

GREAT RIVER WALK TO EMMAUS (GRE) COMMUNITY UPDATE

July 2021

FACEBOOK UPDATE/ CLARIFICATION

Be a part of your Emmaus community through 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.

STAY UPDATED!

Watch your email for ongoing communications & monthly updates! If you or someone you know is NOT receiving, please contact Jeff Haskell at jeff13haskell@gmail.com

Luke 24: 13-35



CATCH UP WITH YOUR GRE COMMUNITY!



Visit LaMoine Christian Camp

2760 E County Road 1600, Tennessee IL

Sunday, July 25

2:00 – 4:00

Join your fellow Emmaus Community & see the new site for Walks #27 & 28

2:00-3:00 Visit and/or Tour

(walking tours take approx. 20 minutes – so please arrive by 2:30 if you would like to take the guided tour)

3:00 Questions/Answers

Enjoy some cookies and drinks while visiting with your Emmaus family. Information will be available in the main/large retreat center. Whether or not you take the complete tour, this is a great opportunity to get a feel for the camp and catch up with community members you've missed seeing this past year!

We are scheduled 2:00 - 4:00. To be respectful and allow time for LaMoine staff to prepare for their next event, we will finish/clean up by 4:00.

A COVID task force has been organized to help ensure the team members, pilgrims, and volunteers are as safe as possible.

Community members – please address all questions to your Emmaus board and do **not** directly contact LaMoine Christian Camp. Why? This is LaMoine's busiest season – camps are in session and they are devoting their full attention to current events. When our walks are taking place, we will have their full attention. And – your question has likely been asked by someone else.

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BOARD MEETINGS

Our GRE board has been meeting via Zoom, which means participants have to be “invited” via a link in order to attend. Because it is not possible for the entire community to sign on electronically, we developed the monthly updates to share information.

The board is planning to meet “in person” for our July board meeting. Watch Facebook for more information.

STAY INFORMED & INVOLVED!

GRE Website & Facebook

www.GreatRiverEmmaus.org

Pilgrim, sponsor, Support Team Services Commitment & Clergy Team Service Commitment forms are in the FORMS section. General information and newsletters are also on the site. Facebook contains current posts.

CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!

Meaningful Walk to Emmaus experiences do not happen by accident. It takes the entire community, working together. Serving is a privilege and blessing.

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

Rick Bridges shared, “As co-chair of the kitchen, I get the opportunity to work with more people than most. Many come in “the back door” as not to disturb the weekend by running into a group. I have heard prayers and laughter in the dining room. I have heard musicians practice in the kitchen, and with the acoustics down there, it’s beautiful. I have seen folks come in carrying outfits, with big smiles on their faces in preparation for after dinner fun. The sights and sounds of the Kitchen are unforgettable - and I just know God has to be smiling, watching His people bring a little bit of joy to the pilgrims and team. God is so good to us, despite ourselves.

COMMUNITY TRAINER

The Upper Room requires each Emmaus chapter have a Community Trainer. This person will provide training to our Emmaus community. Support, including training and manuals, is provided by Upper Room. Anyone interested in exploring this new role can contact Deb Meservey for more information.

LAMOINE, Cont’d from Front ...

If you have questions about LaMoine or the upcoming walks, please direct them to Tim Kamradt, who leads the logistics team. He can be reached at wolfsnake3@yahoo.com or 217-440-3084. Our community lay director, Deb Meservey, is also available to answer questions. She can be reached at meserveydm@comcast.net or 217-440-8002.

<i>Prep weekend</i>	<i>August 13-15</i>
<i>Men’s walk #27</i>	<i>August 26-29</i>
<i>Women’s walk #28</i>	<i>September 9-12</i>

PILGRIMS NEEDED!!!!!!!!!!

There are currently no pilgrims registered for Walk #27 or Walk #28. Ten pilgrims must have their applications and \$25 nonrefundable deposit in the hands of our registrar 1 week prior to the Walk.

It is already mid-July – so please pray, and invite individuals to participate in Walks 27 & 28!

WALK APPLICATIONS

Sponsor and Pilgrim applications are available on our website at www.greatriveremmaus.org. Our community’s Registrar is Kathy Wyatt, who can be reached at kmwyatt@me.com or by calling 309-252-1653.

Visit the Great River Emmaus website for applications, forms, and/or to make a donation.