



The Rainbow Connection

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Service

Jeff Bender, Community Lay Director

We recently finished our Spring Walks. God sent us 55 pilgrims who blessed us with a clear witness of how the Holy Spirit works through the teams and the pilgrims during the Walk. The three legs of a Life in Grace were on display for the pilgrims through the prayers of the community, and especially through the servant hearts of the Lay Directors, Barb Harkless and Chris Stone. Their dedication to serving others was catching, and it permeated the teams, pilgrims, and the community. As Romans 8:28 says, "we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him", and it did in many ways at the Spring Walks.

As Board Chair, my favorite duty is talking to the pilgrims at Closing. It is the Community's first chance to give the new members an idea of how they can maintain their Walk with our Lord and encourage service to their own churches and Emmaus. Jesus washed the feet of the Apostles and described judgment day as a division between those that served others (thus Him) and those who did not serve others. John 13:1-15 and Matthew 25:30-45. Jesus made it clear that after spreading the faith, service to others is our greatest mission.

Education Day is coming up on Saturday, May 16th at the Sixth Avenue United Methodist Church, at 9:00 a.m. For those who want to serve in the Emmaus movement through our Walks, Education Day is the way to learn. Please join us in service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. And, always pray for our upcoming Walks that they will serve His purpose through the Holy Spirit.

De Colores,
Jeff Bender, 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:

May 31st
June 28th

Education Day

**May 16, 2015 @ 9:00am @
Sixth Avenue UMC in
Lancaster, Ohio**

Dates for Fall Walks #59:

**Women's – September 17-20
Debbie Brookins, LD**

**Men's – October 22-25
Jeff Bender, LD**

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Newsletters and Additional
Information Available at:**

www.southernohioemmaus.com

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Please update your information if it has changed in the past year. Send to
rbharkless@yahoo.com



Nuts and Bolts

Jeff Bender, Community Lay Director

Just a few items to be thinking about for our Community; first, remember the next gathering on May 31st is at The Plains United Methodist Church. From the North, take US 33 East to Ohio State Rt. 682 exit; turn right and go 2 lights and the church is on the left. From the South, take US 33 West to 682 as above except turn left. Also, one can turn off of US 33 at Johnson Road before 682, with this taking you to South Plains Street and turn left, going one block to the church.

Second, Education Day is listed above in my previous post. Third, the Annual Picnic shall be at Lake Hope on August 1st at 1:00 p.m. Please try to join us for both of these events.

Fourth, election of board members is in October and November. If you are interested in being on the ballot, please contact a board member with your interest. There are 6 positions to fill.

Finally, the board has taken up a review of the by-laws and the primary changes will be to clarify certain provisions and to bring other provisions into at least the early 21st century.

De Colores,

Jeff Bender, Chair

Greetings Men's Walk #58, 4th Day Pilgrims!

Christopher Stone, LD Men's Walk #58

I just wanted to send you all a friendly reminder that we will be having an Emmaus Education Day this Saturday on May 16th. This will be held at the Sixth Avenue United Methodist Church which is located at 1004 West Sixth Avenue in Lancaster, Ohio 43130. You will want to park in one of the parking lots on the south or west side of the building. You will also want to enter at the most southern entrance to the church. The glass doors at the southern entrance lead straight down into the basement where the training will be held. You will know that you have the correct entrance when you see the chair lift at the top of the stairs through the glass doors.

The training will start right at 9:00 am and will end somewhere between 12:00 and 12:30 pm. You will learn about many of the different positions on the Emmaus Board of Directors; how the Walks are put together; how you can serve on a Walk or in the Emmaus Community. Most importantly, a sponsorship training class will be given. Bill Butterworth, Table Leader for the Table of Daniel, is the Sponsorship Chairman for the Southern Ohio Emmaus Board of



Directors. Bill will do an awesome job in teaching you all of the ins and outs of what it means to be a good sponsor.

Attending a sponsorship training class is a requirement for anyone that sponsors a pilgrim on an Emmaus Walk. For those that would like to sponsor someone but will not be able to attend this training class, you **MUST** have a co-sponsor who has gone through the training class. They will be your guide until you can go through a sponsorship training class yourself. Our next Emmaus Education Day and sponsorship training class will not be until the Fall sometime following the next Men's Walk.

This will be a great opportunity for you to learn and also for you to reconnect with the other pilgrims that were on your Walk.

I love you all and hope to see all of you there.

De Colores,
Christopher Stone
SOE Men's Walk #58 Lay Director
SOE Men's Walk #44 Table of James

The Stones ---- Romans 10:13 ... "for whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Satellite Gatherings

Lancaster Area

The Lancaster area holds their monthly gatherings on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. They meet at the Sixth Avenue United Methodist Church at 1004 West Sixth Avenue, Lancaster, Oh. For more details or information please contact Donna Dickson at 740-687-1791 or ddickson9@columbus.rr.com.

Rio Grande Area

The Rio Grande satellite gatherings have moved to Grace United Methodist Church in Gallipolis at 6:30 on the fourth Thursday of the month. For more details and information please contact Rick Howell via phone 740-446-4624.



2015 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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