



June 2015

Crossroads Emmaus of Eastern Pennsylvania

Crossroads Chrysalis of Eastern Pennsylvania

## Welcome from Your Community Lay Director



Dear Emmaus Community,

What a blessing it was to see two successful spring walks welcome a new set of Pilgrims into our Community! God is good! All the time! All the time, God is good!

The Emmaus Board held its first ever Board Retreat on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. This was a wonderful opportunity for the board to come together and discuss some of the pressing issues facing our community. This day began with the board getting to know each other a little bit better with a team building activity followed by Dr. Kari McClellan leading the board in a discussion about what the role of a board should and should not be. Kari also distributed to each board member a Spiritual Gift Inventory and urged each board member to complete it to find out more about the spiritual gifts our Heavenly Father has equipped each one of us with to use for His glory. The board had many items on the agenda to discuss that day including Sponsorship, Gatherings, Communication, Community Events and Face to Face.

You may be asking yourself, "What is Face to Face?" Well, "Face to Face" is a new framework for providing the Emmaus experience for those who are over 60 years of age and may not be able to handle a full Emmaus weekend experience. Walk to Emmaus, Chrysalis, and Face to Face all have the same goal: "To develop Christian leaders." Face to Face just looks a little different than the Walk to Emmaus. The board learned that one of the major differences is that with Face to Face, the pilgrims do not spend the night anywhere. The structure is different and usually involves meetings at a church or other location one day a week for a certain number of weeks in a row. Participants can drive to the location and return home at night to sleep in their own bed! Face to Face has 14 talks (no Study talk is given, Perseverance and Fourth Day are combined, and there is an additional talk on Coping in Tough Times that is given by a Hospice Member). In addition, the meetings include meditations on *Living Fully and Dying Well* by Bishop Reuben Job. The Emmaus Board has committed to looking into bringing Face to Face to our Community in the year 2016 or 2017. Four board members will travel to Bridgewater, New Jersey on June 26<sup>th</sup> to learn more about what will be required in bringing Face to Face to our Community. The board will meet in July to discuss the information learned in New Jersey and we will continue to keep you informed as we prayerfully consider bringing Face to Face to PA.

Along with learning about Face to Face, the board spent time talking at the retreat about how to get more people involved in Gatherings. Brian Billman will be working very hard this year as Gathering Coordinator to find out which Gatherings in the Community are active, and he will also be developing a "framework" that can serve as a guide to all Gathering Leaders as they plan for future Gathering Meetings in 2016-2017. The board also discussed making changes to the Chrysalis and Emmaus websites in order to update them and make them more visually appealing. Look for these changes to occur before the end of 2015! The board would also like to work on providing some community wide events in the future. Stay tuned for information in the months ahead. Finally, the board encourages each member of the Emmaus Community to prayerfully consider who you can share the gift of Emmaus with in 2015-2016. Sponsorship is vital to the life of our Community. It is not too early to turn in applications for the fall Walks, which will be held October 8-11 for the men and October 15-18 for the women. Pilgrim applications can be sent to the community registrar, John Keenan at 739 Main Street, Phoenixville, PA 19460.

As the summer months approach, I pray that each of you and your families enjoy the fellowship that often comes from pool parties, vacations, and sunny days. Remember to keep the teams that will be meeting this summer to prepare for the 60<sup>th</sup> Walks to Emmaus in your prayers as well as the Chrysalis Community as they begin preparation for the next set of flights that we hope to have take place in February 2016.

De Colores,  
Tracy Fasick, Community LD



## **Welcome From Your Community Spiritual Director**

As I write this, the start of summer is just around the corner. I hope this summer will give you some time to renew, relax and refresh. One of the things we know is that church attendance, participation in small group/Bible studies, and other discipleship activities tend to drop off.

This is not to make you feel guilty if you have a cabin at the shore or in the mountains; it is simply a reminder that discipleship takes no time off. Part of faithful discipleship is to renew yourself on a regular basis, yet study after study in our society indicated that faith development keeps dropping as a priority.

If you are going to be away from home – I encourage you to find ways to continue to grow in your faith. Remember the study talk?

- Find some good books to read
- Many churches post their sermons on line. (My personal favorite – John Ortberg at [www.mppc.org](http://www.mppc.org))
- Almost all of us have cell phones; use them to check in with your close friends
- Take the shut-in list from your church and call them to offer a word of encouragement or send them a card.
- Use a walk around the lake or down the boardwalk to pray.

Have a great summer. Keep growing as disciples of Jesus. Love and bless someone in the name of Jesus today!

Mark Moore, Community SD

## **Resources**

There are ways of staying connected to our Emmaus Community in addition to the Rooster Call and your Gathering. If you are not a member of our Facebook group, please become one. You can do a search for **Crossroads Walk to Emmaus of Eastern PA** and request to join. Those of you who are already members of the group, check your Facebook News Feed on a regular basis, as there are frequent postings.

In addition to Facebook, periodically check our website at [www.crossroadsemmauspa.org](http://www.crossroadsemmauspa.org). Here you'll find information about our Emmaus and Chrysalis communities, back copies of recent Rooster Calls, information on our Gatherings and Scholarship funds, downloadable team and pilgrim applications, a calendar of upcoming events, and links to the prayer wheel and website where you can volunteer to serve on upcoming walks.

## **From the Lay Director of the Women's 59th Walk, May 2015**

*"This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it!" Psalm 118: 24*

Rejoice we did! What an amazing 72 hours with an awesome group of women (and Mark)!! We started out with a bang on Thursday evening when we met our new friends and discussed our favorite ice cream toppings. As the women were practically racing to get up in front of the room, I knew right then that this was going to be a weekend with lots of laughs and bonding.....and that I was not in control of anything!

After our time of silence and reflection Thursday evening into Friday morning chapel, the ladies continued to get to know each other; and the tables began to engage and form relationships. Our talks were powerful all weekend, and the presentations were lots of fun for us all. D I S P I C L E, D I P S C I L E, DISCIPLE!! There was never a loss for lively discussion or jokes at the meals or in the conference room.

Saturday's Communion of Reconciliation knocked down some walls and opened up many hearts to what was left in store. Many were able to name and leave their burdens at the foot of the cross; what a blessing that was. Saturday's theme of Grace continued to build, and God's Agape love was apparent; and we were all touched by the incredible break-in offered to us by our own Chrysalis community! THANK YOU CHRYSALIS!!! Our "Field Trip" on Saturday night amazed all of the pilgrims as they received a little taste of heaven entering the sanctuary to singing, and God's AMAZING love illuminated by the community's candlelight.

Sunday the Pilgrims were woken up with a lively rendition of "This is the Day". They were ready to get up and take in the joy of the day. After they got over the sad news that there would be no "Creative Responses," they got right into absorbing what the day had in store as they finished out their weekend. It was clear by closing that many lives had been changed.

To the Pilgrims of the 59th Walk I pray that you are able to be the body of Christ in your church and community in your Fourth Day, and I look forward to seeing you at Emmaus events in the future. Remember that Christ is Counting on YOU!! I would like to thank my husband Mark who was such a great support to me throughout the whole process, when I doubted my ability he was always there full of encouragement. Also thanks to the Community and Board for your support, prayers and kind words. It was such an honor to serve in the position of Lay Director for this Women's 59th walk!

Thanks to the AWESOME team, conference room and outside, who made my job less stressful and made training fun. They became a team right from the start and made my job very easy. I truly felt lifted and surrounded by every prayer from the start, and I was humbled and honored to be a part of this wonderful weekend. May God continue to bless the event called "Walk to Emmaus"!

DeColores!

Pam Heller, Lay Director, Women's 59th Walk to Emmaus

## From the Lay Director of the Men's 59th Walk, April 2015

*Then if people will call Me by my name and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7: 14*

Welcome men of the 59<sup>th</sup> walk to Emmaus. Wow what a privilege to serve alongside this team. From the first meeting we had to and thru the entire weekend, every person served in whatever capacity they were asked. It was an honor.

Then come 13 Amazing men on Thursday night to start this thing called the Walk to Emmaus. The whole group came together very fast. From meeting our new friends to silence. You could tell on Friday morning thru all the head nods that being silent was not something this group was used to. When we got back from breakfast and went to our tables, you could already see the Holy Spirit at work. People took notes and the discussion time was awesome. They got right to it. Friday was a day of getting to know and trust the group. The sponsors had done well preparing these men. Some were still a little apprehensive; I think they were anticipating! Saturday as we all know was a full day of Surprise, Surprise, Surprise. After the Communion of Reconciliation, all really opened up. The timekeeper would tell them it was time for a break, and they would just stay there talking. They explained the visits to the chapel, and people were asking for their turn, It was truly amazing to watch. Then came the Chrysalis break in and these guys were in awe that people would come just for them. No tears by anyone or anything though. After all, we are Men, and Men don't cry. Well they did. Candlelight was, to say the least Unbelievable. We heard from, Hey I saw my wife to, there was people I knew in that crowd. To, Who were all the ANGELS.

Sunday came and you would have thought this was a family reunion the way they got along. You would have never guessed they only knew each other a couple days.

The theme song for the Men of the 59<sup>th</sup> walk was #8 HERE I AM LORD. When their crosses were placed around their neck and they said I AM COUNTING ON CHRIST many were also saying IS IT I LORD I WILL GO.

And go they will to their world and share CHRIST. PRAISE GOD.

Thanks for letting me be a part of this

De Colores

Ray E Caldwell

Lay Director of the 59<sup>th</sup> walk to Emmaus

## **Chrysalis Needs YOU!**

We are looking for adults and youth to serve on the boys and girls flights in 2016. Please consider this opportunity to bless others in our community by serving on a Chrysalis flight. When making your decision to serve, please be aware that instead of having 4 Saturday Training Sessions, we will be having a Friday through Sunday Training on January 8-10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (location TBD). This decision was made to allow for more adults and youth to serve and effectively utilize everyone's time.

Team Training – January 8-10, 2016

Girls Flight – February 11-14, 2016

Boys Flight – February 18-21, 2016

Team Applications are due September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please go to <http://crossroadsemmauspa.org/Crossrdchrys.html> to download a Team Application or contact Candace Eckart at [Candace.eckart@bracketglobal.com](mailto:Candace.eckart@bracketglobal.com) or Richard Griffith at [epc9walkumc@rnc.com](mailto:epc9walkumc@rnc.com) to request a copy.

Peace, Blessings and Joy

PB&J

Candi Eckart



## Chrysalis Testimony



As I sit here writing this, I'm looking at a henna tattoo of a butterfly on my hand. There are a lot of butterflies in my world, decorating my room, on much of my clothing, and even as the wallpaper of my cell phone. A lot of people laugh at my child-like love of these beautiful insects. But I know that butterflies mean so much more than a childhood obsession. Ever since my Chrysalis flight, butterflies have symbolized God's love and grace for me, and the people God has used to express His love for me through the Chrysalis community.

I went on my Chrysalis flight almost a year and half ago. Since then, everything in my life has changed. It's not so much that Chrysalis changed me, but more that Chrysalis showed me Christ's love for me, and now Christ is transforming me and my life.

It's amazing how much you can learn in three days. The talks I heard gave me personal testimonies and witnesses to Christ's power. Team members represented a love to me like I had never experienced before. The Chrysalis community gave me a place where I could truly be myself, for the first time in my life. Suddenly, my world was open to a love and acceptance that I only later recognized as coming from Jesus Christ Himself.

Before my Chrysalis flight, I struggled, like any other teenager, feeling like I wasn't enough. I felt hopeless and alone, drowning in my efforts to get people to love and accept me. I never had a lot of friends growing up, so even into high school I didn't have a place where I felt like I belonged. Chrysalis gave me that place. Chrysalis has given me a family and a home: a place where I feel loved.

Since my flight, I've been building a relationship with God like never before. I've grown in self-confidence, which has allowed me to step into new leadership roles,

especially at my church. I've learned to appreciate my gifts, and use them for God's glory. And I've been surrendering to God's will for my life, instead of trying to figure it out of my own. None of this would have been possible without Christ's transforming power, which I may have never known without everything that Chrysalis has given me.

Most importantly, Chrysalis has given me a glimpse of unconditional, eternal love and acceptance. Without Chrysalis, I'm not sure I would have accepted Jesus into my heart. And if I didn't know the love and grace of Jesus Christ, I certainly wouldn't be where I am today.

Christina Siewert



## Notes on the recent 4<sup>th</sup> day

A BIG thank you to everyone who came out to 4<sup>th</sup> day held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at Cedarville UMC. Schuylkill Servants Gathering, led by Audrey Buell, did a wonderful job with kitchen help, greeters, preparing the sound system, and prepping and cleaning up the meal. Our gatherings are valuable to the success of any 4<sup>th</sup> day.

The day started with music by our talented, community musicians. The pilgrims were escorted out to their workshop singing and praising our Lord where they received information concerning the weekend, sponsorship and being on team. This year, the new members of our community made their first agape for the upcoming pilgrims of the 60<sup>th</sup> Fall Walks. They decorated the envelopes that will be used to hold the letter agape for the fall weekends. What an amazing job was done by all! The community learned more about the new senior program called Face To Face.

When it was time for the return of the pilgrims they were greeted by the community with horns, shakers and pom-poms. Everyone then enjoyed the "Miss Ever Lasting Emmaus" game show presented by members of our community. Team dedication, Communion, and dinner finished a day of praising God. We look forward to the fall 4<sup>th</sup> day hosted by Rock of Joy gathering being held at Chiques UMC on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

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# The Rooster Call



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### Future Walks and Flights

**Chrysalis Walk #27**

February 11-14, 2016  
 February 18-21, 2016

Next Steps Rush

TBD

**Emmaus Walk #60**

October 8-11, 2015  
 October 15-18, 2015

4th Day Workshop

October 31, 2015  
 Chiques UMC

**Emmaus Walk #61**

April 21-24, 2016  
 April 28-May 1, 2016

4th Day Workshop

May 14, 2016  
 TBD

Please plan ahead! *Team applications must be submitted 9-12 months prior to the Walk weekend on which you would like to serve. Note that Team Selection is in February or early March for Fall Weekends and in September for Spring Weekends. All applications must be submitted BEFORE Team Selection for your chosen Walk weekend.*