

# Superiorland Emmaus Community Newsletter



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**Emmaus**  
THE UPPER ROOM.

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**Superiorland Emmaus Community Gathering and Work-Bee**  
**Saturday June 24, 2017 at Woodland UMC, Michigamme**  
**Bring a dish to pass, a pair of gloves and a Servants heart**

Men's Walk #80: **September 14-17** (Lay Director: B.J. Ash)  
Women's Walk #81: **September 21-24** (Lay Director: Francine Cerne)

**Both Walks to be held at Camp Michigamme**

(All Times and Dates are subject to change if circumstances require)



# Things to do and dates to remember

## WHEN

## WHAT

## WHERE

- | WHEN  | WHAT   | WHERE            |
|---|--|------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Right Now                | Pray   | Anywhere you are |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Right Now                | Sponsor a Pilgrim<br><a href="#">(click here for Sponsor Forms)</a>    | Next Walk        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Right Now                | Volunteer for Team<br><a href="#">(Click here for Volunteer Forms)</a> | Next Walk        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 24, 2017<br>11:00am | Superiorland Emmaus<br>Board Meeting                                   | Woodland U.M.C.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 14-15, 2017         | Team Building<br>Over-Nighter #1                                       | Woodland U.M.C.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> August 11-12, 2017       | Team Building<br>Over-Nighter #2                                       | Gwinn U.M.C.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September 14-17, 2017    | Superiorland Emmaus<br>Men's Walk #80                                  | Camp Michigamme  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September 21-24, 2017    | Superiorland Emmaus<br>Women's Walk #81                                | Camp Michigamme  |

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**SPECIAL**  
**TO DO**  
**LIST**

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**Meditation: (Read Mark 1:40-41)** Do you seek the Lord Jesus with expectant faith? No one who sought Jesus out was refused his help. Even the untouchables and the outcasts of Jewish society found help in him. Unlike the people of Jesus' time who fled at the sight of a leper, Jesus touched the leper who approached him and he made him whole and clean. Why was this so remarkable? Lepers were outcasts of society. They were driven from their homes and communities and left to fend for themselves. Their physical condition was terrible as they slowly lost the use of their limbs and withered away. They were not only shunned but regarded as "already dead" even by their relatives. The Jewish law forbade anyone from touching or approaching a leper, lest ritual defilement occur.

This leper did something quite remarkable. He approached Jesus confidently and humbly, expecting that Jesus could and would heal him. Normally a leper would be stoned or at least warded off if he tried to come near a rabbi. Jesus not only grants the man his request, but he demonstrates the personal love, compassion, and tenderness of God in his physical touch. The medical knowledge of his day would have regarded such contact as grave risk for incurring infection. Jesus met the man's misery with compassion and tender kindness. He communicated the love and mercy of God in a sign that spoke more eloquently than words. He touched the man and made him clean - not only physically but spiritually as well.

How do you approach those who are difficult to love, or who are shunned by others because they are deformed or have some defect? Do you show them kindness and offer them mercy and help as Jesus did? The Lord is always ready to show us his mercy and to free us from whatever makes us unclean, unapproachable, or unloving towards others.

Lord Jesus, inflame my heart with your love and make me clean and whole in body, mind, and spirit. May I never doubt your love nor cease to tell others of your mercy and compassion."

Most of the new arrivals seem incapable of conversation. They just stare at their hands in despair.



**SPECIAL EDITORS NOTE:** This newsletter is for the use of the Superiorland Emmaus Community. It is not just a place for dates, times & places, the website does a good job of that ( [www.superiorlandemmaus.org](http://www.superiorlandemmaus.org) ). It is hoped that this newsletter will be published at least quarterly. If you have a story or any information, or announcements for the Community please send them to me, Jim Baker, at ( [mindseye@up.net](mailto:mindseye@up.net) ) well in advance. Any submissions to the newsletter are subject to editing by newsletter editor and the Community Board of Directors for content, timeliness, appropriateness and available space.