

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus Himself came near and walked with them.

Luke 24:15

# Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community

#### LIMESTONE OHIO VALLEY COMMUNITY NEWS

October, 2014

#### Community Lay Director's Perspective

Autumn is an exciting time of year! Some people get excited about the wrap up of baseball and the World Series. Some people are excited about the start of football season. I like a different sport, it's been a while since I've been to a meet, but cross country is a sport that, as a Christian, I've really enjoyed. I



know that sounds crazy but let me explain what I like about it. First it is an endurance sport. The runners must pace themselves and pay attention to the course set before them. Then, there are the spectators, (that was my role), running from one strategic place along the course to another to encourage the runners as they passed by. In the years that my sons ran cross country I can't remember hearing anyone screaming insults at a runner. You are so proud of all the kids participating that you find yourself encouraging all the runners. Yes, even the opposing team.

As Christians, we need to take on this mentality. Let's stand up and yell words of encouragement to those who need that extra bit of incentive. Maybe it's a Christian brother or sister; possibly we are meant to encourage someone who is lost in this world. Either way, let's not withhold the simple words that can make a difference. This is all a part of "make a friend, be a friend and lead a friend to Christ". We have a great God, let's be sure to let our world know about Him!

Hebrews 12:1 says, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." This race is not one we run alone; Jesus is our biggest fan running right along beside us. We can do it!

Elise Starkey, Community Lay Director

## Upcoming Walk & Pilgrim Update from the Registrar

Dear Community,

We have 29 Pilgrims for the Women's Walk # 29 (October 2—5, 2014).

Please be praying for our Pilgrims and Team by name as this journey will soon be underway. Mark your calendars so you'll be available to be His hands and feet during the Walk weekend!

Also, begin thinking about sponsoring someone for the Walks of 2015. Applications can be mailed or delivered to Lisa Boling, Emmaus Registrar, 12702 Fite Hauck Rd., Sardinia, OH 45171. If you have questions, you can call 937-446-2048.

Lisa Boling, Emmaus Registrar

#### Women's Walk #29 Team

LAY DIRECTOR: Shirley Link

ASS'T LD: Lisa Leonard, Lisa Boling, Lauren Doyle

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Susan Davidson ASS'T SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Bill Henry

TABLE LEADERS: Nancy Harmon, Lisa Newman, Nora Day, Amy Farrell, Mandy Ratcliff, April Henderson ASS'T TL: Tracy Gibson, Lorie Layne, Christina Mitchell, Aimee Liming, Nikki Chandler, Stephanie McCray

MUSIC: Linda Naylor, Michele Mills, Karen B. Hughes

BOARD REP: Brenda Reed

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**TECH LOG: Alice Bailey** 

PRAYER SERVANT: Linda Henry, Kim Jodrey

KITCHEN: Carol Spriggs, Janice Edingfield, Kim Abbott,

Cricket Crase

#### Please keep the team in your prayers.

#### Hello Community,

We've had another great Men's Walk (#26). I'm amazed and blessed every time I serve on a walk. It doesn't matter what job I have, just being there to serve for those 4 days is what matters.

I've seen many amazing things over the years as I serve on the Emmaus Walks. And there's one thing for sure, God is using the Emmaus Walks to change lives.

I want to thank Steve Richards, Lay Director, for asking me to serve on this walk. Steve worked very hard to make this walk happen, along with God's will for sure. Job well done, Steve.

GOD BLESS & DeColores,

Russell Day, Log, Men's Walk # 26

P.S. Thank you to those who have donated toiletries for the past few walks!

# HERE THEY ARE! The Pilgrims for the Women's Walk # 29

Please pray for each Pilgrim by name and for

the Team members and all their

families as the preparations continue!

Laura Arn Evelyn Bond

Candy Cahall Tabitha Chirco

Cherry Cousins Mel Cox

Melody Daulton Jean Dean

Rebecca Eggleton Amanda Fent Chelsea Gardner Rachel Hacker

Lindsey Hedge Mollie Heisel

Connie Huber Amanda Hennberger

Kristy Joo Tammy Koehler

Cathy Mayes Brenda McMillion

Lela McNeeley Natalie Mucker

Tammy Mulkey Cricket Sams

Sofiah Sexton Beckey Smiley

Shannon Vanwinkle

Judy Warren Leslie Young

#### Weekend Special Events

Please mark these dates on your calendar for the special events of the Women's Emmaus Weekend. <u>Send Off Picnic</u>—Thursday, October 2nd, beginning at 6 PM. Bring a covered dish or two to share and make the pilgrims feel the LOVE of the Community.

<u>Community Service</u>—Saturday, October 4th, beginning at 8 PM.

<u>Closing</u>—Sunday, October 5th, be there by 3:30 PM.

NOTE - As you know, all Gatherings are open for anyone to attend, however, the weekend special events are only for those who have previously be on a Chrysalis Flight or Emmaus Walk. Please make arrangements for your children at home.



#### Our newest L.O.V.E. Community members from Men's Walk # 26 & Women's Walk # 28:

\*Gene Howard, Jeff McCray, Mike Koehler, Nick Melvin, Troy Ogden, Joe Chirco, Nolan Gifford, Adam Hedge, Robert Flynn, Allan Lane, Rock Lewis, Kirby Bennett, Brandon Perry, Patrick McCall \*\*Pat Hogge, Chrys Jacobs, Karla Painter, Shelly Day, Alice Kidder, Theresa Conaty, Mary Bailey, Sierra Redmon, Becky Dawson, Heather Fite, Melissa Stephan, Kim Myers, Raechel Stauder, Sue Adkins, Phyl-Community Members lis Anderson, Emily Greber, Pam Howard

#### AGAPE!

It's time for the Women's Walk and we all want to be involved somehow. Remember your walk? Remember arriving at Ruggles Campground and the many people wanting to help you with your luggage and willing to help make your bed and see that you were taken care of for the weekend?

Do you remember the table and bedtime agape you received, the smiling faces at mealtime? All these things were done because the members of this community are wanting to return the love they were given on their walks.

Want to help show God's love to the new pilgrims? You can start now by praying for the team, the pilgrims, the speakers and the workers. The campground will need to be cleaned before and after the walk, help is always needed with this. As you can see, agape love can be given in many ways if you are willing to give. Ask anyone in your share group and I'm sure they will give you help sharing your love with these women.

Oh yea, don't forget to come to the send off picnic, bring a dish or dessert to share.

DeColores. Judy Nolte, Agape Chairman

"There is a place of quiet rest near to the heart of God, a place where sin does not molest, near to the heart of God. Oh Jesus, blessed Redeemer, sent from the heart of God, hold us to wait before Thee near to the heart of God." Or so... at least, I recall the old hymn goes that way.

For the 3 days of your Emmaus Walk I trust you were in that "place of quiet rest" feeling nearer to Jesus than ever! Thank the good Lord for your table group, for your opportunity to hear the talks, for the chance to



make new friends and to share holy Communion in so many wonderful ways with them. (Thankfully most of the jokes weren't that silly and there was always plenty to eat!!!)

Now, you are back home with your family, your job and your church family. I'm sure you have already discovered that you need to "press in" to the Lord in order to keep that sense of being near to Him alive.

Remember Jesus loves you and so does the family of God. Pray, read his word, worship Him with other believers whenever you have the opportunity. Continue to have as goals for your life to be a disciple and to change your world.

Let your new brothers and sisters in this Emmaus community help you to do just those things. Get involved in a share group as soon as you can and come out to the gatherings. The praise and worship is great. The 4th day talks are helpful and inspiring. And, when Emmaus meets - Emmaus eats!

My prayers are still with you. Please contact me personally if I can help you in any way to keep your faith strong and to encourage you in your fourth days.

> In the love of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Your Community Spiritual Director, Ray Snider

And, oh yes, DeColores!!!

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community WALK DATE

Women #29: Oct. 2-5, 2014

#### **GATHERING**

October 28, 2014 7:00 PM (Women's Walk #29 Reunion @ 6:00 PM)



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