

# WALK TALK



Chattanooga-LaFayette Emmaus Community

March 2023

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us (The Chattanooga-Lafayette Emmaus Community) the Fire of Your Love.*

*"The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers." Acts 2:42 CEB*

## MARCH 2023

### *What a Bust!*

A power outage caused a last-minute cancellation for our gathering at Ridgeline Church in East Ridge. But, Hey! You can't get us down! We survived the Covid pandemic and did not see one another in person for longer than we care to mention. I hope you're looking forward to the March gathering at St. John UMC just off Hwy. 58 and Hwy. 153. Reach out and invite someone you haven't seen at a gathering in a while!

We had several community members show up for the February 25th workday at Camp Lookout and there were about 75 volunteers total for the day. Much was done and everyone felt appreciated. Another wonderful way to support our local community that includes Camp Lookout and its staff. We are blessed to have a strong working relationship with the camp for many years running. We will be asking community members to help out in the coming months as the camp will be facing the daunting task of having the Chapel roof replaced. Please consider earmarking a donation to this specific roofing need in the months to come. Team building will begin very soon for the Fall walks, and we strongly encourage you to contact us if you feel you would like to serve on one of the teams. Those Fall Walk Weekend dates are Men's walk weekend Sept. 21 thru 24. Women's walk weekend Sept. 28 thru Oct 1st,

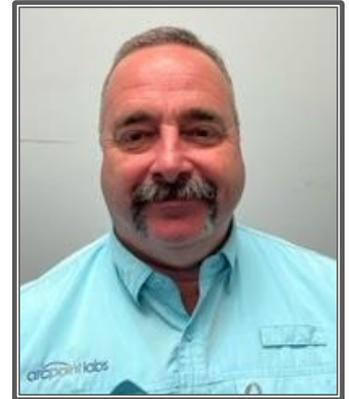
Reminder: we will have a Special, Community-Wide Gathering event on Saturday afternoon, April 29th at Camp Lookout. Please get that on your calendar now! Food, Fun and Fellowship is on the menu! (See p. 3 for details!)

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the **Emmaus**  
**Community Facebook**  
**Group**

for news, prayer  
concerns, praises and  
other communications

### ***Next Gathering:***

**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023**

***Location:***

**St. John Methodist - Chattanooga, TN**



## Upcoming Gatherings



All our Gatherings start at 6:15pm. These are great times to fellowship together over a potluck supper, followed by Worship, Prayer, 4th Day Talk, and Communion.

[MARCH 13, 2023](#)

Location: St. John United Methodist Church  
Murray Hills Dr., Chattanooga. TN 37416

[APRIL 10, 2023](#)

Location: Hixson United Methodist Church  
5301 Old Hixson Pike, Hixson TN 37343

[MAY 8, 2023](#)

Location: Hixson First Baptist Church  
5800 Grubb Rd., Hixson TN 37343

[JUNE 12, 2023](#)

Location: Ooltewah United Methodist Church  
6131 Relocation Way, Ooltewah TN 37363

[JULY 14, 2023](#)

Location: TBA

If you are able to host a gathering at your church in 2023, please email Keith at [laydirector@clemmaus.org](mailto:laydirector@clemmaus.org).

## Contact Us!



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Visit us on the web at [www.clemmaus.org](http://www.clemmaus.org)  
-The Walk Talk can be downloaded from here.

#### DONATE:

Donations can be made online through [www.clemmaus.org](http://www.clemmaus.org); by mail to: PO Box 21024 Chattanooga TN 37424; or at the Gatherings. Your gifts are tax deductible under section 501(C)3. Please talk to the Community Lay Director regarding bequests.

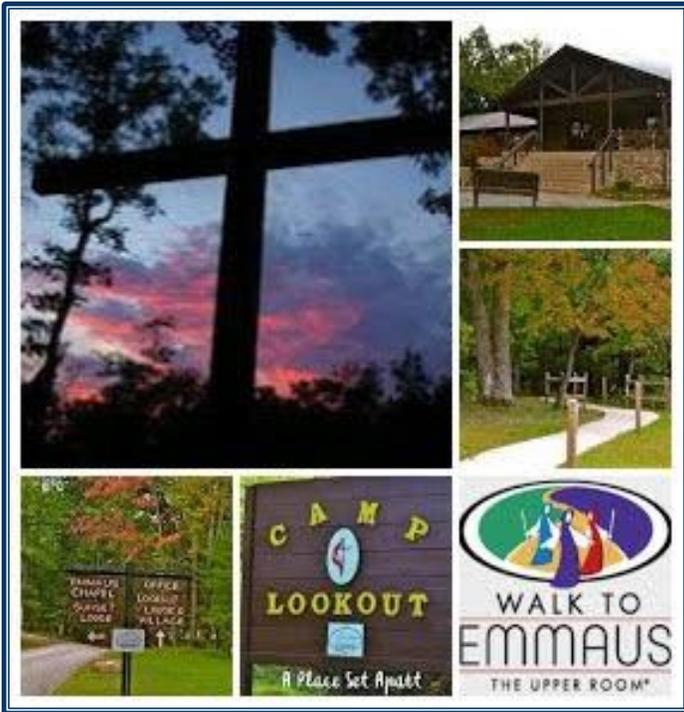
#### EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES:

Send email subscriptions or changes to:  
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#### CONTACT INFO UPDATES:

Do we have your correct address and phone number? If you have changed either of these, please contact us with your updated information: [teamselection@clemmaus.org](mailto:teamselection@clemmaus.org).

# Registration Open For 2023 Walks - Let's Go To The Mountain!



## WALK DATES:

**Men's Walk: Sept. 21-24**

[Candidate Form](#)  
[Sponsor Form](#)

**Women's Walk: Sept. 28-Oct. 1**

[Candidate Form](#)  
[Sponsor Form](#)

\*Click links above to complete Google Form for each candidate and walk. Links are also on our website: [clemmaus.org](http://clemmaus.org).

Don't let the cost prevent you from sponsoring. We have scholarships available and we can help make it possible for you to invite your pilgrim to the walk.

If you had a pilgrim that couldn't attend the last walk, we still have the applications and information you submitted. Please check with your pilgrim and let us know to move forward with placing them on the roster.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [cecetillman@gmail.com](mailto:cecetillman@gmail.com), [billtillman12@gmail.com](mailto:billtillman12@gmail.com), or [registrar@clemmaus.org](mailto:registrar@clemmaus.org).

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

# SPRING GATHERING ON THE MOUNTAIN!

Saturday, April 29th

1:00 - 5:00pm

**FOOD:**  
Will have burgers &  
hot dogs & fixins  
Please bring a  
dessert to share!



**FUN:**  
Games and  
activities for the  
whole family!

## FELLOWSHIP:

Music & worship time in the Chapel

# Prayer Requests



Please be in prayer for our upcoming Spring Community Gathering at Camp Lookout, the men and women putting it all together, and for a great turnout by community members and potential pilgrims. Pray for our members experiencing medical challenges and for their families.

Please send any prayer requests to [laydirector@clemmaus.org](mailto:laydirector@clemmaus.org) or [newsletter@clemmaus.org](mailto:newsletter@clemmaus.org). These requests will be listed in the newsletter and on the [Emmaus Community Facebook page](#) to allow the body of Christ to be praying.



*This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. - 1 John 5:14 (NIV)*

When I receive a new issue of The Upper Room, I turn to the first page and draw a large T, like an accountant would use for debits and credits. On the left side, I write down the list of prayers and petitions that I want to present to God. They often include such things as an elderly aunt in a nursing home; a family member starting a new job or school; or the tendonitis affecting my right elbow.

On the right side, I write some things I am thankful for. They may include recent prayers which have been answered: "Thank you for a healthy newborn grandchild," or "Thank you for healing my wife's sprained ankle." I also like to incorporate some long-standing blessings I have received from God through the years: "Thank you for our home and our family" or "Thank you for loving, Christian parents who raised me."

Each morning, after reading the meditation for the day, I review my list and follow Paul's admonition to present my prayers and petitions to God with thanksgiving. By the time I receive my next issue, I am often amazed at how many of my prayers and petitions have been moved to the thanksgiving side of the ledger. Tracking my prayers in this way has revealed to me the incredible faithfulness of God.

## PRAYER:

Thank you, Lord, for always hearing and answering our prayers, and for the many blessings you have given us. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING:

[Philippians 4:4-7](#) (biblegateway.com)

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## We Need YOU!! 2023 Board Openings

Please contact Keith Sands (at [laydirector@clemmaus.org](mailto:laydirector@clemmaus.org)) if you can serve as a member of the 2023 Chattanooga-LaFayette Emmaus Board or would like to nominate someone else for consideration by the board.

We have several opportunities at this time for new Community Board Members:

- Assistant Spiritual Director
- Assistant Lay Director
- Worship (Sponsor's Hour, etc.)
- Kitchen
- Agape Gifts
- Sponsorship



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## Endowment Fund

### WE NEED FRESH IDEAS!!

It's no secret that regular giving can be a challenge, so we want to make it easier for you to donate. We are considering options such as [Venmo](#), [Zelle](#), or [PayPal](#) but could use some input from community members. Please share your thoughts with Kathy Austin at: [secretary@clemmaus.org](mailto:secretary@clemmaus.org)

The Chattanooga-Lafayette Community wishes to continue to spread the life changing experience an Emmaus Walk can deliver. Would you help us by donating funds for scholarships for both pilgrims and team members?

Please consider making a monthly donation of \$5, \$10, \$25, or whatever amount feels right. Ten people donating \$100/month, 20 people donating \$50/month, or 40 people donating \$25/month would cover pilgrim and team fees for ALL our 2022 Fall Walks. Imagine this not being an issue for any pilgrim, sponsor, or team member!

We all know what our Walk meant to us, and this is a wonderful way to pay it forward.

There are multiple ways to contribute:

- ❖ Set it up a monthly recurring donation on at: [www.clemmaus.org](http://www.clemmaus.org)
- ❖ Online Bill Pay through your bank - just set Chattanooga Emmaus as your biller and add the address below
- ❖ Send a monthly check to Chattanooga Emmaus, PO Box 21024, Chattanooga TN 37424
- ❖ Make donation at Monthly Gathering
  - *Note - Mark all payments for Endowment Fund to ensure money is applied correctly*

Thank you for continuing to support the community in this way. We know God will bless this endeavor. The Emmaus Board is trusting and stepping out in faith, and we believe our community will do the same. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to anyone on the board.

# Chattanooga-LaFayette Emmaus Community Board Members - 2023

**\*\*NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURS., MARCH 16TH (ZOOM)\*\***

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