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NEWSLETTER

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Welcome To the Emmaus Community.

Pilgrims of Women's Walk #89 February 22nd-25th, 2024 and Men's walk #82, March 7th-10th, 2024

Krystal Anderson	Shannan Byers	Ashley Hildebrand	Nicole Mader	Ashley Stewart
Amanda Apple	Jodi Cantrell	Jessica Hoover	Cameron Middleton	Amy Stickney
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A note from the Lay Directors:

Dear Community,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Lay Director for Women's Walk 89. It was an honor and privilege to serve the 30 pilgrims and watch God start changing their lives. I enjoyed the team selection process and getting to know some team members that I had not met before and reconnecting with those that I had served with before. It was very special for me to have many members of this team who have helped influence my own spiritual life, including my sister, my best friend and Emmaus Sponsor, my Spiritual mentor and these beautiful Sisters-in-Christ that I am honored to call my friends.

Like previous walks/team formation, we had a few hic-cups – but nothing that our God couldn't handle, we just had to stay out of His Way as He molded each and every one of us for His Purpose for this specific time and team.

I was impressed and grateful for the support and willingness to help by the Emmaus community, especially past lay directors.

The Walk weekend was amazing and there were no issues. The tables all seemed to bond quickly, and the Pilgrims were responsive to the talks and the process. There were many first that took place during this walk that team members commented on. If you ask, I'd have to say, "Yes – The Holy Spirit showed up BIG TIME and He put on quite the Show"....At closing, all 30 pilgrims got up and shared what "These 3 days meant to them and what they planned on doing with it!" Most importantly, they all felt the Love of God and His Presence and know that they are Worthy and are precious in His Sight!

Thank you again for this opportunity and I look forward to continued service in other ways as I am called.

**Sincerely Your Sister in Christ,
Susie Bowles**

Community:

What an amazing weekend. Lives were transformed! We had a pilgrim leave first thing Friday morning to go to the hospital to see his Grandpa, who died while he was there. He returned right after the Priority talk because he wanted to be surrounded by his Christian Brothers while going through his grief. He even spoke about it at closing.

We had four pilgrims give their lives to Christ at the Emmaus Road experience. We had foot washing on Saturday poster party. At least 20 people in all participated.

It was the most powerful experience, I have ever had on an Emmaus Walk. The Holy Spirit was moving all weekend.

**Lay Director
David Loewer**



We are prayerfully planning for the next set of walks!!

Women's Walk #90, June 6th-9th, 2024

Men's Walk #83, November 7th-10th, 2024

Please check website www.sidneyemmaus.org for list of past team members and pilgrims. Team rosters will be posted well before the walk and pilgrims for upcoming walks will be posted 3 weeks before the walk.



SERVING IN THE KITCHEN

NEW Kitchen Sign Up

We have an online kitchen crew sign up process. This online site will allow everyone the opportunity to sign up to serve and cook in the kitchen during the Walk weekends. Although, there are a couple of ways to sign up.

1. There is a link on the Emmaus Facebook page that will take you to the signup web site.
 2. You can click on the link below and that will also take you to the signup web site.
https://www.sidneyemmaus.org/v2_kitchen.htm
3. Don't have Facebook? You can contact Deb Loewer and she can sign you up. daloewer@gmail.com
or
937-570-0798

Some features of the sign-up process:

1. Allows you to sign up yourself and others. (friends and family)
2. Provides everyone a view of the spots that are open and still need willing servants. (Note - even if all spots are filled, you are welcome to join the kitchen crew and lend an extra hand).
3. Allows everyone to remove themselves from a spot if he/she is no longer able to serve.
4. If you enter your email address, you will receive a reminder email 7 days before your time to serve. (Note - their privacy policy states they will NOT sell your email address to other marketers).
5. We ask that you have attended an Emmaus weekend or Chrysalis flight before serving in the kitchen.

We are hoping the online process gives everyone more opportunities to serve and be part of the kitchen crew during the Walk weekend. If you have any questions, problems, or concerns, feel free

to contact Deb Loewer at daloewer@gmail.com. Please remember that you must have attended an Emmaus or Chrysalis Weekend to serve in the kitchen.



Hello Emmaus Community,

Just a few reminders about Agape for weekends:

1. If you have bedtime or meal Agape, there needs to be 60 pieces if it is for all. If you want it to be just pilgrim bedtime, there needs to be at least 30.

**If you have a preference, please mark accordingly or let us know when dropping off. **

2. **NO MEGA AGAPE!!** What is considered Mega Agape? Anything larger than an envelope is considered mega agape. While we all know it is nice to receive these, please save for after the walk when your pilgrim is picked up on Sunday. We need to make sure that whatever is given to pilgrims fits in their envelope packet on Sunday. (This includes for team also. If you want to do gift bags for team, please deliver them on your own, if on team. It makes more work for your logs who are passing out the bedtime agape to try to deliver these as well and we all know the LOGS (LEGS) work hard enough)

3. **Please make sure all pilgrim agape is marked with first and last name** and adding "pilgrim" helps also. Please try to make sure there is no Agape marked, "mom", "dad", "Aunt Sally", "Uncle Joe", etc. as we are not always sure who it belongs to with those markings, and we want to make sure it gets to the right person. (There is a sample of this on the Emmaus Facebook page!) Please remember: PILGRIMS RECEIVE NO PERSONAL AGAPE EXCEPT ON SUNDAY IN THEIR PACKET!! Please see Facebook page for "how-to's" if you have questions.

4. **If agape is for team, please put first and last name** and "team" on envelope. If it is for team that is giving a talk, please write "talk agape" on the envelope and we will make sure it gets in the right spot. Also, on that note, if you want them to have it a specific evening, please indicate that on the envelope as well. If you have Agape for the spiritual directors, please mark them. If they are not a live in, we have a hard time getting their agape to them after their talk, so please bring in before their talk. (Often there is a few with the same name so first and last names help us when sorting that Agape)

5. There are baskets in the Agape room that are labeled Agape. Please make sure to use the baskets or leave them on the table and **please do not go behind table**. This can confuse things for those working in the agape room as they have their own system.

6. There are cards, bookmarks and writing utensils available in the Agape room if you need to write Agape during the weekend. We ask that if you are writing Agape, please drop in the correct basket when you are finished and please put pens and unused things back in basket they were provided in.

If you have any questions, please contact Jill or Tim Burden and they will be happy to help you!

Agape Chairpersons,
Tim and Jill Burden

P.S. Only team members only can be in teams sleeping quarters, this means don't take any agape and put on team's beds during the weekend. If a team member needs something, please give to the logs, or leave in Agape room and they will give it to the team member. If you have team agape for your prayer partner and it won't fit in their brown lunch sack, please deliver it yourself.

Emmaus Etiquette Reminders

Emmaus Community Etiquette

- 1) Try to always wear your name tag to Emmaus functions.
- 2) Be considerate that only speaker requested prayer partners should listen to talks.
- 3) Keep the holy atmosphere at candlelight.
- 4) **No photographs at any Walk weekend Emmaus activity.** We need to honor the pilgrim's privacy.
- 5) No one other than pilgrims and live in team are allowed in the conference room or sleeping quarter.
- 6) When volunteering during the weekend you should have minimal contact with pilgrims and live in team.
- 7) Working in the kitchen as support of the weekend you should keep your intended contact with the pilgrims within the task or service you are performing. Some examples:
 - This is the pilgrim's weekend and not yours, but that does not mean you should be silent or ignore them in a disrespectful way. Be loving, be a good listener, be flexible, but also understand that in serving the pilgrims as part of the weekend, you need to be genuine and focused on serving the walk. Focusing too much attention on particular team members or pilgrims may pull the focus of the weekend away from moving the pilgrims towards the love Christ has for each of us.
 - Christ is all about relationship and this weekend is about moving the pilgrims to a deeper relationship with Christ. You are Christ's representative as part of the kitchen's support to the weekend. Be of service but also be aware of the bigger picture.
 - If a pilgrim talks to you or initiates a conversation, don't push them away or cut them off. It is not "illegal" or "punishable" to talk to a pilgrim or team member, but we need to be aware that we should not be the ones to pursue it or maintain it longer than a moment or two.
 - The team members are working to a schedule and the pilgrims are working to that schedule also. As kitchen team members, we need to try and not hold up the team members or pilgrims. Breaks or "downtime" are not free time for the kitchen team to simply pull a pilgrim or team member aside for lengthy conversations.

- 8) When to wear your purple cross? It is not against the rules to wear it any other time, but we ask you to make sure you bring it to closing as a showing of community.
- 9) Respect the wishes of Sidney 1st Methodist. We are their guests.
- 10) If you move something in the church building, please put it back when you are finished.
- 11) Please Leave the church building as clean or cleaner than you found it.
- 12) Wednesday night setup per Sidney 1st UMC requirements:
 - a. Setup to start on 1st floor at 8:30PM
 - b. No one allowed on 5th/6th floor until after 8:30PM
- 13) No live in team member in the church before 3PM on Thursday afternoon during walk weekends
- 14) When volunteering please use the "buddy system". Do not go anywhere alone.
- 15) No children or others that have not attended a weekend may attend Candlelight or Closing.

Sponsor Responsibility/Etiquette

- 1) Honestly answer all pilgrims question and explain what goes on at weekend. There are no secrets.
- 2) You are responsible to make sure pilgrim has at least 15 pieces of personal agape letters. These should be brought to the Agape room at sendoff on Thursday night. We really don't want to have to read off a pilgrim's name at Candlelight.
- 3) Personally bring your pilgrim to Thursday night sendoff. It is your responsibility to bring them and help them settle in.
- 4) If your pilgrim is unable to attend the weekend immediately contact the Registrar or Sponsorship board member so we are not waiting for them to show up.
- 5) Attend Sponsor's Hour Chapel immediately after Thursday night sendoff. It is your responsibility to pray over your pilgrim's cross as part of the extended weekend team.
- 6) Attend Candlelight and greet your pilgrim. (No cell phones!!!)
- 7) Attend Closing. (No cell phones!!!) Don't forget to grab your pilgrim's Agape packet from the Gathering Place after closing. Anything that is left will be available at gathering or on the next weekend.
- 8) Take your pilgrim home.
- 9) Help your pilgrim get into a share group. If help is needed, the board Good Shepherd will help if contacted.
- 10) Follow up with your pilgrim after walk to see how their 4th days are going.
Bring pilgrim to the walk reunion gathering (typically next gathering after walk weekend)

****Please make sure there are no phones at candlelight or closing!!**

Photography or videos are not permitted at gatherings, candlelight or at closing! We also ask that there be no children at Candlelight or Closing as these events are also only open to those that have attended a walk or Chrysalis flight! Gatherings and Sendoff are open to anyone!!**

Community Information

The Greater Sidney Area Emmaus holds a monthly gathering.

Gatherings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Gatherings are open to anyone! We meet at the Methodist Church, 230 E. Poplar St. – Sidney, OH. Please come join us in the worship and fellowship.

Remember, when Emmaus Meets, Emmaus Eats! Bring a dish to share at the Meal which begins at 6 pm with service following and beginning at 7 pm.

2024 dates for gatherings are: March 12th, April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, August 13th, September 10th, October 8th, November 12th, December 10th.

Board Meetings

Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of each month, meet in Chapel at 6:45 pm.

PLEASE NOTE:

We can now accept credit card payments for the weekend and for book table!! If you have any questions, please see Kathy Huseman or any board member!

WILLING SERVANT / SHARE GROUP FORMS

We are still trying to get the NEW database updated with information. If you have never filled out a Willing Servant form or have not filled one out since the new form has been revised in January of 2015, please fill out the Willing Servant/Share Group form attached and send it in. Or you can go to the Emmaus website: www.sidneyemmaus.org, under forms or on the Facebook Page. You can mail it to Sidney First Methodist at the attached address or send to princess_lumc@yahoo.com.

Or bring it to a Gathering and put it in the collection plate. We need this information, so we can contact you to serve on future teams, and to keep you updated on events.

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Date: _____

WILLING SERVANT FORM

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. - 2 Corinthians 9:12-13

Name _____ Birth Year _____

Mailing Address _____

City State Zip code _____

Email address _____ Church _____

Phone Number: Home _____ Mobile _____

When and where of original walk _____

Interested in serving on Live in team? _____

Are you in a share group? _____ Women _____ Men _____ Both

Name of share group _____ Are you accepting new members _____ Yes _____ No

Members of Share Group (First and Last Name) _____

When (Day/time) and where (City) you meet _____

**We ask you to PRAY about your commitment and to serve in any way you can.
Remember that it should be done in God's timing and not your own. Christ is counting on you!**

*The following are ways that you can serve during the year and walk weekends. Please mark the areas you are willing to serve.
You can also contact your Emmaus Board to see where you can help. Visit www.sidneyemmaus.org for current board list.*

Walk Weekends:

- ____ Serve in Kitchen by Cooking or Serving
- ____ Assist with set-up or teardown for Send Off meal
- ____ Assist with set-up for Candlelight dinner

Weekend Agape:

- ____ 72 Hour Prayer Vigil
- ____ Meal Agape
- ____ Bedtime Agape

Music:

- ____ Sing / play guitar / piano / other instrument
- ____ Special Music at Gatherings
- ____ Dinner music for Candlelight dinner
- ____ Saturday night entertainment
- ____ Serve on live in team as Music Director/Assistant

Monthly Gatherings (2nd Tuesday each month):

- ____ Assist with Meal set-up or clean-up
- ____ Give a Fourth Day Talk
- ____ Special Music at Gatherings

*Please help us to update these records so we can contact you for future walks.
Make copies and pass them out to others in your share group or church that have attended the walk to Emmaus.
You can mail this form to the church as addressed on the other side or email to chairman@sidneyemmaus.org*

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Emmaus

The focus of Emmaus is God as known in Jesus Christ and how that finds expression in the local church. The object of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, empower, and equip local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled life to be lived and shared with others.