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# November 2021 Newsletter

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

Gathering - November 20th 6 PM to 9 PM at Faith UMC 300 9th St NW, Canton Oh 44720

We are returning to our regular Gathering place and regular snack time afterwards. Please bring something to share. Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Walk to the Manger

Saturday, December 4th, 4 to 6 PM Community Bible Fellowship 3671 Tallmadge Rd, Rootstown, OH

Bring a side dish to share. The church is providing Sloppy Joes and drinks.



Greetings from the Board in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I pray that you are all doing well and are enjoying the amazing change of seasons that we are in the midst of right now. The Fall colors remind me of a Walk that I served on back in 2004. On that Emmaus weekend, God chose to use the lake at Camp Wanake, along with an amazing back-drop of painted trees reflecting off the water, to stir the heart of one particular Pilgrim. In the solitude of that moment, he surrendered his will and turned his heart back to Christ. To this day, it's a strong reminder to me that Christ can use any moment

to reach a heart for His Kingdom. It's proved to be a powerful example of how His Spirit and Grace can show up through something as simple as some beautifully colored trees, lest I begin to think too highly of myself and begin to allow my pride to overshadow the amazing work that His Spirit can accomplish to reach a heart for His kingdom – without me being in the middle of it! It was an absolute blessing to be at camp for the walks a few weeks ago and to see so many of you on that Holy Ground. Those who were fortunate enough to come, saw a few differences... but it was evident as we joined hands and sang Our God Reigns at the closing of each walk that our Emmaus Community needed these walks. What an amazing blessing it was to serve the Pilgrims of Walk 98 for His Kingdom! We were missing some important fellowship these past two years, and it was nice to be back together again! I hope to see you all at the Gathering on November 20<sup>th</sup>, it will be a blessed time of welcoming our new 4<sup>th</sup> Day into our Emmaus Family!

Chrís Ickes EOEE Community Lay Director

## Men's Walk #98 October 14-17, 2021

God showed up for the Men's Walk 98, giving a blessing to our new 4<sup>th</sup> day community members. So many God moments were witnessed by the team and pilgrims as we didn't anticipate and just let the weekend unfold. The testimonies during the Closing, were an encouragement to the 4<sup>th</sup> day community that were there, as the men shared the joys of the weekend, and their plans to step out on fire into their 4<sup>th</sup> day. The waiting through the covid postponement may have been a struggle for the community, but from our perspective it was worth the wait. God used the verse for the weekend to speak to many of the pilgrims, as they realized that God was working in them, giving them the desire to obey Him and the power to do what pleases Him. We look forward to seeing how God will use the men of Team 98, both team and pilgrims, as they move forward into God's plans for them.

> De Colores, Charlie Brechmacher, Lay Leader Walk #98 Perry Atkinson, Lay Leader Walk #100

## Women's Walk #98 October 21-24, 2021

The Women's Walk #98 has been completed. It was a long time coming, but God did not disappoint. It was so worth the wait. We were all Blessed beyond measure. We laughed, we cried, we sang, worshipped together, and we Loved. There were God Moments and I'd like to do it all over again. It was a once in a lifetime experience and it was that way because God was the center of it all. All praises and Glory to God the Father for his Love and Grace.

> Praising Him, Phyllis Nicholson and Barb Shilling

# Chrysalis

Boys Chrysalis flight is January 12 to 17, 2022 Girls Chrysalis Flight is February 19 to 21, 2022

Chrysalis is a three-day weekend, similar to Emmaus weekends. They are for teens aged 15 to 18, Sophomore to Senior in High School.

Please visit <u>http://www.neochrysalis.com/</u> for questions and to sign up a teen.

# **Upcoming EOEE Walks**

Men's Walk #99 Mar. 31-Apr. 3, 2022 Jim Grafe Women's Walk #99 April 7-10, 2022 Michele Atkinson Men's Walk #100 October 13-16, 2022 Perry Atkinson Women's Walk #100 October 20-23, 2022 Barb Shilling Men's Walk #101 Spring 2023, Mark Boslett Women's Walk #101 Spring 2023, JoAnn Fearon

# **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 Beth Milliken 4340 Deer Run Dr Medina, OH 44356 330-636-0189

**Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain** can be submitted to <u>eoeecontact@gmail.com</u> or there is a link on the eoee.org website.

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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> Day church members so they can stay up to date on EOEE news.

Thank you!

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