

# The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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## *From our Community Lay Director...*

Hello, my name is Dave Goodner, Walk 67, table of Mark. I am a member of The Rock Church in Columbus where I have been very active ever since my walk. For Emmaus, I have served in the kitchen, been assistant and table leader, had the privilege to be a lay director, and even served as board representative for walk 125. I have also served on a couple of REC teams.

At church, I have taught Sunday School, led a group of youth, helped feed the hungry, and served on the Board of Administration. Most of these things I said I would never do, but God has a way of changing our paths when we listen to Him.

I am reminded often of Philipians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." And now I will do my best, with His strength, to serve as the Community Lay Director for the Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus in 2023.

We have just celebrated the best gift ever, Jesus. As we approach the new year, I encourage all of us to renew our commitments to God, our churches, and the Emmaus Walk. Let's not make resolutions because those are easily broken. Let's make a covenant with God to set our priorities, and grow through prayer, study, and action.

It may be cliché, but the only Bible some people will ever read is you and me.

**De Colores,**

Dave Goodner, Lay Director

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PHILIPPIANS 4:13

*From our Community Spiritual Director ...*

I admit it – I read obituaries. I look for the names of my colleagues in charge of the services. I look for family names I might find familiar. I'm curious about what the deceased valued most in life. And I look for how they lived out those values.

If the deceased was a Christian, I celebrate their faith and the ministries they were involved in. But I'm saddened when no Church relationship is mentioned, and all of the person's listed activities were self-pleasing.

Someday our Church membership will be celebrated in our obit. But will it honor Christ by also mentioning our discipleship:

In our local community (volunteering in an organization or two),

Beyond our local community (mission trips come to mind)?

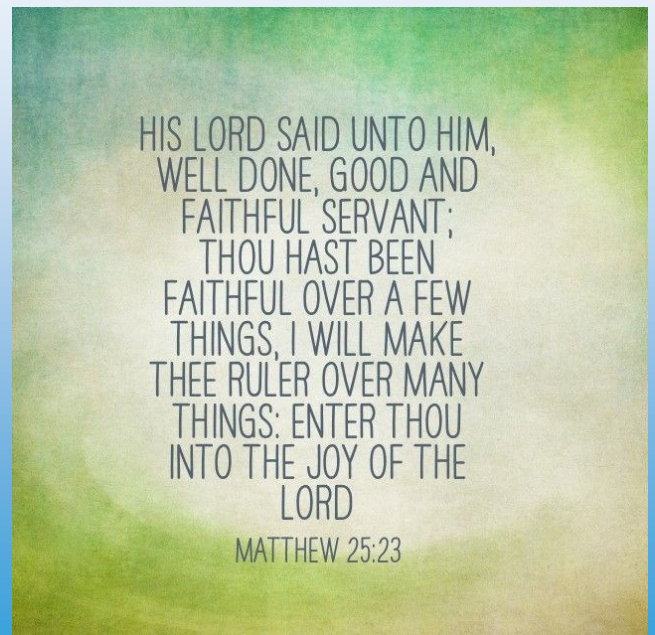
Perhaps with this new year, we can explore a new area of service, pushing our discipleship a bit more. We could ask what new opportunities God might offer to us, allowing us to be the hands and feet of Christ in a new way.

When the day of our reward arrives, may we be remembered for our servanthood. Perhaps that listing of our beloved ministries might inspire others to increase their service to Christ, and live a life well lived!

**De Colores,**

Pastor Mike Seaney,

Community Spiritual Director





## Team Service Application Guidelines

One of the great joys of Emmaus is serving on team and giving back to others the blessings you received on your walk. Just like Abraham, you are "blessed to be a blessing" and we want to provide you the opportunity to serve.

Please consider the following guidelines:

If you have already thought and prayed about working on the next Walk, please fill out the form.

Prior service is not required. The team selection committee follows the 1/3 Guideline. (1/3 first time workers, 1/3 semi-experienced, and 1/3 experienced).

Team selection must also balance the team by church and denomination. Because of these guidelines submitting an application does not always mean you will be selected to serve.

Filling out an application is only good for the next walk. You need to fill out an application before each walk on which you wish to work.

### **Applications will not carry over to the next walk.**

Filling out an application helps the team selection committee decide who is available to serve and cuts down on unnecessary phone calls.

Prayerfully consider passing on the blessing and serving on team!

**The Caterpillar and Emmaus Applications are posted on the website.**

**You may download one at:**

**Columbus IN Area Emmaus Walk Application**

**Chrysalis Flight Application**

## Ministry Manager – Update your information



We need your help to keep your information current in the database for Emmaus. The Walk Lay Directors utilize the database to locate contact information. Please take a moment to verify your personal information in Ministry Manager.

Go to [ministrymanager.upperroom.org](http://ministrymanager.upperroom.org).

If you haven't signed up with an account, then click "Sign Up". Fill in the information to create your account.

If you get an error message that indicates that "Email has already been taken", then click on "Forgot Password" to reset it.

### **Here are some instructions from Ministry Manager**

"When you log into your Ministry Manager account, you will be directed to this page. This is your home page. Find the link in the upper right-hand corner of the page that says 'My account.' Click the 'My account' link to open your personal profile."

"When you click the 'My account' link, your personal profile information will display. Complete all personal information. Please note that the block labeled 'Phone number' must be filled in, so enter your primary phone number in that block. Please select your gender. The gender is important for sorting rosters and lists. Click the 'Clergy' block if you are a member of the clergy. You may want to add a photo to further personalize your profile. Add a photo by clicking the 'Choose file' button and selecting a photo from the photos on your computer or other electronic device." "Now click the 'Churches' tab to add your church to your personal profile. Add your church by clicking the blue 'Add a Church' link. Enter the name of your church in the search window. When you find your church, click on the church name, then click 'Add church.' The church will now appear in your list. Be aware that many churches have similar names, and some have the same name. For instance, if your church name begins with the word 'first,' there will be hundreds of options displayed until you add more words to the title to narrow the search. If your search returns multiple churches, check the city and state to be sure you select the correct church. If you cannot locate your church, or are not sure which one is correct, contact your community board of directors or data administrator." "Now click the 'Sponsors' tab to add your sponsor. To begin, click the blue 'Add a Sponsor' link. Enter the name of your sponsor in the search window. When you locate your sponsor's name, click the name, then click ADD. Your sponsor's name will now appear in your list. Be aware that if your search returns multiple names, you need to check the identifying information to help you select the correct sponsor. If you cannot locate your sponsor, contact your community board of directors or data administrator."



Do you remember late Friday  
night on your walk?

Hearing the music begin to play.

And then the clowns. Oh my, the clowns!

And the feeling of having the heart  
gently pressed into your palm.

Did you feel the LOVE?

Do you want to help spread that LOVE??

We want to be able to continue to offer this sweet  
experience to future pilgrims on their Walks.

If you are a clown, or if you are interested  
In learning something new for the New Year  
And being a part of the Emmaus Clown Ministry,

Please contact Amy Cooley

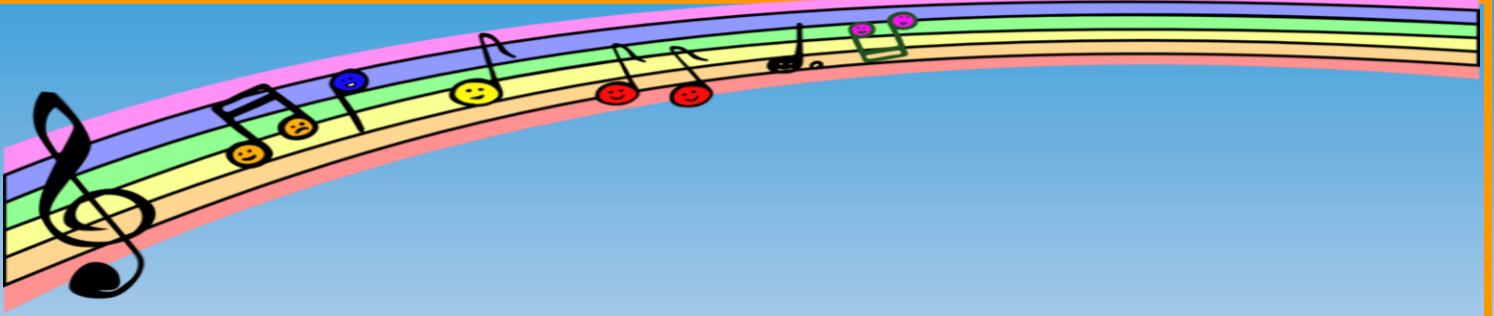
By email: [alcool999@yahoo.com](mailto:alcool999@yahoo.com)

Or call or text: 812-569-5602

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Training available!!





*God needs your gifts and talents!!  
We are in need of help with music, media,  
and sound for our Gatherings.  
We have MANY talented members  
out there in the community.  
So, if you are looking for a place to serve,  
we have just the spot for you!  
Don't feel like you can't do these jobs.  
Training is available.  
Please pray about this opportunity  
and let the Holy Spirit guide you.*

*Contact Deanna Glick @ [glickd23@gmail.com](mailto:glickd23@gmail.com)*

**De Colores**



Remember how meaningful Candlelight was during your walk? The board needs volunteers to set up the church in preparation for the pilgrims' arrival during each walk. We could use a few community members to commit to each walk, or maybe just Spring or Fall walks, or men's or women's walks.

Please contact any board member for more information.

*"And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ."*

*Colossians 3:23-24*



You all know that with the pandemic some things have been misplaced. We have lost some manuals for Lay Director, Music, Table Leaders, etc from the walks that were canceled. Maybe you didn't know what to do with them or you set them aside and they were forgotten. You can turn them in to any board member, bring them to camp, or bring them to the next Gathering. These have to be replaced for the next team members, and that gets expensive.

So, if you have any Emmaus manuals, please turn them in ASAP! A lot of things have been misplaced.

**PLEASE HELP!!**

Community Gatherings...

Next Gathering January 20, 2023 ~ 6:30 pm

First United Methodist Church ~ 618 Eighth St., Columbus, IN 47201

Last names A-M please bring your favorite snacks and drinks to share

Men's Walk #127

March 23-26, 2023

Currently Accepting Applications

Women's Walk #128

March 30-April 2, 2023

Currently Accepting Applications

Chrysalis Flights #83 and #84

April 15-17, 2023

Currently Accepting Applications



Board Meetings

**Chrysalis** ~ Tuesday, January 3rd ~ 6:00 pm

The Rock, 3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN

**Emmaus** - Saturday, January 14th ~ 9:00 am

The Rock, 3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN



We are on  
Facebook!



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[www.columbusareaemmaus.community](http://www.columbusareaemmaus.community)

Emmaus Information Page (for community members)

Username: columbus password: 4thday!