

Greater Cincinnati Emmaus and Chrysalis Community News

"As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them."
Luke 24:15

A Word From Our Community Lay Director



September 2015

It's all about service and your presence

De Colores Community:

The fall season is upon us and that means we are ready for 2 Emmaus Walks in the next 40 days. So that means we need your presence. Candlelight, Agape Letters, Closing service and Behind the scenes service are the things that make our ministry so special by representing Christ to the pilgrims in a meaningful way in your acts of service to them. Do you remember your walk? The presence of others and their demonstration of God's grace to you through their service and attendance at your Emmaus Walk or Chrysalis Flight made a great impression of how awesome and lavish God's love is toward us.

As I mentioned in a previous message and at Gatherings, the Board has made some small changes in background service on Emmaus Teams. Once a person has served as a Lay Director, it has been a common misconception that they are "put out to pasture." Occasionally they make it back on teams as a replacement. But the model for teams is progressive servanthood, so there were few places to serve. If you are a past weekend Lay Director, we want to call you back into service in two important positions - Prayer Servant and Logistics. These are non-conference room positions but they are every bit as important to supporting the weekend. If you're a Past Lay Director, we need your experience and leadership to assist in these positions. Please contact me at cincyemmausld@gmail.com and we will get you connected to a future team.

We have full walks for both men and women. I'm asking for all of you to sign up for service and especially for the prayer board for the weekends. You can do this online at www.cincinnatiemmaus.org.

Please also remember the iphone/android app and tell your friends. You can search Cincinnati Emmaus on the App Store or Google Play to keep up with events. The new app will keep you reminded of events. Just activate your notifications on your phone once you've downloaded the app.

Please join me in welcoming Lisa Linne as the Vice Chair for the balance of 2015. She will take over as Community Lay Director on January 1.

Your Brother In Christ

Jeff Markovic

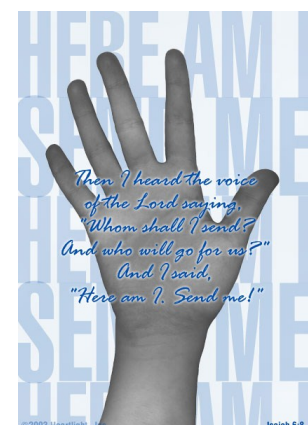
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Reminder

Join us at the Gathering!
Oct. 1st at 7:30 PM



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Isaiah 6:8

Men's Walk # 97

September 17-20, 2015

Please remember to keep these brothers in Christ in your prayers so that their hearts will be prepared and their eyes would be opened to the Lord to work in and through them. Pray also for the team members who will be the hands and feet of Jesus for these pilgrims and for each other.

PILGRIM	CHURCH NAME	SPONSOR	TEAM ROSTER		
			NAME	POSITION	TALK
Michael Belanger	Mariemont Community Church	Joe Kollmnn	Ennes Ireton	LD	Perseverance
Marshall Bohannon	Church of the Saviour UMC	Les Sper	Bob Clo	SD	Means of Grace
Jesse Burroughs	Eastside Christian Church	Kim Ireton	Damon Lynch	ASD	Sanctifying Grace
Scott Childers	Bethel UMC	T.J. Spencer	George Hart	ASD	Obstacles to Grace
Terry Dean	New Beginnings Church of Belfast	Chris Nickell	Dick Lehman	ASD	Justifying Grace
Ed Findley	New Beginnings Church of Belfast	Brian Findley	R Kerry Wood	ASD	Prevenient Grace
Zachariah Florence	New Beginnings Church of Belfast	Brian Findley	Brian Pickens	BR	
Doug Hankins	Fayetteville First Baptist	Roy Hebolt	Kevin McKee	ALD	Discipleship
Brian Hauser	Grace Covenant	Dave Hauser	Tom Ballentine	ALD	Fourth Day
Hal Herron	St. Louis Catholic Church	Lynn Derflinger	David Heflin	ALD	Priority
Christian Kerchen	Faith Church	Kim Ireton	Jon Ireton	TL	Christian Action
Rob Krutka	Life Change Church	C.W. Fite	Joe Kollmann	TL	Life of Piety
Joe Lamb	Christ Community Church	Ron Hickman	Dante Kelly Murray	TL	Body of Christ
RJ Lemin		Tom Ballentine	Bill Keyes	TL	
John Lynch	Crossroads Community Church	Kathleen Bauer	Jeff Hopkins	TL	Grow through Study
Bill Osborne	The Bridge	Mike Gutbier	Chuck Swanson	TL	Priesthood of all Believers
Paul Schamer	Salem UMC (PA)	Jeff Markovic	Alan Wright	ATL	Changing Our World
Hank Slove	Emmanuel UMC	John Clark	Dan Warren	ATL	
Jeff Stewart	Fayetteville First Baptist	Roy Herbolt	Chris Nickell	ATL	
Gene Sutherland	First Baptist Church of Mt. Orab	Dave Sutherland	Billy Morrison	ATL	
Phil Thompson	Anderson Hills UMC	Brad Derflinger	Jermaine Way	ATL	
Jim Van Hook	Armstrong Chapel	Regina Lynch	Tom Clore	ATL	
Shane Collins	Crossroads Church Florence	Mike Gutbier	Dave Delaney	Music	
Justin Cooper	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	Mike Gutbier	Scott Sutherland	Music	
			Paul Wykoff	Log	
			Jeff Markovic	Log	
			Jeff Linne	Log	
			Steve Theobald	PS	
			TJ Spencer	PS	

This list is accurate as of the date of publication to the website. Log onto www.cincinnatiemmaus.org for any updates between publication and the start date of the Walk.





Attention Smartphone users:

It is easier than ever before to stay connected to Emmaus/Chrysalis.

We have an app for that!

Available for both Iphone and Android, just search Cincinnati Emmaus in the App store/Google Play store. From the app, you can learn about upcoming events, sign up directly on job/prayer boards for the walks/flights, even post request for prayers from the community! Check it out!

Agape



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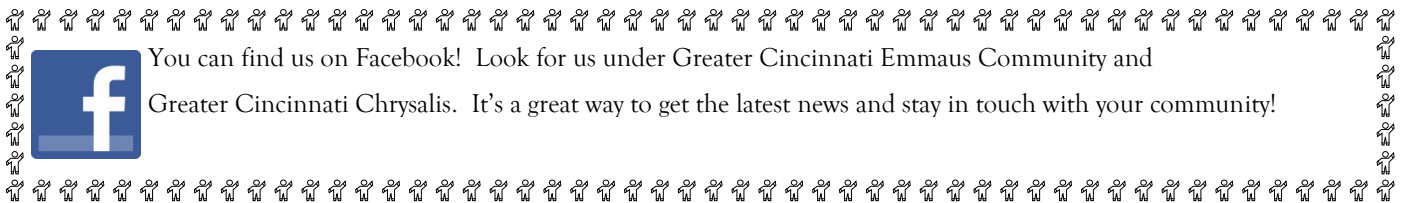
I appreciate all the agape that has been given for team and pilgrims and the sponsors are doing a great job, so keep up the great work!

Here are a few reminders: we need 60 pieces for each walk. Please do not put your name on your pieces as this is a gift of unconditional AGAPE LOVE. Churches and Share groups may put their name on what they make. I would like you to put your name on the box, bag, or container so I can start a list of who makes agape. If you would like your extra agape back please also mark this on the outside so I can get it back to you, otherwise the extra will be given to Chrysalis.

Linda St Myers, Agape Chair



You can find us on Facebook! Look for us under Greater Cincinnati Emmaus Community and Greater Cincinnati Chrysalis. It's a great way to get the latest news and stay in touch with your community!




Want to be on a Live-in Team?

Riddle - when does 4200 equal 20? The answer is.....it doesn't. There are approximately 4,200 names in our Greater Cincinnati Emmaus database from which prospective team members are chosen. For each Walk, we need 20 live-in team members, one of which is clergy. Selecting those prospective members is a very difficult task. True, the database does make it easier, but if folks don't update their information, we simply won't know who is interested and involved.

If you would like to be considered for a Team, there are three distinct ways to increase your chances of being called, keeping in mind the 4200 to 20 rule:

1. **Update your database info** if you have not already done so. You can do this by going to <http://gce.inetmember.com> . Log in using your email address, entering password of *gcegce*, then check your info. You will be required to change your password after you login. Note: if your email address is not on file, send notice to Lori Markovic at Imarkovic7@gmail.com and she will send you details.
2. **Sign up to help with Walk job boards and prayer boards.** These signups are checked before final team prospects are chosen. Attend Gatherings, Candlelights, and Closings. And sponsor Pilgrims. The more you are involved, the more Leadership knows you are active.
3. **Fill out an application to serve on a team.** You can find this on our community website - http://www.cincinnatiemmaus.org/pdfs/application_to_serve.pdf. You may also sign up on the lists available at monthly Gatherings.

Again, just because you have completed the 'tasks' shown above, it doesn't mean that you will be contacted to serve on a live-in team. With four Walks a year, that is only 80 team members needed out of a pool of 4200 potential servants. It is important, though, to let the community leadership know that you are interested in serving. If we don't know you are interested, chances are very good you won't be selected. But even if you aren't contacted right away to serve on a team, do consider serving in a behind-the-scenes role. As you know, it takes over 200 people to make each Walk "the best one ever," so we need YOU and your willingness to serve as you were served when you were a pilgrim.



Want to change the life of a teenager? Help them strengthen their relationship with Jesus by sponsoring them on a Chrysalis Flight. Chrysalis is a three day experience with Christ, just like Emmaus, but on steroids. Young men and women must be 15 years of age and a sophomore in high school up to 23 years of age. We have 15 talks, games, lots of food, poster parties and of course surprises! If you have been on an Emmaus Walk or a Chrysalis flight you can be a sponsor.

The next flights will be:

Young Women's Flight - Saturday, January 16- Monday, January 18, 2016

Young Men's Flight - Saturday, February, 13 - Monday, February 15, 2016

For more information please contact Synda Bernicke, Community Lay Director for Chrysalis at (513) 314-1274.

Fly with Christ!

And Just a Few Friendly Reminders.....



The Walk to Emmaus is considered to be a cloistered environment for the pilgrims. We ask that no one take photographs or make audio or video recordings of any weekend event, including but not limited to Candlelight and Closing. This is in accordance with policy established by the Upper Room. Please respect the privacy of the pilgrims during these special moments of the Walk.



Training to be an Emmaus sponsor is easier than ever! Before you sponsor someone for a Walk, contact Beth Moore, Education and Sponsor Training, 513-560-4912. You'll receive by email a packet of information to review; after reading it, contact Beth to go over the finer points of good and wise sponsorship. Training can also be provided at your congregation. Gather a group of Emmaus veterans, make a room available for 60 minutes, and training will come to you. After you're trained as a sponsor, your name goes into the Emmaus database - it's that simple. The better the sponsorship, the better the upcoming Walks for our pilgrims.



We are still accepting donations of new or gently used books for the agape book table. Bring them to any gathering or candlelight or contact Linda St. Myers at lstmyers@cinci.rr.com or 513-874-0514 to make other pick up or drop off arrangements.



Community volunteers for Friday breakfast and Friday lunch are asked to park on the side streets surrounding the church. The church's preschool is in session on Fridays during Walk weekends, and the church has asked that we leave the parking lot for parents and school staff. The lot will continue to be available for parking during Candlelight and Closing.

CHILD CARE

Childcare is available for Candlelight, Closing and Gathering events. The cost is \$5.00 per child per event. Make reservations at least 48 hours before the event.

Cancellations must be made no less than 24 hours before the event. For reservations, contact Rebecca Homan at 513-979-8193 or by email at rhoman@hpcumc.org.

You will need to provide your name, phone number, and the name and date of the event for which you need child care. You will also need to provide the names and ages of your children.

Payment is due at the time of the event.

Hey Sponsors! It's Never Too Early!

The dates for the next men's and women's walks for 2016 are listed on page 6. Next year seems like a long way off, but it will be here before we know it. If you are praying about inviting someone to attend a Walk, now is the time to plant the seed. Don't wait until just a few weeks before the Walk date to issue the invitation. Many prospective pilgrims need time to prepare and to coordinate such things as time off work, childcare, appointments, and so forth. They don't need to feel locked in simply because they submit an application early and pay the \$25 deposit. If something comes up, we can hold the deposit for a future Walk.



2015 Board of Directors <i>Worshipfully Working Together</i>		
Position	Name	Phone
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Webmaster		
Women's Registrar	Peggie Hughes	513-479-1362
Women's Registrar	Sandy Hauser	513-941-8060
Worship		
Worship		
Hyde Park CMUC Liaison	Sharon Michaelson	513-761-5571

2015-2016 CALENDAR

Upcoming Emmaus Walks

Women's Walk #115, October 15-18, 2015

Men's Walk #98, February 18-21, 2016

Women's walk # 116, April 21-24, 2016

Candlelight, September 19, 8:30pm

Closing, September 20, 4:00pm

Board Meeting, Monday, September 21, 6:30pm

Gathering, October 1, 7:30pm

Board Meeting, Monday, October 19, 6:30pm

Gathering, November 5, 7:30pm

All Emmaus events take place at

Hyde Park Community UMC

1345 Grace Avenue

Cincinnati, OH

Sponsor training is being done online. Please contact Beth Moore, Education Rep to arrange.

Please make childcare arrangements before attending Candlelight and Closing. It is inappropriate for

children to be present at these services. See page 5 for details on using our coordinated childcare.

Christ is Counting On You!



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