

# GREAT RIVER WALK TO EMMAUS (GRE) COMMUNITY UPDATE

September 2021

## ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?

Be a part of your Emmaus community though Facebook! This is a private group. Simply hit "JOIN GROUP" if you do not have full access. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GreatRiverEmmaus/>

In order to join the FB private group, you must have attended a Walk to Emmaus or similar 3-day event, such as Cursillo, Via de Cristo, etc. A few questions will be asked, which must be answered before joining.

## ARE YOU IN A REUNION GROUP?

If you are not in a Reunion Group, get involved by emailing Craig Dennison ([cdennison09@gmail.com](mailto:cdennison09@gmail.com)) for a list of Reunion Groups – or start your own.

**Luke 24: 13-35**



## GRE COMMUNITY "POTLUCK" GATHERING!

Saturday, September 25

Gardner Park – 400 Gardner Park Drive – Quincy

4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Bring a dish to share & lawn chair**

(if you are more comfortable with your own personal meal, feel free to bring!)

**Plates, napkins, silverware & drinks will be provided.**

**We'll worship & sing & spend time together!**

*Gatherings are open to all, regardless of whether they have attended an Emmaus walk.*

## BOARD CANDIDATES NEEDED!

The GRE Board consists of 15 members: 3 clergy and 12 lay persons. Each board member serves a 3-year term, starting in January following the election. Five new board members are elected to replace the retiring members – 1 clergy and 4 lay persons. The board should consist of members from each area in the Great River Emmaus Community. The GRE Board meets once a month, usually the 4th Monday evening of the month.

To be eligible to be a board member, you must have been on an Emmaus Walk. As a member of the board, conference room team and behind the scenes volunteering experience is an added bonus when discussing the needs of our community and the walks themselves.

The election is conducted in the fall of each year. The nominees will be listed in the fall newsletter for the entire community to vote on. Election of officers and committee chair assignments happen at the January meeting of the new board. The current committees and co-chairs are listed on the back of this Update, along with the year they serve through. It is important to have a good mix of men and women from each area within our GRE community.

Details regarding committees will be explained to the newly elected board members when they meet with the entire board during the first meeting in January following the election.

## Please pray for your GRE Community and Board.

**Board candidates are needed. Prayerfully consider board participation. And, if you know someone who would do a good job representing your community and furthering the Emmaus ministry/experience – please encourage them to apply by September 30.**



As members of the GRE community, we are asking you to prayerfully consider applying to run as a prospective board member. If you are not called to do so, please encourage someone you know to participate.

Each candidate needs to send a brief biography/summary of who they are and why they would be a good board member candidate. Following are some examples a person might submit: Name – Family highlights – City you live in – Church you attend – Occupation – Walk(s) you have been on – How you have served on walks (conference room, kitchen, Agape chapel, Workroom, etc.) – Why you want to serve as a GRE Board member.

Please submit your information to Judy Hays at [hays89@comcast.net](mailto:hays89@comcast.net) or mail to 5402 Homan Falls Drive, Quincy IL 62305. Applications must be received by September 30.

**Why serve on the board?** Amanda Barlow shared her thoughts ... *I wanted to be a part of this life transforming organization so I could help bring new ideas and grab ahold of the upcoming generations. I'm ready to win pilgrims to Christ's love! Psalm 78:4 states 'We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done.'* I not only want to tell – I want us to **SHOW!**

Serving on the board is a way to enable sharing the gospel, demonstrating true agape. It is an opportunity to positively impact people's lives and strengthen the church community. Christ is counting on us!

## GRE BOARD – TERMS/COMMITTEES

Name (Members going off board hi-lited)	Serves Through (including following January meeting)	City - County	GRE Board Position(s)
Alberts, Mike (C)	2022	Hannibal MO - Marion	Work Room/Agape; Historian; Candlelight and sponsors' hour
Barlow, Amanda	2022	Hannibal MO - Marion	Agape Chapel chair; CMA (database)
Bridges, Rick	2021	Roodhouse IL - Green	Kitchen; Agape Chapel
Cadwell, Kevin	2021	Winchester IL - Scott	Lay Director (LD) training; Supply room
Dennison, Craig	2023	Mendon IL - Adams	Support crew; Group reunions; 4th Day
Gillingham, Mary	2022	Colchester IL - McDonough	Registrar; team selection
Haskell, Jeff	2022	White Hall IL - Greene	CMA; Communication; music
Hays, Judy	2023	Quincy IL - Adams	LD & Board Advisor (BA) training; Communication
Jenkins, Connie (C)	2023	Quincy IL - Adams	Kitchen; Gatherings
Kamradt, Tim	2022	Quincy IL - Adams	Supply room; QU liaison; Logistics
Loeschen, Steve	2023	Golden IL - Adams	Fundraising; team selection
Meservey, Deb	2023	Quincy IL - Adams	LD & BA training; Upper Room Liaison, Child Care
Vinyard, Allen	2021	Hillview IL - Greene	Kitchen; Agape Chapel
Wilson, Mike (C)	2021	Knox City MO - Knox	Fundraising; Community training; team selection
Wyatt, Kathy	2021	Good Hope IL - McDonough	Work Room/Agape; Registrar