

The Joyful Noise



November 25, 2024

Registration Is Open For Winter Walks!

BECOME A
SPONSOR NOW

With our Women's and Man's Walks now approaching, we're looking for community members to invite and sponsor pilgrims, as well as supporting the weekends in various ways. The NW Ohio Emmaus Board of Directors has set a goal of at least 20 pilgrims on each walk to assure the best spiritual and physical setting for all participants.

You can download a [Registration Sponsor Form and Registration Pilgrim Form here](#), and find information on good sponsorship, the mission of Emmaus, and much more.

As our website suggests, the first thing you should do in considering someone to sponsor is, PRAY! Pray for God's guidance in your selection, for His wisdom in talking to a prospective pilgrim, and for God's grace to help that person make a good decision for their own life. Remember that being a sponsor includes some responsibilities for the preparation, transportation, and follow-up with the pilgrims.

Women's Walk #92 - Jan. 30 - Feb. 2
Wesley UMC, Bryan

Men's Walk #76 - Feb. 27 - March 2
Maumee UMC

If you have questions or need some assistance, you can contact Registration Chairman [Ray Sudheimer here](#).

Opportunities to serve and support our Emmaus Walks

There are many more people involved in each weekend walk besides the pilgrims and team members! You can participate before and during each walk in various ministries:



Prayer Vigil - Our pilgrims are blessed through their entire 72-hour weekend with the prayer support from our faithful community! You can sign up for 30-minute periods to pray from your home, or wherever you may be.

[Sign up for Men's Prayer Vigil here](#)

[Sign up for Women's Prayer Vigil here](#)

Agape Gifts - Small surprise gifts and messages throughout the weekend show the pilgrims the love from our community. Please provide at least 50 of the items you create, to cover all pilgrims and team members at the men's and women's walks.



Volunteers - From setup to reset at the churches, carrying luggage, serving meals, and helping with other needs during the weekend, you can help the Walk go smoothly and share your love with our Pilgrims. [Find more information here.](#)

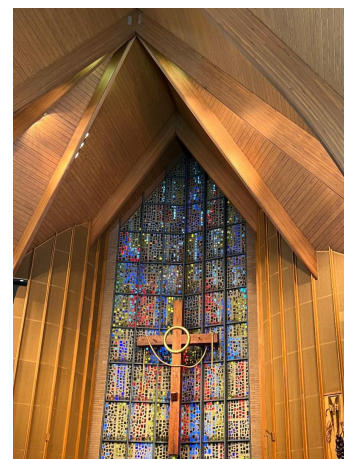
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Attendance - These are special times during the weekend that we can directly show our support for the pilgrims and team members!

Sendoff - Thursday 6:30 pm

Candlelight - Saturday 8:00 pm

Closing - Sunday 4:30 pm



An Emmaus Walk Can Change A Life!

**For more information on the Emmaus Walks and program,
[please click here.](#)**

**Community Gathering January 11
Epworth UMC**

3077 Valleyview Dr
Ottawa Hills, OH



6:00 Potluck Meal

7:00- Praise & Worship

(Child care will be provided)

Did you complete an Emmaus Survey yet?



The Emmaus Board sent a survey request to our community members on November 19 regarding the future of the local Emmaus program. As a Community we need to decide if we want the Emmaus ministry to continue in Northwest Ohio or if the ministry has run its course. For it to continue, it will require an interest and commitment from many of our members.

We've received dozens of responses to the survey, but we'd like to hear from everyone, even if you have not been active recently or at all. If you have not completed a survey, please click on the link below and share your views. Please know that it is completely understandable if God has called you to another ministry. We want to hear from everyone so that we have a better understanding of where the members of the community stand. Thank you!

[CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE SURVEY](#)

Scheduled Walks For Fall 2025

Men's Walk #78 - Oct 2-5, 2025
Wesley UMC, Bryan

Women's Walk #94 - Nov 6-9, 2025
Maumee UMC

Happy Thanksgiving!

*May you celebrate Thanksgiving
Day with love in your heart,
prosperous vision in your mind*

and gratitude in your being.



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