, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing."

Prayer is that connection; let's keep it flowing. Stay connected, remove any blockage, and be fruitful.



Please join us at the Gathering on February 17th as we commission the teams for the Spring Walk.

De Colores

Dave Goodner, Community Lay Director

A note from our Community Spiritual Director...



Do you know the actual purpose of the Emmaus movement? The Upper Room says that its purpose is “renewing Christian disciples, strengthening local churches”. Each Walk candidate sponsor definitely needs to keep that purpose in mind when inviting someone to attend a Walk.

Most often, Walk candidates belong to a local Church. They’ve already been serving there, and they have a Pastor who knows them and supports their participation. But in recent years, we’ve been receiving applications from candidates who don’t have a home Church! Some are newer Christians trying to find the right Church for them. Some are more mature Christians who are “in-between Churches”. But neither group is serving in a particular Church, nor do they have a Pastor who knows them well and would support their participation.

So a word to our sponsors: realize that a candidate without a home Church may have their participation delayed. When those candidates later become part of a local Church, then they might be considered “qualified candidates”, who can then fulfill the purpose of Emmaus in their own ministries.

Let’s continue to be wise in our sponsorship!

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Mike Seaney,

Community Spiritual Director



To Sponsorship and Beyond

What does it mean to be a sponsor?

You may have sponsored someone more than once, or this may be your first time, but are we following the intentions of the Emmaus mission?

There’s more to it than signing the application.

Pastor Brian (Buzz Lightyear) Buterbaugh will be exploring the infinite details at the next Gathering, February 17, 2023.

Let’s reach for the sky!



A note from our Chrysalis Community Lay Director...

Chrysalis is looking forward to the upcoming Chrysalis Flights on April 15-17 (the weekend after Easter) . Cody and Jessica Mosier are busy assembling their teams. Please add the teams to your prayers now and throughout the upcoming Lenten season. Team training for flights 83 and 84 will happen February 17 and 18.

Please make plans to attend Candlelight out at beautiful Camp Hilltop at 8pm the evening of April 16th. Weather permitting Candlelight will be outdoors with a contingency location indoors.

As always, we ask for your donations for each flight. Agape: your creative and practical gifts to share God's love on all the caterpillars. Money: each flight every caterpillar receives a new Bible (this is expensive, but we feel is an essential tool for lifelong study). Food and Drinks: individually packaged (homemade or store purchased) snacks, soda and water are always appreciated.

In Christ,
Sean McAlister,
Chrysalis Community Lay Director



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](#)



A 4th Day Note

David Engle, walk 41 table of Peter

Do you have a plan? When I came to my walk to Emmaus I had a plan to go along with the flow, not much involvement. God had a plan also, and he has the power to put his plan into action. On Saturday night, after candlelight, these two songs kept going over and over in my head. I will never be the same again, Change my heart oh God. Thanks to Mike & Jane Hien, they got us on team for a flight, and after that it is all history.

I have lost count of the number of walks I served on, LD for walk 89, 2013. Served on the board in transportation.

Chrysalis, I have served 10-12 flights, served on the board.

REC, served 3.

If we are walking with Christ, he always has us covered with his Grace. Outside Emmaus, God has provided so much for Bert & I, we have been to The Holy Land, what a feeling to walk where God walked. We had devotions on the Emmaus Road and read the passage from Luke 24. Called to serve as deacon at our Church. Mission trips to Mississippi, Nashville Tn., Western Ky. to Bremen, and many local trips as well.

Remember the song Change my Heart O God. Well God did just that on Dec. 24, 2019. I received a heart transplant. God is in control of all things and I praise Him for that. God continues to cover me with his amazing Grace.

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2023 Emmaus Board

Community Lay Director – Dave Goodner
Community Spiritual Director – Mike Seaney
Past Community Lay Director – Kim Bieker
Secretary – Amanda Edwards
Treasurer – Ashley Dieter
Communication Coordinator – Amy Cooley
Team Selection - Greg Johnson
Data - Pat Franklin, Jennifer Wells
Facilities/Transportation – Michelle Weintraut
Supplies – Rob Motosicky, John Michael
Agape – Kathy Rudolph, Peggy Ganus
Music – Deanna Glick
Community Events – Steve Pumphrey

Sponsorship/4th Day – OPEN

Community Trainer – OPEN



2023 Chrysalis Board

Chrysalis Community Spiritual Director - Brian Buterbaugh

Chrysalis Community Lay Director - Sean McAlister

Team Selection - Linda Guse

Agape - Julie Connor, Kendall Chapell

Big House / Rushes - Josie Havenaar

Treasurer - Marty Arnett

Secretary - Ellen Clark

Facilities - Lora Coles

Tech - Mark Kelly

Supplies - Trish Kelly, Shelley McAlister, Jake Gilbert, Rachael Kuhlman

Transportation - Dale Guse

Music - Jon and Sarah Humphrey

Past LD/Public Relations/Community Development - Shelley McAlister

Welcome!

New Board Members



Pat Franklin, Walk #108, Table of Naomi

Pat joined the board last fall to fill an open position for data coordinator.

She has also been helping out with technology at the Gatherings.

Hello, my name is Jennifer Wells, Walk #114, Table of Martha

It is my privilege to serve as Data coordinator for the Emmaus Board

I am a member of The Ridge church where I co-lead a ladies Bible Study.



Hello everyone, I'm Rob Motosicky. I am one of the new Board members that began this year. I attended my walk in 2014 at Walk to Emmaus # 93, Table of Paul. I am excited to see how God can use me in this position.

John Michael and I are in the supply part of the Board and would love some help, when you could spare some time, sorting through all the parts and pieces. that make the Walk awesome for the Pilgrims.

**We need more clowns for
Friday nights on the walks !!
No experience necessary !!
Will train
Past clowns, current clowns,
wanna be clowns !!**

**Please send email to
alcool999@yahoo.com or
call or text
Amy Cooley @ 812-569-5602
for more information!**



With the spring walks around the corner, I need those of you willing to drive for Candlelight to contact me please. I need at least one person with a CDL who can drive a bus, and two others willing to drive passenger vans.

For the men's walk it will be Saturday, March 25th and for the women's walk it will be Saturday, April 1st.

Also needed are 3-4 people willing to help me set up and tear down for Candlelight that evening.

If you've been looking for a way to serve, but don't have an entire weekend to do it, this is your chance! Come be a part of the behind the scenes magic!

Contact Michelle at 317-517-4792 for more information or to volunteer

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**HELP
WANTED**



Greetings, Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

I'm writing this the day after a wonderful Gathering of the Body of Christ! It is so great to be able to worship with brothers and sisters! We had a terrific turnout!

Two months until Spring Walks begin....and that time will fly by! If you haven't started on Agape goodies, now's the time! Please remember to LABEL how many; that helps the Agape team know where to distribute. You'll need **36** pieces to cover pilgrims only on one Walk; **90** pieces, if you're providing for the entire team as well. Let's show these pilgrims some Agape love!

Several ladies had volunteered to sew Agape bags for upcoming Walks. We appreciate your service so much! Carol Hoppus delivered a supply of bags at this last Gathering. Thank you, Carol!!!! What a blessing these will be! If you've made bags, or are making bags, and you want to get them to us, please contact Peggy or Kathy at the numbers below. We'll make arrangements to meet you at your convenience.

New Community members: If you choose to serve on a Walk, we will exchange a more permanent nametag to your Agape bag. So don't discard those bags! You never know when God will call you to serve Him!

And finally, we're looking for volunteers to provide and man the snack table at Send-Off. The dates will be Thursday, March 23 and Thursday, March 30. This just involves providing coffee, hot water for tea and cocoa, and cookies. If you or your group would be willing to help out, **please** contact Kathy Rudolph.

De Colores from your Agape Board members,

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Kathy Rudolph
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Community Gatherings

February 17th at 6:30 pm
Petersville United Methodist Church
2781 N 500 E, Columbus, IN 47203

Last names N~Z bring snacks and drinks
We will be commissioning teams for Spring Walks



Spring 2023 Flight & Walk Dates

Emmaus Men's Walk # 127 March 23rd ~26th

Currently accepting applications.

We need 20 confirmed pilgrims by Feb 23rd to have the walk

Please get your applications in as soon as possible. Deadline March 9th

Emmaus Women's Walk # 128 March 30th ~April 2nd

Currently accepting applications

We need 20 confirmed pilgrims March 2nd to have the walk

Please get your applications in as soon as possible. Deadline March 16th

Flights # 83 & # 84 April 15th~17th

Currently accepting applications

Board Meetings

Chrysalis—Tuesday, February 7th, 6:00 pm
The Rock 3990 Rocky Ford Rd. Columbus, IN

Emmaus - Saturday, February 11th, 9:00 am
The Rock 3990 Rocky Ford Rd. Columbus, IN



We are on
Facebook!



Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

<http://www.columbusinemmaus.org/>

Emmaus Information Page (for community members)

Username: columbus password: 4thday!