



Rainbow Connection



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Western New York Walk to Emmaus & Chrysalis

December 2010

Chrysalis Hoot!!

Speaker

January 15, 2011

Food

11AM—3 PM

Batavia UMC

Music

Praise & Worship



The church is located on Rt. 63 just west of Batavia. Food will be provided, we plan on having an inspirational speaker, having lots of time for renewing acquaintances, and of course lots of time for praise and worship. All those with musical instruments are encouraged to bring them, the more we have the better the praise will be. Contact any Chrysalis Steering Committee member for details, or Kathy Weil 585-547-9508 or 716-510-9508, kdw1973@juno.com or Char and Jeff Smith at 585-798-3831, jsmith24@rochester.rr.com. All young people are encouraged to bring as many friends as possible. If you know you are attending, please let us know it will help with the planning, but if you just show up we will still be glad you decided to attend.



Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem. 2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. 3 When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 7 Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, God and search diligently for the young child: and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. 9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, west before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. 11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. 12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

Matthew 2: 1-3,7-12 KJV

Treasurer's Report

Char and I hope everyone had a very blessed Christmas. One of our last actions as Emmaus treasurers is to report some very good news!! **The new song-books are paid in full!** We recently had a very generous donation from a music loving Emmaus family, which more than paid for the remaining balance.

These wonderful donors do not want any public accolades; they just wanted to serve God and the Emmaus community via the gift

of music. We have been blessed to have the opportunity to serve on the Emmaus Board and even more blessed to be surrounded by the wonderful Emmaus community. Generous donations of time, money, and service that we see all the time, can help all of us get our priorities right.

DeColores
Char and Jeff Smith

PRAISE GOD



Kitchen Korner

January brings a new year, and also reminds us that the spring walks are just around the corner.

Walk #41 in Clarence will be here before we realize it. The kitchen is already at work on the teaming & walk needs. If you are interested in helping in the kitchen for Walk #41 please let Bill & Geniece Perkins know. They can be reached at billperkins1951@yahoo.com, or (716)560-5973. The kitchen is a fun & busy time during the walk, and a great way to be a servant for the walk. It has been a real blessing to serve in the kitchen these past three years. We have had great servant workers helping us along the way, and thank all of you for your servants heart.

DeColores,
Jim & Lora Keiper

Sponsorship Mentors

Sponsorship Mentors will help with your sponsorship questions, and review and sign your pilgrim applications before submitting them to Registrars Joe and Nancy Thoman. To contact a sponsorship mentor in your area, please call your Gathering leader (as listed on back page).

Thank you.

Calling all

writers:

Submissions to the Community newsletter are

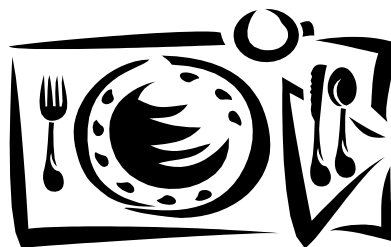
due by the *25th of each month*. Please submit items to Barb Swanson at bms4him@rochester.rr.com.

To God alone be the glory!



You can bless and team members and napkins. Don't be instead glorify God in love through your a page etc. Packets of

Agape Opportunity



the Woikas just email them at jwoikal@rochester.rr.com. They will even mail them to you. Great idea for a gathering or hoot activity!

future pilgrims, caterpillars by decorating placemats by decorating placemats intimidated by the blank white - your willingness to share His notation of His word, coloring of 25 or 50 can be obtained from

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A Word from Evangelism

Let me start off by hoping everyone has had a joyous and blessed holiday! God richly blessed our family once again with the addition of a great grandson! Yes, I said GREAT! I didn't think this would happen for a few more years, but you know what we say about plans...It's Gods plan, not ours.

Well, now that I've crowed a bit, let's get down to business. We are holding an Emmaus Sunday service at the East Rochester UMC on January 9, 2011. The church is located at 357 Fairport Rd., E. Rochester, NY, 14445. Service starts at 9:30am. Following this service we will be traveling to Seneca UMC at 121 Scholfield Rd., Rochester, NY 14617. Come and start the new year by joining us at these services. Help us bring the Emmaus experience to others who may need it. Come dressed in color, name badges and open hearts and minds. Come and worship and praise Him! Another item to note is the upcoming spring walks. The deadlines are coming soon. Let's ALL help to fill these walks. We have had trouble doing this in the past, but with everyone's help we can FILL these walks.

We are also scheduled to give an Emmaus presentation and a Chrysalis presentation at the Niagara Frontier District "Catch the Spirit" event. This would be a great place to learn more about Emmaus for Pastors, Laypersons, or anyone curious about the Emmaus movement. Please mention this event to those in your congregations who may need more information before opening up to the Walk to Emmaus.

Yours in Christ's Service,

Paul & Joanne Brown, Evangelism Chairs





Blessings to all! As we write this, Christmas Day is winding down. It's the peaceful time of the day, in front of the lit tree complemented by soft Christmas music in the background. A time to reflect and be thankful.

We are thankful for so many blessings in our lives – the love of a God so strong he sent His only Son to save us, for family and friends near and far, and for our wonderful Walk to Emmaus community. We pray that this holy season has provided time for you to reflect on and express gratitude for your blessings as well.

Very soon, 2011 will be here. We will trust that God will continue to share His grace with us, encourage us to be in relationship with Christ and seek the comfort and guidance of His Holy Spirit. Let's embrace these assurances individually and as a community. We go forward trusting, knowing, that God wants the best for our lives and that all He asks of us is that we seek to live as Christ showed us – loving God and one another. We ask for the community's prayers that as we all move through this year, we will all work together for the one goal – bringing

this wondrous experience called the Walk to Emmaus to new pilgrims to the best of our ability to the glory of God.

By the time you receive this, the deadline for Men's Walk #41 will be just about a month away. One month to pray for God's leading in sponsoring someone to attend, one month to sit down and talk with the prospective pilgrim and one month to get the registration form to the Thomans. We know that God is calling people to attend this next Walk in Clarence, we only need to listen and respond.

We are thankful for the dedication and work of the outgoing Board members, Jim and Lora Keiper, Jessica White, David Rood, and Jeff and Char Smith. At our December meeting, the following willing servants were commissioned for their roles as new board members: Bill and Geniece

Perkins, Lynne Wheeler, Dan and Tracey Benjamin, Duane and Anita Domes, Pastor Rick Koch and Barbara Swanson – thank you for your service in the Lord. Bob and Christa Fathergill, newly elected chairs of the Team Selection Committee also were anointed for their one-year term of service. We thank Lynn Blakeman for his service as chair in 2010.

We also encourage continued prayers for the teams who are in preparation for Walk #41, and for the pilgrims He is calling.

In His peace and love,

Gary & Rose Caldwell

Community Lay Directors

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2011	Team Selection	Bob & Christa Fathergill	(585) 387-0928	cfatherg@rochester.rr.com



Pray to know how God is calling you to serve to His glory in these upcoming events

Spring Walks!

Spring Walks to Emmaus at the Clarence United Methodist Church, 10205 Greiner Road, Clarence, NY 14031 are coming up faster than we can know!

You will want to get YOUR Pilgrim signed up before the deadlines!!

Men's Walk Info

Walk: March 10-13, 2011
Application Deadline: February 4, 2011

Women's Walk Info

Walk: April 7-10, 2011
Application Deadline: March 4, 2011

Reunion: April 16, 2011

Please remember that the Application Deadlines are firm dates, so get going on your Pilgrim right away!

Joe and Nancy Thoman
Registrars

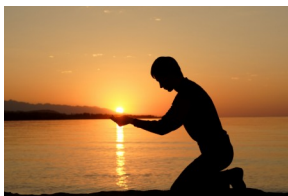


Prayer Vigil Sign Up Links

Women's Walk <http://3dayo1.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=5234&commid=269>

Men's Walk <http://3dayo1.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=5233&commid=269>

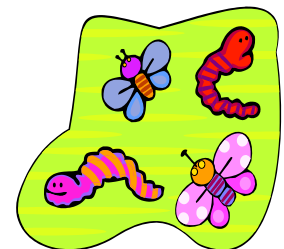
Or via link to the WNY Community Homepage



Please give prayerful consideration to sponsoring a caterpillar

Tentative dates for the next Flights:
July 8, 9, 10 2011 for girls

Aug 12, 13, 14 2011 for boys



Gatherings

Alexander: Alexander UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

7 p.m. - Meeting (Child care as needed)

Kathy Neamon-Wessell & Bob Neamon 585-547-9221

Buffalo: New Hope UMC

2846 Seneca St., West Seneca - 3rd Saturday of the month

9:30 a.m.- Meeting

Pat Corsette 716-826-6840

Enchanted Mountain (Olean): Christ UMC

3rd Wednesday of the month

7-8:30 p.m. - Meeting

Lynn & Pat Blakeman 716-373-6470 smitannl@verizon.net

Fairport: East Rochester UMC

357 Fairport Road (Rt. 31F)

2nd Sunday of the month

5 p.m. - Meeting (Child care upon request)

Bob & Christa Fathergill 585-387-0928

Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns: Hamburg UMC

116 Union St., Parlor - 3rd Tuesday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Jerry & Caroline Schneggenburger 716-646-1522

Kendall: Kendall UMC, 1808 Kendall Road - 2nd Friday of the month; 6:30 p.m. - Meeting

Bob & Trudy Slocum 585-659-8445

Medina/Millville: Millville UMC - Last Friday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Jesse & Cheryl Babcock 585-589-7413

Napoli: Napoli UMC - 4th Monday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Rick Peters 716-938-6800

Niagara: Lockport - Emmanuel UMC

2nd Saturday of the month

6 p.m. - Meeting

Dave & Janice McKinney 716-434-5471

Springville: Springville UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

9:30 a.m. - Meeting

Brian & Susan Scharf 716-592-9811

West Bank: Greece UMC - 2nd Saturday of the month

8:30 a.m. - Continental breakfast

9 a.m. - Meeting (Call ahead for child care)

Sonia Ingle - Child care contact 585-621-1766

Will & Carolyn Rickman 585-392-9784

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