

Amos 8:2

"What do you see, Amos?" he asked. I replied, "A basket full of ripe fruit."

Yes! Ripe fruit – that sounds wonderful! Sadly, God was showing Amos that the people of Israel were ripe for punishment. They had much to praise God for, an abundance of blessings from the Lord, yet they were not using their gifts in the right way. They were ripe – and well on their way to rotting.

As Christians, we need to stay alert to not just what our gifts are but that we are also using them in the right way – to show our love for God in all we are and do, and to spread that love to all around us by sharing the truth of Jesus Christ.

Let's face it, the past few years we have been ripe fruit, sitting on the shelf. It's time to be put to God's use in the world before the fruit flies start to circle! One way to do that is to uplift and encourage other Christians in their faith journey. Sometimes mature believers think they have hit the top and had nowhere else to go. These leaders are the people you should be asking, "Have you taken part in an Emmaus weekend?" If they say no, then ask them to prayerfully consider taking the walk this September.

Those who have experienced an Emmaus weekend know that becoming a mature Christian is just the beginning. There is so much more to do, and we have been given the gifts to do them. Be bold in talking with mature Christians about their faith journey and help keep them growing to be in deep relationships with God and with others. Pray for the walk and the teams, that the Spirit may work through and around them, and be sure to make Saturday night a priority in your life to show the agape love of God to the pilgrims.

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Pastor Vicky Prewitt, Community Spiritual Director

Has your <u>phone number</u> or <u>e-mail</u> Changed since your Walk?

Do you have a answering machine or message box set-up on your cell phone?

If you would like to be on Team but have not been called, then Send an e-mail to me at mindseye@up.net and I will respond back.

FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Greetings!

"May God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord shower you with his kindness, mercy and peace.

How I long to see you again. How happy I would be, for I remember your tears as we left each other.

This being so, I want to remind you to stir into flame the strength and boldness that is in you. For the Holy Spirit, God's gift, does not want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them."

Beautiful, inspiring words taken from 2 Timothy. As I pondered what to share in the latest edition of our newsletter, Paul's greeting to Timothy came to mind. We had recently taken a closer look at 1st and 2nd Timothy and so much of what I was reading brought our Emmaus community to my mind. We have had a long hiatus and I am so eager to get back to what God had put on my heart to do as I am certain many of you are feeling also.

To those that have already committed to being on team, I thank you. As a board member, our focus has been to re-connect with the community and to return to the Emmaus model (with a few Superiorland tweaks) as possible. The men have had two missed years and the women have had three. We have the unique opportunity to breathe fresh life into our community and it is going to happen through our prayers and our work with a whole bunch of God thrown in. I know that with us banding together and working in His name...our community can come back stronger than ever!

To anyone reading this that would like to be on team, we have a spot for you.

To anyone reading this that cannot serve on the upcoming walk on site, prayer is always needed. Pray for all aspects of the upcoming walk and if you are able, sign up for a time slot on our website to ensure that our entire walks are prayed over.

Now is also the time to ask who has come to mind if they desire to be blessed with a wonderful opportunity to have their faith strengthened and to possibly have Jesus reveal himself even more as he did with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus.

Together in Christ, Jane



Remember, when you point a finger at someone else and say let them do it, you are pointing three fingers back at yourself.



SNACKS

Calling all calories, OK, OK we'll take some veggies and other good things too.

During an Emmaus Walk weekend we have two major receptions, Thursday night and Saturday night, plus many snack times for the Pilgrims throughout the weekend. As a result we are always in need of many items like cookies, bars, crackers, cheeses, chips & dips, fresh veggies, fruit drinks and even candy and cough drops. This is a way everyone can help out, if you are part of the Team bring them with you, if not get ahold of someone on Team (Team list) and ask them to bring them in for you.

Agape

Remember those agape gifts you found on your table or at meals or even on your pillow? We are calling for agape gifts as well, so if you are a crafty person (in a good way) this is a way to be a important part of the Emmaus Weekend. Please limit your agape gifts to 40 to 50 pieces as it is mostly for the Pilgrims and conference room, meal times and pillows. Also please remember we ask that you do not sign or print your name on the agape gifts.

Putting the name of your Church, Fourth Day group, etc is very acceptable however.

Receptions

As mentioned above there are two important receptions at each Emmaus Walk, the second being very important as you may remember. A time of fellowship, prayer and agape. Please plan your calendar to be there. There is plenty of parking at Camp Michigamme and there will be carts and drivers available for those with mobility issues. Check the weather in advance so you can dress accordingly but most importantly be there.



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SPONSORSHIP

One of the best Agape gifts you can give is to sponsor someone to an Emmaus Walk. It can be one of the most rewarding things you can and also one of the toughest to do. It requires prayer, discernment, commitment and time so it is real easy to say "Let someone else do it.". Now ask yourself, would you have ever gone to your Emmaus Walk if someone had not taken the time and effort to sponsor you? Now it is your turn, call it 'making disciples', 'spreading the word' or even 'paying it forward' whatever, but now is the time. For more information go to Superiorland Emmaus website sponsor page. But now is the time to make that commitment, you can not wait until the last minute.

GOLF CARTS NEEDED

As you know Camp Michigamme is a wonderful place to hold a Walk to Emmaus. But just like the original Emmaus Road, it provides some challenges for someone with mobility issues. Golf carts really help. If anyone has a golf cart (or even a side-by-side ATV) and would be willing to loan it to us for the upcoming Walks, please let us know by contacting Jim Baker (Men's Auxiliary Team)

Thank you and God Bless.

Dates to remember

Superiorland Emmaus Board of Directors Meeting - August 26, 2022

Men's Superiorland Emmaus Walk # 84 - September 15-18, 2022

Women's Superiorland Emmaus Walk # 85 - September 22-25, 2022

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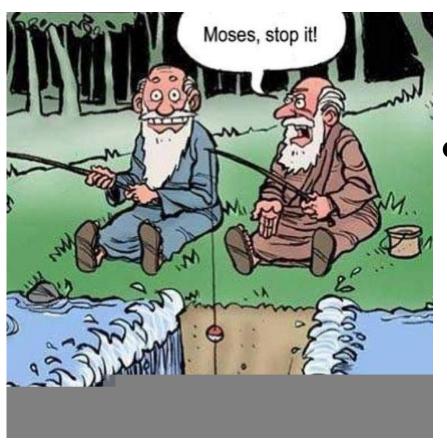
HELP WANTED

Have you ever used the phrase "They Should" before asking a question or making your ideas know? Well now is your chance to become a part of "They".

The Superiorland Emmaus Board of Directors have several vacancies and are in need of new volunteer members right now. As you can also see in the listing of the board members on this page several terms of office are ending this year. So we need new volunteer members for our Board who want to help and make a difference in your **Superiorland Emmaus Community.**

If you are interested please contact me, Jim Baker, Nominations Chair at (mindseye@up.net) or talk to any of the Board members you see or may know listed on this page.

Thank you



REMEMBER Candidates are not recruited

(they are invited)

Candidates are not drafted
(they are not forced)
Candidates are
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Jesus said "Go out, seek and make disciples", not wait for them to come to you.

Follow God's command and be a sponsor now.

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

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