

# LEXINGTON Emmaus COMMUNITY



Lexington, KY

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July 2005

## TEAM SELECTION BEGINS

The Lay Directors for the next set of walks, Tim Hamilton and Nancy Clayton, are meeting with Judy Seitz to begin the team selection process.

Please be in prayer for them as they pray about whom to call and what positions match which people.

Also, remember that not everyone can serve on every team. So, if you don't serve on the team, the pilgrims still need your support through prayer, sponsorship, agape, snacks, service, and attendance at the weekend events.

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## REUNION GROUPS

The current list of Reunion Groups for the Lexington Emmaus/Chrysalis Community is very much out of date.

If you are part of an active Reunion Group, please send the name of the group, date and time of meetings, and contact person with phone number to Rev. Donna Jones ([revdjones@netscape.com](mailto:revdjones@netscape.com)).

If you are not in a group, find some Emmaus/Chrysalis friends and get started. It's good for you and your walk with Christ and good for the Community.

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## June Newsletter

You were not forgotten. The scheduled newsletter for June newsletter was not sent. Instead of the July/August combined newsletter, you will be receiving a newsletter in July and another in August.

## JULY GATHERING

**The July Gathering has an Agape theme!**

The Board of Directors has put together their own money to offer a prize (a gift certificate) to the person at the July Gathering who wears the most agape received on Walks (whether as pilgrim or team).

Also, we'd like people to bring their favorite agape to Gathering (especially ones from other communities or things we haven't seen in a while). We want to inspire one another to come up with creative, homemade agape for future walks. You may want to put your name on the agape you're not wearing. Our walks are in need of more agape, and now is the time to plan for the fall.

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## Lexington Emmaus Community 20th Anniversary Celebration August 5, 2005

Food, fellowship, thanksgiving, and worship will all be part of our celebration. Come celebrate!

The Board will be bringing the main dishes at the potluck. Members of the community are requested to bring either salad, vegetable, side dish, or dessert.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### July

- 1 Gathering
- 11 Board Meeting

### August

- 1 Board Meeting
- 5 Gathering / 20th Anniversary Celebration

### September

- 2 Gathering
- 12 Board Meeting

## WALKS AROUND THE WORLD

*Around the world, communities just like the Lexington Emmaus Community are holding Walks and Flights. Please pray for these communities in the month of July.*

### July 1 -3

Three Rivers, PA Chrysalis Girl's #3  
Gloriosa, Pretoria, S. Africa  
Chrysalis Boy's #1  
Protea, Krugersdorp, S. Africa  
Chrysalis Boy's #21

### July 7 -9

Dallas, TX Chrysalis Girl's #67

### July 7 - 10

Central California  
Emmaus Men's #107  
Great Plains, OK  
Emmaus Men's #47  
Denton, TX Emmaus Women's #18  
Hearts Afire, TX Emmaus Men's #19  
Hi-Sky, TX Emmaus Women's #35  
Living Water, TX  
Emmaus Men's #48  
SWTC Crossroads  
Emmaus Women's #1237  
North Central NY  
Emmaus Men's #78  
Blue Lake, AL  
Emmaus Women's #164  
Central West, Australia  
Emmaus Men's #13  
Northern Inland NSW, Australia  
Emmaus Women's #32  
Northern CA/Nevada  
Chrysalis Boy's #20  
Red River, TX Chrysalis Girl's #37  
North Georgia Chrysalis Boy's #49  
North Georgia Chrysalis Boy's #26

### July 8 - 10

Sydney, Australia Chrysalis Flight  
West Ohio Chrysalis Girl's #40  
Canberra-Monaro, Australia  
Chrysalis Boy's #8  
Gloriosa, Pretoria, S. Africa  
Chrysalis Girl's #2  
South Sydney, Australia  
Chrysalis Boy's #31  
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### July 13 - 16

SE New Mexico Chrysalis Boy's #50

### July 13 - 17

Central Alabama  
Chrysalis Boy's #43

### July 14 - 17

High Plains Emmaus, Clovis, NM,  
Men's #9  
Houston Bay Area, TX  
Emmaus Men's #29  
Central California  
Emmaus Women's #108  
Grace Emmaus of  
Silicon Valley, CA  
Men's #1  
Central Ohio  
Emmaus Women's #84  
Greater Sidney, OH Area  
Emmaus Men's #32  
Northwest Ohio Emmaus Men's #47  
Missouri East  
Emmaus Women's #104  
Big Country, TX  
Emmaus Women's #124  
Dallas, TX Emmaus Men's #191  
SWTC Cathedral Oaks  
Emmaus Men's #1238  
SWTC Coastal Bend  
Emmaus Women's # 1239  
Central West, Australia  
Emmaus Women's #14  
Hong Kong, China  
Emmaus Women's #36  
Golden Spread, TX  
Chrysalis Girl's #93  
Blue Lake, FL Chrysalis Boy's #58  
North Georgia Chrysalis Girl's #50  
North Georgia Chrysalis Girl's #27  
Albemarle, NC Chrysalis Girl's #25  
Albemarle, NC Chrysalis Boy's #25

### July 14 - 18

Greater Austin, TX  
Chrysalis Girl's #244

### July 15 - 17

SE Florida Chrysalis Girl's #32  
Cornerstone, KY Chrysalis Girl's #34  
Protea, Krugersdorp, S. Africa  
Chrysalis Girl's #22

### July 16 - 18

East Central IN Chrysalis Girl's #6

### July 17 - 20

Nebraska Chrysalis Boy's #40

### July 20 - 22

Nebraska Chrysalis Girl's #40

### July 21 - 24

Houston Bay Area, TX  
Emmaus Women's #30  
Greater Dayton  
Emmaus Women's #63  
Orange County, CA  
Emmaus Men's #OC-73  
Minnesota Emmaus Men's #69  
Darke County, OH  
Emmaus Women's #25  
Great Plains, OK  
Emmaus Women's #48  
Hi-Sky, TX Emmaus Men's #159  
SWTC Concho Country  
Emmaus Women's #1249  
Heart of Carolina  
Emmaus Men's #80  
Quad Cities, IL Chrysalis Boy's #78  
Gulf Coast, FL Chrysalis Girl's #2  
Northwest Georgia  
Chrysalis Boy's #12  
Northwest Georgia  
Chrysalis Girl's #12  
Northwest Georgia  
Chrysalis Boy's #6  
Northwest Georgia  
Chrysalis Girl's #6

### July 21 - 23

Northeast Ohio Chrysalis Boy's #3

### July 22 - 24

Promiseland, IL Chrysalis Boy's #31

### July 28 - 30

Puget Sound Emmaus Men's #158  
Northern California/Nevada  
Emmaus Men's #37  
Central Illinois Emmaus Men's #184  
Orange County, CA  
Emmaus Women's #OC-74  
Iowa Emmaus Men's #68  
Minnesota Emmaus Women's #70  
Greater Columbus, OH  
Emmaus Women's #74  
Nebraska Emmaus Men's #88  
Houston, TX West Emmaus #28  
Louisville, KY Area  
Emmaus Women's #103  
Quad Cities, IL Chrysalis Girl's #2  
Noahs of Ark(ansas)  
Chrysalis Girl's #16  
Living Waters, AL Chrysalis Girl's #4  
Gulf Coast, FL Chrysalis Boy's #2

### July 29 - 31

SE Florida Chrysalis Boy's #32  
Little Egypt, IL Chrysalis Boy's #14  
Little Egypt, IL Chrysalis Girl's #14  
West Ohio Chrysalis Boy's #40

## **SURVEY QUESTION: TEAM SELECTION**

I've received lots of feedback from the survey we published a few months ago. (If you would like to complete the survey, it's on our Web page. You can print it, complete it, and mail it in any time.) One of the recurring areas of concern was team selection. Mostly people have questions about how teams are selected and what the costs include. Here are some of those frequently asked questions and their answers.

### **How can I get on a team?**

The Team Selection person (usually the most recent community Lay Director, but this year Judy Seitz is serving) meets with the Lay Directors to discuss positions, how to fill them, and who might have the appropriate training for the leadership areas (e.g., Agape chair, Kitchen chair, Assistant Lay Directors). The Team Selection person may also have some suggestions for new people that may want to serve. The Lay Directors also observed the previous Walk pilgrims when they were in training in order to look for new people and give them opportunities to serve. Also the Lay Directors go through the Fourth Day sheets to look for names and people willing to serve. So, if you want to serve on a team, talk to the Team Selection person, the upcoming Lay Directors, and complete your Fourth Day sheets. One of the best ways to become "known" by these key people is to attend gatherings and to serve at Walks in the kitchen, by bringing agape, and by attending Send-Off, Candlelight, and Closing.

### **How do Lay Directors choose team members with or without experience?**

The Lay Director's goal is to try and select 1/3 new people, 1/3 with mid-level experience, and 1/3 very experienced people. To move into leadership positions within the community, people are trying to gain experience inside and outside the conference room, moving up into more and more responsibility. One problem we have is in deciding who has mid-level experience. We don't have any real guidance on when people move from "new" to "experienced," so sometimes the balance may not be what others see as using the "1/3 rule." Lay Directors also try to balance church participation and the number of friends they have on the team. Finally we try to have people wait 1 1/2 to 2 years before serving on another team, although sometimes circumstances get in the way.

### **Why do team members have to pay so much?**

Sometimes the team fee being the same as for the original Walk is quite a shock to people. Unfortunately we can't offer any discounts for team, even when multiple people from the same family are serving. The costs of spending the night at Beeson, meals, materials, etc., are the same whether you're a pilgrim or a team member. If the team pays less, then we have to charge the pilgrims more, and we would rather share the burden with them. It's part of our sacrifice. We are currently looking at increased costs at Asbury, and the board will be addressing some ways to maintain costs so we don't have to increase fees again (we recently raised fees so we could break even on the Walks). One idea is meal preparation. More reunion groups helping with breakfasts and lunches would help the community cover the increased cost of Asbury without raising fees.

### **What if I don't get a chance to be on the team?**

Remember that the team requires only about 35 people. When pilgrim numbers are low, fewer team numbers are needed since we don't need as many table leaders and assistants. So one answer to allow more people to serve is to SPONSOR, SPONSOR, SPONSOR!

**But most importantly**, the community is part of the team! The Walk takes the entire community. We need help with meals, snack agape, and agape trinkets. You can volunteer for entertainment on Saturday night (see Pam Chandler). Come to all the events, including Send-Off and Closing even if you aren't sponsoring someone. I've talked with many people who think I served on their Walks because I was present throughout the weekend serving them in small ways. Don't underestimate the community's importance to the Walk.



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An invitation to the men of \_\_\_\_\_:

You may have been hearing the word Emmaus quite a bit lately. Trusted friends, respected church leaders, and dedicated ministers have been getting together to plan a Walk to Emmaus just for you.

The Walk to Emmaus is a three-day course in Christianity for men and women. The men's Walk to Emmaus will be presented at Asbury Theological Seminary November 3 – 6, 2005. The Walk will be headed by Tim Hamilton who will serve as the Lay Director.

The focus of this course is self renewal and revival. It is conducted in a manner which strengthens faith and deepens one's Christian beliefs. Presentations are made by ten laypersons and five pastors during the three-day Walk. The men attending will be together for the entire period in a cloistered setting.

The focus of the fifteen talks given during the weekend is God's Grace – God's ever present gift.

A number of men from your church have already made the decision to attend and are preparing to answer questions or provide additional information regarding the Walk to Emmaus. If you would like to discuss the event with someone who is going, please contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

We hope all of you will give the Emmaus experience your serious consideration as one way of bringing spiritual renewal to your life and the life of your congregation.

Tim Hamilton  
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## 2004 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Each year the Treasurer reports to the Community a summary of the finances for the previous year. Below are the results from 2004. Note that with the increased fees for Walks in 2004, the shortfalls have improved. We are still having trouble with the solvency of the Chrysalis Flights.

Expenses and income for Walks/Flights frequently cross fiscal year boundaries. To give the Community a true idea of the financial status for each set of Walks/Flights, this detail follows the 2004 Income/Expense Summary.

Any detailed questions may be directed to Keith Wright, Treasurer, 271-4596.

Community Assets	Cash	Funds	Total Assets
January 1, 2004	\$ 4,089.94	\$ 6,647.05	\$ 10,736.99
December 31, 2004	\$ 8,786.95	\$ 6,525.72	\$ 15,312.67
As of January 31, 2004	\$ 1,478.42	\$ 6,525.72	\$ 8,004.14

### 2004 Income/Expense Summary

Item	Income	Expense	Net
Walks/Flights *	\$ 24,834.05	\$ 21,629.55	\$ 3,204.50
Leadership Training	\$ 250.00	\$ 29.98	\$ 220.02
Candlelights/Gatherings/Donations	\$ 6,370.95	\$ 507.24	\$ 5,863.71
Newsletter	\$ 2,037.86	\$ (2,037.86)	\$ 0.00
Book Sales	\$ 1,554.00	\$ 1,776.37	\$ (222.37)
Insurance		\$ 1,279.00	\$ (1,279.00)
Storage Rental/Supplies		\$ 1,023.68	\$ (1,023.68)
Scholarship Memorial Fund	\$ 82.53	\$ 0.00	\$ 82.53
Other	\$ 9.04	\$ 241.21	\$ (232.17)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 33,100.57</b>	<b>\$ 28,524.89</b>	<b>\$ 4,575.68</b>

### 2004 Walks & Chrysalis Detail \*\*

Item	Income	Expense	Net
Chrysalis 25 & 26	\$ 4,681.00	\$ 7,126.89	\$ (2,445.89)
Walks 83 & 84	\$ 10,562.05	\$ 11,382.27	\$ (820.22)
Walks 85 & 86	\$ 9,846.00	\$ 9,657.71	\$ 188.29

\* Includes income and expenses from Walks other than those held in 2004.

\*\* May include income or expenses from 2003 or 2005.



## LEXINGTON EMMAUS WALK SCHEDULE

**2005**

Men's Walk #89                      November 3-6  
 Women's Walk #90                November 10-13

**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>



## LEXINGTON EMMAUS GATHERING

**Friday, July 1, 2005**  
**St. Luke UMC**

**2351 Alumni Drive, Lexington, KY**

Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a special time of worship, communion and fellowship.

**7:00 PM            Pre-gathering time and fellowship**  
**7:30 PM            Worship**

**Refreshments.** Please remember to bring a snack to share during the fellowship time.

**Child care is provided.** 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.

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## NEWSLETTER

ADDRESS CHANGES - Returned mail is an unnecessary expense for the community. Please send us your address, phone, and e-mail changes to:

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By calling: (859) 699-8386

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## GOD IS COUNTING ON YOU.

*Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is truly plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send our laborers into His harvest." - Matthew 9:37 - 38.*

Stop! Think about the men and women you know. Do any of them need a fresh experience with God? Can they benefit from the experience you had on your Walk? Have you thought about sponsoring them on the next Walk?

One way you can "open the door" to encourage men from your church is by distributing the letter from Tim Hamilton about the upcoming men's Walk. Please remember to get your churches approval.

Take the time to pray. Jesus asked His disciples to pray that the Lord of the harvest would send laborers into His harvest. As in those days, the harvest is plentiful.

Ask God to lead you to the men and women that need to be on this fall's walks. Remember, just as you are counting on God, God is counting on you.

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