



# The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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## Letter to the Community:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
January 19.....

We missed you last night! And you! And also you! Almost 100 smiling joyful non-flu ridden members of our community joined together at The Rock for the first Gathering of the year. It is such a pleasure to spend time with our wonderful Emmaus family!

Our brother Brian B was home with the flu so Jon pitch hit for him in the ninth. We started the evening with fellowship followed by a little Bible verse brain quiz. Be prepared next month for another mixer along the lines of "How well do you know your Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities' history?"

The music team was awesome and serenaded us with praises of joy and thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior. Julie Metz touched all of us with her 4th day talk of continual faith and hope during her bout with cancer last year. What a powerful message! Thank you for saying yes without hesitation when I called you to give the talk and thank you for touching all of us with your undeniable love for God as He carried you and your family the past year.

Of course, we prayed for — and continue to ask prayers for — Chrysalis flights 47 and 48 and our LD's Jon and Kacey Moran as they form the team God has in mind for the March 9-11 Flights. We will be dedicating God's Teams at our February Gathering.

Also please pray for Tom Bailey and Trish Kelly while team selection and formation continues for Walks 87 and 88 April 11-14 and 18-21. We will dedicate their teams at the March Gathering. If you've never surrounded a team for prayer and dedication, I highly suggest it. It's just one of the ways to be a blessing and feels God's blessings as He unites His chosen.

Our next Gathering is February 15, the day after Valentine's Day, at Trinity Methodist Church in balmy Seymour Indiana. Bring your sweetie and spend an evening with the One who loves you more than any candy heart can express. We might even make some agape together while we fellowship before the service starts.

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## Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Chrysalis Flights #47 & #48	March 9-11 2013
Men's Walk #87	April 11-14 2013
Women's Walk #88	April 18-21 2013
Men's Walk #89	October 17-20 2013
Women's Walk #90	24-27 2013



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Be praying for those Caterpillars and Pilgrims God has in mind for you to ask this spring!! It's never too early to turn in applications!! Thank you for all your love and support.

Right back at you tenfold,  
Melanie Hart  
Community Lay Director



**“Calling All Sponsors! Calling All Sponsors!!”**

The Columbus Area Emmaus Community announces that Men’s Walk to Emmaus #87, scheduled for April 11-14th, and Women’s Walk to Emmaus 88, scheduled for April 18-21st is seeking SPONSORS. Qualifications are simple:

1. Look in a mirror if you’ve been on a Walk or Chrysalis Flight you qualify.
2. Look around you: church, work, the club, the coffee shop for Christians who would seek to grow closer to Christ and help strengthen their church .
3. Pray for God’s leading to prospective pilgrims.
4. ASK!!
5. Complete the application and send it and the fee to Renee Kasting.

It’s really not so complicated. As the TV commercial used to say: “It’s so easy, even a caveman can do it!” Let’s start working now to fill Walks #87 & #88. So, “Calling all Sponsors!”



**Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.**

**Home Page:**

[www.columbusinemmaus.org](http://www.columbusinemmaus.org)

**Emmaus Information Page (for community members):**

[www.columbusinemmaus.org/emmas/members](http://www.columbusinemmaus.org/emmas/members)

User name: columbusemmaus      password: 4thday

## Meet a New Board Member

Dear Emmaus Community,

My name is Mike Hien and I went on Walk 28 and sat at the table of Mark. I am a member of First Marion Baptist Church where I am so blessed to serve the Lord.

My position on the board will be Community events. One of my responsibilities will be contacting area churches about using their facilities for our monthly gatherings. I look forward to serving the community and our Lord on the board.

I am married to my wife of 38 years, Jane. We have two adult children; Aaron and his wife Jackie have three wonderful children, Cole, Alison, and Ava. Our daughter Stacey and her husband Justin have a son Nolan and are expecting their second child in June. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful family.

One of my favorite hobbies is fishing. My son and I fish in the Fishers of Men National Tournament Trails in the southern Indiana division. What a blessing it is to fish with my son along with so many Christian men. One of my other favorite hobbies is golf which gives me time to spend with my son in-law. My favorite hobby is just spending time with my family. We always take a family vacation together and several outings throughout the year.

I would like to share some personal thoughts about our Emmaus community. I went on my walk in 1999 and ever since then I felt a calling to serve the Lord through Emmaus. I have had the privilege to serve on several walks and Chrysalis flights. This will be my second opportunity to serve on the Emmaus board. What a blessing it has been to serve in our Emmaus community and meet so many wonderful people. I tell all those at my church that I am the most blessed man in the world. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve on the board again.

In Christ,  
Mike Hien

## WEATHER ALERTS

If an Emmaus event is cancelled due to severe weather, the community will be notified through the following sources:

- Community News updates on the home page [www.columbusinemmaus.org](http://www.columbusinemmaus.org).
- Email alerts will be sent to those who have an email subscription to the newsletter whenever a decision for cancellation has been made. *If you do not have a subscription, you can subscribe by going to the website home page.*
- Local radio stations QMIX 107.3, WCSI AM 1010, WKKG 101.5, and WJCP 92.7.





## Service Opportunities

Service opportunities are abundant in the Emmaus community to support the walk weekends. There is a wide range of opportunities and surely one to fit the gifts and talents of each person in the community.

Do you like to craft? There is **agape that is made by the community** for every walk and Chrysalis flight. These pieces of agape are placed on pilgrim and team beds, conference room tables and at each place setting at meals.

What a touching gift of love you received on Sunday of your walk when you received **your own agape letter bag**. These are hand made by community members for each pilgrim for the walks.

There are two **service ministry opportunities** for the Walks; **Prayer Chart and Snack Agape**. **Prayer Chart service** includes bringing the chart to gatherings and pass it through the rows so the community can sign up to pray during the walk.

**Do you remember the sendoff reception at your walk? Snack Agape** is a way to serve by hosting the sendoff refreshment hour. The hosts bring treats and drinks to set out for the sendoff.

These are just a few opportunities for service. Please contact Sandy Hudak 812-350-9051 or Brooke Chowning 812-390-5861 to explore the details of these service opportunities.

## Interpreter for the Deaf Needed

The Greensburg Emmaus Community is seeking a deaf interpreter to help in their community. Please contact Melanie Hart if you can help - [mhart@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:mhart@columbusinemmaus.org) or 812-350-0924.



## Go Paperless and Save

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- Financial savings of \$9 per person each year for postage and handling.
- Environmental savings by reducing our use of paper.
- Saves time by receiving your newsletter sooner.

Contact Rhonda Upchurch at [rupchurch@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:rupchurch@columbusinemmaus.org) if you would like to **Go Paperless**.

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**February Gathering - 7 pm**

Friday, February 15, 2013  
Trinity United Methodist Church  
333 S. Chestnut Street  
**N-Z bring snacks and drinks**

**February Board Meetings**

**Chrysalis** - Tuesday, February 5, 2013 - 6 pm  
**Emmaus** - Saturday, February 9, 2013 - 9 am  
The Rock - 3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN