

The Rainbow Connection

December 2017

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY 2018!

Your new board members taking office January, 2018

Penny Canter

Rick Howell

Joyce Drake

Dennis Irvin

Amy-Ream Fink

Positions will be chosen at the January board meeting.

Emmaus family, it's the end of the year and this is my last article as your Board President, and it's been an honor and a privilege to serve you and Our Father. This community has completed 4 successful walks and has started the process of revitalizing the Chrysalis flights. This is a strong community filled with all different kinds of people, all with the same goal in mind, loving our God and praising our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I firmly believe that if we stick together as we always have, this community will continue to grow and make our bond even stronger.

I love you all, and I pray for success, happiness, and love for all of you in the coming year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Bill Butterworth

The new Board President is Jo Young.

Dear Friends of the Emmaus Community:

Christmas is my favorite time of year. I spend a great time of reflecting during the Advent Season (as I do every season of the year, but, Advent seems to be a most special time to reflect on the GREATEST coming there ever was up to this point in time.)

We mark our calendars by this event: A.D. and B.C. "After Christ" and "Before Christ."

I am filled with wonder in the Christmas Season; and, as we know, so were the main characters in the Christmas Story-shepherds who were "terrified" (Luke 2:9) -yes, another word for "wonder"-but what happens immediately-the angel saying: "Do not be afraid"-wonder combined with peace.

The home I grew in had a sitting room (it was a formal living room where no one ever sat; I wondered why we called it a "sitting room"). At any rate, as a little boy, at Christmastime, I would sneak up from the live-in basement area of our home and go into the living room where the carefully decorated Christmas tree was lit and would kneel down and observe the Nativity Scene. And I would wonder and be in awe.

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

Spring 2018

Women's Walk Apr 12-15

Men's Walk Mar 8-11

Fall 2018

Women's Walk Sept 20-23

Men's Walk Oct 4-7

Applications for sponsors on line.

Applications to serve are on line.

I am still in awe and still wondering. Are you? Or are you so busy with all of the Christmas Activities that seem to be inevitable this Christmas Season and you are not wondering at all; you are simply frazzled. I have a challenge for you; between now and Christmas Day, could you set aside just 30 minutes from all of your activity and read Luke 2:1-20 and ask God to show you what is in that wonderful story for you. Just listen- listen for the whispers of His Holy Spirit.

What I hope will happen is that you will become thankful for God's unspeakable gift-and that you will be in wonder about how God could choose you to be part of the Greatest Mission that the world has ever known. And the coming began with God becoming a baby! If that doesn't fill you with wonder, you have missed the meaning of Christmas.

May God will us with His Spirit-and fill us with wonder- this Christmas Season.

Ricci Arthur

Chrysalis Board organizing

There was a board meeting in November . If you want to be a part, please contact **Suzette Schuster at 740-605-9593.**

Attention: As newsletter editor, it is difficult to stay in touch with members if I do not have email addresses. Several of the new pilgrims did not include email addresses on their information. I also have several spouses who went on walks but I do not have their email addresses. Please help me get these updated. I like to do my job efficiently

Thank you,

Robie Wilson



2017 Southern Ohio Emmaus Board of Directors

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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