

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus Himself came near and walked with them. Luke 24:15

Limestone Ohio Valley **Emmaus Community**

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NOTES FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

I wish to welcome the former pilgrims of Men's Walk #24 who have now become full members of our LOVEmmaus Community. I would urge you new members (as well as all of us) to attend our monthly Gatherings that are held the 4th Tuesday of each month at Washington United Methodist Church at 7PM. Anyone is welcome to come to the Gatherings; however, the Walks are closed to the general public. Only those who have attended an Emmaus Walk, Kairos, or Chrysalis may attend activities or functions during the Walk. This is to preserve the Walk experience as special for the pilgrim. You may tell someone everything that happened on a Walk to the minute detail; however, like many things in life, unless it is viewed in the context of a Walk, they will not understand or grasp its significance.

So again I would urge you to come to our monthly Gatherings and volunteer to serve a Walk weekend. Contact us (Kim Purdy is our sponsorship chairperson) on how and whom to sponsor for a Walk to Emmaus. Your next opportunity to help make a Walk happen will be Oct. 3-6, 2013 for Women's Walk 27. There is plenty for all to do-make agape, clean before and after the Walk, help folks from your church or small group serve a meal, and attend special walk events.

Lastly, I would urge you once again to come and get involved, join us on this journey. It will take some intention on your part- from time to time, some setting of priorities. We have become a family- this Emmaus Community that we call L.O.V.E. We, like any family, aren't perfect. Given some time and patience, these are the people that you will vacation with, you will call, text, email, meet for reunion group, laugh with, play with, and cry with on this journey of life. They will become the guardrails that will help you stay on the straight and narrow, so that you can stand before our Lord and Savior and hear the words, "Welcome, thou good and faithful servant."

We are glad that you are a part of our family! Come walk with us again...for the first time, Much Love.

Tim Naylor, Community Lay Director



Men's Walk #24



Welcome, men of Walk #24. The weekend was exciting! There will be a reunion at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 24th, the hour before the Gathering at Washington United Methodist Church! Looking forward to hearing about your 4th Days!

Dave Shelton Kevin Hamilton Cecil Gibson Kiowa Fithen Erik Riley

Steve Smith Shawn McKinney Bill Henry Andrew Haire Mark Durbin

Davey Downs Mirle Mink Adam Piatt Robert Young Brian Jodrev

TJ Helton Jim Sexton Marty Howser Kenneth Shivener

Pílgrím update from the Registrar

There are 28 women registered for Walk # 27 in October. There are currently 5 women on the waiting list. Sponsors, remember to check with your pilgrims to confirm their commitment to attend in October. If a pilgrim is unable to attend, contact me immediately so another pilgrim can go. You can email me at bboling@frontier.com, call/text 937-213-2045 or call 937-446-204.

Lisa Boling Emmaus Registrar

Please keep the pilgrims for the October Women's Walk to Emmaus in your prayers.

- Shelly Allen
- Tracy Barnett
- Kim Boldman
- Patti Boone
- Nikki Chandler
- Jo Conley
- Connie Copes
- Tracy Gibson
- Meg Gifford
- Kerri Harper
- Kim Helton
- Killi Helloli
- Robin Hudson

Shauna Kinsel

- Anna Kirchen
- Steph Kirk
- Martina Kuttler
- Diana Lawrence
- Lorie Lavne
- Teresa Lewis
- Tanya Melvin
- Christina Mitchell
- Tammy Moyer
- Linda Ross
- Sarah Scott
- Kellie Shivener
- Carrie Taylor
- Brooke Villarreal
- Mary West

Women's Walk #27 June 6-9, 2013

I know in Emmaus we are not supposed to ANTICIPATE...but after watching how the pilgrim's lives were touched and changed for eternity on LOVE Community's Men's Walk to Emmaus #24, it is hard NOT to anticipate upcoming Women's Walk #27! The team has assembled and begun meeting, and is enjoying the sense of being bound together as the body of Christ through fellowship, communion, and prayer. The verse for the Walk is Galatians 5:6b, "The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." We especially appreciate the prayers of the community as we continue to prepare for the Walk, and look forward to meeting the pilgrims of Women's Walk #27!

DeColores,

Linda Naylor, Lay Director

Women's Walk #27

Keep the following team members in your prayers as they prepare and serve during Women's Walk #27-

Kim Jodrey Linda Naylor April Henderson Shauna Brillhart Brenda Reed Nancy Farrell Peggy Richards Ray Snider Shirley Link Wayne Edingfield Lauren Doyle Michele Mills Lisa Leonard Sheila Euth Lisa Boling Rachel Fredrick Breanna Stewart Denise Burke Lisa Newman Cyndi Frodge Diane Hatley Lisa Jump Robin Boling Allison McElroy Amy Farrell Alice Bailey Janice Edingfield

From Logistics-

Would Appreciate any travel size toiletries including

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- Disposable Shower caps
- Shampoo
- Disposable razors
- Body wash
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Mouth wash

These are the kind of items we put in the hospitality baskets that are placed in the Dorms and Conference room.

Thanks and God Bless

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Message from the Spiritual Director



"The Lord has promised good to me. His Word my hope secures...", An old hymn goes. So in faith we live our lives in Christ. Have you accepted His promises, given to us by His grace, for your own life? Have you found that He loves you, that He comes to help you when you ask? Have you allowed Him to flood your heart with His peace and assurance? Have you accepted the new birth by His justifying grace and His Holiness through His sanctifying grace?

Enter now into the full measure of His grace provided to us all and accept His challenge to share this grace with all.

For our Emmaus walks, identify potential Pilgrims who the Lord Jesus may be calling to join us by accepting the promises of His grace into their lives. Become an instrument of His grace to share God's grace with as many persons as possible, changing our world one soul at a time in the lives of the pilgrims we are allowed to sponsor on our walks!!!

Pray for each of the upcoming walks. Sign up as an act of agape on the prayer charts for the walks and the Pilgrims. Come regularly to the Gatherings and join a small group in order to refresh yourself spiritually and to support your sisters and brothers in this LOVE Emmaus Community. Ask God whom you should sponsor as a pilgrim and accompany them to the sendoff. Attend the candlelight and the closing of the walks as acts of agape for the new pilgrims.

Certainly be active in, and support the ministry of your local church as never before.

Blessings!

Ray Snider

Community Spiritual Director

From the Good Shepherd

I write this article just hours after leaving Ruggles Campground following the closing ceremony of Men's Walk #24. The opportunity to serve on these walks, or to attend the services throughout the walk are always humbling experiences for me. In fact, I sit here on a spiritual high that is, no doubt, the product of many hours spent in the presence of Christian friends. Think back to all the times you have attended an Emmaus event- be it a Gathering, Walk service, or even your original Walk. Can you think of any time when you left those events without feeling uplifted or without being refreshed in your spiritual life? Chances are your answer is no. If we agree that spending time in prayer, fellowship, and worship with Christian friends makes us feel better, why should we limit ourselves to weekly church services, once a month gatherings- or even less? Share groups allow us an opportunity to grow closer to God by meeting on a more frequent basis. They allow us to meet in a more personal environment with prayers, support and possibly some good advice from our close friends. Remember what Jesus teaches in Matthew when he explains, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:20).

It is also important to remember that the potential for growth of our groups is a two way street. We encourage pilgrims to seek out a share group to join after the completion of their walk. In fact, they are reminded several times throughout their 72 hour experience and in the time following their walk. How often do we consider inviting someone to join our already established groups? Some Christians are more comfortable developing a new group to be a part of, but how do we know that some are not simply awaiting an invitation? I encourage all Emmaus members to spend some time in prayer for the growth of active share groups throughout our community. At the September 24th gathering, there will be some sheets passed around to make record of our current share groups. Some information needed will be the group's name (if it has one), general meeting location, meeting time (unless it is at random), and group member names. I would appreciate any information we can get together for the future use of our community. Have a blessed month and for those currently involved in share groups, please remember to keep Women's Walk #27 in your group prayers.

DeColores,

Kevin Doyle (The Good Shepherd)

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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WALK DATES

Women #27: Oct. 3 - 6

GATHERINGS

September 24 7:00 PM Men's Walk #24 Reunion @ 6:00 PM

October 22 7:00 PM Women's Walk #27 Reunion @6:00 PM

November 26 7:00 PM



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