

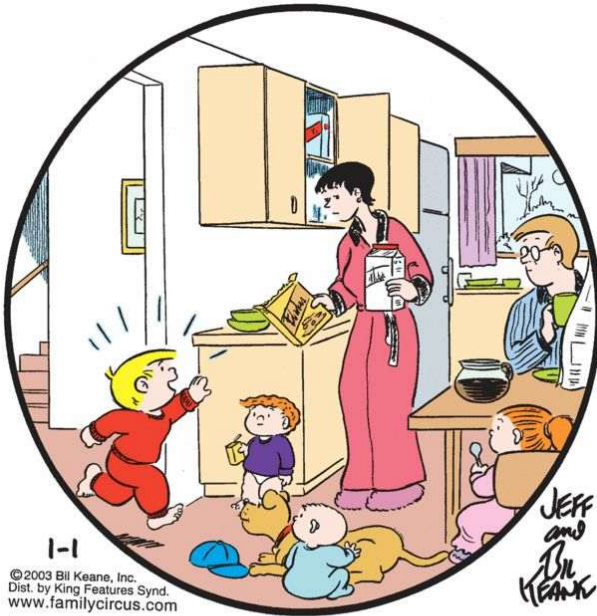


January 2025

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Newsletter

Please share this newsletter with any of your Emmaus friends. Your help is needed to share what's happening and ensure our database is up-to-date! Any new or corrected e-mail addresses can be sent to [Teresa Camilleri](mailto:Teresa.Camilleri). Thank you for your help.

Happy New Year!!!



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"My New Year's resolution is to have waffles every morning!"

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**Men's Spring Walk
(Walk #95)**
March 13-16, 2025

**Women's Spring Walk
(Walk #96)**
March 20-23, 2025

Location:
[Aldersgate Midland](#) – 2206
Airfield Ln, Midland, MI 48642

Information:
<https://midmichiganemmaus.com>
register4mmewalk@gmail.com

Chrysalis Events
lansingemmaus.org/chrysalis.html
(Partnering with Lansing Emmaus)

A Message from the Community Lay Director...

Greetings! Welcome to 2025!

Your Mid-Michigan Emmaus (MME) Board of Directors recently met at [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) for our first meeting of 2025. Some highlights:

- Planning for the 2025 Spring and Men's and Women's Walks is in full swing. Pilgrims are needed for both! Please prayerfully consider those God is placing on your heart and [submit your registrations](#) now.
- Look for updates to the [MME Website](#) later this year. Design is in progress with actual updates to the website likely occurring in the Summer 2025 timeframe.
- [Aldersgate Church](#) has been reserved on April 12, 2025 for the 2025 Spring Post-Walk Gathering. Please plan to attend to reconnect with your Emmaus Brothers and Sisters as well as welcome our new Pilgrims into the MME Community.
- Upcoming Dates:
 - 2025 Spring Walk Training #1 (Men's and Women's) – **Saturday, February 8, 2025** – [Homer UMC in Midland](#) – gather at 8:30am, training starts at 9:00am
 - 2025 Spring Walk Training #2 (Men's and Women's) – **Saturday, February 22, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – gather at 8:30am, training starts at 9:00am
 - 2025 Spring Walk Training #3 (Men's and Women's) – **Saturday, March 1, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – gather at 8:30am, training starts at 9:00am
 - 2025 Spring Walk Training (if necessary) – **Saturday, March 8, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – gather at 8:30am, training starts at 9:00am
 - Candlelight for Men's Walk – **Saturday, March 15, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – time to be confirmed
 - Candlelight for Women's Walk – **Saturday, March 22, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – time to be confirmed
 - 2025 Spring Post-Walk Gathering – **Saturday, April 12, 2025** – [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#) – 4:00-6:00pm
- Board Positions – [as noted below](#), we have several open positions on the MME Board. In addition, several folks have doubled up, tripled up (or more) on roles so we can remain operating as a functional Board. **CALL TO ACTION** – we need YOU to prayerfully consider if you can take one (or more) of the positions to lighten the load of your brethren. Please contact any member of the Board if you have any questions or are interested in serving. Board Meetings are normally held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at [Aldersgate Church in Midland](#). I promise, we are a friendly bunch of folks and don't bite! 😊

GLYASDI,

[Dave Warner](#)

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Community Lay Director

It's Not Too Early...

...to start thinking about "What can I give as an agape gift?" for the upcoming Mid-Michigan Emmaus Men's and Women's Walks in March. In simple terms, agape means love, as in the love of God. Your "agape gifts" to the pilgrims show them that they are loved by the whole Emmaus community, which they will be a part of, after their 3-day journey is complete. These small "gifts" are placed by a team member either in the Conference Room, at the Dining Room tables, or in the sleeping rooms for the Pilgrims to enjoy.

Gifts can have an appropriate Bible verse attached; however, we request no sender names are included. Gifts can be anything from candy, bookmarks, pens, small crosses, homemade items, card sayings, etc. Please plan for around 60 items for just the Conference Room or 80 for the entire team. Please make note of that somewhere on your packaging.

Please bring your gifts to the following location: [Aldersgate Church](#), 2206 Airfield Lane in Midland. As a reminder, the Men's Walk will take place March 13-16, 2025; the Women's Walk will occur the following week, March 20-23, 2025. We ask that all gifts be dropped off at the church on Thursday the 13th or 20th after 1:00 pm. If you cannot make that time and would like me to meet you somewhere before those days, please contact me at 989-429-0235 and we can arrange a time.

Thank you again for showing your love to the pilgrims.

GLYASDI,

[Tammy Geeck](#)

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Agape Chair

Update on the 2025 Spring Women's Walk (#96)...

Hello Mid-Michigan Emmaus Community! My name is Kris Middaugh; I took my walk in 2018 and sat at the Table of Praise. I'm currently serving as Secretary of our Board and also have the great blessing to serve as the Women's Lay Director this Spring. As we build our team of volunteers and prepare for the Walks, I'm reminded over and over how God is in this story. His hand is in all things, and He directs all things. We do not need to rest on our own abilities.

I love a song called "God is in your story", currently playing on Christian radio. The chorus states that:

"God is in this story,
God is in the details
Even in the broken parts
He holds my heart, He never fails
When I'm at my weakest
I will trust in Jesus
Always in the highs and lows
The One who goes before me
God is in this story"

AMEN and AMEN! Soon the snow will melt, and Spring will be ushered in. Just as nature has its storms, so do each of us. Please know friends that God **IS** in your story! God is in the story of the Pilgrims that will be attending the Spring Walks. God will lead, direct and bless you...stay faithful and trust in Him!

Please be in prayer over who you will sponsor. Through your faithfulness in sponsorship, you are the hands and feet of our Lord!

Who will you bless?

Who will draw nearer to our Lord through your act of Sponsorship?

God is counting on you as you continue to count on Him.

GLYASDI!

[Kris Middaugh](#)

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Secretary

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Prayer Vigil Chair

2025 Spring Women's Walk Lay Director

Mid-Michigan Emmaus Community Board of Directors

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BOARD COMMITTEES			
CSD Vice Chair Role Description: Support the CSD elected each year by the Board of Directors to provide spiritual guidance to the Board. The CSD contacts and makes arrangements for clergy to serve at all community events and on each Emmaus Walk.	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Music Role Description: Works with the Lay Directors and Candlelight and Gathering Chair as needed to provide suggestions for Music and entertainment. Keeps the list of musically gifted community members and always watching for and developing new talent.	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN