



The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

Letter to the Community:

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Wow, I started thinking about this month's newsletter and realized that my year is rapidly coming to an end. I've almost made it through the year. Anyway, on with the task at hand.

Robin and I attended the Disciples of Christ General Assembly in Indianapolis this past month. One of the speakers to the assembly talked about the absence of the Holy Spirit in our congregations. He spoke about how we have lost our connection to the Holy Spirit and how we have become a people going our own way. He was a very good speaker and had a way of getting his point across in a way that captured everyone's attention. Unfortunately, he was making a valid point at least with some congregations. Probably more than we know. I started thinking about how we, in our Columbus Emmaus Community, have kept that fire of the Holy Spirit burning. Anyone who wants to experience the first-hand leading of the Holy Spirit only needs to serve on a men's or women's walk team or a Chrysalis flight team to get "hooked up" again. I know that even when we get together with other members of the community, we have a bond that is stronger than any of the secular relationships that we may have. The glue that provides the bond for our Emmaus relationships comes straight from the Holy Spirit. I only wish that everyone could have that same experience or relationship with God's Spirit that we enjoy. I guess that is part of our witness that we need to pass on to those who God puts in our path.

One day – yes, ONE DAY, ALL of God's children will be together worshiping in the presence of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit along with all of the saints!!!! What a day that will be!!!! Can I get and AMEN or a HALLELUJAH?????

OK, back down to earth now.

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Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Chrysalis Flights #33 & #34

Sept. 5 - 7, 2009

Men's Walk #73

October 22 - 25, 2009

Women's Walk #74

Oct 29 - Nov 1, 2009



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I do want to mention something else that is important for the sponsors of pilgrims and caterpillars. The card that will be coming in the mail concerning the pilgrim or caterpillar being sponsored is an important piece of communication for the registrar. The information on this card needs to be completed and returned as soon as possible to the registrar. This is the confirmation of information for the pilgrim or caterpillar that secures a spot on each flight or walk. This is just another part of the sponsor's responsibility. This is part of the process that starts the connection of the caterpillar or pilgrim with our community.

Things are getting ramped up again for the flights and walks coming up, so don't forget to sign the prayer charts, pray about sponsorship, and make plans for the send-offs, candlelights and closings.

I'll be seeing you all around.

Basking in His presence and in the power of His Holy Spirit together!

Bill



Newsletter Archive

On behalf of the board, I am trying to accumulate a complete collection of every Columbus Emmaus Community Newsletter since 1993. I have a good start but still need certain dates. If you have any of the old newsletters from the dates below, I would like to borrow them. I would copy them and return the original to you.

Still needed are:

2004 May	1999 June	1995 all
2003 May	1999 Dec.	1994 July- Dec.
2000 Dec.	1998 all	1993 April
1999 Feb.	1997 all	1993 Oct.
1999 March	1996 all	

If you can help supply some of these missing issues, please contact John Rhoades, jrhoades@columbusinemmaus.org, or 812-372-2107.

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September Chrysalis Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2009—6 pm
First Christian Church
531 Fifth St., Columbus, IN

September Emmaus Board Meeting

Saturday, September 12, 2009—9:00 am
Rocky Ford Free Methodist Church
3990 Rocky Ford Rd., Columbus, IN

September Hoot and Final Team Meeting

Sunday, September 13, 2009—2:00 pm
Asbury United Methodist Church
1751 27th St., Columbus, IN

September Gathering

Friday, September 18, 2009—7 pm
Columbus Community Church
3850 N Marr Rd., Columbus, IN
Childcare provided for ages 6 & under
A-I responsible for refreshments

