

Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community

From The Community Lay Director

Welcome to Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus 2019. Let me introduce myself, my name is David Reveal (LOVE Emmaus Men's Walk #11 table of Barnabas). I would like to wish you all a very prosperous and blessed year. I want to ask each of you to pray for the teams and Pilgrims for four very exciting walks this year. We all remember the blessings we received on our walks and would love to see 120 more people receive those blessings this year. I would also like to let you know that if you have any questions or concerns about the walks or gatherings feel free to email me or call me.

DeColores! **David Reveal**, LOVE Community Lay Director



2019 LOVEmmaus Walks

Men's Spring Walk #31

May 2-5, 2019

LD: Bill Boling

Women's Spring Walk #38

May 30-June 2, 2019

LD: Brenda Reveal

Men's Fall Walk #32

September 5-8, 2019

LD: Bill Henry (OH)

Women's Fall Walk #39

October 3-6, 2019

LD: Nikki Chandler

New at Ruggles

Last Fall the Ruggles board approved the addition of some storage space near the kitchen. This space is in the form of a large closet that has been added within the cafeteria building. This allows all of the kitchen supplies to be located near the space where they will be used.

For anyone who has served, in the Kitchen or as a LOG during a walk, you are aware how important this additional storage space will be during a walk weekend.

We do need to send a big 'thank you' to Jade West for the efforts coordinating all the material and building of this new storage space.

We look forward to using our new space!







From The Community Spiritual Director

As I write this today, February 7, my front yard resembles a rolling river. It is 61 degrees and raining. Just about a week ago we had wind chill factors of around -20. The temperature by tomorrow night is predicted to be 15. We live in the Ohio River valley. We are used to it by now. We're used to it, that doesn't mean we like it. How many times have you heard someone say, or you've said yourself, "No wonder everyone's sick!" It's often been said in our part of the U.S. that if you don't like our weather, just wait 15 minutes or so. Change is a good word to describe our weather. But you know, change is a good word to describe just about everything about our life. Nothing ever seems to remain the same. Our appearance changes, our relationships change, our financial stability may change, our health changes, our attitude changes, our lifestyle changes, our responsibilities change, need I go on? Some of these changes are good, some not so much. I have done exercises and even lead classes about how we are not usually very fond of change. I know that is a statement that is not always true, but I have seen it play out enough to know that we do like stability and routine. There is something comfortable about knowing what to expect and living our life in such a way that we don't have to worry about the unexpected. Well, whether you like change or not, I have some really good news for you. There is at least one thing you can count on day after day. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8). He loves you. He is love. Always. Never has changed, never will. I've heard it said that he loves you and there is nothing you can do about it. When you are unfaithful, he loves you. When you reject him, he loves you. When you ignore him, he loves you. When you are disobedient, he loves you. When you have doubts, he loves you. You've heard of agape love haven't you? It's the love that loves you unconditionally. That's the way God loves you. He has chosen you, he has called you to be his child, he has done all that needs to be done for your salvation. That's what Jesus meant when he said, "It is finished!" (John 19:30). I can't tell you what the weather's going to be like in the days to come, but I can tell you that God is going to love you. Some change may be good, but the most certain thing in our future is the love of God. It will never change, and you can be sure of that even if you're not sure of anything else.

DeColores! **Bill Henry**,

LOVE Community Spiritual Director

Sponsorship

Please be in prayer for our Spring Walks. It is not too soon to begin thinking about who you might sponsor for the upcoming walks. Sponsoring is one of the most important aspects of the Walk to Emmaus. As you pray commit the process to God and let Him give you direction, then commit yourself to follow where he leads you.

If you have any questions about sponsorship, please contact our Sponsorship Coordinator, *Bill Henry (Oh)* (bill.henry31@gmail.com).

Volunteering

Get ready, our spring **prayer charts** will be coming soon! Please be in prayer about your service to our community and if you would like to volunteer for anything upcoming in 2019, please reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator.

Ruth Ann Gelter,

raliston1986@gmail.com

In case you hadn't noticed, we do so enjoy our music in the LOVE community. If you have been blessed with a gift of **music**, then please consider getting involved by contacting our music coordinator, *Elizabeth Jones*, 606-782-0522.



2019 Community Board of Directors

Lay Director: <u>David Reveal</u>

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Worship: <u>Kim Jodrey</u>
Music: <u>Elizabeth Jones</u>
Kitchen: Mary Bailey

Agape Chairperson: Bill Boling

Sponsorship: Bill Henry

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Webmaster: <u>Lauren Doyle</u> Historian: Mike Burke



The Upper Room: Emmaus Website

101 AGAPE Ideas

Come gather with us every **4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm** at the <u>Washington United Methodist Church</u> in Maysville, Ky. Join us in praise and worship; and of course, where Emmaus meets, Emmaus eats! Bring a covered dish and join us afterwards as we share a meal!

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Kim Jodrey, Worship

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Mat 18:20 KJV

Calendar

Mark you calendars for these upcoming events:

February 26, Gathering, Washington UMC

March 26, Gathering, Washington UMC

April 23, Gathering, Washington UMC

May 2-5, 2019 Spring Men's Walk #31

May 28, Gathering, Washington UMC

May 30-June 2, 2019 Spring Women's Walk #36

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