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### To the Emmaus Community....Pilgrims of Women's Walk #84 -July 21-24, 2022

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To The Emmaus Community,

First, thank you for allowing me this opportunity to lead God's walk this July. The team that God gave me was amazing and were true prayer warriors. To sit back and watch God paint His masterpiece in the hearts and smiles of the pilgrims was a wonderful blessing to witness. To see the community not only do the 72-hour prayer vigil but to

pray over the crosses and the agape letters, was a true testimony to how God has asked us to be one body. God has placed each of us on this walk for "Such A Time As This" and I know that God will do mighty things in the lives of these ladies in their 4<sup>th</sup> days. Joshua 1:9 states <sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." We are all called to lead God's people and to know that when we do that, God will be with us through those battles. Women's Walk #84 is a beautiful testament to just how powerful Godly Women can be!! Ladies of Walk #84 continue to bloom in your 4<sup>th</sup> days!!

Love you all,

Audra Sutton

LD WW#84

Welcome

To the Emmaus Community....Pilgrims of Men's Walk #78- August 4-7, 2022

Nick Frankenhauser Austin Kleinhans Cody Myers Scott Slover Matt Zunke Abe Franklin Kirk Larson Brian Oskey Tom Snide Mark Greenbaum
Bob Livermore
Dale Razevich
Andrew Wheeler

Jerry Husemann Christian Mabry Dylan Shaw Charles Williams

To the Emmaus Community:

First of all I would like to thank the Emmaus Board for having the Confidence in me to Lead Walk 78. I would also like to thank the community for all their support and prayers throughout the weekend. I thank the families of the team for allowing them to give up their Saturdays away from them especially in the summer.

Now for the weekend it was the most fun I had on a walk thus far. I was able to relax and not worry about a thing, the ALD's did a great job of leading the weekend. The Table leaders and their assistants did a great job leading their tables. The rest of the team also was great. I never seen Pilgrims talking that much already on Friday morning. It wasn't just one or two but the whole bunch. God was truly with Us and leading Us the whole weekend. I'm proud

of the guys for getting out of the way and letting him lead.

Thanks again for the wonderful team and the opportunity to lead them.

**Declores** 

**Brian Holthaus** 

LD Men's Walk #78



### We are prayerfully planning for the next set of walks!!

Women's Walk #85 October Team & Pilgrim Roster

Please check website <u>www.sidneyemmaus.org</u> for current list

Men's Walk #79 November Team & Pilgrim Roster

Please check website www.sidneyemmaus.org for current list.

Please check website <a href="www.sidneyemmaus.org">www.sidneyemmaus.org</a> for lists of current and past team members and pilgrims



### SERVING IN THE KITCHEN

### **NEW Kitchen Sign Up**

We are testing out a new, online kitchen crew sign up process. This online site will allow everyone the opportunity to sign up to serve and cook in the kitchen during the Walk weekends. There are a couple of ways to signup.

- 1. There is a link on the Emmaus Facebook page that will take you to the signup web site.
- 2. You can click on the link below and that will also take you to the signup web site. We have a link for each Walk.

Woman's Walk:

http://signup.com/go/mwAcBhp Men's

Walk: <a href="https://signup.com/go/uBzrQNC">https://signup.com/go/uBzrQNC</a>

3. Don't have Facebook? You can contact Deb Loewer and she can sign you up. <a href="mailto:daloewer@gmail.com">daloewer@gmail.com</a> or

937-570-0798

Some features of the new sign up process:

- 1. Allows you to sign up yourself and also sign up others (friends and family)
- 2. Provides everyone a view of the spots that are open and still need willing servants. (Note even if all spots are filled, you are welcome to join the kitchen crew and lend an extra hand).
- 3. Allows everyone to remove themselves from a spot if he/she is no longer able to serve.
- 4. If you enter your email address, you will receive a reminder email 7 days before your time to serve. (Note their privacy policy states they will NOT sell your email address to other marketers).

We are hoping the new process gives everyone more opportunities to serve and be part of the kitchen crew during the Walk weekend. If you have any questions, problems, or concerns, feel free to contact Deb Loewer at <a href="mailto:daloewer@gmail.com">daloewer@gmail.com</a>.



#### Hello Emmaus Community,

Just a few reminders as we kick off the next Emmaus weekend:

- 1. If you have bedtime Agape, there needs to be 60 pieces if it is for all. If you want it to be pilgrim bedtime, there needs to be
- 30. \*\*Please mark as bedtime Agape or let us know when dropping off. \*\*
- 2. Meal Agape should have 60 pieces. \*\*Please mark meal time Agape or let us know when dropping off.\*\*
- (\*\*We have been short on bedtime and meal time, lately. Could your share group help? Do you have a Bible Study you meet with that could help?)
- 3. NO MEGA AGAPE!! What is considered Mega Agape? Anything larger than an envelope is considered mega agape. While we all know it is nice to receive these, please save for after the walk when your pilgrim is picked up on Sunday. We need to make sure that whatever is given to pilgrims, fits in their envelope packet on Sunday. (This includes for team also. If you want to do gift bags for team, please deliver them on your own as it makes more work for your logs who are passing out the bedtime agape to try to deliver these as well and we all know the LOGS (LEGS) work hard enough )
- 4. Please make sure all pilgrim agape is marked with first and last name and adding "pilgrim" helps also. Please try to make sure there is no Agape marked, "mom", "dad", "Aunt Sally", etc. as we are not always sure who it belongs to with those markings and we want to make sure it gets to the right person.
- 5. PILGRIMS RECEIVE NO PERSONAL AGAPE EXCEPT ON SUNDAY IN THEIR PACKET!!
- 6. If agape is for team, please put first and last name and "team" on envelope. If it is for team that is giving a talk, please write "talk agape" on the envelope and we will make sure it gets in the right spot. Also, on that note, if you want them to have it a specific evening, please indicate that on the envelope as well. If you have Agape for the spiritual directors, please mark them. If they are not a live in, we have a hard time getting their agape to them after their talk, so please bring in before their talk.
- 7. There are baskets in the Agape room that are labeled for Agape. Please make sure to use the baskets and please do not go behind table. This can confuse things for those working in the agape room.
- 8. If you have brought in table or bedtime Agape, please come to the Agape room and check to see if you have extras. We are unable to use it for other walks if there is not enough. You can come and get your bag or box and make more for the next walk. If you bring in special bag and want it saved, please let us know or mark it so we can make sure it gets to the correct person.
- 9. There are cards, bookmarks and writing utensils available in the Agape room if you are needing to write Agape during the weekend. We ask that if you are writing Agape, please drop in the correct basket when you are finished and please put pens and unused things back in basket they were

provided in.

10. If you are sponsoring a pilgrim, make sure to get their Agape packets from the Gathering Place after closings. If it is left, we will put out at gatherings or on walk weekends.

If you have any questions, please

feel free to contact Dan or I! Thank

you and De Colores!

Agape Chairpersons Kelli & Dan Elliott

P.S. Only team members only can be in teams sleeping quarters, this means don't take any agape and put on team's beds during the weekend. If a team member needs something, please give to the logs and they will give it to the team member.

### Reminder Emmaus Etiquette

#### **Emmaus Community Etiquette**

- 1) Try to always wear your name tag to Emmaus functions
- 2) Be considerate that Only speaker requested prayer partners should listen to talks
- 3) Keep the holy atmosphere at candlelight.
- 4) No photographs at any Walk weekend Emmaus activity. We need to honor the pilgrim's privacy.
- 5) No one other than pilgrims and live in team are allowed it the conference room.
- 6) No one other than pilgrims and live in team are allowed in sleeping quarters
- 7) When volunteering during the weekend you should have minimal contact with pilgrims and live in team
- 8) Working in the kitchen as support of the weekend you should keep your intended contact with the pilgrims within the task or service you are performing. Some examples:
  - This is the pilgrims weekend and not yours, but that does not mean you should be silent to them or ignore them in a disrespectful way. Be loving, be a good listener, be flexible, but also understand that in serving the pilgrims as part of the weekend, you need to be genuine and focused on serving the walk. Focusing too much attention on particular team members or pilgrims may pull the focus of the weekend away from moving the pilgrims towards the love Christ has for each of us.

- Christ is all about relationship and this weekend is about moving the pilgrims to a deeper relationship with Christ. You are Christ's representative as part of the kitchen's support to the weekend. Be of service but also be aware of the bigger picture.
- If a pilgrim talks to you or initiates a conversation, don't push them away or cut them off. It is not "illegal" or "punishable" to talk to a pilgrim or team member, but we need to be aware that we should not be the one's to pursue it or maintain it longer than a moment or two.
- The team members are working to a schedule and the pilgrims are working to that schedule also. As kitchen team members, we need to try and not hold up the team members or pilgrims. Breaks or "downtime" are not free time for the kitchen team to simply pull a pilgrim or team member aside for lengthy conversations.
- 9) When to wear your purple cross.
  It is not against the rules to wear it any other time, but we ask you to make sure you bring it to closing as a showing of community
- 10) No mega agape. Must fit into manilla envelope
  - Consider giving a present-like agape item to the pilgrim before or after the walk.
  - Before the walk may allow the pilgrim to reflect on the gift or use it to bless their weekend.
  - After the walk may allow the pilgrim to have a deeper or more connective conversation with you.
  - The agape of the weekend, as you know, should fit physically in the normal envelope, but that does not mean the words you can express are small my any means.
- 11) Respect the wishes of Sidney 1st UMC. We are their guests.
- 12) If you move something in the church building, please put it back when you are finished.
- 13) Please Leave the church building as clean or cleaner than you found it.
- 14) Wednesday night setup per Sidney 1st UMC requirements
  - a. Setup to start on 1st floor at 8:30PM
  - b. No one allowed on 5th/6th floor until after 8:30PM
- 15) No live in team member in the church before 3PM on Thursday afternoon during walk weekends
- 16) When volunteering use the "buddy system". Do not go anywhere alone.

#### Sponsor Responsibility/Etiquette

- 1) Honestly answer all pilgrims question and explain what goes on at weekend. There are no secrets
- 2) You are responsible to make sure pilgrim has at least 12 pieces of personal agape letters. These should be brought to the Agape room at sendoff on Thursday night. No pilgrims name should be read at Candlelight for lack of agape.
- 3) Personally bring your pilgrim to Thursday night sendoff. It is your responsibility to make bring them and help them settle in.
- 4) If your pilgrim is unable to attend the weekend immediately contact the Registrar or Sponsorship board member so we are not waiting for them to show up.
- 5) Attend Sponsor's Hour Chapel immediately after Thursday night sendoff. It is your responsibility you pray over your pilgrim's cross as part of the extended weekend team.

- 6) Attend Candlelight and greet your pilgrim
- 7) Attend Closing
- 8) Take your pilgrim home
- 9) Help your pilgrim get into a share group if needed (the board Good Shepherd will also help if contacted)
- 10) Follow up with your pilgrim after walk to see how their 4th days are going
- 11) Bring pilgrim to the walk reunion gathering (typically next gathering after walk weekend)

# **Community Information**

### We are having a gathering!!! October 11 @ 7:00

The Greater Sidney Area Emmaus Gatherings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. We meet at the First United Methodist Church, 230 E. Poplar St. –Sidney, OH. Please come join us in the worship and fellowship.

\* We will be eating BEFORE the Gathering at 6:15pm. The Gathering will follow at 7:00 pm. We hope this will allow for more of you to join us for fellowship and still return home at a decent hour. Please bring a covered dish if you can attend the meal.

### **Board Meetings**

4<sup>TH</sup> Thursday of each month, meet in Fellowship Hall at 6:45 pm

### WILLING SERVANT / SHARE GROUP FORMS

We are still trying to get the NEW database updated with information. If you have never filled out a Willing Servant form or have not filled one out since the new form has been revised in January of 2015, please fill out the Willing Servant/Share Group form attached and send it in. Or you can go to the Emmaus website: <a href="www.sidneyemmaus.org">www.sidneyemmaus.org</a>, under forms or on the Facebook Page. You can mail it in to Sidney First UMC at the attached address or send to Emmaus outreach@yahoo.com.

Or bring it to a Gathering and put it in the collection plate. We need this information, so we can contact you to serve on future teams, and to keep you updated on events.



Date:				

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.

Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. - 2 Corinthians 9:12-13

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#### **Emmaus**

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