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Jackson Area Emmaus Newsletter

JAE Receives Gift from Kalamazoo

Jackson Area Emmaus is the recipient of a very generous gift from the Kalamazoo Area Emmaus Community. \$500 has been added to the Scholarship (sponsorship) Fund, and an additional \$1000 to the Operating Fund.



While we are happy to be the benefactors of this gift, we are very saddened that the Kalamazoo Area Community no longer holds a charter with Emmaus, and has distributed their assets.

As a neighboring community, JAE has been pleased to include former Kalamazoo community members in our activities, and will continue to reach out to our friends in west Michigan.

Some have assimilated into the Lansing Area Emmaus Community and some into the Northern Indiana Community as well.

Elections are Just Ahead!



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This November, we'll not only be electing a new President of the United States, but several new board members for Jackson Area Emmaus.

There are currently several positions open on the board. If you have been a member of Jackson Area Emmaus for quite some time but have never considered serving as a board member—won't you prayerfully

consider how you can have an impact by giving one night a month to serve in this capacity?

Please contact any current board member with any questions you might have, or let Jeff Sweet know of your interest. (Board member names and contact info can be found in this edition of the newsletter.) Having a board of directors is a requirement for us to continue our charter with the Upper Room as an Emmaus community.

Board positions that need to be filled:

Kitchen head (includes maintaining trailer) Prayer Vigil, Site Selection, Gathering, Sponsors Hour/Candlelight/Closing, Auxiliary Head, Member(s) at Large.

Positions are assigned by the board after person is elected to serve as a board member.

Nominations will continue to be accepted until end of September. Ballots will be available by Oct. 15th and must be returned no later than Nov. 15th. You may vote at the October gathering.

Jackson Area Emmaus Women's Walk 2016



Jackson Area Emmaus Men's Walk 2016



Welcome New
Members of the
Jackson Area
Emmaus
Community!

The Paralyzing Force in the Body of Christ

...Pastor Dave Goolsby, Community Spiritual Director

"...fear is one of the most paralyzing forces that keep us from taking our rightful place of dominion in the Body of Christ"

I believe that one of the most paralyzing forces in the body of Christ is fear. If we could strip all of our baggage, prejudices, and things passed on from relatives and friends and such, could we operate without fear? Didn't God create man in His own image and to have dominion in the earth? Then why so much fear? Where does it come from?

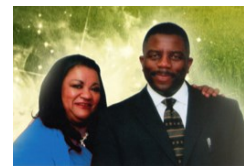
Perhaps it comes from relatives who said, "Don't associate with those kinds of folks." Or maybe it comes from consuming too much media—radio and television, which seem to spread a culture of fear and consumption. Look out for the zika virus, immigrants, the economy, the government, cancer, etc.

In The Bible, the first time fear ever entered into the picture was after the serpent tricked 'Adam and Eve' into eating the forbidden fruit. When they heard God call Adam, in

Genesis 3:10 "And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was **afraid**, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself."

It was at that time fear entered into the earth. Adam wasn't created to have any fear. He was created to have dominion. Had not fear come over Adam, he most likely would have said to God, "Lord, I repent for my disobedience. Please forgive me."

My point is that fear is one of the most paralyzing forces that keep us from taking our rightful place of dominion in The Body of Christ. There are people that need to know that God loves them. Fear shouldn't be the thing that stops us from witnessing in the grocery store, at work, at a sporting event, etc. when we see an opportunity. Fear should not stop us from taking The Gospel to the streets, to the malls, etc. because we are



fearful that someone will say something, or someone will look at us less favorably causing us to lose 'status'. (Our flesh and pride crucified.)

It was the enemy that brought the spirit of fear into the earth. But God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1:7)

God did not give us the spirit of fear. But Paul says that we have the same spirit of faith. As Christians, there should be no place where we should fear to engage in witnessing as the opportunity arises. We should have no fear to take on a leadership role in the church, at work, or in the community; no fear to be generous givers; no fear to look after widows and fatherless; and no fear to cross racial, ethnic, or denominational, or even political lines. Let's exercise our spirit of faith in God and have dominion in this earth.

Challenging all New Community Members to "Pay it Forward"

A member of the Emmaus community has issued a challenge to all the new community members, to "pay it forward" by becoming involved as a volunteer at one of the 2017 Emmaus Weekends.

If you were blessed by the Walk to Emmaus, please consider blessing others by serving as a luggage carrier, bathroom cleaner, dining room server, kitchen worker, snack room attendant, or mail room assistant.

Many hands make light work, and make it possible to offer this wonderful weekend at a very low cost.

More information about who to contact will be in the Winter Newsletter.

Prayer Chain Available via Email



We have an Emmaus Email Prayer Chain. If you have a prayer concern, send it to:

Jackon.emmaus.prayer.chain@gmail.com

If you wish to join the Emmaus Prayer Warrior team, let us know and we will add you to our group.

- Don and Jo Jensen





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"Lazy Days Of Summer"

Autumn winds are slowing blowing in
To whisk away earth's summer's warmth.
Farmer's in their fields harvesting quickly
The bounty of our King, earth's Heavenly Host.

Leaves now taking their cues from God
As they turn colors which only He hath planned.
Our earth in ready, looking forward to Winter's rest
Under snow white blankets, all laid by the Master's hand.

"Go to sleep My earth, you've toiled well and long
Providing My children;with your earthly bounty pure.
Until spring arrives, yet once again
To scent earths air
And color it with green, with many hues blurred."



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Our thanks to Linda Winchell for sharing her poetry with us. She has an extensive collection of published poems. Linda took her Walk to Emmaus in 2009.

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