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## Men's Walk #103, Oct. 4-7 & Women's Walk #104, Oct. 11-14

Lay Director— Brad Miller  
Lead Spiritual Director—Ed Pruitt

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Lead Spiritual Director—Vicki Barb

Full teams and Pilgrims listed on our web site: [ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org](http://ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org)

### Prayer Is The Foundation

Emmaus needs your prayers-  
**Pray for the teams** that are training and growing in spiritual formation. There are over 50 for the combined walks.

**Pray for Pilgrims** who have committed to experiencing Christ in a new way and for those who are hesitant or struggling with busy schedules. There is **still a need for more** pilgrims, but you will have to move very quickly to submit their applications.

**Pray in the 72 Hour Prayer Vigil** during the walks. There are 144 half hour slots for each walk. Your prayers lift pilgrims and teams alike closer to Christ. You may sign-up online at [ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org](http://ShenandoahValleyEmmaus.org), at the Asbury Gathering on Sept. 22, or by calling Catherine McLaughlin at 434 591-0005



### What is the Power in Candlelight?

You know, it seems pretty simple... show up at camp, short time of praise and worship, hold a candle and go home. Yet, time and again we hear pilgrims describe it as "a glimpse of heaven, the moment I finally got it, seeing Jesus on each face, overwhelmed to tears by Christ's love,..."

The power lies partly in the promise made in Matt. 18:20, "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." It also lies in the sacrificial love expressed by surrendering a Saturday night, making a long trip and standing in the dark lighting the way even as Christ lights the way. All of this just to say God loves you and so do I, without saying an actual word. Jesus calls us to love all others, to give ourselves to them, and to make disciples of all nations.

Remember the Changing Our World Talk? I am not an eloquent speaker. I do not have presidential powers, or vast resources, but I can hold a candle which

reflects the light of Christ's love that can help change one person, and they in turn can change another.

Make a commitment now to give yourself through Candlelight, Oct. 6 & 13 at 8:00 pm.

Be a part of the great cloud of witnesses who support and impact others on the journey. Hebrews 12 It will put a glow on your face! Besides, I would like to see you again!



### Community Gathering Sept. 22, 10-noon Asbury UMC

Do you remember why we have Gatherings at the end of most months? Do you remember the power of the message of Christ's love an His counting on you which was shared on your Walk? Have you been able to keep up with the new brothers and sisters you met?

Gatherings are intended to draw us together again, to remember and celebrate Christ moving amongst us, and to strengthen our commitment to growth through piety, study and Christian action.

What's more, we have fun, enjoy some wonderful singing and feast with Christ around the table.

Round up your old table group, Gather with the community and then have a little reunion over lunch together! Wear your colors!

### Emmaus Calendar

Men's Walk 103	Oct 4-7
Women's Walk 104	Oct 11-14
Gathering - Asbury UM	Sep 22
Gathering - Toms Brook UM	Oct 27
Gathering - Toms Brook UM	Dec 8
Gathering - Asbury UM	Jan 26
Gathering - Toms Brook UM	Feb 23
Gathering - Asbury UM	Mar 23
Men's Walk 105	Apr 25-28
Women's Walk 106	May 2-5

## It Was A Wonderful Day to Picnic!



Enjoyed a remodeled shelter!



Tie-dye Shirts  
Kelly Smith  
had great  
success on  
the first try!



Water Balloon Volleyball was a splashy contest!



It takes more than one trip to sample all the desserts!

## Emmaus Camporee! Oct. 5-7

Break out your camping gear and join us for camping fellowship while the Walk is ongoing atop the hill. (Don't let your pilgrim know!) Don't have a tent, trailer, or RV? Lease one of Overlook's new cabins, complete with heat and cube refrigerator. Tent sites \$20 and RV sites \$30 per night. Reservations are made through Overlook at [CampOverlook@gmail.com](mailto:CampOverlook@gmail.com) or 540 2MY-CAMP

Wonderful fellowship in the great outdoors with evening campfire, hiking, corn hole, and Sunday Meditation. You cannot be in a more convenient location for attending Candlelight, Closing, or helping out with Agape and community chores. Visit [CampOverlook.org](http://CampOverlook.org) for more pictures and information.



Grace or Peace  
Family Cabins  
Sleep 6 -\$40 a night



Shower  
House



20 Sites  
Most with  
Hook-ups



## Agape: Expressions of Love

Our fall walks are quickly approaching. Please consider making one of your acts of Agape Love the giving of yourself in service to the pilgrims and community! Remember how special you felt as you received your Agape gifts during your walk. You may bring your completed Agape to the September 22 Gathering if you can not drop them off at camp. Please make enough for 50 for each walk (100) If you have any questions please contact Mary at [maryejeffries@gmail.com](mailto:maryejeffries@gmail.com)

## New Work Area on Board

A present Board opening is for the leader of a special **Communications** committee. Under this leader is a team, who are not on the Board, but accomplish most of the specific committee work.

Present committee members include:  
Facebook: Nancy Goulart

Technology: Scott Sprague

Website: Ron Robey

Database Manager: open

Newsletter: open

Twitter? open

Contact Ron Robey if you are interested in serving on the board as Chair, or in any of the 3 open slots. (Committee does not have meetings!)

## Camp Corner

Summer camps are over but plans are underway for All God's Children Camp for children of incarcerated parents.

If you can serve as a mentor or will help financially, contact the camp, 540 2MY-CAMP. Registration, sleeping bag, pillow, tooth brush, towel, and toiletries .. All camping supplies are given free to each child.

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