

Women's Walk #44 Lay Director

"We love because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19

The words of the Walk #44 focus scripture were evident during the weekend as God's love surrounded and transformed each person, both pilgrims and team members. No one was left unchanged. We felt his love in the sacrifice of time, in the gifts of agape, in the covering of prayer, and in the presence of the Holy Spirit who was with us from beginning to end. We made special memories, ate great food, shared so many laughs and an ocean of tears! We left Ruggles with full and grateful hearts. I am humbled to have served the pilgrims of this walk alongside such an amazing team. Isn't his love amazing?

DeColores! Tracy Gibson, Women's Walk #44 Lay Director

Community Lay Director

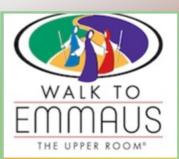
Thank you, L.O.V.E. Community, for all of your support with the three walks held this year. Now let's start praying for 2024 walks. Be in prayer about who God would like you to sponsor.

I would like to welcome our newest community members, the pilgrims from Women's Walk #44; Melissa Collins, Amber Childress, Tara Amos, Ginger Ring, Stephanee Teufel, Rachel Gibson, Kathleen Hackney, Hayley Dozier, Teresa Walters, Sarah Chubb, Kista Franklin, Shari West, and Kim Maiberger.

We are nearing the end of 2023 and we still have two gatherings left. The November gathering will be on the 28th (hope everyone isn't still full from Thanksgiving). Finally, the December gathering will be held on the 26th. Always remember when Emmaus meets, Emmaus eats.

Thank you everyone for continuing to support the Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community.

DeColores! Kim Myers, Community Lay Director



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Upcoming Events

Nov. 28: Gathering @ 7:00

Dec. 26: Gathering @ 7:00

Jan. 23: Gathering @ 7:00

Feb. 27: Gathering @ 7:00

Mar. 26: Gathering @ 7:00

Apr. 23: Gathering @ 7:00

May 2-5: Men's Walk #36

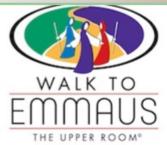
May 28: Gathering @ 7:00, Men's Reunion @ 6:00

June 6-9: Women's Walk #45

June 25: Gathering @ 7:00, Women's Reunion @ 6:00







Community Spiritual Director

Take a minute and remember your walk. What was the thing that stood out to you about your experience the most? Mine was the love that was shown by the team and community, and I have heard that over and over again.

As a person raised in church, God's love and the love of His people should have never been able to surprise me. I had heard about it nearly all my life. However, there is a big difference between hearing about it and experiencing it. While I truly enjoyed the talks I heard on my walk, nothing changed me nearly as much as the love I experienced. It is what motivated me to listen and challenged me to change.

The Bible has a lot to say about the love we should have for others. This month, I challenge you to be honest with yourself and answer the following questions.

- Would my friends use the love I have for others to identify or describe me?
- How about the person I had the last conflict with? Would they describe me as loving?
- What about strangers that I run into? Would they recognize that I am different?

If the answers to these questions make you fee uncomfortable, today is the day to commit to change. God's love can be shared everywhere! It doesn't just have to be on Emmaus weekends. Imagine what would happen if God's people would show that kind of love every day. Imagine what could happen if you and I would demonstrate that kind of love all the time.

DeColores! Johnathan King, Community Spiritual Director

Join us for Gatherings at Washington Central Church!

4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm followed by a potluck meal





www.lovemmaus.org

101 Agape Ideas

The Upper Room: Emmaus Website Click here for an application!



Community Volunteer Coordinator

We want to send a warm welcome to our newest members from Women's Walk #44! We hope to see more of you in the upcoming months at gatherings, etc!

We also want to invite you to reach out if you would be interested in taking part in future Emmaus endeavors. Your interest may be volunteering on a walk, providing agape, praying for the team and pilgrims, or helping clean the campground in preparation of a walk. There are so many ways we can serve and each task is as important as the other!

Please email your interest to cherimcclanahan2012@gmail.com.

DeColores! Cheri McClanahan, Community Volunteer Coordinator

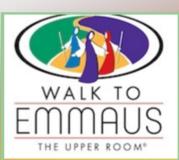
Community Registrars and Sponsorship

We are now accepting applications for the upcoming men's and women's walks in spring 2024. Please be in prayer about a man or woman in your life that you can sponsor. Updated applications can be accessed at <u>lovemmaus.org</u>. If you have any questions about sponsorship, please reach out to us! You can also check out our video about sponsorship by clicking our picture!

DeColores! Lucas and Samantha Hiler, Registrars and Sponsorship



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Community Music Coordinators

We would love to hear from anyone who is willing and able to do music at our monthly gatherings. This includes singers and those who play instruments. Please reach out to us and give us your contact details. We love our music at Emmaus and enjoy listening to the gifts God has blessed our musical family members with.

Kenny Lawrence 937-515-0732

Michelle Lawrence 937-515-9344

DeColores! Kenny and Michelle Lawrence, Music Coordinators

Important Walk Reminders

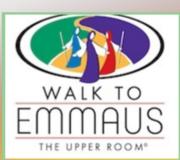
The purpose of Emmaus is to develop Christian disciples and leaders by inspiring, challenging, and equipping active adult church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces, and communities. It's about the pilgrims!

Please attend Send Off, Candlelight, and Closing. The more community members that are there, the more support the pilgrims feel. Remember to enter the grounds quietly for Candlelight and Closing. Unless you are on the team, these are the only times that you should be on the campground.

In case you didn't know, share groups can help prepare and serve a meal. If your group would like to take care of a meal during the weekend, just let the kitchen coordinator know. You prepare the meal, serve the meal, can help clean up, and then leave. The team and pilgrims greatly appreciate seeing your smiling faces!

Remember only people who have been on an Emmaus Walk or Chrysalis Flight are allowed to attend walk events. No children are allowed out of respect for the pilgrims.

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