



Evansville District Walk to Emmaus Newsletter

October 2018

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EDWE Picnic / Hog Roast

October 13, 2018 @ Dale City Park

Come as early as you want to fellowship and play games in the park. Bring a friend.

Dinner will be served around 4:30

October Monthly Gathering

October 13, 2018

Dale United Methodist Church
1 W Elm St, Dale, IN 47523

Witness Speaker: Hands of Harmony

Family, Friends and Children are always welcome to attend our Gatherings and we encourage you to invite them.

Social Time: 6:30 – 7:00 pm

Upcoming Gatherings & Walks

November 10, 2018	Santa Claus UMC	Santa Claus, IN
November 17, 2018	Santa Claus UMC	Santa Claus, IN
December 8, 2018	St. James West	Evansville, IN
January 12, 2019	TBD	

Monthly witness speakers needed.

If you would like to share what the Lord is doing in your life, contact our Gathering Coordinator to schedule your witness talk.

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We are in need of Musicians and Song Leaders for our Gatherings and upcoming Walks. If you are interested, please contact:

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Other News

- **EDWE 2018 Walks are a GO!** Please look for next month's newsletter for information about the weekends and ways to support the walk.
- Please plan to attend the upcoming Walk candlelight and Closing Services. Let's show the pilgrims the community Love we have all experienced.
- Please start preparing your Agape for the pilgrims. More details to come in the November newsletter.
- **Golf carts needed for the upcoming walks.** If you have a golf cart you can loan for the weekends, please contact Darrell Roedel.
- Come join us for an **EDWE Picnic @ Dale City Park** on October 13, 2018 before our monthly gathering. Fellowship will begin around 3:30 with visiting, games and some entertainment. Dinner will be from 4:30 and 5:30. The Board of Directors is providing the meat and asks everyone to bring a side dish. Bring your lawn chairs, a cooler of drinks, some games to play and a friend or two. It should be a lot of fun and we look forward to seeing you there. Following the picnic we will have our monthly gathering at Dale UMC with a fellowship at 6:30 and Gathering at 7:00.
- When there is a death of a family member connected to our EDWE Community, please contact an EDWE board member. This will assist us with extending our condolences, prayers and support to the family.
- Volunteer Sheets are available on the www.edwe.com website if you are interested in working on a Walk. You can turn them in at a gathering or mail to: Team Selection Committee Chair, P.O. Box 3937, Evansville, IN 47737.

Monthly Devotion

When You Don't Feel Like It

We all struggle with spiritual discouragement and lethargy. Some days our circumstances threaten to overwhelm us, and we struggle just to pray. Many times we just don't feel like doing the things we know we should. For one reason or another, God sometimes seems far off and unreachable. David faced times like these in his life. The Psalms are filled with verses that express his despair and feeling of abandonment. Yet the Psalms also give us the key to living victoriously during the dark periods of life. Let's take a quick look at Psalm 119:89-95*. "Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness continues throughout all generations; You established the earth, and it stands. They stand this day according to Your ordinances..."

My circumstances or feelings have not changed God. He is the same God today as He was when He hung the stars in the sky, led the Israelites through the Red Sea, and fed the five thousand. "For all things are Your servants..." All things, even the things affecting me right now, are God's servants. The circumstance, people, and events around me are all under God. They are His servants, designed to help and bless me spiritually. "If Your law had not been my delight, then I would have perished in my affliction. I will never forget Your precepts, for by them You have revived me. I am Yours, save me; for I have sought Your precepts. The wicked wait for me to destroy me; I shall diligently consider Your testimonies."

Recalling God's faithfulness and control over everything that touches us gives us strength to walk with God even when we feel like giving up in despair. After all, our feelings and circumstances have not changed God. He is perfectly capable of sustaining us if we will only let Him. We simply need to choose to delight in and diligently consider God's precepts (His principles and character) despite how we feel. Choosing to delight in God might not be easy. It might even involve hard work. But only God can revive and save our soul from spiritual lethargy. Next time you feel spiritually drained or inadequate; remember that you have a choice. You can wrap yourself up in excuses and self-pity, or you can choose to draw your strength from an unchanging God.

Blessings, Rev. Steve Buse - EDWE #39