

# The Rainbow Connection

April 2018

**GATHERING April 22 ! May 20, June 24, July picnic ( to be announced). August 26, Sept. 30, Oct., 28, Nov. 18, Dec 2. Christmas Party**

**Emmaus family,**

**OUR FUTURE IS IN GOD'S hands and OURS.**

**THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU for the collection at Candlelight.**

\*\*Each walk expenses are: renting the camp, liability insurance (required by the Upper Room), paper products, CCLI fees, various Upper Room fees for books, publications, and other miscellaneous expenses that are needed for each walk.

\*\*These walks are paid for by SOE, which is an independent group of believers, we must all shoulder these costs. We do not have outside funding from any denominations or churches. We have to rely on what we take in from the fees, and the offerings we receive at gatherings and candlelight to cover our expenses for the year.

\*\*We are not meeting the cost of each walk. We have been operating in the red and using funds that have built up over the years. We have money in a savings account but will soon be dipping into that to meet walk costs.

**PLEASE** dig deeped in your pockets at candlelight and gathering when the offering plate is passed. **PLEASE** prayerfully lift this need to the LORD so that these events may continue.

Thanks, Randy Dudding, SOE treasurer

**Greetings,**

What a wonderful God filled weekend we just experienced at the Women's Walk # 64 adding 20 new pilgrims to our community. I want to Thank You to all who served, in the conference room, set up, agape, logistics, and the tear down teams. May god fill your life with blessings for being his faithful servants.

Listening to the pilgrims at closing made me realize just how far God has taken me in the last five years. Don't get the wrong impression, I still have a long way to go and will continue to grow. All we have to do is be obedient to God and He will take us on the life journey that he planned for us before we came into this world.

Sponsors, Thank You! Without sponsors we don't have pilgrims or walks. This is just another service for our Lord that you have stepped up and done. Anyone that wants to work a walk in the future, please contact the Agape and/or the Logistics chairperson.

Those of you that feel called to serve with Chrysalis, please contact Micki Humes. So honored to be serving our Lord and the Emmaus Community.

God Bless everyone of you

DeColores,

Jo Young, Board Chair

## Upcoming Schedule of Events

### Gatherings at The Plains United Methodist Church:

3 North Plains Road  
The Plains, Ohio 45780  
(740) 797-4163

**All gatherings at 3:00 with Board meeting at 2:00**

### Dates for monthly gatherings:

**FOURTH Sunday of each month**

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**Sponsorship Forms, Applications, Newsletters and Additional Information Available at:**

**[www.southernohioemmaus.com](http://www.southernohioemmaus.com)**

### **Fall 2018**

**Women's Walk Sept 20-23**

**Men's Walk Oct 4-7**

### **2019 Emmaus Walks**

**Men's Walk March 14-17**

**Women's Walk April 11-14**

**Women's Walk Sept 5-8**

**Men's Walk Oct 31- Nov 3**

Dear Emmaus Community,

This article is the second in a series of articles on parts of the Lord's Prayer. When our Lord taught his disciples (and us) how to pray, we have now dubbed this "The Lord's Prayer." It is an awesome prayer, but it is not meant to be played in a mindless fashion, such as, "OK, let's pray the Lord's Prayer." No, we are to pray the Lord's Prayer to change our lives, and to help change the lives of others. Prayer really does change things, but, mostly, prayer is the purpose of changing us.

When we pray "Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be Done, on earth as it is in heaven..." we are praying first of all, that God will reveal to us in our inner life what it is that He wishes for us to do. Too often, we move ahead in our own strength, rather than asking God first what it is that He wishes for us to do. This has created much confusion and burnout. This was the focus of the previous article.

After we have discerned what it is that the Lord wishes for us to do, then, we have to move forward and do it...but...her we sorely need the Lord, too. The Lord usually calls us to a ministry that is a little (all right, sometime a lot!) outside of our comfort zone. This is not only because God wishes to use us, but to "grow" us into the person He dreams for us to be. Then, we must also realize that no ministry is to be accomplished alone. We need the Body Of Christ.

We are praying that heaven will come down to earth through our ministry. But this comes about, then, in three steps:

1. Praying and discerning first what it is that God wishes for us to do. This can be accomplished through individual prayer, reading scripture, speaking with other people, or, a combination of all of this things.
2. Moving forward to a ministry that is at least somewhat out of our comfort zone.
3. Determining never to do ministry alone.

I try to live this out in my own life. First, I determined many years ago that God was calling me to a small group ministry. This came about through much prayer, reflection, and reading books that increased my interest in the power of small groups. Then, I began to move forward with "pilot projects" of small groups, learning as I went. Thirdly, I invited people to be my co-leaders in these small groups, so that they may grow and make a difference in the lives of other people.

Your ministry, of course, may be different. But the basic principles still hold: 1. Pray and discern., 2. Move forward a little out of your comfort zone with what God is calling you to do., and 3 Never do ministry alone- bring someone with you.

This leads to the living out of: "Thy Kingdom Come...in our own lives.

DeColores,

Ricci Arthur, SOE Spiritual Director

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*This is the current contact list of our Board of Directors. Keep this list so you can contact the board with questions concerns, and ideas. Please keep the board in your prayers as they serve the Lord and our community.*

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