

LEXINGTON EMMAUS COMMUNITY



Lexington, KY

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

January 2012

Acts 4:13 (NIV)

¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, *they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.*

I remember working on an Emmaus Weekend several years ago at Cedarmore and one of the team members, (a person new to Emmaus) asked me what I thought it was about the Walk to Emmaus that made it so effective in changing person's lives. I told him that I really couldn't put my finger on that one thing, but I knew that when people came off of the Weekend, they all went back to their churches excited about their faith in Jesus Christ.

Since that time at Cedarmore, the Lord has given me the answer to that man's question. The answer lies in this verse from Acts chapter 4: **.....they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.** When anyone returns from their Emmaus Weekend, they can truly say that they have 'been with Jesus'. And being with Jesus is what changes peoples' lives! I'm certain that even those men in Luke 24 that returned from the town of Emmaus said the same thing. “We have been with Jesus”

Being with Jesus always has the same result. He honors our time with Him and He changes our lives. He nudges us back on the road that He laid out for us from the beginning of time. He rekindles that fire He placed into us when we said yes to Him as our Lord and Savior. What a gift that is to have fire for Him and His Kingdom.

So, my question to you is this: Why aren't you talking to persons in your church about attending the Walk to Emmaus or Chrysalis? Are you really so busy that you can't take the time to invite people to a place where they can truly be with Jesus? Now, I know that the Walk to Emmaus is not the only ministry where this kind of thing happens. But, it is certainly a ministry where it does happen in nearly every single case.

May you continue to receive and share His blessing,

Roy Johnson
Community Lay Director



From the Upper Room: Walk to Emmaus

Greeting from the new Fourth Day Coordinator

I am so excited to be a part of the leadership team that is here to support and encourage you all in your Fourth Day and Next Steps. My own journey began in 1996 when I attended my Chrysalis Flight in Crossroads of Southeastern Pennsylvania. Over the past 15 years I've had so many of the experiences that each of you have had: I've served on weekends, both inside and outside of the conference room. I've attended monthly gatherings, sendoffs, candlelights and closings. I've served on the board and team selection committees. I've been a part of weekends that included too many local ideas, and weekends that were nearly identical to the model. These are the experiences that have shaped my fourth day.

Over the past four years my passion for the Emmaus and Chrysalis movements has grown. I just completed a three-year term on the International Advisory Committee and I've been working in the Northeast as an Assistant Regional Leader for Chrysalis. In both of these roles I have been able to share my heart for Emmaus and Chrysalis with Communities around the Country and around the World. On your weekend, do you remember when you were introduced to your new community for the first time? Someone said these words, "Can there be anything greater than the body of Christ loving us on behalf of Christ?" I get that same feeling each time I am at a Leadership Development Event, or IAC meeting. As I look out across a room full of Pilgrims and Butterflies from different communities, from different states and from different countries, I see the Body of Christ working together to share the love of Jesus Christ.

It is a privilege to be on this journey with each of you. In the coming months and years you will see me working in many ways to promote your personal and your community's Fourth Day/Next Step journey. I will be working on ways to use technology to bridge the gaps between communities whether they are in neighboring states or halfway around the world. I look forward to developing tools to help build and strengthen your community's network of Reunion Groups and Gatherings. But more than all of that, I can't wait to get to know you, to hear your Fourth Day story and learn from each other as we walk along this road.

De Colores and Fly With Christ,

Kate



Fourth Day Coordinator -- Kate Dickinson

Kate Dickinson was hired in September of 2011 to fill a new role as Fourth Day Coordinator for Emmaus and Chrysalis. She attended her Chrysalis Flight in 1996 in her home community of Crossroads of Southeastern PA. Throughout her fourth day she has participated on both Chrysalis and Emmaus Teams, served on the Chrysalis Board and as part of Emmaus Committees. She served three years as a Chrysalis Assistant Regional Leader and as a Chrysalis Representative on the International Advisory Committee.

Kate brings a contagious enthusiasm to the office. She is eager to hear your Fourth Day story, and work together with your community to strengthen your Fourth Day and Next [Step](#) experience.

(<http://upperroom.org/emmaus/staff/>)



Want to Sponsor a Caterpillar?



Chrysalis is...

...the name chosen for the youth version of [The Walk to Emmaus](#), its parent movement, because it symbolizes the spiritual growth that is essential between adolescence and adulthood.

...for youth that are sophomore in high school and at least 15 years old through sophomore in college but no more than 20 years old.

....the growth stage between caterpillars and butterflies is called a chrysalis. On the surface it may not look like much is happening, but the delicate chrysalis process changes the fuzzy caterpillar into an awesome butterfly with wings of intricate designs and intense colors. The chrysalis process symbolizes how Christ can transform you into something beyond your dreams. It happens when you grow beyond yourself, opening your life to Jesus' Power and love.

What happens on a Chrysalis Flight?

You'll spend three days with other people your age in worship, prayer, fellowship, creative expression, recreation, singing, and discussion. You'll experience the love of God through prayers and the acts of service from a loving support community.

You'll hear talks, given by youth and adults, focused on the needs of maturing youth, offer the message of the gospel and the friendship and example of Jesus Christ. Each day you'll hear five talks, followed by discussion, reflection, and expression of how these messages can encourage your personal faith. The discussions explore how friendship with Jesus can help you live out your faith with family, friends, and other people in your world.

What happens after a Chrysalis Flight?

Just as a butterfly begins the exciting exploration of the world around it, after Chrysalis you will continue to explore the dynamic friendship God offers you through Christ.

Following the three-day event, you are invited to become intentional about your faith through local church participation, small group studies, and interpersonal sharing groups. These activities provide the fellowship and support for serving and giving love to your community and world. Chrysalis also offers reunions and gatherings so you can continue relationships with all of the new people you'll meet at your flight! Chrysalis invites you to build upon your experiences the rest of your life, to spread your wings every day.

Applications are available for the next Flight on February on the Lexington Emmaus Community website at <http://www.lexingtonemmaus.org>. The cost of the weekend is \$100.00 with \$30.00 due with the application as a nonrefundable deposit.



Please be in prayer for the
Chrysalis Flight #33 Team
Lay Directors: Earl Taylor and Dana Ellis



Spring 2012 Walk Registration is now OPEN!

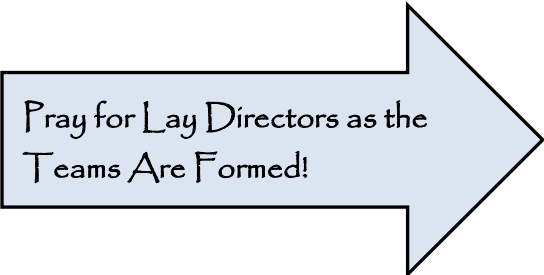
Registration for the Lexington Emmaus Community's Spring 2012 Walks is now open.

Men's Walk #115 - March 15-18, 2012

Women's Walk #116 - March 22-25, 2012

The deadline for submission of [Walk applications](#) is normally three weeks prior to the Walk but has been extended. If you wish to register a pilgrim for these Walks, get them in **now** to make sure your pilgrim has a place. The cost of the walk is \$150.00 with \$50.00 due at the time of application as a nonrefundable deposit.

Please PRAY!



Men's Lay Director – David Vaughn

Women's Lay Director – Patricia Walsh

**Lexington Emmaus Community
2012 Board of Directors**

Lay Director – Roy Johnson

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Leadership Training – Vacant

Music – Laurie White

Supplies – Steve Burris

Candlelight & Sponsor's Hour – Terry Vickous

Spiritual Director – Bob Coppings

Secretary – Veronica Taylor

Chrysalis – Michael Deaton

Team Selection – Earl Taylor

Gatherings/Kitchen - Troy Ellis

Literature – Cliff Jackson

Newsletter - Cheryl Napier

Facilities– Paul Purcell

Lexington Emmaus Community
Future Walks and Flights

2012

February 18 – 20, 2012 Chrysalis Flight 33
March 15 – 18, 2012 Men’s Walk 115
March 22 – 25, 2012 Women’s Walk 116
July 28 – 30, 2012 Chrysalis Flight 34
October 11 – 14, 2012 Men’s Walk 117
October 25 – 28, 2012 Women’s Walk 118

2013

February 15 – 18, 2013 –Chrysalis Flight 35
April 11 – 14, 2013 – Men’s Walk 119
April 18 – 21, 2013 – Women’s Walk 120
October 10 – 13, 2013 - Men’s Walk 121
October 17 – 20, 2013 – Women’s Walk 122

2014

February 15 – 17, 2014 –Chrysalis Flight 36
April 24 – 27, 2014 – Men’s Walk 123
May 1 – 4, 2014 – Women’s Walk 124
October 2 – 5, 2014 - Men’s Walk 125
October 9 – 12, 2014 – Women’s Walk 126



Snow Policy

If Fayette County schools are closed **due to the weather** the Gathering will be cancelled. If the weather turns bad during a school day check the TV, Website and radio.

Join Us at the Next Gathering!

LEXINGTON: **January 6 at Park United Methodist**, Lexington, Potluck 6:30 PM, Worship Service at 7:30 PM. **Childcare is available.**

PAINTSVILLE: **at Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

Everyone bring a dish to share: veggie/side dish, main dish, or dessert. Drinks, plates, cups, and utensils will be provided. Everyone will help clean up, so the work will be light

CHILD CARE - Child care is available at most Gatherings for children ages 2 – 10. Sponsors assist finding childcare for Walks.

More Information on Gatherings

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COMMUNITY PRAYER MINISTRY-E-mail request to Judy Seitz at prayers@lexingtonemmaus.org

2012 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 6 **Gathering Park UMC**, 645 E High St, Lexington, KY. 6:30 PM Potluck,
7:30 PM Worship Service.
- 13 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

FEBRUARY

- 3 **Gathering at Trinity Hill UMC**, 3600 Tate's Creek Rd., Lexington, KY.
6:30 Potluck, 7:30 Worship Service
- 10 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship
- 18-20 **Chrysalis Flight #33** Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY

MARCH

- 2 **Gathering at Second Presbyterian Church**, 460 E. Main St Lexington, KY
Potluck 6:30 PM, 7:30 Worship Service
- 9 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship
- 15-18 **Men's Emmaus Walk #115**, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY
- 22-25 **Women's Emmaus Walk #116** Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY

APRIL

- 6 **Good Friday**
- 8 **Easter "Christ is Risen!"**
- 13 **Gathering at Centenary UMC**, 2800 Tate's Creek Rd., Lexington, Potluck 6:30 PM,
Worship Service at 7:30 PM
- 13 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

MAY

- 4 **Gathering at West Side Community UMC**, 2875 US Highway 127, Hustonville, KY
6:30 PM Potluck, 7:30 Worship
- 11 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

JUNE

- 1 **Gathering at Winchester First UMC**, 204 S. Main St., Winchester, KY. 6:30 PM Potluck,
7:30 Worship
- 8 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

JULY

- 2 **No Gathering**
- 28-30 **Chrysalis Flight #34**, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY

AUGUST

- 3 **Gathering at Wesley UMC at 1825 Russell Cave Road, Lexington**, 6:30 PM Potluck,
7:30 Worship
- 10 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

SEPTEMBER

- 7 **Gathering at TBA**
- 14 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

OCTOBER

- 5 **Gathering at Trinity Hill UMC**, 3600 Tate's Creek Road Lexington, 6:30 PM Potluck,
7:30 PM Worship Service
- 12 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship
- 11-14 **Men's Emmaus Walk #117**, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY
- 25-28 **Women's Emmaus Walk #118** Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY

NOVEMBER

- 2 **Gathering at Centenary UMC**, 2800 Tate's Creek Rd, Lexington, Potluck 6:30 PM,
Worship Service at 7:30 PM
- 9 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship

DECEMBER

- 7 **Gathering at Lancaster UMC**, 200 Stanford Street, Lancaster, Potluck 6:30 PM,
Worship Service at 7:30 PM
- 14 **Gathering at Paintsville's Mayo UMC**, 705 Court Street, Paintsville, 7:00 Worship
- 25 **Christmas "Christ the Savior is born"**

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