



Rainbow Connection



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Western New York Walk to Emmaus & Chrysalis

November 2010



Annual Emmaus/Chrysalis Community Christmas Party Saturday December 4, 2010 1:00—4:00 (ish) Alexander UMC

Please come to this wonderful event, bring an appetizer or dessert, and maybe even prepare some entertainment. Forget the maybe; get your gathering together and have some brief skit, song, etc. You will never have a more receptive loving audience. Grace & Peace be with you.

DeColores,
Marty & Sue Doherty

Directions to Alexander UMC: Church is on Rt. 98

Take Rt 20A to Varysburg and head north on Rt. 98 through Attica and find church on your left.

Or

Take Rt. 20 to Alexander and turn south on Rt. 98 and church will be on your right.

Or

Take Thruway to Batavia exit and take Rt. 98 south to Alexander and church will be on your right.

Please make note of December Gathering schedule. Some gatherings are attending the Christmas party in lieu of their typical gathering.

“And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. All went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David.) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.”

Luke 2:1, 3-5 KJV





creativity and talents with a brief skit or song!

The Board of Directors will meet at its usual place and day, Trinity United Methodist Church in Attica on the third Friday, which will be Dec. 17, but we will gather a little earlier (6:30 p.m. instead of the typical 7 p.m.) so that the new board members can be “commissioned” and we all can share in Holy Communion before our meeting. We

We hope to be able to greet and fellowship with many of you at the upcoming Christmas Party on December 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Alexander United Methodist Church. It is always a fun time, especially when Gatherings share their

ask, as always, for your prayers for the incoming Board members and for all of us that we will listen and heed God’s leading in all that we do and plan.

As the Teams are being formed for the Spring Walks we ask that you keep the Lay and Spiritual Directors in your prayers so that as calls are made to potential team members that God will call together committed servants for His teams. At the same time we should also be praying for those who feel they are being led to sponsor pilgrims for these Walks. Prayer is the

most important ingredient in all that we do, and as a potential sponsor, the whole process should begin with and be bathed entirely in prayer. If you have any questions about sponsorship, feel free to contact a Sponsorship Mentor in your area.

Especially during these wondrous days of Advent and Christmas and in this cold, winter season, let us remember our call to discipleship and find opportunities to serve in our churches and wherever we can be a blessing. We wish you all a very joyous and blessed Christmas!

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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!

Upcoming Chrysalis Events:

Hoot, Saturday January 15, 2011

11 am—3 pm at

Batavia UMC.

Please contact Kathy Weil for more information.



Tentative dates for the next Flights:

July 8, 9, 10 2011 for girls

Aug 12, 13, 14 2011 for boys

KITCHEN KORNER

It is hard to believe that this was our last set of walks to coordinate the Emmaus Kitchen. These past three years have truly flown by. We want to thank everyone who has supported us through their prayers, providing food, helping in the kitchen and telling us to take a deep breath.

It has been a joy to work with old friends and a pleasure to meet new ones as together we put meals on the table for the walks. Without everyone helping out in the big and the small ways, our job would have been insurmountable. We

have been honored to have had the opportunity to have served the Emmaus Community in the kitchen. We leave with wonderful memories of shared laughter, tears and encouragement received. Thank you all.

We encourage all of the Emmaus Community to volunteer to help out on the next weekends in the spring. Don't let a small group do all of the work and receive all of the joy one gets when you act as God's servant. Sign up to help in the kitchen, be a part of the out of conference room team, bring

snacks for the snack table, pray for those on the weekend or make agape. Whatever you're led to do you will be filled with God's joy and blessings.

With gratitude and love to our WNY Emmaus Community

Decolores,
Jim and Lora Keiper

One last thing...the following is one of our most requested recipes. You are welcomed to cook it up and enjoy it with your loved ones!



SWISS N' CHICKEN CASSEROLE

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| 4 cups cooked, chopped chicken | 2 cups chopped celery |
| 2 cups seasoned croutons | 2 cups (8oz) shredded Swiss cheese |
| 1 cup low fat miracle whip | ½ cup skim milk |
| ¼ cup chopped onion | 1 tsp salt |
| | 1/8 tsp pepper |

Mix all ingredients together. Spoon into a casserole dish that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Cover and bake at 350 for 40 minutes. Uncover and bake 10 more minutes. Makes 6 servings

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.

Chrysalis Steering Committee



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Note from the Community Spiritual Director

How are things with your souls? How are your Fourth Day journey's going? Are you aware of opposition to your journey with Christ? Sometimes it is apathy, other times it is busyness, filling our time with things that crowd out our time with Jesus. And sometimes it is out and out warfare with evil. We need to be on guard against all types of opposition to our continued journeys with Christ.

One mistake modern Christians make is to deny the existence of evil even as we read of its existence in the Holy Bible. Or think it is a "relic" of the past rather than a fact of our modern lives as Christians. Spiritual warfare is as much a part of our lives as it was during the days of Jesus but we deny ourselves the proper equipment to fight evil when we skip over those passages in Scripture. We need to read up on evil and the ways Satan attacks us and then "gird" ourselves with prayer for the battle that rages around us.

Good reading on these long winter nights, along side the Holy Bible, is C. S. Lewis' "Screwtape Letters" where he takes what the Scriptures tell us of Satan and evil using a fictional setting to convey some truths about apathy, busyness and spiritual battle.

So how is it with your soul? Are you feeling alone, abandoned? Do you feel overwhelmed with all that needs doing? Are you under attack?

Pray, ask others to pray with you, pray for others. We are the Body of Christ, together we journey.

De Colores,
Pastor Nilla Owen



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., Parkersburg Tuesday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Jerry & Carol 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

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