

*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, 2016

Welcome!

I am excited to welcome our new community members to the LOVE Emmaus Community! Over these 72 hours you have felt the love, compassion, companionship and joy of our risen Christ. I am sure you are overwhelmed with all the information and materials given you, so I want to overwhelm you with something else to think about during your 4th Days.



Talent – did you realize you have a God-given talent? Unfortunately, the word *talent* is often misunderstood. You think of special abilities, such as playing the piccolo, singing opera, ballet dancing, writing poetry, or even athletic abilities in basketball or football. It does include all these, but it includes so much more.

God may have given you some of these unique personality characteristics – are you outgoing, determined, stubborn, visionary, funny or thoughtful? These traits are all part of how God uniquely made you into His puzzle. These characteristics are ways God intends to use you as a “puzzle piece” in your service to Him.

Your life experiences, family background, relationships, work history, etc. allow each of us to gain wisdom from these connections. Our interests and passions that God placed in our hearts also make each of us unique. No one has ever lived the same life as you and that makes your “puzzle piece” extraordinary.

As you ponder on your “puzzle piece” through prayer and study, including your interests and passions, may you use your discovered talents in service to Him who gave you these talents.

I look forward to seeing you at the reunion at the Washington United Methodist Church on October 25, 2016, at 6PM!!

DeColores!

Shirley Link, Community Lay Director



HERE THEY ARE! The Pilgrims for the Women's Walk # 33!

*Please pray for each Pilgrim by name and for the Team
and all their families as the preparations continue!*

Theresa Campbell, Becky Fiscus, Kay Gaffin, Rose Gill, Doris Johnson, Gracie Johnson, Beth McCane, Sandra Moore, Rebecca Myers, Talitha Parks, Megan Ranks, Carol Sheridan, Betty Smith, Erica Swisher, Christine Taylor, Shirley Swartz

Dear Community,

Welcome to the newest members from Women's Walk to Emmaus # 32 to the Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community.



Pat Baker, Lynne Barber, Michelle Elkins, Deborah Habermehl, Caitlin Hamm, Kristin McRoberts, Marissa Moran, Brandy Neal, Jodi Parrett, Danielle Poe, Melissa Purdy, Holly Reinhardt, Amanda Roades, Gaylynn Shipley, Julie Stratton, Jay Turner, Jessica Wessel, Kerri Young

Women's Walk #33 Team

Lisa Boling	Michelle Mills	Nikki Chandler
Tracy Gibson	Kevin Hamilton	Sharon Hausman
Shirley Arn	Tracey Barnett	Anna Kirchen
Mary Lou Cornette	Kim Myers	Sasha Vogler
Cheryl Alm	Tabitha Chirco	Elizabeth Jones
Deborah Colon	Karen Hardwick	Tiffany Mignerey
Tami Conrad	Linda Naylor	Karen B. Hughes
Shirley Link	Amy Jo Queen	Diane Hatley
Lisa Leonard	Chelsea Gardner	Linda Henry
Michele Benjamin	Tanya Melvin	Mary Bailey
Tammy Koehler	Brandi Neal	Doris Redmond
Donna Shuemaker		

Please keep this team in your prayers.

"Ketch-up" with the Kitchen



On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples...
[Isaiah 25:6]

The fall Women's Walk is upon us and the kitchen is ready! "Thank you" to all who have stepped up to serve and more are welcome. Please call me at 513-780-6164 if you would like to help the share groups for this walk or the Men's spring walk. Please keep these pilgrims and teams in your prayers.

DeColores!

Tanya Melvin, Kitchen Coordinator

SEE YOU AT THE GATHERING!

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." —Matthew 18:20 NIV

Come gather with us every fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 PM at the Washington United Methodist Church in Maysville. 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!

De Colores!

Amy Farrell, Community Worship

Upcoming Walk & Pilgrim Update from the Registrar

The tentative date for the Men's Walk #29 is May 4—7, 2017, with the registration deadline date of April 20, 2017. Remember that the deadline for applications are two weeks prior to the start of the walk.

We can be in prayer for the pilgrims that will come and for you, as a sponsor, to prayerfully consider friends and family to accept your invitation.

Applications, complete with sponsor's form and a \$15 deposit, need to be delivered to a board member or the registrar in order to be registered as a pilgrim. Applications can be mailed or delivered to Joe Chirco, 4557 Bardwell Buford Road, Mt. Orab, OH 45154

Joe Chirco, Emmaus Registrar
jactrc1982@gmail.com

Weekend Special Events

Please mark these dates on your calendar for the special events of the Women's Emmaus weekend.

Send Off Picnic—Thursday, October 6th, beginning at 6 PM. Bring a covered dish or two to share and make the pilgrims on this walk feel the LOVE of the Community.

Community Service—Saturday, October 8th, beginning at 8 PM.

Closing—Sunday, October 9th, 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 been on a Chrysalis Flight or Emmaus Walk. Please make arrangements for your children at home.

AGAPE!

Agape love is defined as unconditional love, the kind that we see in all the things Jesus did. It is time for the Women's Walk and that means we are to show our pilgrims the meaning of unconditional giving, giving our time to help, giving of agape to our pilgrims and team to show how much we appreciate them. You know how surprised you were with all the gifts, how you looked at everything at the tables and bedtime. Let's love our pilgrims and team on this next walk also. Remember your agape should only have your share group name or your church name on them, no individual names.

DeColores,
Judy Nolte, Agape Chairman



Message from the Spiritual Director

Praise God, we are just days away from another ladies' Emmaus Walk. No doubt these pilgrims and team members will come together with one thing in common. They need a touch from God.

We all need a touch from God, and I have never failed to be touched by God as I listen to the 15 speakers and fellowship with other Christians on an Emmaus Walk.

I am reminded of a sermon I recently shared with my congregation concerning the Leper's Prayer.

Leprosy was a terminal disease and caused the leper to not only suffer physically but also socially as an outcast--destined to live out their remaining years in a leper colony.

While leprosy is no longer a problem in the United States, the pain of a disease or the isolation from family and friends is still very real.

The leper said to Jesus, "If you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean."

That is the message of the Emmaus Walk. Jesus is ready and willing to make a difference in the lives of the pilgrims and team members. It took faith for the leper to venture out of the leper colony and illegally make his way through the crowd and approach Jesus. It takes faith for the pilgrims to go on the Emmaus Walk and make their way to a closer walk with Jesus.

The leper's request was a prayer for healing. We all need healing, but sometimes we get so low we don't know how to pray.

One of my favorite songs says:

When you don't feel like praying, pray.

When you think you just can't get through, pray.

Precious to the Father's ear,

Are three words, "Lord, I'm here."

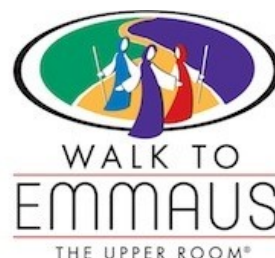
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No doubt the leper didn't feel like praying, but he did anyway. Our message to the pilgrims and one another should be, "Jesus is the answer. When you don't feel like praying, pray".

Ken Harmon,
Community Spiritual Director

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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TENTATIVE WALK DATES

Men #29: May 4—May 7, 2017

Registration deadline: 4/20/17

Women #34: June 1—4, 2017

Registration deadline: 5/18/17

Men #30: August 31—September 3, 2017

Registration deadline: 8/17/17

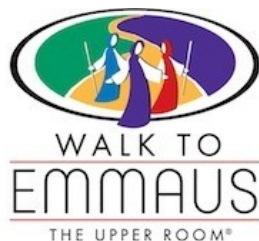
Women #35: Oct. 5—8, 2017

Registration deadline: 9/21/17

GATHERING

October 25, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

(Women's Walk #33 Reunion @ 6:00 PM)



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