

# The Rainbow Connection

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## Happy Thanksgiving and Welcome to the Men of Walk #55

by Georgeanne Thomas, Board Chair

### New Community Members:

**Bill B., Ridge J., Isaac T., Adam D., Charlie S., Michael C., Kreg H., Thomas H., Doug J., Timothy C., Bryan P., Steve H., Christopher C., Mark L., Leon H., Carl A., Wayne B., Peter B.**

*"Count your blessings, name them one by one, count your many blessings, see what God hath done."* This refrain keeps running through my mind. Maybe it's because it's the season to thankful...to be counting our blessings!

We are all so greatly blessed that sometimes we forget how and why we are so blessed. Families will be gathering around a Thanksgiving table and some will say why they are thankful. Some will be thankful for good health, a home, a job, family and friends. Others will just be thankful they didn't have to cook or clean the house to prepare for this feast. Some will shop on Thanksgiving and others will hit the stores early Thanksgiving morning to begin bargain shopping for Christmas presents.

In Mark 5:19, Jesus did not let him (the man freed of demons), go with him but said, *"Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how He has had mercy on you."*

Take this time to share what Jesus has done for you with your family and friends. And speaking of sharing....The next Emmaus Gathering will be held December 8th at 3pm at the New Lexington United Methodist church. I hear Santa may be there with treats for the kids. This is a time to bring your families and share in the singing, witnessing, praying, Holy Communion and of course....when Emmaus meets, Emmaus eats.

I hope to see you there. This Gathering will be a little sad for me because it will be my last time to lead. My term as Board Chair will be ending December 31. It has been a joy to have served you during my three years on the Board but also as Board Chair. As you know, we had a recent election for 6 new Board members for terms beginning 2014 and ending 2016. I am very pleased to present the names of these new members of the Board of Southern Ohio Emmaus.

### Upcoming Schedule of Events

#### **December**

8<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m.  
Emmaus & Chrysalis Board Meetings  
3:00 p.m.  
Christmas Party  
First UMC, New Lexington

#### **Girl's Chrysalis Flight**

January 18-19-20  
Martin Luther King Weekend

#### **Boy's Chrysalis Flight**

February 15-16-17  
President's Day Weekend

#### Satellite Gatherings:

Lancaster-2nd Tuesday of each month,  
7:15pm, 1004 Sixth Ave, Sixth Ave.  
United Methodist Church

Logan-2nd Monday of each month,  
7:00pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 430  
North Mulberry St.

Rio Grande-4th Tuesday of each  
month, 6:30pm, Simpson UMC, Lake  
Drive, Rio Grande

Sponsorship Forms, Previous  
Newsletters and Additional  
Information Available @:

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

**Debbie Brookins   Jeff Cupp   Alice Money Penny   Heather Pullins   Rita Rinehart   Steve Rinehart**

Please keep the Board members as well as Linda Lohse Smith and Joe Clark (the Lay Directors for the Spring Walks) in your prayers and for all those serving on these Walks. Take time to count your blessings.



## Sponsor a Youth for Chrysalis

Please consider sponsoring a youth for Chrysalis. Is there a youth in your life that could benefit from the experience. Candidates are needed for these flights to take place, so please be in prayer regarding those you are planning to sponsor.

Make no mistake - Sponsorship is the most important job in the Chrysalis Movement. It is a job shared by the adults who have been through Emmaus and the youth who have been through Chrysalis and Journeys. The quality of sponsorship impacts the new participants, the health and effectiveness of the Chrysalis Movement, and the churches being affected by Chrysalis. The aim of sponsorship is the same as the aim of Chrysalis: the spiritual growth of young Christians as disciples of Jesus Christ through churches and their youth groups.

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As part of being servants on the weekends we are to be recruiters to further build and strengthen the family of God. Don't think someone else will take care of being a sponsor, get out there and do it. God wants us all to be sharing and spreading the love He has for us. All applications for the next flight should be received a minimum of 2 weeks prior to that scheduled flight.

## If you've attended a Flight/Walk, you may volunteer for Chrysalis!

There are many ways for you to serve God through the Southern Ohio Chrysalis ROCS Community. Our needs are greatest surrounding the Flights but there are ways to serve all year round. Chrysalis Flights need volunteers for kitchen, logistics, agape, prayer vigil, and live-in team. We encourage each community member to find at least one way to share God's agape love during each weekend. Contact our Chrysalis Board: Chair-Cheri Bauman- 380-3040 or cheri.bauman@gmail.com; Vice Chair-Deb Widdowson - 342-1377 or drdsw@yahoo.com for our current specific needs. And thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus to our caterpillars!

## Satellite Gatherings

### Rio Grande Area

We have a new Satellite gathering for community members in the Rio Grande area.

This Satellite Gatherings will be the held the 4th TUESDAY of each month at 6:30 PM at Simpson United Methodist on Lake Dr in Rio Grande. For details, contact Roberta 'Robie' Wilson via phone 740-441-7494 or email: robertawilson@sbcglobal.net

### Lancaster Area

The Lancaster area holds a monthly gathering at Sixth Avenue United Methodist Church, 1004 West Sixth Avenue, Lancaster, OH. We will be meeting again in September and every month after that at 7:15pm, the second Tuesday of the month. For more details please contact Donna Dickson, 740-687-1791 or ddickson9@columbus.rr.com.

### Logan Area

The Logan gathering is on the 2nd Monday of most months at 7:00pm. Trinity Lutheran Church at 430 N. Mulberry Street in Logan, Ohio



### 2013 Southern Ohio Emmaus Board of Directors

After 3 years on the Emmaus Community Board of Directors I would like to sincerely thank the community for allowing me the honor of representing you. It has been a wonderful and rewarding experience to serve. ☺-Andy

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