

Community Spiritual Director (CSD)

The Community Board elects the Community Spiritual Director (CSD) annually from among the Clergy

persons who have been involved in the Emmaus programs in that community. The CSD serves a maximum term of office of 3 years.

The role of the CSD is to guide the activities of the community along Christian beliefs considering the ecumenical nature of the Emmaus programs, and the directions from the EMSA SD.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

- Participate in the activities of the Community Board of Directors as an office bearer.
- Write the EMSA exam prior to taking up the position of ACSD or CSD, ie in an elect year. Should the member fail the exam then it must be re-written no later than the February of the first year that the member is the CSD or ASCSD.
- Ensure that the Officers of the Board are affirmed at the first meeting of the year by means of written ballot.
- Acts as the Spiritual Leader of the community, helping the Board remain centered on Jesus Christ and focused on the purpose of the Emmaus movement.
- Process Clergy accreditation applications.
- Enhance and maintain a community clergy database.
- Host annual community events such as a Clergy breakfast to create broader knowledge about the ministries and encourage wider interdenominational participation in the programs.
- Recommend to the Board, Clergy persons who are qualified and willing to serve as Spiritual and Assistant Spiritual Directors on Emmaus programs, although the Board is not limited to these recommendations. Should the nomination be accepted, it must be impressed upon the member that he/she must write the EMSA exam before taking up the portfolio.
- Participate in the Team Selection Committee especially for the purpose of helping select Clergy for the teams. Clergy selection must be done ahead of team selection so that the Walk / Flight Spiritual Director can participate in team selection.
- Is in contact with the Weekend Clergy selected to serve on team (and or/give the Grace talks) and secures their acceptance.
- Encourages, prays for, guides, trains and develops the Weekend SD's.
- Is responsible for preparing and training of the Weekend Spiritual Directors for their roles. It is

advisable to involve the CSD in team training as the person gets to know community members and gets a feel for how training is going.

- Leading Holy Communion at Closing with the help of the Weekend Spiritual Directors and ensures that arrangements have been made for Clergy to lead Candlelight. (see Page 76 of URH – Sponsors Hour is led by a Board or a community member)
- The CSD presents the Emmaus cross to the Weekend Lay Director at Closing (see Page 114, point 9 - URH)
- Represent Emmaus among Clergy colleagues and Church leaders and encourages their participation in the Emmaus/Chrysalis ministries.
- Attend Gatherings and lead Holy Communion with the help of the community Clergy.
- Provide theological advice within the ecumenical nature of Emmaus in their community as well as pastoral care.
- Carry out the responsibilities with the CLD and other Board members as a member of the team.
- Attends the annual EMSA Indaba and AGM.
- Submit quarterly reports to the EMSA SD and submit a report to the EMSA Secretary for the EMSA AGM.
- Is available to any Board member when they experience spiritual difficulties.
- Conduct devotions / talks / Holy Communion when required to do so.
- Foster a close working relationship with the community ASD (and vice versa).

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- Alternate and/or share the responsibilities with the ASD (and vice versa) at Community Board meetings, gatherings and AGM devotional activities.
- Use this portfolio document as a guide in the quarterly report to the Community Board.
- Prepare a report for all Community Board Meetings and the AGM.

Additional requirements for the position:

- PC with internet access as well as printing and scanning facilities
- A good working knowledge of communicating via e-mail and Microsoft Word
- Must be an ordained minister with experience of working on Walks/Flights as SD and ASD
- Must understand the ethos of Emmaus/Chrysalis with special regard to its ecumenical character.
- Must be a member of a church that subscribes to the Protestant principles, is accountable to a higher body and practices a creed.