

# Great Smoky Mountain Emmaus and Chrysalis Communities

September 2017 Newsletter

## FALL MEN'S WALK, SEPTEMBER 28TH IS A GO!

**EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF**

**WALK LOCATION:**

SEVIERVILLE FIRST UMC  
214 CEDAR STREET  
SEVIERVILLE, TN 37862

Due to time constraints imposed by Central UMC and the pattern of last minute applications for past Men's Walks, the Fall Men's Walk will be held at Sevierville First UMC. Central UMC now requires a 30 day notice if we are cancelling a walk. Sevierville First UMC has been gracious enough to allow the GSMEC to hold the fall walk with no deadline for cancellation.

Several board members toured Sevierville First UMC to see if the church would lend itself to a walk. We found the church has so many possibilities and you will be pleased to know they have hot water showers!

The walk will operate on the same time schedule as always. Set up will still

Wednesday night and send-off will be Thursday at 6:30 with potluck meal. See schedule in newsletter for other community times to gather. We can always use your help throughout the weekend at anytime.

We are still accepting applications. Please prayerfully work on getting your pilgrims on this walk and get those applications in to the registrar!

GSMEC Registrar PO  
Box 53194 Knoxville,  
TN 37950-3194

Applications may be  
downloaded at [gsmec.org](http://gsmec.org)

~ Mike and Suzy Ooten



Chrysalis Flights #79 & #80  
Journey Flights #38 & #39  
September 2-4, 2017

Men's Walk #106  
September 28 – Oct 1  
6 Pilgrims signed up

Women's Walk #107  
November 2-6  
4 Pilgrims signed up

Fall Extravaganza at  
Wear Farm Park  
623 Wears Valley Rd, Pigeon  
Forge, TN 37863  
September 9 – 11am -  
3pm

September  
Gathering  
Sat. September 16<sup>th</sup>  
6:30pm  
Fairview UMC Maryville

## Team Selection News

The team for Men's Walk #106 is almost complete and team meetings have started. Jack Gastenveld is still looking for a few good men to step up and fill out his team.

Recruitment calls have started for Women's Walk #107. Mary Abbott and Suzy Ooten are making calls and looking for women to say "Yes!" when they are contacted to serve on that team. They will start team meetings in mid-September.

Currently, calls are being made to start filling leadership positions for the Walks in 2018. To try and reduce the number of calls and work around availability to serve, calls are being made to survey when people are available and to plan walk leadership in advance for multiple Walks. We can now work with schedules that are conducive to someone just working on a spring or fall schedule, while recognizing that some folk do not wish to serve in Walk leadership positions. Regardless, we will be needing men and women to take a step

forward in faith and to be willing to say "Yes!" when called to serve as Walk leaders.

As always, if you would like to serve on a Walk in the Conference Room, on the Music Team, in the Prayer Chapel, on the Agape Team, or, for our Clergy, the Spiritual Director Team, contact Lee Carleston at 384-2602 or [carlestonl@aol.com](mailto:carlestonl@aol.com). We are already planning Team Selection meeting dates for the Spring Walks!

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## Agape News

**WE NEED YOU!**  
Please consider working on the Men's or Womens Agape Team. If you are interested but not sure what is involved in serving call either Randy (865) 712-7414 or Sylvia (865) 599-3281.

We are more than willing to explain. It is a hard working weekend but very, very Rewarding

Randy & Sylvia  
Cresswell

## During the Walk Weekends

For the upcoming men and womens walks there are opportunities for the Community to support the new pilgrims.

At Send-off (Thursday, starting at 6:30 pm),  
Candlelight (Saturday, starting at 7:45pm),  
& Closing (starting at 4 pm)

You can also support behind the scenes by helping with Agape or Dining

Also our prayer vigils are up on the website [gsmec.org](http://gsmec.org)  
If you cannot come in person please sign up to pray for our Walk

This weekend (Labor day weekend) is our Chrysalis Flight  
Please be in prayer for our Caterpillars

[Sign up online to pray for our Flight](#)