



APRIL 2024 Newsletter

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

April 2024- No Gathering

Join the EOEE at Camp Wanake for

Candlelight: April 13 and 20
Service begins at 9:00 pm

Closing: April 14 and 21
Service begins at 4:30 pm

Upcoming Walks

Men's Walk #103 (Ken Shillingburg) April 11-14 2024
 Women's Walk #103 (Susie Partridge) April 18-21, 2024
 Men's Walk #104 (Craig Welsh) October 17-20 2024
 Women's Walk #104 (Clarissa Lawrence) October 24-27 2024
 Men's Walk #105 (Shawn Fearon) April 3-6, 2025
 Women's Walk #105 (Laurie Maltempi) April 10-13, 2025

Greetings EOEE Fourth Day!!

April is Walk Month!!!!

I have a challenge for everyone reading this message:

For the upcoming Walks, *commit to participating in at least **one** Emmaus activity.*

With the number of Fourth Day in our community, we should *easily* overwhelm this wonderful group of pilgrims!!!

You can choose from any of the following activities. (Each of these activities applies to both Men's and Women's weekends):

- Write agape (General or personal)
- Serve a meal
- Send snacks to camp
- Attend Candlelight
- Attend Closing
- Attend May's Gathering
- Choose a time slot, and pray on the prayer vigil (links on Pilgrim's list)
- Pray in the privacy of your own home.

For those activities requiring you to be at camp, remember to dress accordingly. The campgrounds tend to be muddy this time of year. If you're coming to Candlelight, bring an umbrella in case of rain.

Highlights from the board this past month include:

Gathering changes. Post Walk has made some subtle changes to the Gathering's agenda that have brought some new appeal!

Training: Reports suggest the Sponsorship training has been very beneficial. If you are a first-time sponsor or someone who hasn't participated in sponsorship recently, this training is geared toward you.

Team-specific first-timer training is being considered as a formal agenda item for team formation. Feedback from both trainers and past board representatives suggests this has been very beneficial.

General Funds. The scholarship funds that were reserved exclusively for pilgrims (reference last month's newsletter) were released into a general scholarship fund.

Budgeting: Community and group-specific budgets are being built to best monitor our expenses. This should be fully developed by June. We will use this information as the baseline for fundraising goals as we move forward.

Upcoming month's agenda items:

Discussions will continue related to community fundraising, special offerings, and one-time donations to mitigate future weekend price increases. (We are welcoming both suggestions and donations as a part of this effort).

New roles for the community will be discussed. A data administration role is being considered as well as additions to certain single-person committees.

The board is working hard to improve the community and we appreciate the support every one of you has provided to make EOEE a successful and thriving community

.De Colores,
Brett Waller
EOEE Community Lay Director



 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 eoeecontact@gmail.com
- **Church leaders or administration.** Do you have 4th 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 4th Day church members so they can stay up to date on EOEE news.

Manuals

[Emmaus-team-manual](#)

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
 - [Candidate Application](#)
 - [Sponsor Duties](#)
- 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
 Pam Ferguson
 881 Berghoff Street
 Akron, OH 44311
<mailto:pferg19209@sbcglobal.net>

Sponsorship for a Chrysalis Flight

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

EOEE Contributions

All,

As a board, we are reaching out to the community seeking a blessing to reallocate some aging, purpose-directed donations.

In years past, certain members of the community had generously donated funds with the intent to offset Pilgrim Scholarship needs. Thanks to blessings provided by team members serving over the years, these funds have never been used.

The board's request is to reallocate the community's "Pilgrim Sponsorship only" funds over to General Walk Support funds.

If you, or a party you know, has been involved in these donations, please reach out to Brett Waller to discuss this reallocation. (Contact information is available at the bottom of the newsletter).

This topic will be discussed and voted upon in the April board meeting. As a member of the Fourth Day community, you are welcome to attend this meeting and bring forth any concerns you may have with this reallocation.

Along with that, if you are interested in donating to support our EOEE community, the General Walk fund, or in any matter to offset future rising costs, please contact any of the following board members and we will see that your donations are accounted for and allocated in the manner you wish.

Dawn Crum -Ex-Officio

Brett Waller – Community Lay Director

Charlie Brechmacher – Asst Community Lay Director

Mark Boslett - Treasurer

Thank you all for your support in our mission of gaining disciples for Christ!

In His service,

Brett Waller

EOEE Community Lay Director

Greetings and Blessings, fellow EOOE 4th Day! My name is Lisa Herr. I made East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus walk #55 and sat at the table of Ruth. I am also the assigned communicator from the International Walk to Emmaus Office to this community. That means I disperse information from our Nashville Office, answer questions and advise this community on all things Emmaus. It also means that I communicate concerns and joys back to the Nashville office on behalf of our community.

I write today in that official capacity to help clarify some questions and concerns about the Walk to Emmaus and its association with the United Methodist Church.

First, let's remember what the purpose of The Walk to Emmaus is. It is to strengthen the leadership of local churches for the work of discipleship in their church.

Second, be reminded that The Walk to Emmaus is an Ecumenical movement. Our community as well as the worldwide community of 4th Day is made up of Christians from ALL denominations.

Third, our roots come from the Catholic Cursillo movement that started in 1944 in Spain. This movement made its way to the US in 1957. During the 1960s and 1970s many other denominations created similar Short Courses in Christianity unique to their traditions. In 1978 The Upper Room trademarked this ecumenical program open to men and women from any church tradition. East Ohio began as a Cursillo in 1982.

The major concern I am hearing lately is over our connection to the UMC because of The Upper Room. Here are a few statements that may help with this concern. If these do not adequately address your concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

First, The Walk to Emmaus does not receive any financial support from the Upper Room. We are a self-funded organization that relies on pilgrim fees, program and material sales and generous donations. The Upper Room provides only administrative support such as publishing, marketing, and payroll services.

Second, The Upper Room does not receive any apportionment funds from the United Methodist Church. It is a self-supporting organization that relies on publication and other material sales, program fees and fees charged to the organizations that use their administrative services.

Third, most all main line and non-denominational churches in the US have voiced their support for our model and approve of the curriculum and principles of our talks and meditations. This includes the newly formed GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH. A meeting of our International Lay and Spiritual directors and the leadership from the GMC occurred in 2023 to review all materials used on each of our 3 Day experiences. The GMC gave their full support to continue our relationship.

What has made The Walk to Emmaus a success for over 45 years is the commitment to being an ecumenical organization. We commit to meet each pilgrim right where they are in their walk with Jesus, asking only for an authentic response to the strong base of Christian teaching we present. We strive to reject the things that divide us and focus only on the things that UNITE us, which is Jesus – the hope to our troubled world and our call to represent Jesus to others. We rely on the work of The Holy Spirit to work in the lives of all our 4th day in Sanctifying Grace in God's timing. We do not exist to change a persons theology. We are only to provide an environment for growth and the working out of one's salvation.

We completely understand and recognize that The Walk to Emmaus isn't the only or even the best discipleship tool available. Not everyone will want to take part in an Emmaus Walk. However, for the hundreds of thousands of Christian leaders who have done so for the past 45 years this methodology and theology has worked.

As a member of this community – one that is like family to me, I am asking that you spread the message delivered above to those who are struggling with the many misunderstandings circling about. I would highly recommend to anyone

wanting to learn more to purchase a Team Manual for your own study. It can be found on Amazon – [Walk to Emmaus Team Manual](#) for \$10. There is a Directors Manual as well as a Community Manual available as well.

Again, I am always available to talk with anyone about this or other Emmaus questions. My cell number is 330-416-3400 and my email is Emmcomm8@upperroom.com

De Colores!

Lisa Herr

WOMEN'S WALK 103

We are looking forward to Walk #103. The Kitchen team has a few reminders for you.

If you are a sponsor, expect a call from us to remind you to bring a side dish for the send off meal on Thursday. Please bring in creative snacks for the walk weekend for our unsuspecting pilgrims. Surprise them!

If you are available, please come serve meals for the weekend. We'd love to see you!

Some of the table themes are below for the weekend to help with agape ideas. Please mark as table agape.

DeColores

Yellow/Sunshine

Books/Study

Love Theme/Think Valentine's Day

Christ Meal

**God bless you all and thank you for your help & prayers,
Tammy Huggins & the Kitchen Team**

MUSICIANS NEEDED!!

Do you like to sing?

Do you play an instrument?

Do you do both?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please call Sue Shaw at 330-603-6450 and get your name on the Emmaus Musician's List. Music is a big part of our walks and gathering and we'd love to have your name on the list.

Prayer Chain

Do you have a prayer request? Please email any requests to coeecontact@gmail.com

LAY LEADER NEWS

Yippeeee! Whooohoooo! Yikes!!!!!!! Hallelujah!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yes, the Women's Walk to Emmaus #103 is just a few short weeks away. In our meetings Team #103 has been focusing on preparation, team building and learning our roles for the upcoming weekend. A true sense of sisterhood(brotherhood too) is being developed. We are looking at the armor of God and the different ways we stand for Jesus. At our last meeting we will begin to turn that focus from ourselves to the Pilgrims we will serve with the Commissioning Service. From that point on our focus will be completely on the Pilgrims of Walk #103.

We ask that you would pray for the Team and the Pilgrims of Walk #103. Please pray for the safety and protection of all involved on the weekend and for their families as well. The devil is active and knows how powerful these weekends can be. Also pray that the hearts of the Pilgrims will be readied for Christ's touch. As in all things, let God lead your prayers.

Thank you in advance and hope to see you at Candlelight (Apr 20) and Closing (Apr 21).

Blessings Overflowing!

Susie Partridge Lay Leader

Laurie Maltempo Assistant Lay Leader

Pilgrims for Women's Walk #103

Theme Verse – “Therefore put on the full armor of God so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything to stand” Eph. 6:13.

- **Prayer Vigil** - [Women's Prayer Vigil](#)
- **Pilgrims Signed Up as of 3/22/24**

Jamie Bailey
Grace Ballard
Linda Berlin
Emily Brown
Cathy Bushong
Holly Cochran
Dawn Collins
Jen Curall
Patricia Davis
Carissa Decker
Anna Edwards
Victoria Ellis (Breden)

Sheri Hartman
Grace Haydu
Jeleighna Henriksen
Vickie Just
Carol Lavy
Diana Mershon
Luisa Miller
Missy Newcomer
Kim Pierce
Linda Riley
Teresa Tiggs
Denise Wilson

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus Women's Walk # 103

April 18-21, 2024

"Therefore put on the full armor of God so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything to stand"
Ephesians 6:13

Weekend Leader		Kitchen		Chapel		Table Leaders w/Talks	
	Jesus Christ is Head	1	*Tammy Huggins	1	*Becky Workinger	1	Diane Boslett
	Lay Leader	2	Becky Mccullough	2	Stacy Ickes		-- Priesthood of All Believers
1	Susie Patridge	3	Valerie Rado	3	JoAnn Fearon	2	Cheryl Wendell
	-- Perseverance						
	Assistant Lay Leader	5	Nannette Hahn			3	Sherry Mulcahey
							--Growth Through Study
1	Laurie Maltempi				Table Leaders w/o Talk	4	Laura Geiser
	-- Priorities		Agape				--Christian Action
		1	*Peggy Folk	1	Kelly Beaber	5	Mona Hartshorn
		2	Alicia Miller	2	Mary Gardner		--Discipleship
	ALD	3	Pam Ferguson	3	Deb Ferry	6	Val Riedthaler
1	*Erica Valentine						-- Changing Our World
2	Allie Carter					7	Pat Lanterman
3	Claudia Browand		Music				-- Body of Christ
4	Gabby Young	1	*Lisa Herr				
5	Betty Fulton-4th day	2	Millie Frambaugh				
		3	Joan Murray				
					Board Rep		
	Spiritual Directors				Kim Baer		* Denotes Head
1	*Nancy Conley		<i>Means of Grace</i>				
2	Bubba Heasley		<i>Sanctifying Grace</i>				
3	Steve Partridge		<i>Obstacles to Grace</i>		Utility		
4	Jane Piehl		<i>Prevenient Grace</i>		Wanda Dunn		
5	Jan Sprague		<i>Justifying Grace</i>				

My 4th Day Brothers and Sisters,

Team formation for the Men's Walk #103 is progressing at a rapid pace. We have completed 4 of our 6 scheduled meetings. This is so surprising to me because the minutes, hours, days, and weeks are flying by. The walk weekend will be here in the blink of an eye.

God has put together a fantastic team of dedicated men and woman, who love their Lord and Saviour. They are all bold in their discipleship walk and more than willing to serve Jesus Christ in making more disciples. The talk previews have been great with each of the speakers presenting their faith and discipleship walk.

It is hard to put into words how much of a blessing it has been to share time with our sisters and brothers on the Women's team. This has presented us with a whole new dynamic and afforded many opportunities to get to know each other on both teams. I am honored to share the title of Lay Leader with my sister, Susie Partridge.

Please continue to pray for the team, the pilgrims, the health of both, calmness in our life situations, and a moving experience on the weekends.

Sign up for the prayer vigil, write some agape, serve some meals on the weekend. All 4th day are vital to a successful walk weekend.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

Continued blessings,

Ken Shillingburg

Shawn Fearon

Pilgrims for Men's Walk #103

Theme Verse – I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

- **Prayer Vigil** - [Men's Vigil](#)
- **Pilgrims Signed Up as of 3/29/24:**

Danny Brown
Adam Clugston
Rich Cochran
Jared Collins
Seth Crum
Ernie Hartman
Matt Just
Bob King
David Lavy
Caleb Miller
Tony Quintas
Shad Swinehart
Dustin Thompson
Dustin Valentine
Rob Ziol

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus Men's Walk # 103

April 11-14, 2024

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Phillipians 4:13

	Lay Leader		Kitchen		Chapel		Table Leaders w/Talks
1	Ken Shillingburg	1	*Dave Blubaugh	1	*Mike Frank	1	Ronnie Wendell
	-- Perseverance	2	Hugh Ferguson	2	Sy Horn		-- Priesthood of All Believers
		3	Rick Legg	3	Michael Patterson	2	Larry Young
		4	Kristopher Lewis	4	Roger Blile		-- Life of Piety
	Assistant Lay Leader	5	Randy Raw			3	Mark Bland
							--Growth Through Study
1	Shawn Fearon				Table Leaders w/o Talk	4	Neil Fritz
	-- Priorities		Agape				--Christian Action
		1	*Russ Bowman	1	Tim Brown	5	Bryan Baer
		2	Wendell Neiswanger	2	Mark Boslett		--Discipleship
	ALD	3	Rick Hendricksen	3	Tom Huggins	6	Brian Bard
1	*Adam Swinehart						-- Changing Our World
2	Matt Brown					7	Herb Huff
3	Dave McIntyre		Music				-- Body of Christ
4	Ralph Sundheimer	1	*Dave Folk				
5	Charlie Brechmacher	2	Dan Daugherty				
	-Fourth Day	3	Tom Sundheimer				
					Board Rep		
	Spiritual Directors				Bob DeSeyn		* Denotes Head
1	*Ken Price		<i>Means of Grace</i>				
2	Vince Maltempi		<i>Sanctifying Grace</i>				
3	Retha Brechmacher		<i>Obstacles to Grace</i>		Utility		
4	Jamie Walters		<i>Prevenient Grace</i>		Chris Vaughn		
5	Ken Kesler		<i>Justifying Grace</i>				

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Men's Walk #103 Ken Shillingburg April 11-14

Women's Walk #103 Susie Partridge April 18-21

Friday

Time	Activity
8:00 am	Breakfast
9:20 am	Priority
10:30 am	Prevenient Grace
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Priesthood of All Believers
2:30 pm	Justifying Grace
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:20 pm	Life of Piety

Saturday

Time	Activity
8:00 am	Breakfast
8:45 am	Grow Through Study
10:05 am	Means of Grace
12:30 pm	Lunch
2:10 pm	Christian Action
3:05 pm	Agape Drop #1
3:50 pm	Obstacles to Grace
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:50 pm	Discipleship
9:00 pm	Fourth Day Service
9:00 pm	Agape Drop #2
10:00 pm	Candlelight (4 th Day arrive at 9:00 pm)

Sunday

Time	Activity
8:00 am	Breakfast
8:45 am	Changing Our World
9:45 am	Sanctifying Grace
10:45 am	Body of Christ
11:30 am	Agape Drop #3 (Personal)
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Perseverance
2:10 pm	Fourth Day
4:30 pm	Closing

Snacks for the Weekend

Healthy and not so healthy snacks are needed. Fruits, Vegetables, Chips and Pretzels, Dips and Salsa's, Meats and Cheeses, Crackers, Cookies, and Finger Desserts. Gluten Free and Sugar-Free snacks.

- Before Walks begin – please drop off food in the Savage kitchen.
- After Walks begin – please drop off food in the Dining Hall for the kitchen team to distribute.
- Food for the snack tables should arrive anytime from Thursday through Friday. Please do not bring snack foods to Candlelight

Thank you for feeding our Pilgrims & Team!

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

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	Women's	Spring 2024	Susie Partridge	ohpartridge@aol.com	330-966-0570
104	Men's	Fall 2024	Craig Welsh	welsh.cdw@gmail.com	330-321-2897
	Women's	Fall 2024	Clarissa Lawrence	just_clarissa@yahoo.com	330-204-8898
105	Men's	Spring 2025	Shawn Fearon	shawnfearon93@gmail.com	330-432-3463
	Women's	Spring 2025	Laurie Maltempi	lauriemaltempi@yahoo.com	330-807-0103

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