



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

Letter to the Community:

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. Speaking of wonderful, we had a wonderful gathering at Trinity United Methodist Church. We had beautiful people, singing beautiful music, sharing beautiful praises to a beautiful God, in a beautiful church. We had a beautiful team dedication for a beautiful team. Do you think I enjoyed it? YES I did!!!

All the lay directors for this fall's walks and flights shared their thoughts and spoke of "teams coming together, God's faithfulness and about God's teams" I think God has BIG plans for this fall!!!

While reading the Bible I find it interesting the names of people at the end of some of Paul's letters: Luke, Demas, brothers at Laodicea and Nympha. Do you imagine who they were, what they were like and what roles they played in the earliest days of the Christian movement? It's intriguing that most of them are obscure and yet profoundly important like most of us. However, none of us is too obscure to make a contribution. As the saying goes, *if you think you are too small to make a difference, try spending the night in a closed room with a mosquito!*

Most likely you and I will never be famous. However, by living in faithful obedience to God in anyway we are called, we can make an eternal difference. We are all like that little boy who gave his fish and loaves to Jesus. We don't have a lot in our hands, but in the hands of God's Son we can feed a multitude. So I encourage you to serve where and when God calls you.

Remember to get your pilgrim applications in very soon. See you at the next gathering at First Lutheran Church on Sept. 21. We will praying in the fall walk teams.

Decolores / Fly with Christ, Cindy Massey

Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Chrysalis Flights #45 & #46	September 1-3 2012
Men's Walk #85	October 18-21 2012
Women's Walk #86	October 25-28 2012
Men's Walk #87	April 11-14 2013
Women's Walk #88	April 18-21 2013



CANDLELIGHT FOR CHRYSALIS & EMMAUS SPONSORS

One of the more visible and exciting responsibilities of a Sponsor involves the Candlelight experience. Remember how that evening felt for you?

Sponsors are urged to attend the Candlelight of their butterfly or pilgrim! It's a wonderful show of support when that person has already experienced 2 glorious days of a 3-day journey with Jesus. When they see you there, they'll see you with eyes of gratitude, and may have an urgent need to quickly share their thanks with you then.

But before that Flight or Walk, remember two important details:

1. When describing the Chrysalis/Emmaus weekend to them, don't spoil the surprise of Candlelight by attempting to describe it. Their experience of it will probably not match yours completely, so it's not wise to offer expectations that may not be met. Let God offer your butterfly or pilgrim an experience designed just for them.
2. And if your pilgrim has a spouse who has already attended a Flight or Walk, try to take them with you to Candlelight. You can guide them through the procedure of their first Candlelight as a Community member. There's nothing like sharing the excitement of the evening both on the trip there and home.

So Sponsors, get these dates on your calendars now & guard them well:

Chrysalis candlelight – Sunday, Sept. 2nd @ 8 pm

Men's candlelight – Saturday, Oct. 20th @ 8 pm

Women's candlelight – Saturday, Oct. 28th @ 8 pm.

Mike Seaney & Marlene Vandevender,
Sponsorship Chairpersons

Deadline for Fall Walks



The deadline for pilgrim applications for the Fall Walks is **September 18**, one month before the actual walks. This gives the community enough time to plan and coordinate all the walk activities.

Submit applications to:

COLUMBUS INDIANA AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY, INC

c/o Registrar

P.O. Box 2184

Columbus, IN 47202-2184

HAVE YOU HEARD OF ALARGA STROLL?

Alarga means “Reaching Out”. *Alarga Stroll* is the officially adapted Emmaus Walk that embraces physically challenged people that follows the Emmaus format very closely.

Here are some of the differences between the *Emmaus Walk* and *Alarga Stroll*:

- Both men and woman are accepted for a Stroll.
- The number of talks are reduced from 15 to 12, combining some of the Talks.
- All the talks are reduced from 20 to 15 minutes’ duration.
- There are no more than 32 Pilgrims per Stroll.

These changes give the Pilgrims more time to get ready in the morning (showering, dressing etc.) and more rest time Friday and Saturday afternoons so that they will be able to receive all the Lord has for them during the evening activities.

Could *Alarga Stroll* be a part of our community’s future? Something to think about and pray about.

Board Nominations for November

It is time to make your nominations for the 2013 Emmaus Board. Board members meet monthly and serve 3 year terms. It is a working board with each member serving in one of the following areas:

Transportation & Facilities	Treasurer	Music
Community Events	Team Selection	Agape
Technology & Website	Data Coordinator	Secretary
Sponsorship & Reunion Groups	Newsletter	

If you are interested or know a good candidate, please contact Melanie Hart at 812-350-0924 or mhart@columbusinemmaus.org with your nominations. You may also contact any of the board members listed on the website if you have any questions.



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Home Page:

www.columbusinemmaus.org

Emmaus Information Page (for community members):

www.columbusinemmaus.org/emmaus/members

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Chrysalis Candlelight

Sunday, September 2, 2012 - 8pm

Community Church of Columbus
3850 N. Marr Rd., Columbus

Chrysalis Closing

Monday, September 3, 2012 - 5pm

Garden City Church of Christ
3245 Jonesville Rd., Columbus

September Emmaus Board Meeting

Saturday, September 8, 2012 - 9 am

The Rock - 3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus

September Chrysalis Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 11, 2012 - 6pm

The Rock - 3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus

September Gathering

Friday, September 21, 2012

Hoot Rally @ 6 pm; Gathering @ 7 pm

First Lutheran Church - 3600 25th St., Columbus

A-M bring snacks and drinks