

March 2021

East Ohio Emmanuel

Emmaus, Inc.

Hello EOEE 4th Day community,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May you each be blessed beyond measure and enjoy a feeling of peace and contentment as you dwell in the presence of our God!

In my quiet time with the Lord, I have spent time thinking about all that has occurred in the past year or so since the pandemic reared its ugly head. I have personally experienced a range of emotions such as sadness, despair, frustration, anger, and many others. I have also had situations that have brought me great joy, peace and happiness too. This morning, as I sat quietly and listened for the Lord, He spoke the word contentment into my mind I meditated on that word for a bit and just remained quiet and still before turning to Philippians 4:12-13 and reading this passage: "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through Him who gives me strength."

I pray that as we each continue to struggle through these challenging times of coexistence with this thing called Covid-19, that we may each put our trust in the Lord. As we do so, I pray that each of you might feel a sense of contentment fall upon you as you turn your own personal battle over to Him who gives you strength! Trusting our Lord is an "every day thing" and can even be an "every-minute" or "every-second" thing depending upon the particular challenge that you face. A special feeling of connection with our creator can happen when we put our trust in Him who gives us strength, may you each experience this connection with Christ!

I would ask that each of you pass the information below along to Emmaus 4th Day who are in your circle. It doesn't matter whether they are close friends, church family or casual acquaintances that you don't know well. All are welcome. I would challenge each of you to attend yourself this month and also to invite a few others to join you at the Zoom Gathering!

May God richly bless each of you and may you find peace and contentment in His presence.

God's Love, Chris Ickes, EOEE Community Lay Director We had our 2nd Virtual Gathering in February and want to invite each of you to attend the next Zoom Gathering on March 20th, from 6PM to 8 PM—please save the date and make it a priority to connect with your 4th Day Community. Below is the connection information:

Meeting ID: 966 347 2922

Passcode: 28RADh (passcode is case sensitive)

Due to the current situation with Covid, and the difficulties that the Men's and Women's Teams would face with meeting to prepare for the June Walks, we have made the difficult decision to delay the Walks until the Fall and will plan to move forward with team formation to allow us to hold Walks in October. The Men's Walk will be October 14-17 and the Women's Walk will take place October 21-24. Charlie Brechmacher and Phyllis Nicholson will begin the work to reform teams with plans for team meetings to commence toward the end of the summer. We feel much more confident that with the vaccine being more widely distributed by that time, we will be in a much better position to hold safe team meetings as well as safe Walks. As we get closer to the time when teams will meet as well as the weekends, we will assess the Covid environment and will adjust and adapt if necessary, to keep the Pilgrims, 4th Day, Teams and Wanake Staff safe and healthy.

Upcoming EOEE Walks

Men's Walk #98October 14-17, 2021Women's Walk #98October 21-24, 2021Men's Walk #99Mar. 31-Apr. 3, 2022Women's Walk #99April 7-10, 2022Men's Walk #100October 13-16, 2022Women's Walk #100October 20-23, 2022

Charlie Brechmacher Phyllis Nicholson Jim Grafe Michele Atkinson Perry Atkinson Barb Shilling

Sponsoring

Please begin in earnest to pray for pilgrim sponsorship for the upcoming EOEE Walks. Remember that 2 forms are required to be completed in their entirety and that a Pastor's signature must be on the pilgrim form for acceptance along with a deposit toward the **§150** fee. These forms can be printed from our web site: <u>www.eoee.org</u>. Also pray for these pilgrims in their walk of faith realizing that the purpose of the Walk to Emmaus is to build leaders in their local church. Pray for sponsors as they are making a commitment to attend sponsor's hour, candlelight, closing and also gather agape for their pilgrim. Please note that completed applications need to be submitted in a timely fashion to:

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus Lisa Limbaugh

8370 Middle Run RD NE Dover, OH 44622 330-260-5443

Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain must now be submitted to eoeecontact@gmail.com

Community,

A vital part of all our Walks and Gatherings is music. We need musicians to serve on Walks; to play and sing at Gatherings and to play and sing at Candlelight. However, if the community doesn't know you play and/or sing, you can't be asked to serve in that way! If you play guitar or keyboard or you can sing, or both, please let us know! Contact <u>eoeecontact@gmail.com</u>

Church leaders or administration

Do you have 4th Day in your church that do not have email? That means they do not get the newsletter. Please consider printing a few copies of the newsletter for your 4th Day church members so they can stay up to date on EOEE news.

Thank you!

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