

SONVALLEY EMMAUS INFORMATION & APPLICATION FORM

What is a walk to Emmaus? In Luke 24 we read the story of the risen Christ appearing to two disciples who were walking from Jerusalem to Emmaus. He explained the Scriptures, and their hearts were warmed. Their eyes were only fully opened to recognize Him when Christ took bread, blessed and broke it, then gave it to them. Filled with joy, they rushed back to Jerusalem to share the news with the other disciples. This story provides the image of Emmaus. The Emmaus movement came to Southern Africa in 1990 from the United Methodist Church in the USA, which in turn developed it from the Spanish Roman Catholic Cursillio de Cristiandad (a short course in Christianity), which started in the late 1940's. The Emmaus movement is true to Protestant theology, with some Methodist emphases, but is ecumenical in practice. Emmaus is seeking to find authentic expression in the cultures of Africa, while retaining the wealth of Christian experience from other cultures. God is using Emmaus in Southern Africa to bring reconciliation between races, and renewal to Christians and their churches.

What happens on an Emmaus Walk? You'll spend three days with other people in worship, prayer, fellowship, creative expression, recreation, singing and discussion. Fifteen talks, given by clergy and laity, form the basis of the discussions and projects. These present the theme of God's Grace and how grace comes alive in the Christian Community. You will have the opportunity to celebrate Holy Communion daily, and begin to understand more fully the presence of Christ in the body of His believers. The prayers and acts of love of a lively supporting community enhance this. The 72 hours is a sacrificial offering on your part – we therefore ask that you leave your watch and cell phone at home.

What is the Purpose? Emmaus aims to bring spiritual renewal to Christians who will, in turn, bring new life and vision in their church, home, workplace and community. One of the primary strengths of Emmaus is the follow up. Your weekend lasts three days, but you are invited to build on it for the rest of your life by expanding your spiritual life through study and congregational participation and becoming more active as a disciple of Christ in the world through your home church. To nurture this discipleship, Emmaus offers specific opportunities: - Regular gatherings for fellowship and worship - Small "Reunion Groups" that meet regularly to maintain spiritual accountability - Training to participate in future Emmaus or Chrysalis events.

Who should go to Emmaus? Emmaus is for growing Christians who are open to experience the grace and love of God in new ways through the Christian Community. Moreover, it is for those who are likely to be committed to make a difference as a result of this experience.

HOW TO APPLY TO PARTICIPATE IN EMMAUS?

The attached form needs to be completed by:

1. **The Applicant.**
2. **The Spiritual Sponsor.** This is someone who has attended a *Chrysalis Flight*, *Walk to Emmaus* or *Face to Face Encounter* and who will undertake to explain the weekend, pray for the participant, and assist in practical requirements.
3. **The Applicant's own Minister or Pastor**, so that the applicant is under submission to the home church. (If a Minister or Pastor requires more details, the Community Spiritual Director can be contacted - see below).
4. **The Applicant's Parent/Guardian** if the applicant is under 21.

Completed Forms need to be sent to the registrar; registrar@sonvalley.emsa.org.za and CLD cld@sonvalley.emsa.org.za (Please send to both). Your application will be prayerfully considered and you will be informed of your acceptance. In the event of cancellation or query, please contact the Registrar.

COST OF THE WEEKEND

Fees for 2026 are R 2200.00

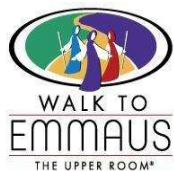
Payment can be made by deposit/EFT into the following Bank account:

Son Valley Emmaus Community
Standard Bank, Benoni
 Account no: 022419071
 Branch code: 013042

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

Community Lay Director – Stephen Hain
 079 142 3727 cld@sonvalley.emsa.org.za

Community Spiritual Director – Stephen Hendricks
 082 804 5122 csd@sonvalley.emsa.org.za



I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND		TICK
Men's Emmaus Walk # 167	8 - 11 October 2026	
Ladies Emmaus Walk # 168	8 - 11 October 2026	

Name & Surname:

Name by which you are called:

E-mail address:.....

Phone: (H) (W) (C)

Date of birth: Gender

Please specify any special conditions that might affect your participation: health, disability, medication and special diet:

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Your church's name, denomination and address:

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State briefly your involvement in your church:

State briefly why you wish to attend the weekend and what you expect from it:

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What musical instruments do you play (if any)?

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Has your sponsor explained the weekend? Yes No

While you are on the weekend it may be necessary to contact your family and home or a close friend. Please give us the names and phone numbers of three close family members or friends:

1. Phone

(H) (W) (C)

2. Phone

(H) (W) (C)

3. Phone

(H) (W) (C)

Next of kin : Relationship :..... Telephone No:.....

POPI act:

As per the POPI act we require all Sonvalley Emmaus Ministries Pilgrims permission to send him/her community information and other communications. Our newsletter is not compulsory but would benefit you as it contains information about Emmaus ministry events and prayer requests.

Emmaus Ministries declares that your information will not be distributed or used outside the Emmaus Ministries environment.

I hereby, agree, that my information as registered can be used by Emmaus Ministries for the purpose of Emmaus communication and use.

Name: Signature: Date:

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT'S MINISTER / PASTOR

Minister's Name:

Mailing Address:

E-mail address:

Phone (H) (W) (C)

I support this application to attend an Emmaus *weekend* signed:

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPIRITUAL SPONSOR

I accept the commitment detailed alongside and I have attached herewith the Sponsor's checklist.

Name:

E-mail address:

Phone (H) (W) (C)