

EMMAUS COMMUNITY



Lexington, KY

"Did not our hearts burn within us, while he talked with us by the way ... ?"

February 2005

Board considers dropping one Men's Walk

The board of directors is prayerfully considering going to only one men's walk this year since our pilgrim numbers have dropped dramatically. The previous two walks (Spring and Fall 2004) had 13 and 10 pilgrims respectively. These numbers represent a minimum level of participation. As of this writing, only two men are registered for this spring's walk, and the deadline is quickly approaching—February 17 (three weeks before the March 10-13 walk). The women only have a few registered right now, and their deadline is March 10 for the March 31-April 3 walk. Please join with us in prayer for this difficult decision and consider sponsoring someone immediately.

What can I do to help Emmaus Gathering attendance?

This is a question I put to myself as I joined the Board of Directors and assumed editorship of this newsletter. What I came up with was the idea to dig through my Emmaus walk(s) file and pull out the names of the pilgrims and team members and send them a reminder of the Gathering date and location. Simple? Yes. Effective? Who knows. It's just my one little effort to spread the good word about the Emmaus community and what we can do to further the Kingdom of God. --D. Bondurant

Krymson to Play at March Gathering

As a sort of follow up to Chrysalis and to welcome those who attended the flights as butterflies in February, the band Krymson will be performing at our March gathering. They came to our March gathering last year and were very well received. All ages are welcome as they play both familiar praise and worship songs and original material. Come praise the Lord with song AND dance and meet our newest community members!

Urgent Need - Clown Communion

Do you have acting skills that are going unused? Has the Lord called you to assist with Chrysalis but you don't think you can dedicate all the time necessary for team participation? Have we got a job for you! Chrysalis has a very special communion service using clowns. We are in need of couples to volunteer to learn the service and perform it at Chrysalis.

Have you perhaps performed the Clown Communion but it's been a few years? Want to get involved again?

In either case, call Kelly Hamilton at 859-333-2006 to discuss the possibilities.

From the Editor:

Over several decades of newspaper, magazine and other publications writing, I've come to realize one basic premise for keeping the readers' interest.

Keep it simple but tell the story.

Make sure the reader knows the whole story, but don't drag it out until their eyes glaze over and they begin to nod off. So, here's my story -- short and to the point.

We, as an Emmaus community, have a tremendous responsibility. No, let me say that another way.

We, as CHRISTIANS in an Emmaus community, have an enormous responsibility.

In a world as fragmented as ours we need to be aware of the need for coming together as the Body of Christ to combat the forces of the dark side.

In a world as fragmented as ours we do not need to worry about HOW we worship but WHO we worship.

In a world as fragmented as ours we cannot get caught up in method but need to be ensnared by the meaning of our beliefs and how these beliefs can come together for the good of all men.

Emmaus was begun as a way of developing a new cadre of church leaders; leaders bound and determined to bring others to the understanding of God's graces: Prevenient, Justifying and Sanctifying.

There are many hungry pilgrims out there waiting for us invite them to experience the joys of Christ's love through Emmaus.

--David Bondurant

Pray for Walks Elsewhere

February

- 3-6 Sun Coast, FL, Emmaus Men's #33
Heart of Carolina, NC Emmaus Men's #77
Nebraska Emmaus Men's #85
SWTC - Windmill Emmaus, TX, Men's #1204
Northern CA/Nevada Chrysalis Girl's #19
- 10-13 England's National Men's #22
High Plains Emmaus, Clovis, NM, Men's #8
Dayspring, SE GA, Chrysalis Young Men's #9
Sun Coast, FL, Emmaus Women's #34
Heart of Georgia Emmaus Men's #115
Central Carolinas, NC Emmaus Men's #95
Nebraska Emmaus Women's #85
Central Texas Conference Emmaus Men's #270
SWTC - Living Colors Emmaus, TX, Men's #1206
SWTC - Living Waters of Highland Lakes Emmaus, TX, Men's #1207
Central Ohio Emmaus Women's #82
Arizona Emmaus Men's #150
Big Bend, FL, Chrysalis Boy's #8
- 10-14 SWTC - Hays Praise Emmaus, TX, Men's #1210
- 12-14 Chrysalis ROCS, Ohio Boy's #77
- 10-15 Greater Dayton Emmaus Women's #61
Springfield Ohio Emmaus Women's #43
Dayspring, SE GA, Chrysalis Young Women's #10
Servant Heart Emmaus, Ala, Women's #2
Central Mississippi Emmaus Men's #66
Heart of Carolina, NC Emmaus Women's #78
Emmaus of the Midlands, SC, Men's #26
Central Texas Conference Emmaus Men's #271
Dallas Emmaus Men's #186
SWTC - Crossroads Emmaus, TX, Men's #1208
SWTC - Northwest San Antonio Emmaus Women's #1209
Traverse City, MI, Area Emmaus Men's #49
Greater Sidney, Ohio, Area Emmaus Men's #31
Northwest Ohio Emmaus Men's #46
Springfield, Ohio, Area Emmaus Women's #43
Big Horn Basin, WY, Emmaus Men's #9
Northern CA/Nevada Chrysalis Boy's #19
- 17-20 Crossroads Chrysalis of Eastern PA, Boy's #16
Big Bend, FL, Chrysalis Girl's #9
- 18-20 SE Florida Chrysalis Boy's #31
Northern Illinois Chrysalis Boy's #25
Piedmont Chrysalis, NC, Girl's #13
- 18-21 Chrysalis of Southern New England Girl's #29
Loudoun Valley Chrysalis, VA, Boy's & Girl's #4
- 19-21 Northern Lights Chrysalis, West Chester, Ohio, Chrysalis Boy's #5
Desert Chrysalis (Southern NV WTE) Boy's #17
Faith In Flight Chrysalis, Ohio, Boy's #9
Northeast Ohio Chrysalis Girl's #24
West Ohio Chrysalis Boy's #39
Nashville Chrysalis Boy's #73
- 24-27 Heart of Georgia Emmaus Men's #117
Central Mississippi Emmaus Women's #67
Central Carolinas, NC Emmaus Women's #96
Seaside Emmaus, SC, Men's #91
Denton, TX, Area Emmaus Men's #15
SWTC - Coastal Bend, TX, Emmaus Men's #1211
Central Illinois Emmaus Men's #180
Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Emmaus Men's #112
Traverse City, MI, Area Emmaus Women's #50
Greater Columbus, Ohio, Emmaus Men's #61
Arizona Emmaus Women's #151
Central Coast, CA, Emmaus Men's #9
Big Horn Basin, WY, Emmaus Women's #10
Crossroads Chrysalis of Eastern PA, Girl's #16
Gulf Coast, FL, Chrysalis Girl's #30

Chrysalis teams formed and ready to go

Girls Walk - Feb. 11-13

Amy Winn - LD - Priesthood of All Believers
Margie Groves - LD in Training
Courtney Larkin - ALD - Faith
Erica Wright - ALD - Ideals
Marissa Robinson - Music - Single Life
Lacy Heismann - Agape
Jennifer Reynolds - Agape
Amanda Beverly - Agape
Ali Greer - Agape
April Thurmond - Agape
Katie Beels - Prayer Chapel
Mindy Hillard - Prayer Chapel
Michelle Dean - TL

Dee Hunter - TL
Sarah Hardie - TL - Comm. through Prayer
Pam Chandler - TL - Marriage
Jill Manning - TL
Stephanie Isaac - ATL - Christian Action
Laura Abney - ATL - Growth Through Study
Ashlei Rogers - Asst. TL - Prodigal
Jordan Harned - Asst. TL - Next Steps
Rev. Stan Schilffarth - SD - God's Gift to You
Rev. Jerri Williams - ASD
Rev. Valerie Johnson - ASD - God Designed You
Becky Laird - ASD

Boys Walk - Feb. 18-20

Alex Miller - LD - Priesthood of All Believers
Matt Williams - LD in Training
Fred Williams - SD - God's Gift to You
Tim Hamilton - ALD - Marriage Talk
Landry Fields - ALD - Next Steps
Charlie Shoemaker - ASD - God Designed You
Emory Clark - ASD - God Loves You
- ASD - God Sustains You
Chuck Horton - ASD - God Empowers You
Calvin Groves - Music Director
Chuck Combs - TL - Single Life
Drew Williams - TL - Comm. Through Prayer
Jeff Haverfield - TL - Faith
Bruce Maybriar - TL

Miles Ryan - TL
Aaron Samson - Youth TL - Ideals
Jonathan Stidham - Youth TL - Prodigal
Richard Bloodworth - Youth TL - Christian Growth Through Study
Simba Kagoro - Youth TL - Christian Action
Ryan Cople - Youth TL
John Bryant - Prayer Vigil
Austin Sirles - Prayer Vigil
Gary Williams - Agape Coord.
Ben Bowman - Agape
Ben Miller - Agape
John Tiggelaar - Agape
Christian Callup - Agape
Jonathan Carman - Agape
Mike Miller - Kitchen Coord.
Dana Clark - Kitchen Coord.

Bad Weather Plan

In case of snow, Gatherings are cancelled if the public schools in Fayette County are closed due to weather. The Board will make every effort to also have cancellation announcements made on the major TV and Radio Stations.

Spring Walk Schedule

Men's Walk #83 March 18 - 21
Women's Walk #84 April 1 - 4

The deadline for registration is two weeks before the Walk. If you have potential pilgrims in mind, please do not wait to talk to them. It's not too early to send in registration forms for these Spring Walks.



LEXINGTON EMMAUS WALK SCHEDULE

2005

Girl's Flight #26, February 11-13
Boy's Flight #27, February 18-20
Men's Walk #87, March 10-13
Women's Walk #88, March 31 - April 3

Registration forms should be sent to: Lexington Emmaus Community, ATTN: Registrar, P.O. Box 23554, Lexington KY 40523-3554

Registration forms may be obtained from the above address or from our web site at:

<http://www.lexingtonemmaus.org>.

Information about Walks being held by other communities this month is located inside this newsletter.

Returned mail is an unnecessary expense for the community; please tell us of your address changes in advance. Address and phone number changes should be sent by e-mail to dbondurant@alltel.net or by calling 859-266-4054.



LEXINGTON EMMAUS GATHERING

Friday, February 4, at 7:00 PM

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
200 West High Street**

Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a special time of worship, communion and fellowship. Remember, we will have a pre-gathering time for fellowship at 7 PM and begin worship promptly at 7:30 PM.

Please remember to **bring a snack** to share during the fellowship time. Child care is provided. We want to provide the children with appropriate snacks, so if you bring a child please also bring along an appropriate snack for them to share. A children's snack table will be set up just outside the child care room.

Cancellation Policy: When there is no public school in Fayette County on the day of the Gathering because of inclement weather, there will **not** be a Gathering.

Have you responded to God's gifts to you with a special gift to the Community?

Note Change in Meeting Location for February

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