

February 2021

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus, Inc.

Greetings EOEE 4th Day community,

I pray this note finds you all healthy and doing well in the midst of winter. While I recognize that some folks just love snow and winter weather, I find that with each passing year, I don't count myself among those who reside in the winter-loving camp! That said, there are still mornings when I marvel at the crispness of the air and the beauty of God's creation as he blankets the pine trees and yard in a brilliant coating of newly fallen snow. Then I snap back to reality as I fire up the snow thrower and clear the drive and sidewalk while putting a fresh coat of that snow on my face and head—and I am back to reality! May you find joy in whatever camp you find yourself in, and may you see the absolute beauty of every aspect of God's creation as you go about your day.

We had a Zoom Gathering in January that was very well received. A number of folks shared very positive feedback on the experience. We will have another Virtual Gathering in February—on Saturday, February 20th from 6 PM to 8 PM. The sign-on information is:

Meeting ID: 966 347 2922

Passcode: 28RADh (passcode is case sensitive)

Let me tell you what an absolute joy it has been to pray for our community. I found myself drawn to Colossians 2:2-3 this week in my quite time, which states, "My goal is that they (you) may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they (you) may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they (you) may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." While I have taken a little liberty to personalize this scripture passage to my prayer for each of you, I know for certain that we serve an amazing God who will provide more than we can possibly fathom, if we simply ask in faith! May we each find ourselves with an abundance of faith as we spend time with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

God's Love, Chris Ickes, EOEE Community Lay Director 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 #98 October 14-17, 2021 Charlie Brechmacher Women's Walk #98 October 21-24, 2021 Phyllis Nicholson Men's Walk #99 Spring, 2022 Jim Grafe Women's Walk #99 Spring, 2022 Michele Atkinson Men's Walk #100 Fall, 2022 Perry Atkinson Women's Walk #100 Fall, 2022 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: www.eoee.org. 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 eoeecontact@gmail.com

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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