

SPRING 2018

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Greetings El Shaddai Emmaus Community,

Blessings,

As we enjoy the beauty of spring after a very cold winter, we truly appreciate the new fresh wind that blows, the color of the new growth, and the sounds of birds and spring peepers. We are so blessed by all that God has created. He is breathing new life into our world. Sounds a lot like the Walk to Emmaus, doesn't it?

The Walk to Emmaus is a defining weekend in the lives of over thousands of people in the El Shaddai community alone. God uses this magnificent tool to bring Christians all over the world closer to Himself. This weekend helps us to unpack anything that keeps us from that closeness to Christ and then equips us to go back to our churches to serve with joy.

How about you? Where are you serving Christ? There are many ministries where you can help: fellowship, teaching, men's and women's ministries, prayer, leadership, outreach, music, missions, youth, and much more. There are opportunities in our community that needs Christ's hands in action: food pantries, mentoring, Blessing Boxes, Back Pack programs, carpentry work, mission trips, S.O.S., emergency relief programs, etc. Through our talks, we learned to set the priority, reach out to others, serve in tangible ways, and did I mention GRACE?

Please keep our spring walk teams and pilgrims in your prayers. Sponsor prayerfully, show love by making agape, support with your smiles at candlelight, and pray, pray, pray! I hope to see you throughout the year at our walk events and our monthly gatherings. El Shaddai is a family that keeps on growing bigger and bigger...making room for more. Thank you for showing Jesus to others so they will experience what we have through this wonderful tool.

God bless you and stay connected in El Shaddai!

Kathy Deal, C.L.D.

WEEKEND TIME SCHEDULE:

Thursday: Registration will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. (Sponsors, please do not arrive before then as the team may not be prepared to receive you.)

Send-off – 7:00 p.m. – Pilgrims adjourn to the dining room and sponsors and community return to the Tabernacle to pray for the pilgrims and share communion.

Saturday – Agape dinner – decorate and set-up 2 p.m., assist with serving dinner 4:00 p.m.

Candlelight Prayer for the pilgrims 8 p.m.

Sunday – Closing 4 p.m. – however, you may want to arrive between 3:30 and 3:45 p.m. since closings have been known to begin a bit ahead of schedule.

A WORD OF INSPIRATION FROM OUR NEW COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

As we begin a new year of Emmaus walks perhaps this is the time to remind ourselves about what we do and why.....I have been a part of an Emmaus community for many years and some things seem like they may never be fully addressed. The energy behind an Emmaus community comes from all over the world and is prayerfully focused on each weekend with a goal of encouraging the spiritual journey of each pilgrim (and I believe the team) to return to their church family on fire for the Lord. Having said that I would like to add that we are also hopeful that most folks will become active in the Emmaus community so that others might enjoy the amazing spiritual experience that is often discovered somewhere during the three days. But we are actually more than that.....we are gatherings and small groups. Each of these is a part of the experience and is necessary to keep that Fourth Day alive.

We know that some who have been a part of our community have moved away from our area. It also appears that over time many have just set aside their relationship with the El Shaddai community and gotten busy with their lives and hopefully their local churches. While we celebrate that, we also hope that some more of you may find your way back to the brothers and sisters who not only served on your walk, but who continue to serve the community to make sure that it stays vibrant and able to serve our area well into the future.

Take a look at the website.....look for a place where you can plug back in. Take a moment to reconnect and reflect upon the value of what we all discover during an Emmaus weekend. Don't forget about the opportunities to sponsor someone (please, check out sponsorship responsibilities)....to be a part of a team....to make candlelight as amazing as the one you experienced.....and to come to closing and hear the stories....We look forward to seeing our friends and sharing in the memories of what God has done for us and in hearing current testimonies of what God continues to do for and in us....If we haven't seen you in a while, come back and join us!!! If you are a regular at all of the events...well, thank you for helping to keep our community alive.

May God bless each of you in your own personal journey we call life.

DeColores Pastor Rick

BE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

Who doesn't remember that moment on Friday morning when the prayer chart and Agape Letters from all across the nation and around the world are revealed? Just the thought that every moment you were on the campground someone was praying just for you. If you attend the gatherings then you have the awesome opportunity to sign the prayer chart in person. But, if for some reason you are not able to sign at the gatherings, check out the team list on the website and let someone on the team know that you would like to be a prayer partner for the Walk and your name can be added to the chart.

A DIFFERENT TYPE of PRAYER WARRIOR OPPORTUNITY

Are you willing to sacrifice one-half hour to pray for Emmaus Walks, Chrysalis Flights, Kairos, and other related programs, both nationally and internationally?

If so, visit the following link to an on-line prayer vigil site where you will find prayer charts from around the world.

<http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil>

Future El Shaddai Community prayer charts may appear on this site at the discretion of the Walk Leadership.

MEET YOUR BOARD

While this board member was newly elected to the 2018 El Shaddai Emmaus Board of Directors, she is anything but a new face. Kathy Deal went on Ladies Walk #15 at Clay City and has been active in Emmaus and Chrysalis ever since fall 2003. "The Walk to Emmaus was life changing for my husband and me," said Kathy. Her husband, Jim Deal, went on Walk #14. "Jim and I even stayed in the same cabin and same bunk on our walks."

Kathy has served on the El Shaddai Board several times volunteering on many different committees and worked 33 Walks and 3 Flights serving as the Weekend Lay Director on Walk #68. She is currently serving her third time as Community Lay Director, and in fact, she was the very first female Community Lay Director in El Shaddai. "I have grown as a Christian over these many years and have made so many dear friends through Emmaus," Kathy remarked. She and Jim enjoy sponsoring pilgrims and caterpillars giving back so others will be able to experience what they have.

"I have so many special memories of walks watching God do amazing things through each walk weekend. Probably, one of my favorites besides my own pilgrim walk, was being the Weekend Lay Director. God gave me the inspiration of a very fun skit around Sonny and Cher. Bill Coker, my weekend spiritual director, was Sonny and I was Cher. Picture the two of us in hippy clothes and long dark wigs. It was so well received that the campgrounds requested our leadership team to do it again for a fundraiser. I have been so happy that God gives me ideas for Christian funny skits because laughter brings healing to many people."

Another wonderful memory was the year that she along with our former board members traveled to Louisville to attend the International Walk to Emmaus Conference. "You realize that the world is made up of a lot of great people who love the Lord and want to grow closer to him and to their brothers and sisters everywhere."

DeColores

Kathy Deal, Walk #15



Although this new board member did not draw the above picture she very well could have.

Meet Becky Loudermilk, (Walk 40).

"I have three children. Danny and his wife live in Texas, Katy is in Michigan, and Matt and his wife are in Oregon. My husband Scott and I live in Parke County with our dog Ernie and 4 cats, Apples, Oranges, Olive, and Sue.

I have been involved in the Emmaus community for 20 years and have worked numerous walks. I have been on teams as a Cha, in the kitchen, at the tables, and as ALD and LD. It is a blessing to now serve on the board.

I ask for your prayers that I would always seek God's will in all decisions and commitments this service requires. De Colores!"

Note: Becky will be serving as Chrysalis Liaison this year as part of her board member duties.



We also welcome new members Mary Ellen Jackson, Sherry Hughes and another returnee, Dave Beil to the board. As they look forward to serving the El Shaddai Community. They covet your prayers as they seek to follow God's will and desire for our awesome community.

2018 El Shaddai Emmaus Board

Community Lay Director: Kathy Deal
Assistant Community Lay Director: Dave Beil
Secretary: Nick Agresta
Assistant Secretary: Mary Ellen Jackson
Treasurer: Fran Tucker
Assistant Treasurer: Mary Ellen Jackson
Community Spiritual Director: Rick Koch
Assistant Community Spiritual Directors: Allan Lewis
Registration: Eric Bass
Team Selection: Keith Walters, Carol Allen, Mary Ellen Jackson and Eric Bass (Community Volunteers: George Browne, Sherry Hughes)
Memorial Fund: Glen McLain
Newsletter: Rita Steed, Sue Seyfert
Mailing List: Sue Seyfert
Website: Eric Bass
Transportation: Glen McLain
Music: Dave Beil
Assistant Music: Allan Lewis
Gatherings: Nick Agresta, Dave Beil
Sponsorship: Sue Seyfert
Agape: Rita Steed, Sue Seyfert
Reunion Groups: Jill Hannah
Chrysalis: Becky Loudermilk
Maintenance: Jill Hannah

2018 EMMAUS WALKS

Men's Fall Walk #190 at Clay City Sept 27th-30th
Lay Director: Ryan Baker

Women's Fall Walk #191 at Clay City Oct 4th-7th
Lay Director: Rita Steed

All Walks will be held at the Free Methodist
Campground in Clay City, In.

**Pilgrim and Team applications may be found on our
website:
elshaddaiemmaus.org**

Applications forms will need to printed and mailed
to:

**El Shaddai Emmaus Community
P.O. Box 6162
Terre Haute, IN 47802**

Please note that the board will be considering the possibility
and locations for a winter walk in 2019. Please keep this in
your prayers for the El Shaddai Community.



2018 MONTHLY GATHERINGS

Apr 20:

**Lakeridge Christian Church
122 E. Steidl Rd
Paris, IL 61944**

NOTE: fellowship and snack time will start @ 6:00
Illinois time, 7:00 Indiana time. The actual gathering
will start @ 6:45 Illinois time, 7:45 Indiana time

May 18:

**Brazil First UMC
201 N Meridian St
Brazil, IN 47834
Reunion for Walks 188 and 189**

Jun 15:

**Family Worship Center
8157 N CR 425W
(US 40 & Staunton Rd flashing light)
Brazil, IN 47834**

Jul 20:

**Center Point UMC
200 S Cherry St
Center Point, IN 47840**

Aug 17:

**First Christian Church
649 Blackman St
Clinton, IN 47842**

Sept 21:

**Spencer First Christian Church
157 S Montgomery St
Spencer, IN 47460**

Oct 19:

**Union Christian Church
5350 E Hulman Dr.
Terre Haute, IN 47803
Reunion for Walks 190 and 191**

Nov 16:

**Mt Pleasant UMC
3050 E Davis Dr.
Terre Haute, IN 47802
Board Elections**

December Have a Merry Christmas

GATHERING TIMES:

**Fellowships & Refreshment: 6:15 pm
Sanctuary: 7:00 pm**

For our new community members and as a reminder
for the rest of us; please remember to bring a salty or
sweet snack to share during fellowship. This is not
meant to be a "full meal deal" just a little something to
share during our time of fellowship.

The host church supplies the paper and plastic
products, drinks, ice and appetizers.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION:

Time to renew your subscription

If you would like to have a copy of the ICHTHUS mailed to your home, or renew your current subscription, please mail \$5 along with your complete mailing address, telephone number and walk number to:

El Shaddai Emmaus/Newsletter
Attn: Sue Seyfert
P.O. Box 6162
Terre Haute, IN 47802

The cost of \$5 is due at the beginning of each year and is used to defray printing and postage. Please make checks payable to EL SHADDAI EMMAUS COMMUNITY. The Newsletter is also available on the website at ElShaddaiEmmaus.org.

NOTE: Pilgrims will receive a free copy in the mail the year that they attended their walk. The ICHTHUS is printed 3 times per year. You can also sign up for the mailing list at the monthly gatherings.

A WORD ABOUT REGISTRATION

Our registrars work diligently to review applications and mail out timely notices. Good sponsorship includes reviewing and making sure that your pilgrim and sponsor applications are complete. They have provided a few suggestions to help us help them.

1. Applications can only be processed if both the front and back page are completed and the \$35.00 deposit included. (There have been instances where shirt size, sponsors walk number and community (if not El Shaddai), and male or female information have been omitted. Please – leave no blank unfilled.
2. Please use only blue or black ink, printing legibly so all letters and numbers are clear.
3. Please advise if your pilgrim has dietary or special needs in order for the team to be prepared to address those needs.
4. Always include your walk number and Community name (if other than El Shaddai) next to your name on the sponsor's portion of the application.
5. When you receive your sponsor letter, your pilgrim should have their letter. Please contact them to verify and answer any questions they may have. If you are unsure of the answer to their questions, please contact Nancy or Sue. Verify that they have returned their card and if not encourage them to do so

Thank you for helping us help you, Nancy Frederick and Sue Bass-Harmon, registrars

COMMUNITY – WE NEED YOUR HELP

I am sure many of you are just like me, you look at the calendar one day and think “oh, the flight/walks are still several months/weeks away, I have plenty of time to work on my agape.”

And then BOOM – it's the very weekend of the flight/walk. Several of you may have received the urgent Facebook post from the recent Chrysalis flight with the urgent call for agape as they only had two items for the entire weekend.

For those of the community who immediately responded – Thank You, Thank You from the bottom of our hearts.

Those little cards, notes, pieces of candy may seem so insignificant in the grand scheme of the week ends but I am thinking that just like me you have them saved up in a scrap book, memory box or even a zip lock bag.

So, here is a suggestion, any time you have a little spare time put some agape together, place it into a zip lock bag with a note stating if it is for Chrysalis or Emmaus Walk (boy/girls/men's/women's) and how many pieces are in the bag. Bring it to the next gathering and hand it off to a board member or to Rita Steed and they will see that it arrives where it needs to be in a timely fashion.

If it is several months out, however; we would ask that you not include candy. I am told a good number for a Chrysalis Flight team and caterpillars is 75 and for the Emmaus Walks team and pilgrims 110 usually works well.

Without you, it can't happen, with you it can't fail!

Men's Walk #188, Clay City, Indiana

April 26 – April 29, 2018

Lay Director
 Brian Connor
Assistant Lay Directors
 Ryan Baker
 Scott Williams
 Bob Burton

Head Music
 David Lloyd
Music
 Dave Brinson
 Kevin McCrae
 Brett Mishler
 Jay Slater

Table Leaders
 Jim Hardesty
 Scott Hastings
 Bill Holloway
 JP Piper
 Forest Raines
 Paul West

CHA's
 John Moats
 Doug Mace
 Jorden Beck
 Matt Brown
 Zach Cochran
 Bill Dunn
 Phil Ellis
 David Erwin
 Mike Fleener
 Aaron Fox
 Thomas Harvey
 Mark Hopper
 Matt Johnson
 Hank Kidwell
 Pat Killeen
 Scott Lough
 Jim Palmer
 John Phegley
 Josh Phillips
 Michael Renniek
 Aaron Rugenstein
 Brian Vitz
 Keith Walters

Spiritual Director
 Jeff Lee
Spiritual Team
 Howard Hughes
 Tom Barnett
 Kevin Drane
 Gary Scroggins

Board Rep
 Glenn McLain
 Eric Bass

Assistant Table Leaders
 Nick Agresta
 Jason Bonte
 Ron Buddle
 Tracy Higginbotham
 Rob Solomon
 Shawn Williams

KITCHEN
 Trey Miller
 Rick Jenkins
 Lynn Allen
 Jason Barns
 Shaun Buchanan
 Ron Dowell
 Curtis Grindle
 Joe Harbrueger
 Randy Hill
 Rodney Hill
 Dennis Johnson
 Joe Kenworthy
 Larry Koertge
 Billy Langman
 John Meyers
 Eric Pittensbarger
 Larry Ridge
 Kyle Simpson
 Mike Speer
 Rick Swearingen
 Jason Vansant
 David Wait
 Brent Wright

<u>Pilgrim</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
1. Johnathon Allen	Terre Haute	Karen Allen
2. Ryan Ames	Brazil	Rylee Boling
3. Jason Andrews	Paris IL.	Beth McCoy
4. Chris Brownell	Terre Haute	V/J Souder
5. William Brush	Terre Haute	Mike Brooks
6. Joe Daffron	Farmersburg	Kevin Montgomery
7. Matt Davis	Ellettsville	D/V Davis
8. Stacy Decker	Clinton	Joe Shell
9. Harley Drake	Farmersburg	L Scott/M Fleener
10. Coty Gaskins	Terre Haute	Jim Hanson
11. Max Helton	Terre Haute	Nick Agresta & Lee Lohmon
12. Ron Hodge	Terre Haute	AAaron Wheaton
13. Brent Hoover	Hillsdale	Hannah Hoover
14. Joe Jackson	Brazil	Bill & Karen Webb
15. David Land	Terre Haute	Jim Evans
16. Devon Llewellyn	Terre Haute	Amy Hardy
17. Abel Marks	Terre Haute	Mike & Ginger Pruitt
18. Alan McCalister	W. Terre Haute	Kevin Williams
19. Cameron Morris	Indianapolis	Madison Morris
20. Sam Nevill	Terre Haute	Bobby Deakins Jr.
21. Ron Payne	Brazil	Richard & Michelle Rasey
22. Tim Rissler	Reelsville	Allison Rissler
23. Chad Russell	Linton	Scott & Becky Williams
24. Justin Sebree	Terre Haute	Gari Kenworth
25. Jerry Smith	Santa Rosa Beach FL.	Carrie Smith
26. Drake Stevenson	Brazil	Lecia Brown
27. Marvin Strauch	Poland	Jil Strauch
28. Rocky Thomas	Brazil	Riley Decker
29. Jonathan Vanatti	Brazil	Tom Vanatti
30. Brent Vaught	Clay City	Joanna Vaught
31. Brandon Waldrop	Terre Haute	Mike Speer
32. Ben Wallace	Center Point	Susan Lamb Memorial
33. Larry Waters	Terre Haute	Ron Buddle
34. Randy Webb	Clinton	Joshua Doan
35. Jim Williams	Linton	Beth Hardesty
36. David Zellers	Shelburn	Jan Alexander

If you have questions or concerns please contact community registrars:

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or

Nancy Frederick: 812-201-6075 (c) 812-443-2033 (h)
Nancyfrederick44@msn.com

Women's Walk #189, Clay City, Indiana

May 3 – May 6, 2018

Lay Director

Kim Burton**

Assistant Lay Directors

Mia Killeen**
Cheryl Raines**
Rita Steed**

Music

Cathy Mullinix
Music
Diana Hines
Sally Grindle
Carrie Lindsay

Table Leaders

Donna Voll
Laura Williams
Lynne Broyles
Catherine Hill
Becky Loudermilk
Brenda Reed

CHA's

Jennifer Smith
Becky Williams
CHA's
Linda Agresta
Claudia Allen
Debbie Betts
Janie Buddle
Carissa Clarke
Jenny Ellis
Rhonda Eyler
Brianna Jackson
Sherri Koertge
Tabitha Matherly
Robin Orman
Carol Smith
Carrie Smith
Stacey Souder
Melissa Stigall
Julie Sutliff
Kathy Tanner
Amber Thomas

Spiritual Director

Allan Lewis**

Spiritual Team

Marlin Betts**
Larry Kelsheimer**
Judy Lints**
Larry Snyder**

Board Reps

Jill Hannah
Mary Ellen Jackson

Assistant Table Leaders

Jennifer Gher**
Denise Howard**
Angel Lewis**
Sarah Kelsheimer**
Amber Barnes**
Gari Kenworthy**

Kitchen

Kathy Marts
Paula West
Kitchen
Karen Allen
Christina Bedwell
Kacie Bennell
Kristi Boyll
Laura Buchanan
Karen Campbell
Angela Frazier
Sue Bass Harmon
Crystal Hastings
Darla Hopper
Cyndy Johnson
Courtney Lash
Loria Miller
Deb Morgan
Patti O'Day
Susie Ooley-Viray
Malinda Tatman
Lisa Taylor
Angela Vansant
Joannie Waite
Dara Wicoff

PILGRIM (maiden name)

CITY

SPONSOR

1. Kathy Anderson (Basiger)	Terre Haute	Bill & Kathy Marts
2. Terrie Andrews (Frigge)	Paris,IL.	Beth McCoy
3. Patty Beard (Johnson)	Clay City	Laura Wells
4. Jennifer Brownell (Roten)	Terre Haute	Vernon & Jeanette Souder
5. Patricia Coon (Schonfeld)	Cloverdale	Neil & Cheryl Rissler
6. Jennifer Davis (Utterback)	Ellettsville	Doug & Verna Davis
7. Heather Diehl	Terre Haute	Norma Boyll
8. Chris Evans (Plummer)	Terre Haute	Betsy Holloway
9. Savannah Harden	Terre Haute	Mike & Vickie Brooks
10. Lynn Hargis Lorey)	Terre Haute	Alice & Ron Wools
11. Lillian Hayhurst	Terre Haute	Kristin Snow
12. Dawna Hendrix (McCombs)	Newburgh	Melissa Stigall
13. Pam Irvin Dickey)	Merom	Crystal Flath
14. Tonya Johnson	Spencer	Jim & Penny Gruener
15. Diana L June (Walker)	Spencer	Jay Wikoff
16. Betty King (Herrington)	Terre Haute	Lynn Allen
17. Holly Konarski (Cassity)	Terre Haute	Becki Wiram
18. Bobbie Lancaster (Nickolson)	Greencastle	Jama Hostetler
19. Tricia Larimer (Harrison)	Terre Haute	Nicole Harris
20. Cara Mayrose (Wilson)	Terre Haute	Marsha Nasser
21. Linda McNichols (Worstell)	Brazil	Trini Barnes
22. Robin Mounts (Harper)	Terre Haute	Sherry Fisher
23. Amy Osella Nelson)	Terre Haute	Jill Hannah
24. Jane Ann Price	Brazil	Shelly & Richard Rasey
25. Leigh Pritchard (Harman)	Brazil	Joe Pritchard
26. Tammi Rankins	W.Terre Haute.	Curt & Elizabeth Hoesman
27. Khaliah Rogers	Terre Haute.	Rodney & Catherin Hill
28. Kimberly Rogers (Cunningham)	Terre Haute	Sally Grindle
29. Erin Russell (Wence)	Linton	Scott & Becky Williams
30. Carol Snellenberger (McWilliams)	Clay City	Leroy & Judy Lints
31. Dezarei Sutherland (Sparks)	Brazil	Jeri Sutherland
32. Rebekah Teague (Wilson)	Clinton	Terri McCollom
33. Saea Vanatti (Shepherd)	Brazil	Carol Vanatti
34. Michelle Vaught (Knotts)	Sullivan	Pending
35. Laura Waugh	Knightsville	Christina Crist
36. Alisha Young	Terre Haute	J P Piper

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Memorial Fund

Please contact the Memorial Fund Chairperson, Glenn McLain, when an Emmaus member passes away so that we may send the family an acknowledgement.

A donation is made to the Gideon's who will distribute bibles in the member's name.

Anyone interested in donating to the Memorial Fund to honor a deceased member, or donate as led by the Lord, may do so.

The following information is required for the acknowledgement:

1. The deceased Emmaus member's name
2. What walk they attended
3. The surviving spouse or child's name
4. Appropriate address

The above information may be sent to Glenn at
Mclain77@aol.com