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address or a name change, since your walk.**

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The Walk to Emmaus

*for the development
of Christian leaders*

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Spring 2008 Walk Dates Announced

The Board has announced the dates for the 2008 Emmaus Walks.

The Men's walk will be April 17-20th, 2008 with Dave Heidtman Sr. as Lay Director.

The Women's Walk will be April 24-27th 2008 with Barb Merlo as Lay Director. Both Walks will be hosted by the Mitchell United Methodist Church in Negaunee, Mi.

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CANDLELIGHT

Candlelight is a very special time for our pilgrims. We are considering having a child care room at the facility where the Candlelight service is held, this would allow people to attend, who have children 12 and under, as **Candlelight is only for ones who have already taken their walk, not children.** Therefore we are looking for volunteers, who love kids, to be care takers for the Candlelight service. If you are interested please let a board member know.

ELECTIONS ARE COMING SOON

We will be electing 5 new Emmaus Board members to serve a 3 year term. Please pray now and consider taking a position on the Emmaus Board. We meet in various locations in the Upper Peninsula approximately 10 times a year. Nominations for Board Members will be in the November Newsletter, please let any Board Member know before October 30 if you are interested in serving your fellow Emmaus Brothers and Sisters as a Board Member.

CHRYSALIS

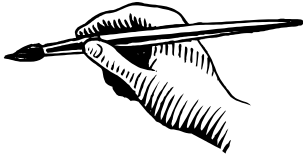
We are looking for dedicated individuals to commit to being a Board Member on the Superiorland Chrysalis Board.

If you are interested in being a Chrysalis Board Member please contact Floyd Crawford by phone 906-353-6183 or e-mail fscrawfo@up.net

15 Board Members are needed - to start we need 5 members to serve 3 years, 5 members to serve for 2 years and 5 members to serve for 1 year. Each year 5 new board members will be elected to replace the Board Members who have completed their term. Please pray and see if God wants you to serve our youth in this way. They are our future Church leaders. Let's get them on the right path!

EMMAUS TRAILER

Needs a facelift. We are in need of donations to repaint and letter our Emmaus Supply Trailer. If you'd like to donate to this cause, please send your donations to:



Kathy Hart
5598 Witch Lake Rd
Republic, MI 49879
No donation is too small!

Suggestions for Sponsors

Here are a few suggestions for recruitment that should increase your effectiveness, help you properly interpret Emmaus, and effect your responsibility in sharing God's grace as a sponsor.

1. When you are talking to a married person, we suggest you talk with both husband and wife. We want both husband and wife to make the decision together. Their applications should be turned in together.
2. Remember, the Walk to Emmaus is not for everyone. These three days cannot rectify every problem marriage, enthruse every disenchanted church member, cure disturbed persons, or make saints of sinners. The Walk to Emmaus is designed to change environments through Christian leaders, Pilgrims should at least know where the path is, if they are not already walking on it. We don't need just any candidates, we need the best.
3. Feel free to share with a potential applicant what Emmaus meant for you as fully as will help, realizing that all explanations will fall short. It's not that we are not allowed to tell what went on, but that it is difficult to explain. We want their experience to be fresh, especially for Candlelight and agape letters which will hopefully be surprises.
4. Don't assume the person you are sponsoring will experience the same things you did. Each of us is at a different place on our spiritual journey. For some, the Emmaus experience will be a mountaintop, a new beginning. For others, it will be strengthening for the journey they are already on. We must not pre-judge our candidates or set them up with unhelpful expectations.
5. To assure the applicant you are personally interested in their attending, make plans to bring them to the Emmaus site for Send-Off. Your bringing them, helping them with suitcases and registration, and sharing in the Send-Off and Sponsor's Hour is a form of prayer and sacrifice.
6. During the weekend, you and your family become a substitute for the pilgrim. Leave your phone number with their spouse. Do something special for them during the weekend like giving them a few hours during the day for personal time. Share a meal with them. Let the pilgrim's spouse know that you love and care for them.
7. You have responsibilities to the pilgrim. Pray for him/her during the weekend. Write him/her letters of prayers and sacrifice and make sure others do likewise, especially those close to them. Support your pilgrim with your presence at Candlelight and Closing.
8. After the Walk stay in contact and support the pilgrim you sponsor during their Fourth Day. Be responsible for getting them to the Fourth Day meeting following their Walk. Take them to at least their first gathering. Help them become involved in a Group Reunion as soon as possible.



Praying for Potential Pilgrims

Raise your hand if someone sponsored you on your Walk to Emmaus. OK, now put your hand down. Everybody had a sponsor, right?

By now you have probably discovered that your sponsor was praying for you, even before you decided to go. They prayed that you would be open to the idea of attending. They prayed that you would return that darn registration form. They prayed that nothing would come up that would prohibit you from going. They prayed that you wouldn't get cold feet and back out at the last minute. And they prayed that the walk would be a very, very special time for you.

So here you are, a member of the *Superiorland Emmaus Community*. All the prayer was worth it, and **YOU** are living proof that prayer works. And only one person was praying for you by name to go (well, maybe your sponsor and a few of your sponsor's friends).

Now imagine this. You have a friend who you think is ready to attend a Walk. But instead of just you, and perhaps a few friends, praying for him or her to sign up, suppose a hundred or more people were praying for your friend. Wouldn't that be tremendous?

But you may ask, "How do I find all these people to pray for my friend to go on the walk?" Well, its *easy*.

Starting with this newsletter, and continuing with future newsletters, we will list the name of anybody you think is ready to go on a walk and you want help praying for. All you need to do is contact our newsletter editor Barb Mansell (bfw45@hotmail.com or 906-288-3734) and give her the first name of your friend and the town they live in. For example, Adam in Amasa, or Eve in Engadine. We'll put your first name along with your friend's name/town in the newsletter. Then over 300 people will see it, and a lot of them will start praying for your friend, and for you as a sponsor too.

Imagine what could happen if we wound up with a list of 100 potential pilgrims, each being prayed for, **BY NAME**, by a couple hundred members of the community. Just imagine!

So this is a call to **EVERY** member of the *Superiorland Emmaus Community* to be involved in sponsoring new pilgrims, either directly as their official sponsor, or indirectly via prayer. If you have potential pilgrims, send in their names, and of course continue praying for them as you have been. If you don't know of anybody to sponsor, what better way to support the community and the attraction of new pilgrims than by praying for them by name. You can become a prayer sponsor.

To start things off we've already come up with several names, listed below. Take this page and stick it in your bible or devotional or whatever you have handy when you pray. Then **USE IT!** If you are in a regular fourth day, maybe your group could pray for those on this list. Whatever works for you. Just **DO IT!**

Pray that they are open to the invitation. Pray that they will return the form. Pray that they will not get cold feet. Pray that they will not be kept from coming by anything, whether man made or from the evil one. And pray for their sponsor.

Here's the list so far. Let's hope, by the time the next newsletter comes out in November that this list is huge. Pray for that too!

Pastor Steve-Crystal Falls, sponsored by Dale
Shanna, Bill, Sue & Gordon-Ishpeming, sponsored by Judy & Jim
Phil & Amanda-L'Anse sponsored by Dave & Barb
Don & Gwen-Sault Ste Marie sponsored by Dave & Barb

Tim-Houghton, sponsored by Dave
Ron-St Ignace, sponsored by Dale
Mark -Harvey, sponsored by Dale
Mark-Ishpeming, sponsored by Dale

SEND US MORE! Send us a name even before you approach them. Send us a name even if they have agreed to go. Send us a name even if they have already returned the form.

Emmaus Gatherings



Sept 8, 2007 at 3 pm
Grace Methodist
Church, 201 Isle Royale
St, Houghton for pot-
luck, fellowship and
Communion.

Oct 13, 2007 at 4 pm
Memorial Unit Methodist
Church, 1920 Lakeshore
Dr, Gladstone, for pot-
luck, fellowship and
Communion.

Nov 3, 2007 at 2 pm
Wesley Methodist
Church 801 Hemlock,
Ishpeming for potluck,
fellowship and Commu-
nion.

Come and join us
for a great time of
reunion, fun and
fellowship! Catch
up with your new
best friend, table
partners and meet
the rest of the
community.

Please note the next gathering has been changed from **Sept 15th to Sept 8th!**
It will be potluck so bring your favorite dish. We'll have some singing, prayer, communion,
and we'll talk about the importance of sponsorship and ways to attract more pilgrims to our
walks. We'll also talk about how to get more men to work on the next walk—Last spring
we were barely able to scrape together a minimal crew. There will be a board meeting at 1
p.m. too, so come early if you would like to sit in.

Praise God for our Leaders!

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A Tribute to Jeryl Manchester

The Superiorland Emmaus community has just lost one of its founders and dear friends, Jeryl Manchester. Influenced by Jeryl's (and others') persuasiveness, the Detroit Conference/Petoskey area Emmaus community put on the first UP Emmaus Walk in May of 1986 at Wesley UMC in Ishpeming. The Detroit Conference Men's Emmaus Walk #23 is now known as Superiorland Emmaus #1. Jeryl served as an assistant lay director on that walk along with a team of 36 others (two Yoopers and 34 trolls, primarily from the Petoskey area).

Of the 16 Pilgrims on that first walk, eight were from the UP. Sixty walks later, over 1500 pilgrims have attended Superiorland Emmaus/Chrysalis walks. Jeryl was the first UP Lay Director for the second UP Men's Walk, Superiorland #3. Pilgrims and team members will always remember Jeryl as a spiritual brother, a servant, and a leader. His servant-leadership was inspiring.



May 1986: This is the Superiorland Emmaus #1, pilgrims and team. Jeryl is the “big” guy in the second row, end left. Do you recognize the 3 other still active Superiorland men? You might need a magnifying glass.

Throughout his life, Jeryl served his family, his friends, his church and his community, putting the needs of others above his own. He sought to enrich the lives of the people of the Keweenaw by providing inspiration and legal insight to many organizations, including the Salvation Army and the Calumet Theatre. His love for and enjoyment of the wild and beautiful UP was evident by his support of conservation groups such as the Michigan Nature Association, Ducks Unlimited, Trout Unlimited, and many others. Jeryl was a member of Grace United Methodist Church since 1973. His love for and faith in God were an integral part of his life and all he gave himself to.

He is survived by his wife, Jackie; his sons, Jeremiah (Angela) and Jacob (Lynn); his daughter, Jocelyn (Joe); his grandson, Benjamin; cousins, nephews, nieces, and many friends in his church and in the community.

Although Jeryl loved Jesus, he died of suicide. At Jeryl's memorial service, Pastor Tom Anderson emphasized that nothing is beyond God's Grace, not even suicide. Tom also emphasized the need for all of us to forgive as we have been forgiven. Jeryl and Jackie's son, Jacob challenged all of us to find a community of friends where we can feel safe and loved and where we can be authentic, sharing our joys, struggles, and deepest needs. Please join us in holding Jackie and the family, the Houghton Grace UMC community, and Jeryl's many friends in our hearts and in our prayers in the weeks and months to come. Tom's messages from the memorial service and following Sunday can be heard at <http://www.houghtongraceumc.org/> - Sermon Recording text, 8/17 & 8/19.

In an attempt to reduce the cost of our mailings, we would like to email our quarterly newsletters to everyone who has an email address. If you have recently changed your email address or you did not receive an email during June or July, please return this notice with your information.

In addition we are updating our mailing list. If your household receives more than 1 newsletter, a member of your family has a new address or other info about you has changed, please let us know. Fold, staple or tape and stamp and return please.

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