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## March 2022 Newsletter

East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus

#### **March Gathering 2022**

March 19, 2022 6pm to 9pm Faith Methodist Church 300 9th St NW; North Canton, OH 44720

Please bring a drink, snack, or dessert to share. See you there! Please watch Facebook/Email for any changes and/or cancellations

### **Upcoming Walks**

Men's Walk #99 (Jim Grafe) March 31, 2022 – April 3, 2022 Women's Walk #99 (Michele Atkinson) April 7, 2022 – April 10, 2022 Men's Walk #100 (Perry Atkinson) October 13, 2022 – October 16, 2022 Women's Walk #100 (Barb Shilling) October 20, 2022 – October 23, 2022 Men's Walk #101 (Mark Boslett) Spring 2023 Women's Walk #101 (JoAnn Fearon) Spring 2023 Page **2** of **7** 

#### GREETINGS FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR



#### Hello Dear Ones,

Wow! Today is a phenomenal day – not that they all aren't – but isn't it just like God to display Himself in such a marvelous and wonderous way, through numbers. God is good – all the time – and all the time – God is good! Today, 22022022 (day, month, year) is both a palindrome and an ambigram; the date will read the same from left to right, from right to left, AND upside down (though you must use digital numbers to see that)! Someone suggested that we all stop to pray at 2:22pm today. The world so needs our intercession! I hope you were able to join me in that special time of prayer!

In Jesus Calling today, Jesus asks us, "One by one, release to Me the problems you are facing today." And then He reminds us, "I am waiting to fill you with My Joy, My Healing, My Hope!" Amen! As we move through the cold, grey, snowy months of winter, I must make a conscious choice to surrender all the "stuff" to Jesus (cue the music to "I Surrender All"), thankful that He hears my prayers and grateful for His abundant blessing over my life! At the same time, I am reminded to be content in all things. Even the winter, Lord?! When all we want is to be warm? To enjoy the sunshine without our heavy coats? To drive without fear of sliding out of control? Yes! In all things, we must be content. In yesterday's devotion, Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth said, "The fact is, if we are not content with what we have, we will never be content with what we think we want." Oh, how true that is! We must trust our sovereign God to provide perfectly for each of us and all of us all of the time! So as the cold and ice and snow move back into the forecast in the coming days, I give thanks for the marvel of how the ice sparkles like diamonds in the sun and for the silence of a snowfall. I thank God for the beauty and rest of the winter. But, I also know that there is the promise of Spring. Oh, and yesterday I saw the first Red-Winged Blackbird return to our feeders. Today there were two. Hope abounds!

Let me tell you about some of the business of the East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus Community. Gathering was last Saturday and it was good to be back with an in-person meeting! And the EOEE Board met in-person last night, too! We voted to create new Community Songbooks by the Fall Walks. We voted to not accept electronic payments at this time for a variety of good reasons. However, we did agree to address electronic payment again next year as technical capabilities evolve. And we voted to leave the Lay Leader requirements as they currently stand; 4 Walks, 2 Talks, and participation in either Kitchen or ALD Work Groups. We also discussed the dates for the Walks in 2023. They are as follows: Men's Walk #101 will be April 13-16, 2023 and the Women's Walk #101 will be April 20-23, 2023.

In closing, I want to encourage you to maintain your relationship with Christ through your devotions and through your unique ministries. Hold fast to those saints around you and look forward to reuniting with those in our Emmaus Community as the months unfold!

And, remember – I am counting on Christ! And Christ is counting on me!

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~Wanda Dunn

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#### COMMUNITY NEWS

## **Stay Connected**

- Are you on Facebook? We'd love for you to join our <u>Facebook group</u> (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 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.

## **Prayer Chain**

Do you have a prayer request? Please email any requests to <a href="mailto:eoeecontact@gmail.com">eoeecontact@gmail.com</a>

## **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 **§150** fee.
- These forms can be printed from our web site eoee.org
  - o Candidate Application
  - o Sponsor Duties
- Applications/Sponsor Forms 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 Beth Milliken (<u>bnmilliken9@gmail.com</u>) 4340 Deer Run Dr Medina, OH 44256

# **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 <u>application</u>

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#### GREETINGS FROM THE UPCOMING LAY LEADERS

#### Men's Walk #99

- Lay Leader Jim Grafe
- Assistant Lay Leader Mark Boslett
- **Date** March 31, 2022 April 3, 2022
- Theme Verse "The Lord your God is in your midst, The Mighty one, will save: He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you in His love, He will rejoice over you with singing". Zeph. 3:17 NKJV
- Prayer Vigil Men's Prayer Vigil
- Pilgrims Signed Up as of 02/21/2022 6 men are signed up

Please note – Pilgrim lists will only be available on the website 2 weeks prior to the walk weekend

Lay Leader	Kitchen	Music	Lay Speakers
Jim Grafe	* John Houdeshell	* Frank Ballard	Doug Paul
Perseverance	Hugh Ferguson	Steve Partridge	Priesthood of All Believers
Assistant Lay Leader	Brad Tucker	Matt Aguirre	Gary Kreider
Mark Boslett	Scott Simmons	Fourth Day	Life of Piety
Priorities			Carl Mort
ALD	Agape	Assistant Table Leaders	Growth Through Study
* Tom Harstine	* Roger Collins	Ronnie Wendel	Herb Huff
Scott Houmard	Fritz Neidert	Randy Raw	Christian Action
Jason Fogleman	Gordy Neinenthal	Chris Vaughn	Neil Fritz
Jason Versluys			Discipleship
Dave Piehl		Chapel	Jack Ritenour
Spiritual	Spiritual Directors		Changing Our World
* Ron (Bubba) Heasley	Means of Grace	Randy Inboden	Sam Studer
Vince Maltempi	Obstacles to Grace	Chris Wheeler	Body of Christ
Mike Kager Jr.	Prevenient Grace	James Watson	Utility
Josh Arrington	Sanctifying Grace	Board Rep	Mike McCullough
TBD	Justifying Grace	Bryan Baer	* Denotes Head

#### Greetings from the Lay Leader & Assistant Lay Leader

What a journey this has been. God has really been working on and with this team. We have met now and have gone through talk previews; He really did a wonderful job in picking the Speakers. We were blown away as each speaker went through His Talk, how they complimented and carried the message of The Walk to Emmaus. The team has been bonding together and becoming one in the Spirit, as a team should. We have been fortunate as to not have too much sickness, very little absence. Praise God. We appreciate the prayers from the community and pray that the prayer vigil fills up quickly. As our verse says "The Lord you God is in your midst" He sure is, "He will rejoice over you with gladness" and we know He is. "He is quiet with His love", We feel it, and "He will rejoice over you with singing", We hear it. It has been an amazing journey. God's Blessings to you the Community.

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#### GREETINGS FROM THE UPCOMING LAY LEADERS

#### Women's Walk #99

- Lay Leader Michele Atkinson
- Assistant Lay Leader JoAnn Fearon
- **Date** April 7, 2022 April 10, 2022
- Theme Verse "All things are possible through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13
- Prayer Vigil Women's Prayer Vigil
- Pilgrims Signed Up as of 02/21/2022 10 women are signed up

Please note – Pilgrim lists will only be available on the website 2 weeks prior to the walk weekend.

Lay Leader	Kitchen	Music	Lay Speakers	
Michele Atkinson	* Tara Neidert	* Colleen Ash	Beth Eisenbrei	
Perseverance	Jen Gabor	Paula Hixenbaugh	Priesthood of All Believers	
Assistant Lay Leader	Lianne LaDow	Abi Jones	Shalleen Mayes	
JoAnn Fearon	Tammy Huggins		Life of Piety	
Priorities	ALD	Assistant Table Leaders	Diane Boslett	
	* Sharon Ritenour	Laura Geiser	Growth Through Study	
Agape	Kathleen Deibel	Kathy Kimble	Kathy Grafe	
* Judy Ren	Laurie Maltempi	Laura Switzer	Christian Action	
Kathy Brown	Sondra Keith		Rebecca Studer	
Cheryl Wendell	Clarissa Lawrence		Discipleship	
	Fourth Day	Chapel	Kellie Burks	
Spiritual	Spiritual Directors		Changing Our World	
* Pastor Nancy Conley	Means of Grace	Pam Gant	Carol Pozuc	
Pastor Jr. Campbell	Obstacles to Grace	Kim Trammel	Body of Christ	
Pastor Sue Curtis	Sanctifying Grace	Stephanie Bradford	Utility	
Pastor Bill Nicewarner	Prevenient Grace	Board Rep	Lynette Mahaffey	
Pastor Cindy Olson	Justifying Grace	Dawn Crum	* Denotes Head	

Greetings from the Lay Leader & Assistant Lay Leader

The Women's Team #99 meetings have begun and we are binding together to serve God's pilgrims on His weekend. I am excited to see us grow into the team He has put together. We have had a couple changes in team, but we are all persevering! It is very humbling to watch and listen as He works through each team member. We continue to listen for his direction as we prepare for the pilgrims.

Please continue writing Agape, and signing up for the weekend prayer schedules for both the Men's and Women's Walks. Thank you always for your love and prayers.

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#### WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Men's Walk #99 (Jim Grafe) March 31, 2022 – April 3, 2022 Women's Walk #99 (Michele Atkinson) April 7, 2022 – April 10, 2022

## **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 <sup>th</sup> 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 Diabetic 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!

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