

The Agape-Wigwam Cabin has begun!

There have been several meetings the past couple of months between Emmaus Board, Camp Michigamme Board, Camp Building Committee and Camp Director, progressing to near complete plans and preparation for fundraising as well and even some preliminary site preparation.

WOW - Déjà-vu The above headline looks exactly like the one in the last newsletter from almost a year

ago? And you would be right. A year ago we were all excited that it looked like the new Agape/Wigwam building was a go and that it would be complete and usable by LAST September. And then reality set in in the form of finances, plans changes and permits, upon permits, upon permits and before we knew it September had passed and winter had set in. Fast forward to (see picture below left)



Saturday May 11, 2019 The Agape/Wigwam building official groundbreaking ceremony took place and things are now back on track and building has begun.

Want to help build the new Agape/ Wigwam building? Go to page 3 for more information on how you can help.



Upcoming Walk and Over-nighter information on page 2



See page 3 for details.





Drawings page 4, 5 & 6



the upcoming Walks.

We are always in need of Agape Gifts

Estimate 50 pcs for dining room and 50 pcs for beds. Agape is no longer placed on conference room tables according to the new rules (reason is conference room tables are too crowded with other materials and agape gets lost in the shuffle).

Please drop off your Agape Gifts at the mail room on Thursday when you bring your Candidates to the opening on Thursday night as I know that you are all out there recruiting and preparing a good candidate for the next Walk.

** Superiorland Emmaus Lay Directors Notes **

The Agape Wigwam foundation is in, and on Wednesday, May 22nd the concrete walls are poured- Horary – Horary! The foundation contractor used ICF blocks that both look and act a lot like a big 16"x24" Lego blocks. And in case you do not know ICF stands for Insulated Concrete Forms. Therefore, YES, both sides of the basement and foundation walls are insulated as part of the ICF. The basement floor will be poured and finished off either right before or right after the Memorial Day weekend. Framing will start the week after Memorial Day as the floor and roof trusses are already on site! God Willing and with a little luck the Agape - Wigwam be completed before July and ready for young campers to use and for OUR christening by the Emmaus Community with our September Fall Men's & Women's Walks!! Get your pilgrims signed up now!!!

The volunteer labor for construction will be led by long time Emmaus member John Quinn, who of course is Anita's husband! What a great team they make! John is graciously donating his time as the general contractor to see this project to completion, which is not small task and GREATLY appreciated, especially by me. John will lead volunteer teams of 3-4 people who will work in single small 1-2 day shifts. If interested in helping out on the construction please contact John at jquinn203@gmail.com. Please provide John with your name, email address, telephone number, construction skills, dates available, times available - (such as 3 hours on an evening), other team members or individual helper?, and anything else relevant. Or send me or cc me with your email at gary@franklinsquarehotel.com and I also help you get on a team.

Most importantly, PLEASE DO NOT just show up without a scheduled slot as it can be counter productive and unsafe to our production crews. There will of course be nontechnical help needed too throughout the construction phases!

When our Lord planted the seed in our Emmaus Community for "US" to see the missing piece of a modern meeting space for our Emmaus conference room at this great walk venue of Camp Michigamme, our members have come together with our time, talents and gifts to make this happen. I feel so darn blessed to be a part of the Emmaus Community "that saved a wretch like me" thorough my walk, blessed to be a part of this building construction "filling a needed years to come", blessed to be a part of growing Camp Michigamme "allowing the camp to introduce our Lord and Savior to our children" in this rich, vibrant setting, and blessed to enhance this camp venue "as I feel called" in these times of turmoil and ungodliness to fight back with God message of great hope for our youth and future!

May God richly bless you and pour our his grace and mercy into your very soul my friends!

Your brother; Gary Lubinski

Interior Plans

The ideal feature about this building is that when completed, the main floor (the Emmaus conference room) will be accessed at the same height of the top of the road by the Grace Hall. (See exterior drawings on the next page) Therefore, the walk from Grace Hall to the Agape Wigwam conference room will be only a slight climb of a few easy feet.









If the Lord is leading you give of your time and talent to help in the construction of the Agape/Wigwam building. Yes we are looking for helpers to help build the new Agape/Wigwam building. John Quinn is the person to contact as he is acting as the Project Coordinator for the project. Please contact John at (906-231-9035) or by email at jquinn203@gmail.com . And yes John should be the only contact person. John is setting up a schedule and the number of workers needed on any given day so please do not show up unannounced. Most tools will be provided but if you have a favorite hammer or saw bring it but we need most are willing hands to work.







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Transportation (Trailer) (Vacant)

Scripture: Matthew 5:43-48

43 "You have heard that it was said, `You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you salute only your brethren, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Meditation: What makes the disciples of Jesus different from others and what makes Christianity distinct from any other religion? It is *grace* - treating others, not as they deserve, but as God wishes them to be treated - with loving-kindness, forbearance, and mercy. God is good to the unjust as well as the just. His love embraces saint and sinner alike. God seeks our highest good and teaches us to seek the greatest good of others, even those who hate and abuse us.



** POP QUIZ **

What do you see in this picture?

A - Noah waiting for the snails to get on board?

B - A father giving advice to his teenage daughter and her boy friend?

C - A potential Emmaus Walk Candidate waiting for a Sponsor?

If our Lord leads you to give a much needed donation (of any size) to the New Agape-Wigwam Building Project please send your donation to:

Alan Larsen Attn.: Agape Wigwam Project 21646 Petticoat Lake Road, Michigamme, MI 49861 (906-231-1000 / <u>mqtdistbooks@gmail.com</u>)

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