



Gulfcoast
Walk to Emmaus

Gulf Coast
Emmaus
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Mornings are better
when you talk
to God first.

Picnic Gathering

Please join us for our Community Picnic Gathering

June 1, 2019 11:00 - 3:00

Lakes Regional Park

7330 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908 **Pavilion B4**

Hot Dogs / Buns and condiments will be provided
along with Lemonade and Ice Water

Please Bring a dish to share and a Bag of Ice

(A - E) bring Cut Fruit or Fruit Salad

(F - J) bring Potato Chips, Corn Chips, Cheetos, Doritos, etc.

(K - O) bring Salad (Greens, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Noodle Salad, etc)

(P - S) bring Veggie Tray, Cold veggies and Dip, etc.

(T - Z) bring Desserts, cookies, cakes, brownies, etc.

**Pease bring camp chairs and pop up tents if you have them,
as seating in the pavilion is limited.**

Please RSVP to info@gulfcoastemmaus.com

So we know how many Hot Dogs to Purchase

Sponsors

We still have opportunities for new Pilgrim applications. We currently are very close to having enough applications on file to schedule our next Women's walk in October.

Let's pull together to get some more Pilgrims, so we can schedule a walk.

We need several more Men before we can schedule. This is our **Mission** and it's what we are **called** to do.

Reunion Groups

Anyone who leads or participates in a reunion group and is open to new people joining, please send us your contact information. We get requests often from people looking for a reunion group. We would like to be able to give them a list of possible groups to join. This will allow us to better connect with our community members.

Fundraising

We have around 400 churches within our community area. Imagine if each one did a fundraiser once a year for Emmaus or simply made a yearly pledge and donated \$100.00. That would give our organization \$40,000.00 to work with.

We have had complaints that our pricing for the walks is too high. Unfortunately the costs are what they are and the cost is about \$10,000.00 for each walk. We could put on 3 walks each year, at no cost to the pilgrims or team members, if we had that kind of money.

Please think hard and pray on it.

Then let's work together as a community and put it into action.

Upper Room **Community Management App (CMA)**

The new Upper Rooms Community Management App (CMA) System, does not yet have in place a way of doing Mass communications (e-blasts) like our old system.

The only way we are able to communicate to you is through the Newsletter, which can be accessed and downloaded via the Gulf Coast Emmaus Website.

Here is the link for the website.

www.gulfcoastemmaus.com

The Upper Room is working on a solution to the communication issue for the new app. Once they have resolved the mass communication issue, we will send out an e-blast to the entire community to let you know.

I urge you to stay in contact through the website until then.

The new system is based entirely on your Email as your user name.

If we do not have a correct, current email, you will not receive an invite to join the new CMA database.

Please contact us and give us your current contact information.

info@gulfcoastemmaus.com

If you have any manuals from working a past walk, please return them ASAP to any board member.

We are missing several of them and they are very costly to replace.

Kairos Outside of Southwest Florida

PO Box 3577, North Fort Myers, FL 33918

Greetings Emmaus, Kairos Inside and Kairos Outside Brothers and Sisters,

Kairos Outside is looking for Disciples of Christ to assist with our **Kairos Outside of Southwest Florida Weekend #22** to be held on **May 17-19** at **Port LaBelle Inn and Conference Center**
1563 Oxbow Drive, LaBelle, Florida 33935

The Kairos Outside Weekend is a special weekend for women who have a loved one incarcerated, or who had had a loved one incarcerated, or who has been incarcerated themselves. This is a weekend designed to show God's love to these women who feel abandoned, alone, isolated, ashamed, have lost hope, and feel as if they too have been imprisoned.

Serving others is one of the best ways to glorify our Lord and every labor of love is a blessing for someone. Please **consider volunteering your time and prayers** for this worth-while weekend and please consider attending a **special service** for the guests on **Saturday evening, May 18th, at 8:45 p.m.** along with attending the **closing service on Sunday afternoon, May 19th, 2:00pm.**

If you would like to serve as a **Day Angel** (a few hours or the whole day) or serve on a team, or if you know of someone who might benefit from attending the weekend as a guest, please contact me (contact info at bottom of page) and I will put you in touch with the correct person to speak with.

We would also appreciate your lifting up the weekend in prayer by signing up for a time to pray so we may place your name on the **prayer chain** for the guests to see that people care and are praying for them. We also have agape **meal tickets** available for \$10.00 each to help with costs and to let the guests know that someone cared enough to donate a meal just for them.

Making small **Agape Gifts** for our guests is another way to help. If you have "crafty" ideas and talent, please consider making at least 30 agape gifts for our guests. Making these gifts is also fun for a group to do together. If you have any agape gifts, please contact me and I will arrange to pick them up.

Praying you will heed Christ's call to serve and
may you be blessed as you bless others with your service.

Fran Barnes, Agape Team Member, Kairos Outside Weekend #22
941-625-1214 (home) 239-218-9853 (cell) stanfranstrfr@msn.com (email)

Board Opportunities

There are still opportunities to help out on a committee or as a board member.

Board members may serve on a team during their term in office (except as Lay Director).

The following positions are open: Agape/Prayer, Treasurer, Gatherings/Facilities, Merchandising/Literature and Music/Entertainment

If you are interested, please contact any board member at:

info@gulfcoastemmaus.com and let them know.

Board nomination form can be accessed at:

<https://gulfcoastemmaus.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Board-of-Directors-Nomination-Application.pdf>

Agape/Prayer

Duties include: Leading prayer each month at our Board of Directors meeting for upcoming Emmaus Walks, Kairos, Kairos Outside, Torch, and Chrysalis weekends taking place around the world for the next month. Sending out emails each month, with our wall agape attached to each of those communities.

A heart for intercessory prayer.

Treasurer

This is a key position and it is helpful if you have some book keeping or accounting experience.

Duties include: being in charge of the bank account, accounts payable and receivable, all deposits and withdrawals. Also helps in collections of green agape for events and pilgrim deposits and payments for the walks. Knowledge of insurance and non-profit organizations would be helpful as well.

Gatherings/Facilities

Duties include: In charge of set up and tear down for the walks (a volunteer crew will help) at Port La Belle Inn. This includes supervising the volunteer crew for each walk (both men and women), coordinate with person who has the Emmaus trailer to make sure it is brought out to Port La Belle, inventory of the trailer (supplies for the walk/gatherings and contents of the trailer), set up talk room, chapel and send-off/closing room. After the walks, replace all items belonging to Emmaus back into trailer in orderly manner (volunteer crew to help), take inventory for next walk, and coordinate for the trailer to be picked up.

For the gatherings, help to set up, tear down and clean up the facility/church where the gathering is being held. Take extra plates, cups, etc. back to trailer for storage.

Merchandising/Literature

Duties include: Ordering crosses, literature and supplies for walks. Ensure that all items are taken to the facility and verify supplies. Providing closing packet materials to the mailroom servant for the walks.

Music/Entertainment

Duties include: Helping to train Music servants for the walks, organizing, setting up, or providing entertainment for the community gatherings.

Finally, if your email or phone number has changed, let us know by sending an email to

dhake115@gmail.com.

**Your contact information is used only by the Upper Room and Gulf Coast Walk to Emmaus.
We do not sell your information or share with other sources.**