

EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWS

Men's Walk #79 January 18-21, 2007

The names of the Team and Pilgrims for the next Walk are listed on page 2. Please remember to keep these brothers in Christ in your prayers so that their hearts will be prepared for the Lord to work in and through them. (List as of 12/20/06.)



ATTN: Community!

Gatherings: First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Grace Bldg. Sanctuary

* **January/February Walks:**
Candlelight Service, 8:30 p.m.
Grace Bldg. Sanctuary

* **Closing, 4:30 p.m. Grace Bldg.,**
Meet in the refectory, 4:15 p.m.

Hyde Park Comm. UMC GRACE BLDG.
(Grace & Observatory) one block south of the Erie Bldg.

Child Care now available, See p. 2!

Sponsoring a Pilgrim?

Please send the applications directly to the Registrars:

Men
Sandy Nickolin
2563 Marsh Ave #1
Cincinnati, OH 45212
513-841-1645

Women
Jill Sloneker
432 Fox Chapel Run
Maineville, OH 45039
513-494-1548

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SPONSORS...

Remember 4th Day Books are available for purchase (\$5) at Sponsor's Hour. They are a great gift for a Pilgrim's 4th Day!

TEAM ROSTER:

Kenn Barton ASD Justifying Grace
 Charlie Boswell TL Grow Through Study
 Steve Brown ATL
 Jim Connell ATL
 Ike Fears ATL
 Ron Goens TL Changing Our World
 Rich Grant ATL
 John Groth ALD Fourth Day
 Chris Huser TL Priesthood of All Believers
 Bob Jewett LD Perseverance
 Bill Knorr TL Life of Piety
 Glenn Larson TL Body of Christ
 Ed Merritt ALD Discipleship
 Craig Monsell Music
 Dave Robinette ASD Obstacles To Grace
 Bill Schmidt ALD Priority
 Wes Souders ASD Prevenient Grace
 Steve Weatherly ... ASD Sanctifying Grace
 Dave Weaver SD Means Of Grace
 Darrell Wilson ATL
 TL Christian Action

Logistics Coordinator:

David & Ann Frye—513-575-1538

PILGRIM LIST

(as of 12/20/06)

Pilgrim	Church	Sponsor
Gene Davis	Sharonville UMC.....	Bill Fox
Joe Geraci	St Mary Catholic	Phil Bridenbaugh
De'Angelo Harmon	Lee Chapel AME	Art Harmon/ Elaine Staples
Anthony Jenkins	First UMC Hamilton	Jackie Jewett
Gary Morgan	Mt Auburn Pres	Mike Shryock
Joshua Morgan	Mt Auburn Pres	Mike Shryock
Danny Stover	Anderson Hills UMC	Terry Burns
Nelson Watts	Hyde Park Comm. UMC	L H Mayfield

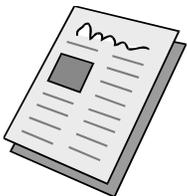
If you would like to be on the Emmaus *email* list to be notified of Gatherings, Walks, Candlelights, etc, please send an email to Bill Lindenschmidt at BillLindy@fuse.net and request to be added to the list.

It will NOT be used for anything other than Emmaus notifications.

Did you know that the newsletter is offered electronically?

Go to the Cincinnati Emmaus website and signup under the newsletter tab!

Don't forget to send in your newsletter subscription fee for 2007!



Let us know about address / phone # / email changes, too!

Child Care Now Available in 2007!



Demand for Child Care came through pretty clearly in the results of our survey conducted this fall. As a result, we are pleased to offer child care for the Candlelight, Closing and Gathering events starting in 2007. This will be arranged through the HPCUMC child care staff.

The cost is \$5.00 per child per event. Spots must be reserved at least 24 hours before the event.

For reservations, please contact Howard Sloneker at 513-313-0275 or Howard@dmlive.com.

You will need to provide your name, phone number, name and date of the event you need child care for along with the name and ages of your children. Payment will be due at the time of the event.

EMMAUS SURVEY UPDATE

As many of you are aware, this fall the Board conducted an on-line survey with the community. Invitations to take the survey were sent to all community members for whom we had email addresses. Over 200 from the community participated in this survey. Our thanks go out to those who took the time to complete the survey. Anyone can go on line to review the results by visiting: <http://www.zoomerang.com/web/SharedResults/SharedResultsPasswordPage.aspx?ID=L22QAX7REXFQ> Password: Emmaus.

The results revealed the following areas where the Board intends to spend more time in discussion and research.

- ◆ Child care offered during gatherings
- ◆ Continued enhancements to the recently launched on-line job boards
- ◆ Clearer descriptions of what the jobs entail on the job boards
- ◆ Keeping new pilgrims connected and following up on their interest to serve
- ◆ Poor acoustics
- ◆ Unreliable sound system
- ◆ Clarifying the process for being asked to serve on a team

One area of high interest had to do with the night of the week the gatherings are held. Saturday came in with the highest preference rating (32%). The second highest rating was Wednesday (19%). This information was valuable to the Board when faced with the decision as to what night to hold the gatherings during the period of renovation at HPCMC since space was not available on Saturday nights.

Thank you again for helping the Board look for ways to continue to improve this wonderful organization called the Greater Cincinnati Walk to Emmaus.

The Cincinnati Emmaus Board of Directors

From the Community Spiritual Director —

Happy New Year Emmaus Friends,

I first wish to say “thanks” for the faithfulness of this great community last year. We were blessed to have the privilege to host six walks, and touch the lives of pilgrims with God’s grace and love. The Emmaus community, lay teams, clergy, and the board modeled servanthood throughout the year. The Spirit of Christ was certainly with us at gatherings, candlelights and closings during our times of worship and celebration. In my mind, 2006 was a wonderful year! Praise God!

We now move faithfully forward into 2007 with anticipation and excitement as an Emmaus community. Several thoughts:

The first thing I ask of this community is pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Pray for the board members—those returning to roles of responsibility, and new board members. Pray that we will have listening hearts, and clarity and wisdom in decision making. Pray we will be the best servant leaders possible. Help us to stay close to the model of the Upper Room with integrity, and a spirit of hospitality towards all pilgrims in 2007!

Secondly, Hyde Park Community UMC has begun Phase 1 of its capital improvements to both buildings. This means we, as an Emmaus community, will need to be flexible and creative in hosting walks in 2007. We will need a spirit of cooperation and patience. HPCUMC will try its best to work with us in 2007. Please remember, all of the ministries of HPCUMC will face challenges this year. Pray for things to run smoothly, and understand when we need to make adjustments. We will persevere!

Lastly, because of construction and survey results, there are changes in event venues and new services Emmaus will provide in 2007. The monthly gathering is now scheduled on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Grace sanctuary of HPCUMC. This setting provides better seating, sound, and parking. Watch for information about candlelight and closing changes. The new service provided will be child care!

It’s my hope to see even more Emmaus servanthood support behind the scenes from this community in 2007. It’s easy to sign-up on-line and then show-up and serve. But, it’s my greater hope to see the many friendly faces of Emmaus (past and present) at the monthly gathering and special events. These are ways we can come and worship Christ together, as a community of faith, and keep the fire of his love alive in our hearts.

Best beginnings in 2007 in your personal lives, church family, and faithful support of Emmaus. Let’s stay united and excited with anticipation! God is with us!

Blessings, *Dave Weaver*

2007 Board of Directors *Worshipfully Working Together*

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For complete Pilgrim Lists, Applications, Emmaus information and links to other communities, log on at www.cincinnatiemmaus.org.

CALENDAR

Upcoming Emmaus Walks

Men's Walk #79
Jan. 18-21, 2007

- Candlelight 1/20, 8:30, **GRACE**
- Closing 11/21, 4:30, **GRACE**

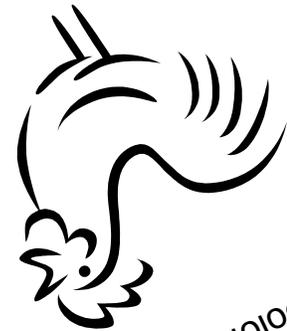
Gathering: Wednesday, Jan. 3, 7:30 pm
 Board Meeting: Saturday, Jan. 6, 8:30 am
 Board Meeting: Thursday, Jan. 25, 6:30 pm
Gathering: Wednesday, Feb. 7, 7:30 pm
 Board Meeting: Wednesday, Feb.22, 6:30 pm

2007 Walks to Emmaus

- Women's Walk #95: Feb. 22-25
- Men's Walk #80: May 17-20
- Women's Walk #96: June 21-24
- Men's Walk #81: Oct. 11-14
- Women's Walk #97: Nov. 8-11

Please make childcare arrangements before attending Candlelight and Closing. It is inappropriate for children to be present at these services.

Christ is Counting On You!



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