

# The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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

In the book of Genesis, Moses wrote about the covenant God made with Abraham. This covenant was a relationship contract between God and Abraham. (Gen. 12-15)

Did you know as an Emmaus community, we have a covenant with our parent organization in Nashville, Tennessee. Every year, each board member must read, agree, and sign this covenant.

The Emmaus organization promises to provide information, education, spiritual guidance, manuals, schedules, and various supplies. In return, we agree to follow their guidelines to maintain the integrity of the Emmaus experience.

While there may be subtle differences in the methodology, the content and goals are basically the same across the continents. Therefore, if you meet someone who went on a walk in Sidney, Australia, his/her experience would be basically the same.


As Community Lay Director, I take this covenant seriously, as does your board of directors and spiritual director. Sometimes this means, with prayer and seeking God's will, we make difficult decisions about following guidelines or making exceptions.

Remember, it is God who puts these teams and pilgrims together for a specific date, time, and location. He may not be finished adding and subtracting until the Send-Off bell rings.

**De Colores,**

Dave Goodner,

Community Lay Director



"And I will establish my covenant...  
to be God to you and to your offspring after you."  
(Gen. 17:7)

*From our Community Spiritual Director ...*

It was 30 years ago that our Community held its 1<sup>st</sup> Walks. Both Upper Room leaders and members of other Communities helped us get started and covered the costs involved. Now we have just welcomed into this growing Community pilgrims from Walks 129 and 130!

So in gratitude for what was done for us long ago, we will soon take the opportunity to support emerging Emmaus communities around the world. Our November Gathering offering will go towards the Upper Room's "Gift Fund", which helps such new communities cover the costs involved at the start. Here is the latest news on some of those new communities.

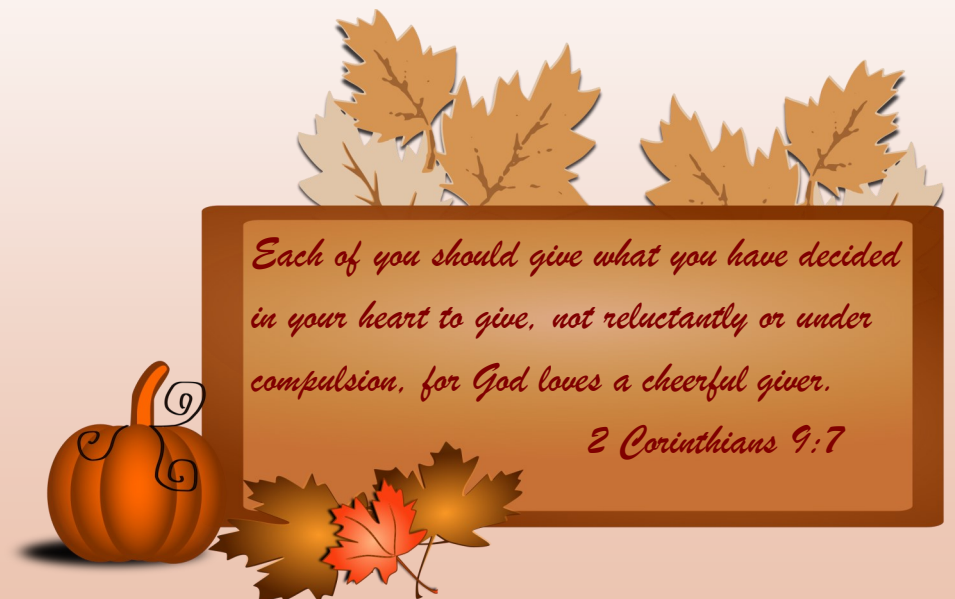
"In August, we sent funds to church leaders in Malawi to help send a 2<sup>nd</sup> group of pilgrims to Zimbabwe to experience their Walk. Hopefully, this will be enough to start up a team and a new Malawi community soon. We also celebrate the two opening Walks held in West Malaysia with the help of team members from Singapore, Taiwan and Sarawak. Argentina is also planning their 2<sup>nd</sup> set of Walks to be held next year."

This Emmaus movement continues to grow worldwide! Let's generously accept the privilege of helping other Christians experience the joy of singing "De Colores", and of walking with Christ!

**De Colores,**

Pastor Mike Seaney,

Community Spiritual Director



*From our Registrar...*

Happy Fall you all !! It's not too early to send me your applications for pilgrims for the spring walks, after you have prayerfully considered them. We filled up earlier this fall and I have several on the wait list that were not able to attend. Our

Emmaus community policy is to have the minimum number (20) of pilgrims applications turned in 4 weeks before the walk. When we are full, (36) if there is a person that cancels, we can add a person on the walk up to 2 weeks before the walk.

We max out at 36 for several reasons- bunks, room in conference room, transportation.. to name a few. We don't make additions after the 2 week cut off for several reasons as well. We want to make the walks special to each pilgrim.

If you ever have any questions please contact me at 812-525-8954

Remember to pray about who God is leading you to sponsor and get the applications filled out and sent to me soon. Spring walks aren't very far away!!!

Men's is 3/7-10 Women's is 3/14-17

Thank you for sponsoring this great event.

Sincerely, Cindy Massey

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." -Proverbs 3:5-6

*From our Emmaus board...*

Our Emmaus board has some open positions that we need to fill. In order to fulfill our obligation to keep the ratio of men to women on the board as even as possible, we are in need of a few men to consider a Board position.

Please pray about who you would nominate, or if you are being called to help us fill our openings.

Contact any of our board members ASAP for more information about which positions are open for 2024.



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

**You may download one at:**

**Columbus IN Area Emmaus Walk Application**

**Chrysalis Flight Application**

# Some helpful information

Have Questions and Need Answers?

Do you want to serve on Emmaus Walk or Chrysalis Flight?

Where do you go to update your address or phone number?

When is the next Gathering & where?

Where do you find the pilgrim application?

When does the Emmaus board meet?

How can I sign up to pray for the next Emmaus Walk or Chrysalis Flight?

You can find answers to all these questions and much more by going to our website at <http://columbusinemmaus.org/>

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## Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus, Inc.





### Community Events

**Fall 2023**

**Men's Walk #129**  
October 26-29, 2023

**Women's Walk #130**  
November 2-5, 2023

**Spring 2024**

**Chrysalis Flights #87 & #88**  
April 20-22, 2024  
[Flight Application](#)

**Board Meetings**

**Chrysalis**  
Tuesday, Nov 7th - 6:00 PM  
Location: The Rock  
[3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus](#)

**Emmaus**  
Nov 11th - 9:00 am  
Location: The Rock  
[3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus](#)



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*They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32)*

# YOU'RE INVITED

Please join us as we welcome  
our newest Community Members at  
the November Gathering on Friday, November 17th, 2023  
First Christian Church at 531 5th St., Columbus, IN 47201

5:30 4th Day meeting for pilgrims and sponsors

6:30 Pitch-in Dinner

7:30 Praise and Worship, introduction of the new  
pilgrims, and a short business meeting  
to elect new board members for 2024

To our newest members, please come and bring yourself,  
an appetite, and your walk name tag.

Sponsors, please attend the 4th day meeting with your  
Pilgrims and bring tableware for you and your pilgrims.

Community Members, please bring 1-2 of your favorite  
fall dishes and/or drinks to share, your tableware,  
and remember to wear your walk name tags!!



## Community Events

Gathering ~ Friday, November 17th ~ 6:30pm at First Christian Church  
at 531 5th St., Columbus, IN 47201

4th Day meeting at 5:30 pm, pitch-in dinner at 6:30,  
Praise and Worship followed by a short Business meeting at 7:30

## Men's Walk #131

March 7-10, 2024

## Women's Walk #132

March 14-17, 2024

## Chrysalis Flights #87 and #88

April 20-22, 2024



## Board Meetings

**Chrysalis** ~ Tuesday, November 7th ~ 6:00 pm

The Rock, 3990 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN

**Emmaus** - Saturday, November 11th ~ 9:00 am

The Rock, 3390 Rocky Ford Rd, Columbus, IN



We are on  
Facebook!



Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

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

Emmaus Information Page (for community members)

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