



WALK TO EMMAUS

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Jackson Area Emmaus Newsletter

-From our Spiritual Director

It's a brand New Year ... with brand new dreams and brand new ideas ... leading to brand new potential ...

It should kinda make you feel like Adam and Eve felt in the Garden. He created them and gave them their assignment. There was no prior baggage they brought with them. It was figuratively New Years Day for them.

Genesis 1:28 *And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*

New Years in the Jewish tradition is called Rosh Hashanah. It's filled with customs such as sounding the shofar (hollowed-out ram's horn), a lot of time spent in prayer and meditation

and also eating symbolic foods like honey-dipped apple pieces to bring about a new year.

It's not just a drinking day to come into the New Year high or stoned, but it is a spiritual holiday.

In the Jewish tradition it is believed that the way you bring in the New Year has a tremendous impact on the rest of the year. This is also a day of joy where we proclaim that God is the King Of The Universe.

The traditional greetings for the day are:

Hello's:

"May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year"

Good bye's:

"May your name be written in The Book of Life" We are just starting a New Year, which has all the promise and excitement of new beginnings.

Let's make it intentional to:

- Praise more -Worship more
- Love more -Forgive ore
- Repent more -Trust God more

We can't enter into the freshness of the New Year with all the baggage from last year. Some of those things that are behind are:

- Hurt, Disappointment, Frustration, Venom
- What my mother said to me
- What my father did to me
- What society did to me
- What my ex said or did to me
- What my teachers said to me.

Remember New Year's as a before and after, kinda like when you came to Christ. There was a you before you came to Christ and a you once you got in Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*

Let's put those old things behind. No sense in dragging the past into the New Year. Let's walk in the newness of being in the New Year in Christ. -Pastor Dave Goolsby

Men's Walk 2016—March 23-26



Hi fellow members of the Emmaus Community! I am honored and consider it a privilege to be leading the next men's Walk to Emmaus.

I respectfully ask now, that the entire Community get behind the upcoming Walk in SOME capacity. I ask the each member be INTENTIONAL about what they can do for the glory of the Lord!

As I pen this letter, there are currently three openings on the Team, but by the time you are reading this, by the grace of God, I am trusting that they too will be filled.

As for the Auxiliary, Wendy Walz and Rick Denig have agreed to co-lead. Sueny Miller has agreed to head up the kitchen. Frank D and Chuck Tobias have agreed to serve in the prayer room. Tina Hufnagel and Marcy Miller the mail room.

And others, including my wife, have offered to volunteer wherever needed. Please consider how you may be a part of this movement of the Lord, and let Rick (517-750- 4001) and Wendy (517 812-8783) know. I guarantee you'll be blessed by it!

And finally, I would like to remind everyone that Jean Herrick is the registrar for this upcoming Walk, and that her contact info is included in this Newsletter as well as the latest application. It is time now to sign up those pilgrims who qualify for this blessing, and whom God is calling to further His kingdom. Also know that a letter will be going out to the pastors of the 234 church's that make up the 1700 members of the Emmaus Community asking them for qualified candidates as well.

So again, I ask that each one of you, individually, be intentional about what God would have you to do for His glory and to lift up His name through this upcoming Walk. Thank you and DeColores! - Tom Norton



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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



Greetings my beloved Emmaus brothers and sisters,

My name is Tom Mathews, I took my walk to Emmaus in March of 2009 at Cornerstone Christian Church and sat at the table of JOHN. The question posed to me is "what effect has the Emmaus experience had on my life"? I must start by saying the Walk to Emmaus is the single most powerful spiritual experience I have had to date. The love of Christ shown to all, by all, that weekend can only be described as a very small glimpse of life eternal in the Kingdom. The opportunity to spend 72 hours with a group of believers from all walks of life was most enlightening.

Since my walk I have had the honor, the privilege, and great pleasure of serving in several capacities on other walks. In addition to serving the Emmaus Community. I have been equipped by the HOLY SPIRIT with the confidence and ability to undertake several works in my church I would have never considered before.

Each form of service has been its own special and unique blessing in my life. Each act of service has brought a new and stronger understanding of the humility, compassion, forgiveness and love for others that our Lord Jesus Christ has for us.

I look forward to many more walks and many more opportunities to serve. I urge all to join in the service of our Emmaus Community and to receive the blessings of our LORD when we are doing HIS work to further HIS Kingdom.

To GOD be the Glory,
Your brother in CHRIST, Tom Mathews
DeColores.

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Position to be filled

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Position to be filled

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JACKSON AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY

Office Use Only:
Date Received: _____
Date Walk: _____
Sig. Check _____
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(PLEASE PRINT-PILGRIMS fill in this side only)

Name: _____ Sex: (M/F) _____
(LAST) (FIRST)

Preferred **FIRST NAME** on **BUTTON**: _____ No. of Children: _____

Mailing Address _____
(Number and Street) (Apt #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Marital Status: ___ Married; ___ Single; ___ Widowed; ___ Divorced; ___ Separated

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Church _____
(Church you attend) (Denomination)

Church Address: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Church / Community positions held: _____

Briefly state why YOU wish to be involved in the Emmaus Community and What you expect to gain from your involvement: _____

In case of an **Emergency**, CONTACT: _____ Phone: _____

Has your spouse attended a walk? _____ If not, is he/she registered for a Walk? _____

Has the Walk to Emmaus been explained to you? _____

Do you agree to make this 72 hour commitment? _____

Have you been informed of the follow up program of Emmaus groups/gatherings? _____

RESTRICTIONS /SPECIAL NEEDS: Anything that may require attention on a walk

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE BLANK, IF NONE...PLEASE WRITE NONE!

Do you have any **Food Allergies**? _____

Are you **Diabetic**? _____

Do you use a **C PAP machine**? _____

Do you need a **COT**? _____

Medications that you are currently taking: _____

Medical Conditions that you have? _____

Your cost for the Emmaus Weekend is **\$100.00**. **A non-refundable pre-registration deposit of \$40.00** is required when you turn in your application. Any remaining balance is due at the time of the walk-**Thursday Evening at 6:00 PM Registration**.

You can make checks out to: **Jackson Area Emmaus Community**.

Please return this form to your sponsor ASAP in order to get your application processed.

Your Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

You will be notified of your acceptance and date of your Walk six weeks prior to the Walk.

PLEASE EAT DINNER BEFORE ARRIVING THURSDAY EVENING OF THE WALK!!

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Sponsor's Phone No. _____

SPONSOR: (Please fill out this side COMPLETELY--PLEASE PRINT.)Name: _____
(LAST) (FIRST)Mailing Address: _____
(Number and Street) (Apt. #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Church you Attend: _____ Pastor's Name: _____

Church Address: _____ Denomination: _____

Where did you take your Walk to Emmaus? _____ When?: _____

HAVE YOU COMPLETED SPONSORSHIP TRAINING? _____

Are you part of a 4th Day group?: _____

How many pilgrims have you sponsored in the last year? _____

How long have you known your Pilgrim?: _____

Are you praying for him/her? _____

Pilgrims should be emotionally stable and not undergoing an emotional crisis.Does your candidate have the physical and mental health needed for an Emmaus Weekend?
_____If your Pilgrim is married, **have you discussed the weekend with their spouse?** _____Have you **stressed the importance of committing (72 hours)**---noting that **the Pilgrim will not be permitted to leave or make phone calls except in the case of an emergency?** _____Have you **explained the follow up program of Emmaus Groups/Gatherings?** _____Have you stressed the importance of **eating dinner before you arrive Thursday evening?** _____**Can you care for your Pilgrim's needs, and also for the needs of your Pilgrim's family** while they are away for the 72 hours? _____**SPONSORS:**Will YOU **bring your Pilgrim to the Walk site Thursday evening at 6:00 PM?** _____Will YOU **attend Sponsor's Hour to pray for your Pilgrim?** _____Will YOU **attend Candlelight Saturday Night?** _____Will YOU **attend Closing Ceremony Sunday at 4:00 PM?** _____Will YOU **assist your Pilgrim in joining a 4th day Emmaus Group after the weekend Walk?** _____Will YOU **bring 2- beverages and a snack for the weekend?**Why do YOU feel this person would make a good candidate? _____

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

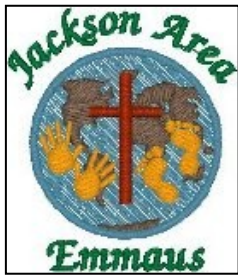
Name of Pilgrim: _____ Walk Date: _____

Mail this form and the \$40.00 registration fee to:

Jean Herrick, 12641 W. Michigan Ave, Parma, Michigan 49269

Phone: (517) 262-3333 E-Mail: goldberry@herickmi.us

Registration cut off date is 4 weeks before the walk weekend. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!



Upcoming Events

Monthly Gatherings—Brookside United Methodist Church

4000 Francis St. Jackson

Second Saturday of each month

5 p.m. potluck followed by worship & communion

Board Meetings—Brookside United Methodist Church

4000 Francis St. Jackson

Fourth Tuesday of each month 6:30 p.m.

Men's Spring Walk—March 23-26th (Note—dinner not served on Thursday eve)

First Presbyterian Church

743 W. Michigan Ave. Jackson

Team and auxiliary meetings—JAN. 21, FEB. 4, FEB. 18, MAR. 4 8:30 a.m.

Potluck breakfast followed by worship, communion & team meetings.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

