



Prayer to the Holy Spirit
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.
O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
Grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen

Co- Spiritual Director

Dear Friends ~

Last year I came across a powerful story found in James Hamilton's book "Directions." He reminds us that before people had refrigeration, they preserved food in icehouses. One day a man who worked in an icehouse lost a precious pocket watch but could never find it. A young lad heard about the lost watch and when no one was looking he entered the icehouse, laid down on the floor, and just listened. After a few moments he began to hear the watch ticking. All this reminds us of the importance and opportunities found in just being still and listening. In the midst of the many demands in our days it helps to just be still in order to hear God's heartbeat. We easily lose things, relationships seem to disappear, and we all lose our way at times.

The next time you lose something, someone or a sense of direction, try laying down on the floor to just listen for God's heartbeat to help guide you in finding lost things, relationships, and most of His direction in your life.

"Seek and ye shall find" does not always happen by sight but often by just listening.

DeColores

Rev. Kym T. James (Co-SD)

March 2020 Community Lay Director Newsletter Input

Advance Notice: Easter falls on the 2nd Sunday in April, so the Gathering will be 19 April. Mother's Day falls on the 2nd Sunday in May, so the Gathering will be 17 May.

The call for nominations for new Board members to replace those completing their 3-year term in June is continuing. Positions opening are: Agape, Finance/Treasurer, Logistics, Music, Newsletter, Registrar, and Community Lay Director. Also, the non-voting position of Database Coordinator has become available. If anyone is interested in serving on the Board or supporting a Board Committee, please contact any Board member for information.

Sign up, Show up, Follow up! - Signups for the April Walk (72 hour Prayer Vigil, Logistics (Luggage Handlers, Bed Setup and Takedown, Bathroom Cleaners), and Kitchen Helpers are needed and can be found on the Signup Table in the Commons Room during Fellowship time and/or the back of the Sanctuary during the Gathering.

Please check out the Emmaus Bulletin Board in the Hallway on the way to the Commons Room where Emmaus information will be posted for all to read as well as our website (spflemmaus.com).

Inclement weather information - we have had a mild winter so far, but if the weather turns bad, use your best judgment on coming to the Gathering. Your safety is important! If High Street UMC is closed, chances are the parking lot will not be plowed, not worth the risk of skidding or falling. Better safe than sorry!

Remember that March 8th (our March Gathering date) is also the start of Daylight Savings Time! "Spring ahead" those clocks so you are not late for Church!

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Upcoming scheduled 4th Day Speakers are:

Mar- Verna Reed;

Apr- Dana Johnson;

May- WW75 Pilgrims;

Jun- Betty Reed

Jul- Janine Sheaffer.

GOD'S GRACE ENABLES ME

BY JANET HILLIAT

I KNOW IT'S THE SPIRIT
WHO'S AT WORK WITHIN ME
'CAUSE I CAN'T DO THESE THINGS
BY MYSELF
I HAVE TRIED AND I'VE TRIED
BUT IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME
ON MY OWN
EVERYTHING IS A MESS
I GIVE PRAISE TO MY LORD
I GIVE PRAISE TO MY KING
I GIVE GLORY AND HONOR
TO GOD
FOR IT'S HIM AND NOT ME
THIS I CLEARLY DO SEE
IT'S HIS GRACE
THAT ENABLES ME

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What is the purpose of a share/reunion group?

Participants of the Walk to Emmaus Weekend often form friendships that promote faith and support ongoing spiritual growth. After each walk, the pilgrims are encouraged to join a follow-up group – often called a share, reunion, or accountability group. Group members provide gentle accountability and encouragement and support one another's commitment to prayer, growing through study, and being the hands and feet of Christ.

Members pray, share closest to Christ moments, perhaps how discipleship was denied, and ongoing plans to live in their lives of Grace. It can be a heartwarming remembrance of their original walk.

As Good Shepherd, I am happy to say two share groups have recently formed. I would love to hear how your Fourth Days are going and if you are in a small group with perhaps room for another participant.

May God bless you through your fourth days, as you continue to study His word and reach out to others.

Hope to see you at the next Gathering!

DeColores!

Melody Leonard

SAEW#19

Table of Sarah (clap!)

Fourth Day Co-Ordinator

Springfield Area Emmaus Database Manager

The Springfield Area Emmaus database is a Microsoft Access file containing over 4000 names of Emmaus ministries community members. The database is used to support team selection and also serves as a directory. The database manager is a non-voting board role that supports the Leadership Board member. If you are interested in serving the Springfield Emmaus community in the role of Database Manager, please contact Alison Nosker (937) 673-4587, or Sue Neves (937) 241-1020.

REMEMBER

WW#75, April 23-26, Be in prayer for Pilgrims, sponsors, workers, team.....

March Gathering 3/8/2020

Sponsor training 5:30 p.m.

Social time: 6:30 p.m.

Gathering 7:00 p.m.

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SPRINGFIELD AREA WALK TO EMMAUS (Please PRINT and fill in ALL blanks)

Name _____ Age _____ Sex M _____ F _____

(as preferred on name tag)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ - _____

Phone _____

Church now attending:

_____ Pastor: _____

Church Address _____ City _____ State

_____ Zip _____

Married _____ Single _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____ Separated _____

Spouse's name _____ Walk spouse attended

_____ Sponsor's name _____

Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Walk attended _____

Dietary concerns _____ Medical concerns _____ Disability concerns _____

Occupation: _____ Company Name: _____

_____ Name of a close friend: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State _____

Zip: _____

Briefly state why you want to attend a Walk to Emmaus and what you expect.

Would you be able to attend on short notice? Yes _____ No _____ Perhaps _____

I understand that this application does not reserve a position on a particular Walk but does place me on a list for future Walks to Emmaus in Springfield.

Signature _____ Date _____

Enclose a **NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERRABLE** deposit of \$25.00, which applies to your \$75.00 donation to offset expenses. Make checks payable to Springfield Area Emmaus. Remit to: Registrar, Springfield Area Emmaus, High Street United Methodist Church, 230 E. High St., Springfield, OH 45505.

REGISTRATION ONLY Date received _____ Card sent to: Sponsor _____

Pilgrim _____ Deposit rec'd _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Rec'd from

_____ 1st Invite _____ 2nd Invite _____ 3rd

Invite _____ Inactive _____

Springfield Area Emmaus Willing Servant Sheet

Please Print:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip: _____

Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: _____ Regularly Attend Share Group? Y / N

Church Attending: _____ Walk # _____ Walk Location _____

Email: _____

Information is current as of: (Date) _____

===== I Am Willing To Serve In These Areas:=====

Please Check All That Apply

Help serving meals Be a Meal Coordinator Help with Agape for weekend

Help Registrar (contact pilgrims before walk) Help Set up/Tear Down for weekend

Help with Sponsorship (help get info to Sponsors) Help get word out about Emmaus

Help on purchasing team for weekend Be on a Live-In Team Lead Music

Play an instrument: _____ Offer special music for Gatherings or walks

Help with the newsletter Help with social after Gatherings Help set up Worship

Provide secretarial help at Board Meetings Help inventory and organize supplies

Help with cleaning bathrooms during a walk Help get people connected to Share Groups

To learn more about Emmaus by attending the Leadership Development Event (LDE)

Help in other ways: _____

Please Mail to Springfield Area Emmaus, 230 East High St Springfield Ohio 45505

Or drop off at the back table at any Gathering. Thank you!