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Overlook, home of Shenandoah Valley Emmaus since the beginning is assisting with the newsletter providing necessary expertise and assistance with the mailing. Shenandoah Valley Emmaus members, including the Board, Lay Directors, and others will contribute the insights and information this periodical will convey.

The newsletter will be mailed to those who do not use email, emailed to those who do, and will be posted on the ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org website. If you have received this printed edition and use email, it would be very helpful to have your email address. Over time, this saves the community considerable expense and will get information to you more quickly. The newsletter will be published only quarterly and Emails are sent monthly with considerably more info.

Picnic - Saturday, August 17, 11-2:00 Overlook Picnic Shelter



Photos from 2017

Pot Luck! Bring enough
for your whole family.
Table service and beverages provided.

Bring your instrument & make a joyful noise!

Communion & meal modeled after the Early Church

Meet the Fall teams and take part in anointing them for service.

Water Balloon Volley Ball
Human Bingo
Cornhole, Frisbee,
Afternoon Swim & More!

Swimming in the camp lake, hiking and ball games to follow!

Emmaus Calendar

Picnic at Overlook	Aug 24
Gathering - Front Royal UM	Sept 28
Men's Walk 107	Oct 3-6
Women's Walk 108	Oct 10-13
Gathering - Asbury UM	Oct 26
Gathering - McGayhesville UM	Dec 8
<i>We are accepting requests to host Gathering near you in 2020</i>	
Men's Walk 109	Apr 16-19
Women's Walk 110	Apr 23-26



Sermon on the Mount!

Well, its not actually a sermon but Christ never fails to speak to us when we Walk to Emmaus on the Overlook mountain. He speaks to us through 15 focusing talks, creative/inspiring meditations, songs of joy and inspiration, and wonderful Christian fellowship.

Teams have formed to share God's Grace. Have you invited a friend to receive it? Application/Sponsorship forms are available at the picnic, online, or call Ron Robey 540 434-3539 to have one mailed.

Advantages of Serving on Our Emmaus Board

Emmaus Folk often wonder about the Board and what goes on behind the scenes and between Walks. The 16 people who presently comprise the SVEC Board get together following each Gathering for 30-45 minutes to consider what needs to be done to keep our community healthy and moving forward. Different members look after different work areas, such as Agape, Communications, Supplies and Set-up, Walk Events, Team Selection, Spiritual Direction, Registration, Finances, Music, and perhaps most important of all, Refreshments :) Truth is, if such a group did not get together, we simply would not have any Walks. A powerful, transforming new journey with Christ would be missed by many. You and I can be thankful to someone(s) from the past who carried the torch of Board leadership so there was a Walk for us to participate in.

One third of the present Board will finish their tour of service on Jan. 1. We presently need volunteers to fill their ranks.

Specifically, we want to offer nominations for the opening terms so the community may vote for Board leadership at our picnic. You may nominate someone with their consent or offer to be a nominee yourself.

So what is the advantage to serving as part of the team which forms our Emmaus Board?

The advantage is to our brothers and sisters in the community for Board function is an act of personal sacrifice and service.

Here Am I, Send Me

Contact Ron Robey for information or to express your willingness to serve others in this way.
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Emmaus Sponsor Partners Club
www.shenandoahvalleyemmaus.org

You Can Be A Sponsor Partner

The Walk to Emmaus is intended to be an experience of Love and Grace. Agape, sacrificial love, is a familiar Greek word and epitomizes everything from Sponsorship, personal letters, small surprise acts of agape on the Walk, to Teaming itself. There are always costs involved and the Emmaus model establishes that all but the pilgrims cover their own costs.

Any person desiring to share Agape Love can partner with others to get the job done. But sometimes we are at a loss to know who those partners might be.

The **Emmaus Sponsor Partners Club** is intended to help find some of those individuals who would like to help. Jan Goodrow, the club coordinator, maintains a list of club members willing to help and will contact them when they are needed.

If you do not presently have a pilgrim to work with and would like to assist another sponsor with a \$25 scholarship, contact Jan Goodrow Humphries, Coordinator: 540 574-3409 or email at janmgh@gmail.com

Emmaus + prayer + you = 3 things that go together.

As preparations are made for the October walks, please be in prayer about what you can do. One way is by signing up to pray for a half hour. Praying for those on the Walks Oct. 4-7 and Oct. 11-14 is an act of sacrificial love, and you do not even have to leave home to be with them in spirit.

Remember your walk. Remember how powerful it was to read the names of the people - and other Emmaus communities - that were in prayer for you. There are 144 slots to fill. Do your part and go to ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org, click on Prayer Vigils and choose a slot that works for you to pray. You will receive a reminder email 2 days before your scheduled prayer time. You may also sign up at the Gatherings.



I look forward to watching the prayer slots filling up!! De Colores!

Catherine McLaughlin

Paper vs. Online

Two changes paper only users may have missed ...

1. Fees for applications were increased by \$5 to cover a 5% rate increase by Overlook. This information is noted on each form which may be picked up at any gathering or mailed on request.
2. Shenandoah Valley Emmaus is now set-up for credit card payments when you pay online. We do not have adequate security measures to do this for paper applications.
3. If you use email but do not receive regular eBlasts we need your current info. Go to

<https://shenandoahvalleyemmaus.weebly.com/>



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Camp Corner

Summer camps are under way! A week at a Christian camp is as close to an Emmaus experience that children can find. Part of this summer's experience is to actually spend one evening simulating that first Walk to Emmaus with Cleopas and all.

Call 540 2MY-CAMP for a brochure or go online to CampOverlook.org.