

SPRINGFIELD AREA EMMAUS NOVEMBER 2021

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.

FROM OUR CO-SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

"Don't let evil defeat you. But defeat evil with good." Romans 12:21

There is so much evil going on in the world today. It seems to be an overwhelming darkness that casts a pall over everything. An important part of this growing shadow is the ever-present hand of Facebook. Purporting to enhance and enable personal relationships, it has become a major medium of manipulation and deceit, spreading lies, fear and hatred as well as despair into every corner of the world. Now it is calling itself "META" as in metaverse, the intersection of the digital world and reality. I am not yet to the point of calling it THE BEAST but that day is getting closer all the time. "META" is leading all sorts of people to call evil good and good evil, spreading darkness everywhere it goes.

God is immensely saddened but not surprised by this and any other growth of evil. A world which would crucify His Son is capable of anything. He knows that unless people are redeemed through faith in that same Son, their potential for wrong has no limit.

In this darkened world, what can we do?

Instead of being disheartened God wants us to get up and get moving; to defeat evil with good, to be light in the growing darkness. When evil appears to be winning, we should strive all the more to be beacons of light bringing hope and direction to those who are lost. We should be more determined than ever to see to it that something happens that is good, that points to Christ.

The great advantage we have is that we do not do this work alone. GOD IS WITH US, EVEN GOING BEFORE US, LENDING VISION TO OUR EYES, DIRECTION TO OUR EFFORTS AND STRENGTH TO OUR HANDS.

Sometimes this will mean working directly against the evils that we see. Other times it may be doing whatever you can to promote biblical love and truth, to testify to the goodness of God in Christ alive and well in the world.

That is why this coming Emmaus weekend is so important. Fifteen women are looking for help and hope in the world. They are seeking light in the darkness. God has given us that light.

LET IT SHINE!

"Let your light shine before others so they may know our God of love's in the land! Let your light shine before others so they may know the Kingdom of God is at hand!"

Some of you reading this may be on the team of WW75 taking place November 4-7. Others will be serving in several different ways during the weekend. If you are not a part of the team or associated workers, plan to show up at candlelight and/or closing to bless God and the pilgrims (and us!) with your loving presence.

BRING THE TRUE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRIST INTO THE LIVES OF THESE 15 LADIES!

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

DISPEL THE DARKNESS!

Most of all, REJOICE IN CHRIST!

Your Co-Community Spiritual Director

Bill Kelley













FROM OUR COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Dear Emmaus Family~

We are having WW#75 on Nov. 4-7, 2021!

We have 21 team members and 15 pilgrims.

Satan has tried his best to stop this walk, but because of God's power, the perseverance of this team and commitment of our community, we are having our first walk in more than two years! PLEASE keep praying for all involved with this walk. You know that as we get closer to the event, the devil will try everything he can to stop it.

If you can help, the signup sheets are posted on our Facebook page, "Springfield Area Emmaus". You can also call or text me to sign up since I have the sheets at my house.

Thursday night will be for Sponsors and their pilgrims only.

Candlelight on Saturday 11/6 will be at 8:00pm in the sanctuary for all the Emmaus community.

If you have not been vaccinated, please wear your mask.

We will have candles for you if you need one.

Thank you for ALL your prayers! God is still at work in the midst of Springfield Area Emmaus and WW#75!

We will have a Gathering on November 14th at 7:00pm with food at 6:30p. Our Fourth Day speaker will be Ryan Voorhees! Come hear what he has to say about his life with God.

DeColores Libby 937-238-9883

Final Team member List:

LD-Verna Reed MD-Diane Page MD-Melody Leonard LOG-Kim Stehle LOG-Astria Koivisto **ALD-Janet Schilliger ALD-Barb Cremeans** ALD-Sue Rodriguez TL-Cyndi Bishop TL-Kelly Funderburg TL-Julie Koivisto TL-Tammy Kushmaul TL-Linda Smith **ATL-Wendy Britton**

ATL-Jane Leonard

ATL-Bonnie Dover

ATL-Sylvia Norris

Final Pilgrim List: Kristian Wallace Cindy Gatten Mia L Davenport Lvnn Henry Joyce Maempel Pam Wilson Beth Reda Cynthia Burton Deborah Wix Victoria Toriello **Janice Cumming** Cvnthia Duncan **Maxine Jones** Donna Davis Christian Whitt

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR WW#75! Could you be the "Hands and Feet" at this Walk? Libby (937-238-9883) has the sign-up sheets. There are still open times.



1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.





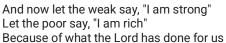












And now let the weak say, "I am strong" Let the poor say, "I am rich" Because of what the Lord has done for us

Give thanks We give thanks (give thanks)

Give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks because He's given

Give thanks to the Holy One

Jesus Christ, His Son

FROM OUR NURTURING COORDINATOR

Do you ever just want to see a smiling face? Do you ever just want somebody to listen? Do you ever just want a hug? Do you need a prayer partner for any reason, any time? All of this is possible with the love of a share group.

Share groups are formed in different ways. Some are in Zoom meeting format. Some groups meet at McDonalds. As for my share group, we meet at my house, with drinks (non-alcoholic, lol) and snacks. We are in great fellowship in my family room in front of a cozy fireplace! Sounds dreamy, doesn't it? Share groups can participate in any way they see fit.

If you have sponsored a pilgrim, invite them to join your share group. If there is no room, please introduce your pilgrim to Jim and\or Melody Leonard at 937-864-2079 or email them at Jimmel45323@msn.com to see if the are share groups looking for new members. My share group is currently holding two group meetings and we are looking for new members.

Our meetings happen on every other Tuesday afternoon at 2pm and every other Monday opposite from that at 6pm. You can to either meeting or both. It's up to you.

Calendar for 2021

Tuesday Nov 2 nd	2pm	Monday Nov 8 th		
Tuesday Nov 16 ^{thNo}	o meeting	Monday Nov 22 nd 6pm		
Tuesday Nov 23 rd	2pm	Tuesday Nov 30 th	2pm	
Monday Dec 6 th	6pm	Tuesday Dec 14 th	2pm	
Monday Dec 20th	6pm	Tuesday Dec 28th	2pm	

Come to the afternoon meeting or the evening meeting or both, whichever you choose. Please contact me if you think you might be interested in joining one of our meetings. I'm Sandy Johnson. My phone number is 937-831-6021 and me email is: sandy.johnson777@yahoo.com. I don't answer my phone if I don't know the number or its unidentified so please-leave-a-message-saying-you are from Emmaus! I will call you back as soon as possible.

DeColores, Sandy Johnson

Nurturing Coordinator

Dear Sisters of Walk #75,

As you enter your "fourth days", I encourage you to be a part of a reunion/ share group. It can be a time of study, action, fellowship, accountability, and fun. Your sponsor may help you. I, too, am available to help.

Melody Leonard, SAEWW #19, Table of Sarah, (clap!) Fourth Day Coordinator,

937-864-2079, jimmel45323@msn.com

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Attached to this newsletter are a Willing Worker sheet, and an Emmaus Walk application. Please feel free to copy and use as many as you need!!

As we journeyed along the Emmaus Road

A stranger showed up to lighten our load

Did YOU meet Him as You walked along?

Were your eyes opened through scripture and song?

Did you know Him as He explained,

Fulfilling prophecy, for it was for YOU He came.

For 3 days now, you have gazed at His face,

Amazing isn't it, this thing called Grace?

Did you know Him as the Talks filled your head?

Or did you recognize Him at the breaking of the bread?

Some might say, "but I've always known Him, there's nothing new".

With relationship strengthened, you enter your Fourth Day,

Can Christ count on you?

(Melody Leonard, author)

Springfield Area Emmau	S Willing Servant Sheet		
<u>Please Print:</u>			
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Church Attending:		Walk#	Walk Location
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Please Check All That Ap	ply		
Help serving meals	Be a Meal Coordinator	Help wit	h Agape for weekend
Help Registrar (conta	ct pilgrims before walk)	Help Set	up/Tear Down for weekend
Help with Sponsorshi	p (help get info to Spons	sors) Help	get word out about Emmaus
Help on purchasing to	eam for weekend Be	on a Live-In	Team Lead Music
Play an instrument:	0	ffer special r	nusic for Gatherings or walks
Help with the newsle	tter Help with social	after Gather	ings Help set up Worship
Provide secretarial he	elp at Board Meetings	Help inven	tory and organize supplies
Help with cleaning ba	throoms during a walk	Help get p	people connected to Share Groups
To learn more about	Emmaus by attending th	ne Leadershi	p Development Event (LDE)
Help in other ways:			
Please Mail to Springfiel		st High Stree	t, Springfield OH 45505, or drop

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

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Enclose a NON-R	EFUNDABLE, NON-TRA	NSFERRABLE d	eposit of \$25.00,	which app	lies to your
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Springfield, OH 4	5505.				
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