



SPRINGFIELD AREA EMMAUS

OCTOBER 2018

From the Group Reunion Card

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

1. Review your Group Reunion Card----- Prayer, Study, Action.
2. Closest to Christ—At what moment this past week did you feel closest to Christ?
3. Call to Discipleship--- At what moment during this week did you feel you were responding to God's call to be a disciple? Where did you participate this week in being the church, the heartbeat of Christ?
4. Discipleship denied--- When was your faith tested this week through failure?
5. Your Plan--- What is your plan for prayer, study, and action for the week to come?
6. Reunion Group Activities
7. Prayers for Special Needs---Pray for those who are absent.
8. Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, who lives and reigns forever, we give you thanks for all the gifts you have bestowed upon us
Amen

How is your share group going? Do you need to get in one? Call Phyllis Johnson, the Good Shepherd, who has all the info! H 937-325-2086; C937-346-5743



YOUR SPRINGFIELD EMMAUS BOARD AT WORK Gene Porter CDL

First, though, we need to recognize the work of our very fine editor for the Springfield Emmaus Newsletter. It is not her fault if, and when it is late. She has done her due diligence trying to get articles from each of the board on time (especially the CLD) and then has to put it all together in a lovely and comprehensive form, correct grammar and spelling (I just misspelled "grammar" but spellcheck caught it this time), get it printed and on line and complete the dissemination. She is the one who remembered to rinse the clothes before hanging them on the line. Why else have a wringer on the old wash machine that could swing around from tub to tub or basin to basin.

Now back to the headline of this article. Some of the board met on Saturday, September 22 to brain storm about the need for applications to take a Walk and the low attendance at the Gatherings. We discussed the purpose of the walk itself and the need and purpose of the gatherings.

Purposes of the Walk: To inspire, give information, help form habits for a closer walk with Jesus and to strengthen the body of Christ in the congregational setting. We believe the program of the weekend is well designed to accomplish all that. Of course, the result is up to each individual and the discipline they are willing to adopt. Even in Kairos where we have “captive” pilgrims who have little else to do, the average result in continued activity after the weekend for “prayer and share” and other times of getting together with the outside team is only about 50 per cent and sometimes less.

And so that feeds some statistical data relating to our own involvement in the gatherings. It doesn't excuse lack of involvement but does point out the need for individual perseverance and commitment.

Purposes of the Gathering:

- a) To keep the fire of desire burning.
- b) To inspire with testimonies (4th day talks)
- c) To enjoy inspirational music, both community and agape
- d) To pray for individual healing and other needs
- e) To be up to date on future walks, needs and other activities
- f) To sign up and be a part of the outside team
- g) To share in Holy Communion (maybe should be reason #1)
- h) To renew friendships and make new ones (Maybe should be #2)
- i) To fill the Lord's House with praise and thanksgiving

There have been times in the far past when a gathering lasted a little too long for some of us. But we are careful now to be very mindful of that. If there are any other items of concern or unmet needs, please let us know and we will do our best to address them. Your board is here to serve and to accomplish the purposes of your Emmaus Community.

We are prone to think that good attendance at the gatherings will help with applications and that the two are connected somewhat. We will discuss applications in the next issue. Enough storming of the brains for now. DECOLORES.



Speaking of The Gathering....

Sunday October 14th/ 2018 7p.m. High Street Methodist Church

Come and join with Emmaus brothers and sisters in worship and fellowship! Invite your friends, let them get a taste of Emmaus! Everyone is welcome!



Sponsorship

The next Women's walk is March 14 – 17, 2019 and the next Men's walk is June 2019. This means that now is the time to be in prayer seeking discernment for the person the Lord wants you to invite to be in deeper relationship with Him.

Our goal is not to "get all our friends to go" or fill up the walk roster, but it is to bring spiritual revitalization to Christians, so that they may build up the body of Christ.

"The Walk to Emmaus is for active Christians and church members whose personal renewal will bring fresh energy, commitment and vision to the church and everyday environments for Christ's sake." (*Emmaus Ministries Community Manual*)

Sunday October 14th, Sue Neves and I will be having a Sponsorship training session at 6:00 pm, one hour prior to the gathering.

Our focus is to provide sponsorship training to all new members of the Emmaus community and current sponsors of future walk attendees. Everyone is welcome to attend the training. We have our new manuals from the Upper Room and this would be a great opportunity for a refresher. I know I have benefitted each time I have served on a team and heard the talks again. It has given me a revitalization in my walk with Christ. The Sponsorship training could help you be the leader God has called you to be.

We hope to see you there. Should you not be able to attend, we ask that you please remember the

11 Steps of Sponsorship:

1. PRAY, PRAY, PRAY! (Who is God leading you to sponsor?)
2. Make an appointment (with both spouses)
 - a. Discuss basic elements of walk
 - i. 15 talks
 - ii. Special chapel services
 - iii. Good food
 - b. Equal commitment (both go on a walk)
 - i. Pray about it for 6 months
 - ii. OK for spouse to go
 - c. Details - No secrets
3. Extend an invitation – pray about it
4. Seek a commitment
5. Continue to pray, prepare agape, enlist pastoral support.
Agape should be letters only, no gifts, flowers, etc.
Those should be given afterward or on the way home
6. Support the walk – send off, sponsor's hour, candlelight, closing.
Help with things at home during the walk, if necessary.
7. Help pilgrim on their 4th day.
8. Help them to re-enter their church (Not too overzealous).

9. Help them to serve the community.
10. Help them to get into a share group.
11. Help them to sponsor others



KAIROS KORNER

Be sure to attend the Emmaus Gathering Sunday, November 11th at 7 p.m. to find out more about Kairos. That will be your time to hear about and get all your questions answered about Kairos. Note: this normally happens at the October gathering but has been delayed a month this year as we are serving the weekend of Gathering.

The time is near for several of the upcoming weekends, so please keep all of them in prayer as the teams go into a dark place to recapture lost souls. May God and the Holy Spirit be present.

Here is some of the info about the 11 **local** Ohio correctional facilities: (28 total in Ohio)

Madison, MaCI, London, Oct 11-14, # 9

Pickaway, PCI, Orient, Oct 11-14, # 12

Ohio Reformatory for (women), ORW, Marysville, October 25-28, # 49

Marion, MCI, Marion, Oct 25-28, # 44

London, LoCI, London, Nov 1-4, # 15

Warren, WCI, Lebanon, Nov 8-11, # 20

Circleville, CJCF, Circleville, (Torch), Fall 2018

Ross, RCI, Chillicothe, Feb 2019

Franklin Medical Center (women), FMC, Columbus, June 2019, # 5

Please continue to keep these weekends, the teams, and the residents in your prayers. Your support of each is greatly appreciated.

Please contact Steve if you are looking for someone to come speak about Kairos at your local church or organization. We also have Kairos brochures and DVD's available. The DVD's have various lengths of video information about Kairos that might fit your needs.

Much information can be found at 2 web sites for Kairos International, www.kairosprisonministry.org and www.mykairos.org and information about Ohio Kairos at www.kairosOhio.org Specific questions as to how to get started locally in Kairos may be directed to Steve Craig sscraig@qn.net cell 740-506-1002, who serves at Madison Correctional.

A full volunteer application may be found at <http://kairosOhio.org/full-volunteer-application/>

Thanks in advance, for any support you can give, Steve.

NOTE: Remember the times you signed up to pray for the Kairos team this weekend, starting Thursday evening! You didn't get to sign up at the September Gathering? You can just pray all weekend.... ;^)



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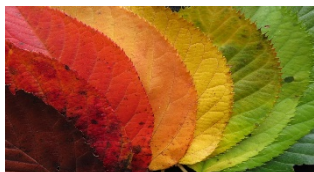
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***Happy Fall, Ya'll!
DeColores!***

Note On Prayer

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since *the power of prayer is in the one who hears it* and not in the one who says it, *our prayers do make a difference.*" - Max Lucado

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - **Philippians 4:6-7**

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.
Romans 12:12

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2

**Thank you for praying for
Springfield Area Emmaus,
Kairos, and Chrysalis**

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 Street, Springfield OH 45505, or drop off at the back table at any Gathering.

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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 _____

Phone _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____ - _____

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 _____