GREAT RIVER WALK TO EMMAUS (GRE) COMMUNITY UPDATE

JULY 2023

SPONSOR PILGRIMS!

Sponsor forms and pilgrim applications are available on the Great River Walk to Emmaus website.

www.greatriveremmaus.org

Click on "Get involved & Application Forms"

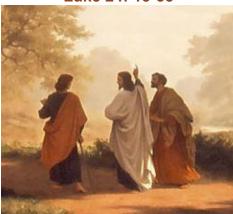
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR GRE COMMUNITY!

Join our GRE Board and make a positive difference for Christ.

Each board member serves on a Walk team(s) and is actively involved in walk weekends. The board also makes decisions affecting our community – including future walk locations.

Board member applications can be downloaded at <u>www.greatriveremmaus.org</u>

Luke 24: 13-35



SPONSOR PILGRIMS!!

Walks are held when there are AT LEAST 10 pilgrims registered before the deadline. SPONSOR NOW! WHY? Currently there are 3 men and 1 woman registered for Walks #33 & #34. Please submit your sponsorship forms and pilgrim applications NOW. Prep weekend is only one month away! See application forms information in the left column.

UPCOMING WALK WEEKENDS

LaMoine Christian Service Camp – Tennessee IL

Men's Walk #33 – August 24-27 Lay Director Craig Dennison

Women's Walk #34 – September 7-10 Lay Director Dana Reid

KNOW A POTENTIAL CANDIDATE WHO IS NOT AVAILABLE IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER?

The Winter Walks are scheduled: Men's Walk #35 – February 22-25 Women's Walk #36 – March 14-17

NEW COMMUNICATION CHANNEL TO ATTRACT PEOPLE INTERESTED IN WALK TO EMMAUS!

A new Facebook page has been created so we can share Walk information with the public. Our Great River Walk to Emmaus facebook page is private – the new page, Great River Walk to Emmaus Community is open to anyone wanting information.

This page will contain upcoming walk information, a definition of Walk to Emmaus, posts sharing what a walk meant/how a person's life was changed, etc. Our original Great River Walk to Emmaus page will stay active for personal information and updates applicable to those who have attended a Walk.

Check it out at: https://www.facebook.com/GRWECommunity

Be sure to "Like" and "Share" the GRE community page. Again, only public information should be shared to that page. You can share this new page with everyone who is interested (they don't have to have been on a Walk). This page is intended to be a way to share information with, and answer questions from, potential pilgrims.

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR PROFILE IN MINISTRY MANAGER?

Ministry Manager is not only a database of GRE members, it is a tool available to all Emmaus communities to assist as we do ministry.

Login instructions were included in our Spring Newsletter. To refer to those instructions, visit our website: greatriveremmaus.org and click on the Newsletter section. Spring 2022 has stepby-step instructions.

BE INFORMED!

Keep an eye on our GRE Facebook page. If you know community members who are not on Facebook – please copy or "snip" information to share with them!

DO YOU LIKE SHORT-TERM PROJECTS? (WITH A BEGINNING AND END (20)

Contact any board member listed below to volunteer!

ARE YOU CRAFTY?

Start putting together agape! 50 pieces are needed for the Men's Walk and 50 for the Women's Walk. Google or look on Esty or other sites for agape gift ideas!

WILLING TO MAKE SOME PHONE CALLS?

We have many community members who would be willing to serve, they just haven't been personally asked. A phone call and/or text to invite participation could reinvigorate someone's walk with Christ.

ENJOY COMPUTER WORK?

- Help is needed in the March/April and September/October to write the GRE *Fourth Day* newsletter.

- There is also a volunteer opportunity for someone who would be willing to create online submittable forms.
- Someone is needed to clean up our GRE email list.

- GRE is considering a texting program – someone is needed to implement/manage

ASK AROUND ... IS EVERYONE IN OUR GRE COMMUNITY RECEIVING GRE UPDATES/

NEWSLETTERS/EMAILS? If someone is not receiving the newsletter, please share your email link with them. Ask them to update their contact information in Ministry manager. In addition, they can email <u>GreatRiverEmmaus@gmail.com</u> to ensure they receive future communications.

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