The Rainbow Connection

Aug/Sept

Gatherings

Sept. 30, Oct., 28, Nov. 18, Dec 2. Christmas Party

Greetings,

As our summer is winding down, we have so much to think about. We just finished Labor Day Weekend with the extra day off from work, I'm sure most of us spent it with family, rejoicing in the abundance of blessings that we have in our spouses, brothers, sisters, children, and grandchildren and for some of us the great grandchildren. Take time to realize that all of the above are given to us from our Father to enjoy for the time that He has planned for them on this earth. In our busy lives it is so easy to take people for granted, especially our spouse, brothers/sisters and even children as we get short tempered and forget to appreciate all that we have in life. Sometimes we just need to take a few minutes to breathe and pray to remind ourselves who we belong to and what His plans are for our lives.

We need to be in prayer for the **Women's Walk** this month. Please pray for the conference room team and **MOST** importantly the Pilgrims that God has brought to the Walk. We also need to pray for the **Men's Walk** and the conference room team and the Pilgrims that God has brought to the Walk. He has a purpose for every single involved in these walks, and all the people that work behind the scenes to provide what is necessary for God's work to be done in these pilgrims.

May God bless all of you serving as His Hands and Feet this month.

De Colores,

Jo Young, BD 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

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

WW team-Suzette Shuster, Walt Goble, Melissa Collingsworth, Barb Harkless, Teresa Garey, Robie Wilson, Kim Russell-Reed, Pauline Callahan, Doreen Fast, April Butterworth, Amy Ream, Shena Barkhurst, Jen Roar, Peggy Jo Clark, Tammy Hawk, Sherry Quail Lou Childress, Mary Sinkovitz, Vicki Bended, Tammy Snodgrass, Peggy Ervin, and Mallory Gonyer.

MW team-Bill Butterworth, Richard Purvis, Dan Smith, Terry McKinnis, Jeff Cupp, Brian Mecum, Al Smith, Mark Hoffman, Steve Rinehart, Phil Roser, Chris Henry, Robert Stack, Randy Dudding, Tim Lantz, Dwayne Hawk, Shawn Maynard, Mike Buckius, Dennis Childress, Jason Humes, Mark Curry, Tony Mills.

Dear Friends of the Emmaus Community,

This is my final installment of the analysis of the phrase: "Thy Kingdom Come..." from the Lord's Prayer. I wish I could say that all of the ideas were original with me, but, much of it I learned from Dallas Willard's wonderful book: **The Divine Conspiracy.** I highly recommend that book!

Before, I memtioned that "Thy Kingdom Come" phrase can be on several levels.

- 1. We pray that God's Kingdom-His Rule-happen within our own lives.
- 2. We pray that God's Kingdom will happen in the lives of people we know and love.
- 3. We pray that God's Kingdom will come in fighting "evil in high places."

Now, I would like to concentrate on the meaning that most people attach to this phrase: The future coming of Christ. The Kingdom of God is both "here' and "yet to be". The Bible speaks in so many places of the coming of Christ, so, no reason to belabor that point here. What I would like to emphasize is that the primary purpose of emphasizing the future coming of Christ is not to engage in endless speculation of how He will come, or, when He will come-the primary purpose of praying for the future Kingdom is to also pray that, In light of His Coming, how are we to be living today?

If we knew that Christ was coming tomorrow (and, of course, we never know when Christ may come in our own death), how should we live now? If we really took the Second Coming to heart, how would that change our relationships with our family, our friends, our church, co-workers, etc. I would suspect we would put aside our pettiness; we would emphasis more the love of Christ that we need to show to those around us.

May the Lord's Prayer change our Lives!

Ricci Arthur

SPONSORSHIP

PRAY FIRST before you sponsor. Emmaus is designed to develop Christian leaders.

Sponsoring a pilgrim is one of the most important jobs you will have in the Emmaus community. YOU are the first one and only one they are relying on as they start out on this journey called the Walk to Emmaus.

Before your turn their application in, make sure that you have explained to them all that is necessary to them about the weekend. Answer their questions honestly and reassure them that they can depend on you to help them through this journey. It is a ONCE in a lifetime experience and we want it to be the one they will cherish forever. After the application is received:

- 1. You will receive a packet by email or snail mail to explain your role as a sponsor.
- 2. Start collecting letters from family, friends, coworkers, other people that have and will support them after the walk.
- 3. Be sure to tell your Pilgrim what to take to camp and ASSURE them that what is happening at home will be taken care of so don't worry about children, spouse etc.
- 4. Take your pilgrim and pick up your pilgrim from Camp Akita. DO NOT DROP THEM OFF AT THE DOOR.
- 5. Be sure to attend Candelight, closing, and bring them to the gathering at the PLAINS.
- 6. Pray before, during, and after the Walk Prayer is the backbone of Emmaus.
- 7. Help them engagae in a share group or small group. DON'T drop them off at home and forget them They need your support during their FOURTH Days.

If you need help, or questions, please contact me. God Bless and DeColores, Barb Harkless, Sponsorship Chair rbharkless@yahoo.com 740-974-7917

De Colores brothers and sisters in Christ,

Southern Ohio Emmaus is a self funding organization and we totally are supported by the gifts and offerings that you, our community provides. We receive NO other outside monies, other than the walk fees and our monthly gathering offerings. The fees we collect DO NOT pay for all the expenses of the walks.

Pilgrim/team fees cover the cost to use Camp Akita.

- 1. Weekend stay -\$143.50 per person **PLUS** Insurance, Upper Room fees, Pilgrims Crosses.
- 2. Miscellaneous Camp materials/supplies (posters, markers, tape etc.) have to be paid for from our general fund which is ENTIRELY funded by donations from OUR COMMUNITY.

We have two walks coming up, PLEASE dig into your pockets and support candlelight by your ATTENDANCE and you GIFT of LOVE when the basket is passed.

Unfortunately, some of our bills are paid after the fact. Thankful that those people do not pressure us for immediate payment.

A full treasurers report is available from me. You can email me if you would like a copy. Randy Dudding, Treasurer

rodudding@yahoo.com

Are you interested in serving the community by being on the Emmaus Board. Please contact JO YOUNG, board chair, if you would like your name on the ballot.

Board meetings are once a month . YOU can be the hands and feet of Jesus. Pray.

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Have you prayed

Have you noticed that one person that would be a leader in your church.

Sponsor them on the Emmaus Walk

2018 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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