It is time to VOTE!

Nashville Upper Room Emmaus Community,

Over the past three months your Board of Directors assembled a team of experienced community members to join with them to tackle the challenges facing our community. After continuing prayer by the board, the team, and our community, the Brainstorming Team and the Board of Directors have come away stronger and more resolved than ever to face these challenges head on and restore our beloved Emmaus, Chrysalis, and Face to Face communities to strength and success in our goals.

After several meetings of the board and team, and two informational community meetings, we are moving forward at great speed and with purpose. Two of the most important and significant accomplishments have been to establish the resolve to elect a new board of directors and plan for walks to take place this coming spring. These accomplishments lay the foundation for great progress in the near future.

Potential Weekend Lay Directors are being contacted now and we expect to have firm commitments from those leaders which will enable us to fix the walk schedule for the spring. Look for those confirmed dates very soon. Any dates that you see published now are tentative and not confirmed but are certainly in the general time frame of when the walks will occur. The community will be notified by this medium, the official website at <u>nashvilleemmaus.org</u>, and Facebook events when dates are finalized.

Finally, a herculean effort was made to identify, contact, and gain commitments for board service from many members of the community. Some of these servants have served before and offer a wealth of experience in Emmaus ministries. Others may have less experience, but they bring passion, enthusiasm, and leader development to the board of directors that will encourage other board members and inspire our community. The last step in this process is now in our hands, the community membership. We, the body of the community, need to vote these folks into service. You will find below the ballot for the candidates. In addition to the named persons on the ballot, there is space to write-in, or nominate someone who isn't listed. We would ask you to ask the person first, but certainly do write-in someone who is willing to serve. The criteria is simple; a nominee should have served on at least one conference room team and should not be married to another person who is serving on the board or is nominated for service. All nominees have agreed to the meeting schedule (one per month and special meetings) and to be present and serving on walk weekends.

This ballot will also be available on the community website at <u>nashvilleemmaus.org</u> where you will be able to download a copy. Submit the ballot by December 10, 2022 according to the instructions below, OR, bring the ballot with you to the Christmas Gathering at the Upper Room Chapel on December 10, 2022, at 6 PM.

We hope to see you on December 10th and to see your vote at <u>nashvilleemmaus@gmail.com</u>.

DeColores,

The Board of Directors and the Brainstorming Team