

LEXINGTON EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2015



Greetings brothers and sisters of the Lexington Emmaus Community.

The final pages of 2014 have been closed and a new chapter for the year 2015 is officially opened. Hopefully, the new year allows us time to reflect on the trials and blessings of the past as well as “anticipation” and a growing excitement for the year that lies before us.

This year, specifically August of 2015, will mark the 30th anniversary year of the Lexington Emmaus Community. There are many who do not know of the history of LEC, so, the first announcement of the LEC walks #1 and #2 are included in this newsletter. As I read the article, I was immediately drawn to a verse written in the top margin, Isaiah 43:19. “BEHOLD I AM DOING A NEW THING”. The efforts of a multitude of people who shared a vision; followed the leading of the Holy Spirit, participated in the formation of the Community that was born. I wonder if those that met in May 1985 could have anticipated that the vision would remain 30 years and 126 walks later. We have been blessed by those that have gone before us. “BEHOLD I AM DOING A NEW THING” – what does it mean TODAY in our Community? I challenged myself, as I do each of you to consider this Scripture in our personal walk, as well our participation in the LEC and how we might continue

the blessing for those that follow. Pray that our Community could be vibrant, with a fresh hunger for the Lord and discernment for HIS vision of how we are to plant the seeds and help with the harvest.

The year 2015 will bring the revitalization of the “Community training day”, scheduled January 31st, the opportunity for a “Community work day” at Adventureserve on February 7th to prepare a “new” location for the upcoming Chrysallis flight and possibly other Emmaus events. We have upcoming Chrysallis flights (Feb 14-16), Men’s (April 9-12) and Women’s Walks (April 23-26) and all these events need your attention. Each event is a part of the Emmaus Community we all can and should take part in one or more of these opportunities. WE DON’T HAVE MUCH TIME. I look forward, with expectation, to see the table that the Holy Spirit is preparing for us.

DeColores, Joe Martin, Lay Director 2015



Storm Policy

If school is closed in the **area where the Gathering is scheduled**, the Gathering will be cancelled. If the weather turns bad during a school day check the TV, Website and radio.



January Gathering will be held on Jan 9th - NOTE DATE CHANGE - at UMC, Lexington. Pot Luck at 6:30 PM and Worship at 7:30 PM.

UPCOMING WALKS:

Men #127 Apr 9-12
Women #128 Apr 23-25
Deadline is January 17th.



Chrysalis Flight #37 Feb 14-16

at AdventureServe Ministries, Wilmore, KY Chrysalis is for youth in high school through sophomore in college but no more than 20 years old. The Chrysalis experience facilitates spiritual growth.

Registration

Deadline **January**

25th. The cost of each weekend is \$100.00 with \$30.00 due with the application as a nonrefundable deposit. Applications are available on the Lexington Emmaus Community website

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

Upcoming Events:

January 9th - Gathering - **NOTE THE DATE CHANGE** - at St Luke UMC, Lexington. Pot Luck at 6:30 PM, Worship at 7:30 PM. Bring a potential Pilgrim or Butterfly.

January 17th **Walk Deadline - NOTE THE DATE** - Please be certain the Walk applications are turned in no later than this date.

January 25th Flight Deadline - **NOTE the DATE**- all applications are due to the Registrar by this date. Please be diligent in mailing them in ASAP.

January 31st COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY!! **SAVE the DATE**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On Saturday, January 31st, 2015 you will have an extraordinary opportunity to continue your 4th day commitment to our Lord! Our community is hosting a training day from **9:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. at Trinity Hill United Methodist Church**, 3600 Tates Creek Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40517 that will focus on Servant Leadership, Sponsorship, and Vitality as well as training for the various Emmaus and Chrysalis Team service areas such as: Lay Directors, Spiritual Directors/Talk Preparation; Music; Technology; Agape; Facilities; Kitchen and Prayer. I urge you to participate in this important training that will serve to both educate and strengthen your 4th day service to Christ through your service in your home church and Emmaus. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

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February 7th - Gathering - **Saturday - NOTE DATE and TIME CHANGE**- The

February Gathering will actually be held on Saturday, February 7th at AdventureServe Camp, Wilmore where the Chrysalis flight will be held. The Community is invited to do an act of service to help us get ready for the upcoming Flight. At this point, what is needed is a good cleaning of the boys dorm, the girls dorm, the conference rooms, the kitchen and the prayer chapel. We will also need to move some beds around in the boys dorm (only one set of bunk beds in the girls dorm). Everyone should bring a bucket, mop and several rags to help clean and perhaps some cleaning solution. I would recommend Pine-Sol and some Murphy's oil soap for the wood floors. We will start with a **potluck lunch at 11:30** and then get to cleaning!

**LEXINGTON EMMAUS COMMUNITY
LEADERSHIP TRAINING AGENDA**

9:00 A.M. to 11:40 A.M., Saturday, January 31, 2015
Trinity Hill United Methodist Church, Lexington, Kentucky

Prayer /Opening Remarks 9:00 a.m. to 9:05 a.m.
Servant Leadership9:05 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.
Sponsorship9:20 a.m. to 9:35 a.m.
Vitality9:35 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
Break9:50 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

2 Team Service Training Area "Breakout" Sessions10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
(Trainees can attend 2 sessions below and
@ 45:00 minutes/session and a
5 minute break between sessions).....10:50 a.m. to 11:35 a.m.

- Lay Directors/ALD'S/LDIT'S
- Spiritual Directors
- Table Leaders/Talk Preparation
- Music
- Technology
- Agape
- Facilities
- Kitchen
- Prayer
- Let's go to Belize**

Closing11:35 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.