



# SEPTEMBER 2025 Newsletter

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

## **September Gathering**

September 20, 2025

6pm to 9pm

Uniontown United Methodist Church

13370 Cleveland Avenue NW

Uniontown, OH 44685

Please bring a snack or dessert to share (Refreshments starting at 6). See you there!  
Watch Facebook/Email for any changes and/or cancellations.

## **Upcoming Walks**

Men's Walk #106 – Chris Vaughn – October 16-19, 2025

Women's Walk #106 – Becky McCullough – October 23-26, 2025

Men's Walk #107 – John Shilling – April 9-12, 2026

Women's Walk #107 – Diane Boslett – April 16-19, 2026

Men's Walk #108 – Tom Huggins – October 15-18, 2026

Women's Walk #108 – Stacy Ickes – October 22-25, 2026

Men's Walk #109 - TBD - Spring 2027

Women's Walk #109 - TBD - Spring 2027

## COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Greetings, EOEE 4<sup>th</sup> Day.

Much is happening in the Community as we move from summer to fall. **So, you might be asking, “What can I do to help as a Community Member”.**

1. The Member at large and Nominating Committee are looking for Board members to serve in 2026. **There is a section in this newsletter that will let you know the positions that are available for 2026, please prayerfully consider joining the Board and let Laurie Maltempi know of your interest.**
2. Teams for Walk 106 have begun their meetings to prepare for the pilgrims that will be welcomed at Camp Wanake in October. **Be praying for Walks 106, signing up for the prayer vigil, preparing agape for the team and pilgrims (table, general, food and personal), plan to attend Candlelight and Closing.**
3. The Pre-Walk Committee are processing the applications from sponsors and pilgrims. **Currently we have 23 women and 2 men signed up for Walk 106. We need the whole Community to find the men who God wants to be part of Walk 106 and get their applications in as soon as possible, the deadline is October 2<sup>nd</sup>.**
4. The Community Trainer will be providing a Sponsor Training an hour before the September Gathering. **This training is very informative, and I would encourage you to attend this training in preparation to sponsor a pilgrim for Walk 106.**
5. The Communications Committee continue to keep us informed, with the Newsletter and a much-improved website, along with working to find information on the Reunion Groups functioning in the Community. **I would ask you to go check our website at [www.EOEE.org](http://www.EOEE.org) – to see what is available. I would direct you specifically to look in the “MORE” section and choose the “What is Emmaus?” from the pull down. This page is filled with all kinds of information including a link to a video which you can watch and share with potential pilgrims if you need help and information as a Sponsor.**
6. The Walk Committee, Tech Committee, Procurement and Agape are in the midst of assuring that all that is needed by the teams for the Walks in October will be ready at the right times. **Ask the Walk Committee, Tech Committee, Andrea DeGraw and Kathy Ledsome how you can get involved as a volunteer in preparation for and on the Walk Weekends.**
7. The Post-Walk Committee put on a great picnic and praise gathering in August and has plans for the September Gathering to emphasize Reunion Groups. **Talk to Laura Geiser and Kathy Grafe about your Reunion Group so that they can provide your information to the rest of the Community at the September Gathering and on the website.**
8. The Board has been working on revising the Bylaws and documenting Policies and Procedures because we realized that many of them had mainly been handed down through oral tradition. **Come to the September Gathering as there will be a time when we will be as a Community ratifying the revised Bylaws.**

Charlie Brechmacher

Community Lay Director



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## PILGRIM SPONSORSHIP

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Think and pray about sponsorship for the Fall Walks.



The next sponsorship training will be held on **September 20, 2025 at 5:00** (one hour before the Gathering).

Good sponsorship uses discernment in inviting or recruiting participants.

Good sponsors do not set out simply to recruit anyone with a willingness to attend.

Good sponsorship is the first act of agape before the Emmaus event ever begins.

The team is willing to travel to your church or location to bring the training to you. Please reach out with any questions, to Doug and Lisa at [l.herr@zoominternet.net](mailto:l.herr@zoominternet.net)

You will learn:

Whom do we sponsor?

What are some examples of questionable sponsorship?

How do we sponsor?

Who can sponsor?

After this training, you can immediately begin to Pray-Pray-Pray --- and then begin the process of sponsoring a pilgrim for our next walk.

Applications can be turned in even before the Walk 106 team meetings begin.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Stay Connected

- **Are you on Facebook?** We'd love for you to join our [Facebook group](#) (or search EOEE) and stay connected! Please make sure to answer the prompt questions when joining!
- **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 Deb Rupert at 330-685-2419.
- **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.

### Sponsoring a Pilgrim

Please begin in earnest to pray for pilgrim sponsorship.

- Remember that 2 forms must be completed in their entirety, and that a Pastor's signature must be on the pilgrim form along with a deposit toward the **\$215** fee.
- These forms can be printed from our web site [eoee.org](http://eoee.org)
  - [Sponsorship Packet](#)
- Applications/Sponsor Forms & Payment in Full, must be received 2 weeks prior to the walk start date
- 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 gather agape for their pilgrim.
- Please note that completed applications need to be submitted in a timely fashion to:

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus  
Debbie Breyley  
890 Kirkwall Drive  
Copley, OH 44321  
Email to: [dabreyley@aol.com](mailto:dabreyley@aol.com)

### Sponsorship for a Chrysalis Flight

- [Neochrysalis.com](http://Neochrysalis.com) for more details
- Applications/Sponsor Forms must be received 2 weeks prior to the walk start date
- Download the [application](#)

## Groups Change Lives

4<sup>th</sup> Day life includes being part of an accountability (or reunion) group, a small group of Christians (ideally 2-6) who meet regularly to help each other live and grow in a life of grace. There are many ways to meet! Ask your sponsor or a 4<sup>th</sup> Day friend or any board member for information on how to get connected. Share the journey!

## Prayer Chain

Do you have a prayer request? Please email any requests to [eoeecontact@gmail.com](mailto:eoeecontact@gmail.com). Please feel free to also add to the EOEE Facebook page.

## Manuals

[Emmaus-team-manual](#)

## AMAZON WISHLIST

If you feel led to help out with our needs for the Walks, here is the link to the [Amazon Wishlist](#). All items should be mailed to 722 Ironwood Street SW, Canton, OH 44706 or they can be brought to the gatherings.

*Blessings,*

*I can do all things through Christ who Strengthens me. Phil. 4:13*

## Open Board Positions Beginning January 1, 2026

**Secretary**  
**Post Walk**  
**Walk**  
**Communications**  
**Tech**

If you have ever thought of serving on the EOEE Board, please reach out to Laurie Maltempi at 330-807-0103 or [lauriemaltempi@gmail.com](mailto:lauriemaltempi@gmail.com) she would love to give you more information on the open positions.

## September Gathering

Please plan to attend our September gathering to accept the 2025 Bylaws through the ratification process.

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## LAY LEADER NEWS

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Hello 4<sup>th</sup> day,

We have started team meetings for men's walk #106. With just a couple of meetings under our belt, it's amazing to see God's hand at work already. We ask for your prayers as we continue to meld as a team. If you know of someone considering the walk, I encourage you to talk to them. We need more pilgrims for sure! We are no different than any other team as the evil one has already taken aim at team members.

Your brothers in Christ,

Chris Vaughn - Lay Leader

Tom Huggins - Asst Lay Leader

Romans 8:28

Hello 4th day.

We're excited to share we've begun Team meetings this past Saturday for Women's Walk #106. God's spirit is already moving throughout the team as was evident in how team prayer partners were put together. We're also excited to share we already have 23 Pilgrims signed up for the walk. YAY God!!

We ask for prayers for health and safety for team members as there has been some sickness and attacks from Satan. Also please be in prayer for the pilgrims as they prepare for the walk. We can't wait to see how God is going to continue moving throughout team formation.

Blessings to you all!

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Becky McCullough – Lay Leader

Stacy Ickes – Asst. Lay Leader

Walk #106



# East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

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107	Men's	April 9-12, 2026	John Shilling	<a href="mailto:jbshilling@neo.rr.com">jbshilling@neo.rr.com</a>	330-466-1103
	Women's	April 16-19, 2026	Diane Boslett	<a href="mailto:dianeboslett@gmail.com">dianeboslett@gmail.com</a>	330-635-8477
108	Men's	October 15-18, 2026	Tom Huggins	<a href="mailto:tdhuggins@frontier.com">tdhuggins@frontier.com</a>	330-312-3505
	Women's	October 22-25, 2026	Stacy Ickes	<a href="mailto:csickes18@gmail.com">csickes18@gmail.com</a>	330-704-8662
109	Men's	Spring 2027	TBD		
	Women's	Spring 2027	TBD		

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