



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

Letter to the Community:

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

WOW did God ever put together another great set of walks!!!!

The word that has come to my mind these past 2 week-ends is obedience. 2 John 1:6 says *And this is love: that we walk in obedience to His commands. As you have heard from the beginning, His command is that you walk in love.* There was a lot of obedience going on in this Emmaus/Chrysalis community. Sponsors being obedient to whom God was calling them to sponsor. Teams obedient to the calling to serve on a walk. The community being obedient to supporting the walks in so many ways. What a great group of God's beloved children. I am so proud to be a part of this community of believers!!!

I was blessed to have attended the closings. Some of the responses to the 1st question were-"it was a humble experience, equipped me, focused, provided men a safe place to show emotion, overwhelmed by love, new appreciation of Christ's love, touched me, couldn't ask for anything better, most amazing 3 days of my life, refreshing, sponge rung out and now filled up, not alone, and candlelight was a tunnel of love".

Some of the responses to the 2nd question were-"take gifts off the shelf, dust them off and use them, run the race the Lord has set for me, cheer each other on, serve on future walks, take 1 step forward when hear God's voice, teach our kids how to serve, ready to do my part, reach out, and get baptized". I believe there will be a lot of obedience going on with the new pilgrims too.

Let's be in prayer for whom God is calling us to sponsor this fall's walks and flights. The lay director for the fall men's walk is Ed Tower. The lay director for the fall women's walk is Jamie Evans. The lay directors for the fall flight are Mike and Jodi Englested. Let's keep them in prayer.

Hope to see you all at the gathering at **Sandy hook United Methodist Church on May 18th**. New pilgrims and sponsors at 6pm. The Hoot will be at 6 also. The community will join them at 7 for a pitch in. New pilgrims do not have to bring anything-we will feed you 1 more time! See you soon,

Decolores/Fly with Christ,
Cindy Massey

Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Men's
Walk
#85

October
18-21,
2012

Women's
Walk
#86

October
25-28,
2012



Do You Want to Serve on an Emmaus Walk?

It's not too early to start thinking and praying about serving on the Fall 2012 walks. You can download a Team Service Application form at www.columbusinemmaus.org.

Previous applications will not apply. You must apply anew for each set of walks.



Here's an Opportunity to Serve



Would your church or reunion group be interested in making Agape Bags?

Helpful hints and directions are available. So if you are interested, please contact Cindy Massey at cmassey@columbusinemmaus.org.

Meet a New Board Member

Name: Ken Anders

Walk: Columbus IN Emmaus #67

Table: Peter

Church: Central Christian Church, Seymour

Board Position: Transportation and Facilities

Family: wife Mary; 3 daughters: Jennifer O'Neal & her husband Dan, Kristen McCleery, Carlyn Anders; and 3 dogs (all male).

Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy boating, fishing, camping, and just relaxing in general at the lake. I like to golf, and am a huge football fan, especially Alabama Crimson Tide. "Roll Tide Roll!"

Personal Thoughts: My Emmaus Walk was a life changing experience in many ways. God quickly revealed something I had to get straight in my life. Serving on Team for both Emmaus and Chrysalis, and meeting community members has been a blessing and honor. Serving on the Board is my way of giving back to something that has so richly blessed me.



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Home Page:

www.columbusinemmaus.org

Emmaus Information Page (for community members):

www.columbusinemmaus.org/emmasus/members

User name: columbusemmaus password: 4thday

It Is All About Sponsorship

Question - As a new member of the Emmaus community, how can I sponsor someone else to experience this fantastic weekend?

Answer - First, check the packet you received during your Walk. There should be some helpful information there. But as a summary, here are some highlights of how best to begin:

1. Keep in mind whom to sponsor. The Walk is not designed for everyone. Its purpose is to strengthen the local Church by strengthening its leaders.
2. Remember that wisdom would suggest that you only choose ONE person to sponsor for each Walk. You will have many responsibilities to carry out in order to bless your pilgrim & his/her family, so don't shortchange a pilgrim's experience by trying to sponsor several persons at one time.
3. When you are ready to talk to a potential pilgrim about attending a Walk, remember that if he/she is married, it's important to explain the Walk's purpose to both spouses. Never allow this wonderful event to become a divisive wedge in a relationship!
4. More suggestions and expectations of sponsors can be found on our website. Simply go to www.columbusinemmaus.org. Then do the following:
 - On the left side of the page, click on "Member Information Area",
 - Use the user name and password supplied in this newsletter,
 - On the left side, click on "Help Documents",
 - Then on the left side, you can either click on the "Sponsors Checklist", or
 - On the right side, you can click on "Suggestions for Sponsors" or "Emmaus Sponsorship".

Some of the information you received at your Walk, and found on the website, will be redundant. But that's an effective way of reinforcing what excellent sponsorship is all about. So do your homework, and then listen to God's leading as you consider sponsoring someone for this three-day adventure!

Pastor Mike Seaney & Marlene Vandevander

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

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May Gathering & 4th Day Meeting

Friday, May 18, 2012

6 pm - 4th Day for New Pilgrims & Sponsors

6 pm - Hoot Rally

7 pm - Pitch-in Meal

Sandy Hook Methodist Church
11610 Taylor Road, Columbus

May Chrysalis Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 1, 2012 - 6pm

The Rock

3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus

May Emmaus Board Meeting

Saturday, May 12, 2012 - 9 am

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