GREAT RIVER WALK TO EMMAUS (GRE) COMMUNITY UPDATE

December 2021

HAVE A SPARE BEDROOM?

Emmaus members living in the Quincy area – if you have a spare bedroom and can accommodate weekend volunteer(s), please contact Kathy Wyatt.

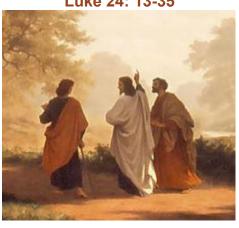
Why? Volunteers staying all night at the QU Retreat Center will be charged \$96 whether spending one night or all three.

If you have a spare bedroom – or if you would like to know available spare bedrooms – Kathy's contact information is: 309-252-1653 kmwyatt@me.com

Let her know whether you can host volunteers January 27-30 and/or February 24-27.

If you are volunteering and would like to stay in someone's home, let Kathy know the date(s).

Luke 24: 13-35



GRE UPCOMING WALKS

Men's Walk #27 – January 27-30 Women's Walk #28 – February 24-27

SPONSOR NOW!

Please get sponsor & pilgrim forms submitted!

Fees remain \$150 for walk weekend participants.

Complete the application process now. Remember, ten pilgrim application forms and payment are required to hold each walk. QU requests confirmation of meals 10-14 days before weekends. Let's ensure we have enough pilgrims for Walks #27 & 28 BEFORE Prep Weekend January 7!

Forms are available on the Great River Emmaus website at http://www.greatriveremmaus.org/sample-page/get-involved

The Winter Walks will be held at Quincy University. The GRE Board continues to monitor COVID variants and requirements. A team is working on COVID safety tips/weekend protocol, which will be shared prior to the walks.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Many volunteers are needed to help behind the scenes at the upcoming men's and women's walks.

Volunteers are needed for the Agape Chapel, Workroom, and Kitchen.

How can you volunteer?

Agape Chapel: Watch for an email with a link to sign up for the agape chapel.

Workroom and Kitchen: Email <u>greatriveremmaus@gmail.com</u> or fill out a Support Team Service application at: http://www.greatriveremmaus.org/sample-page/get-involved

Mark your calendar to hold open walk weekends, and plan to volunteer!

Please pray for your GRE Community, Board, Walk #27 & 28 Teams and pilgrims.

Be a light in this world!

Make a positive difference!

- Sponsor a pilgrim(s)
- Make agape
- Volunteer to serve on the Walk(s)
- Donate toward Pilgrim scholarships
- PRAY PRAY PRAY

Christ is counting on YOU!

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Joining the board in January will be Randy Azbell, Lisa Dalton, Jack Hull, Kathy Hull, Kipp Proefrock, Ed Reid, Robyn Sprenger and Jim Clayton (Clergy). Thank you to Amanda Barlow, Rick Bridges, Kevin Cadwell, Tim Kamradt, Allen Vinyard, Mike Wilson (Clergy) and Kathy Wyatt for their service on the Board. Mike Wilson will continue to serve as Community Spiritual Director.

AGAPE & FINANCIAL DONATIONS

January is here!

Start working on your personal agape, making 50 pieces for each the Men's and Women's walks!

Financial contributions are also welcome! Mail to Great River Emmaus, P O Box 5215, Quincy IL 62305. Your donation can help toward future pilgrim scholarships!

WINTER WALKS

Our Lay Director for the Men's Walk is Damon Whittaker and the Spiritual Director is Mike Alberts. Damon is building the team, calling a fresh slate of team members determined by Team Selection. Men originally called for Walk #27 may or may not be called to serve on this team since we have a different Lay Director.

Our Lay Director for the Women's Walk is Lisa Herman, with Connie Jenkins serving as Spiritual Director.

Please RETURN THE CALL if Damon or Lisa contact you. They have a very short window to fill any positions on teams #27 and #28. It is important you let them know as quickly as possible whether or not you feel called to serve.

GRE has not hosted a walk since February 2020 ... almost two years! We've all got to get back in "Emmaus Mode" ... sponsoring pilgrms and volunteering to help behind the scenes.

We are Christ's hands and feet on earth. We are told to spread the gospel and to encourage each other in our walk with Christ.

Mark your calendars Sponsor ... Volunteer!

BE ACTIVE AND INFORMED!

Check the GRE Facebook page for current information.

Watch your email for the Agape Chapel sign up information.

Get application forms on our website: http://www.greatriveremmaus.org/sample-page/get-involved