

EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWS

Men's Walk #80 May 17-20, 2007

The names of the Team and Pilgrims for the next Walk are listed below. 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 4/19/07.)

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."
 Jeremiah 29:13

<u>Pilgrim</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Sponsor(s)</u>
Daniel Bradford	St Paul UMC	Ron Goens
Chet Cavalier	Hyde Park Comm. UMC	David Melvin
Bruce Charles	Sacred Heart of Jesus	Richard Martini
Tim Conner	Bethel UMC	Glenn Beyer
Jeremy Furniss	Four Corners	Brian Furniss
Steve Goedde	Crossroads Community	Steve Theobald
Keith Kral	Epiphany UMC	Jason Bebout
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George Sturgeon	Eastside Christian	Melaine Sturgeon
Roger Volz	Eastside Christian	Stanley Tucker
Alan Weinrich	Northern Hills UMC	Tedd Wittenbrink
Greg Wenker	St Paul UMC	Don Freuchtemeyer

TEAM ROSTER:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Talk</u>
Rev. Jim Clark	Clergy..	Obstacles to Grace
Rev. Brian Cordell	Clergy..	Prevenient Grace
Rev. Jill Crosswell	Clergy..	Justifying Grace
Rev. Doug Damron	SD	Sanctifying Grace
Jack DeBord	TL	Priesthood of All Believers
Michael Estep	ALD	Priority
David Frye	BR	
Brian Furnish	ATL	
Bob Gerding	TL	Changing our World
Steve Gorman	ATL	
Tom King	ATL	
Bill Malarick	TL	Body of Christ
Ed Merritt	LD	Perseverance
Rick Nelson	TL	Christian Action
Dustin Nimmo	Music	
Ray Oellette	ALD	Discipleship
Chris Oliver	ATL	Life of Piety
Dan Scheid	ATL	
John Smith	Music	
Wes Spencer	ALD	Fourth Day
Rev. Jim Stauffer	ASD	Means of Grace
Paul Wykoff	TL	Grow through Study

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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!

Child care for Candlelight, Closing and Gathering events is available!. It is 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.

Sponsoring a Pilgrim?

Please send the applications directly to the Registrars:

<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
Sandy Nickolin 2563 Marsh Ave #1 Cincinnati, OH 45212 513-841-1645	Jill Sloneker 423 Fox Chapel Run Maineville, OH 45039 513-494-1548

From the Community Lay Director —

Dear Community—

There are so many good things happening within our Community that I don't know where to begin. First and foremost, we have two Walks coming in May and June. We are trying to have a full slate of pilgrims for the Men's Walk in May. We need thirty-six men to meet our goal. We still have time. I am asking each member of the Community to search their field of influence and ask those men who are **'ripe for the harvest'** to take a leap of faith and go on this most amazing weekend. We know the men are out there. It is our job to give them the opportunity. I have seen what this Community can do when challenged and so I have no doubt we can reach our goal.

Additionally, we have a Gathering in May. At the Gathering, we will commission the team for the Men's Walk. Remember, we do this in the tradition of the first century Church who gathered and prayed and fasted for Paul and Barnabus prior to their missionary journey. This is a most powerful way to show the team that they are not on their own but that there is an entire **'Community'** behind them. Please make a point to be there to give them a powerful send-off. We will do the same for the women's team at the June Gathering.

The commissioning service is not the only reason for you to join us at the Gathering. The April Gathering was one of the best I have ever attended. If you missed it, you missed a treat. The theme was servanthood. John Groth gave a powerful talk on servanthood that I pray inspired everyone there to become more servant oriented, not only for Emmaus, but in their other areas of ministry. In addition, It was our Easter Gathering and the music, readings, prayer, and the silent exit can be summed up in one word, **'WOW'**. I can't wait to see what Tracy has in store for us at the May Gathering.

I am very excited to let you in on some things that have the potential to be very powerful and dynamic. We are looking into a couple of new things. We are in the early stages of developing **'Walk Reunions'** so that you can once again gather with the team and pilgrims on your particular Walk to reacquaint yourselves and reminisce about your Emmaus experience and compare notes on your Fourth Day.

We are also in preliminary investigation of the feasibility of hosting deaf pilgrims on Walks. What can be better than revealing the Emmaus experience to those who have up to this point been denied the opportunity. Christ did not come only to 'Walk' with the able but also with the disabled. Yes, even the disabled are **'ripe for the harvest'**.

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

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

Well, that's enough for now. I look forward to seeing you at the Gatherings and the Candlelight services in May and June. Don't forget that we need your help to pull off the Walks. Please sign up on the job boards and prayer vigil. You can sign up at the Gatherings or online at www.cincinnatiemmaus.org. **DE COLORES!**

Your Brother in Christ,
Arthur W. Harmon, Jr.
Community Lay Director

PARKING REQUEST

HPCUMC is asking that we continue to be considerate of our neighbors' driveways when attending Emmaus functions.

Please obey the street signage at both the Grace and Erie locations. (No parking, bus stops, etc.) Park at least three feet from either side of a driveway. This allows the neighbors to see clearly as they enter the street. Remember there is additional parking at Clark Montessori at the Erie campus.

Your support helps us to be a good neighbor!



We are exploring the possibility of a deaf ministry in the Cincinnati Emmaus Community.

If you have sign language skills and you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact
Suzanne Bowman (513-576-0214)
or
Shirley Lowe (513-831-8317)
or
e-mail slowe@fuse.net.

Emmaus Community Outreach

Want to spread the work about Emmaus but you don't know what to do or say? There are speakers available to come to your church or church group to talk about the Walk to Emmaus. We can fit our presentation to your needs and desires...from a few minutes to a longer presentation and can – if you wish – include the Greater Cincinnati Walk to Emmaus video (that is also available for viewing on our website.)

To arrange for a speaker, or for more information, please contact the Outreach chair, Bill Lindenschmidt, at 513-671-7059 or BillLindy@fuse.net.



From the Community Spiritual Director —

Hello Emmaus Servants,

I hope you each had a good and glorious Easter resurrection Sunday in your own faith community. He's alive! Risen indeed! In preparation for Easter during holy week I attended a small chapel service on Wednesday morning. In that service the gospel of John was read. The particular text was the "washing of the disciples' feet." As we sat quietly for a few minutes of reflection the worship leader then invited us to wash each others feet. One by one we did this in silence. It was awesome and humbling!

Emmaus is a servant ministry! It's a ministry of love!

Jesus was the model servant, and he showed his servant attitude to his disciples. Washing guests' feet was a job for a household servant to carry out when guests arrived. Jesus wrapped a towel around his waist, like the lowliest slave would do, and washed and dried the disciples' feet.

If Jesus is willing to serve, we his followers must also be servants, willing to serve in anyway that glorifies God. Are you willing to follow Christ's example of serving? Whom can you serve today? Will you be humble and take the lowliest job or task?

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There are many ways to serve in Emmaus. The majority of those are done anonymously and humbly behind the scenes. So I invite you to consider where God is calling you to serve for the May and June walks. If you have not served recently take this opportunity and be blessed. It's easy to sign up online at www.cincinnatiemmaus.org or the sign up boards at the monthly gatherings the first Wednesday of each month.

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Serve by being on the 72-hour prayer vigil! Serve at one of the meals! Serve by distributing candles! Serve as a back-ground support person! Serve for the set up and tear down! Serve by dropping off food for the walk! Serve by sacrificing time to attend candlelight and closing! Serve as a wise sponsor! Serve by being in the prayer chapel!

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We are invited to follow the model Jesus set before us in washing his disciples' feet. We are invited wash one another's in humble service. We do this as an act of love!

It's my hope that I see some "new and old names and faces" signed up and serving for the next two walks. Before Jesus offered them the bread and the cup at that last supper--he served those at the table first, by humbly bowing down.

Christ Is Counting On You!

Dave Weaver

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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 #80 May 17-20, 2007

- Candlelight 5/19, 8:30 p.m.
- Closing 5/20, 4:30 p.m.

Gathering: Wednesday, May 2, 7:30 p.m.

Board Meeting: Thursday, May 24, 6:30 p.m.

Gathering: Wednesday, June 6, 7:30 p.m.

Board Meeting: Thursday, June 28, 6:30 p.m.

2007 Walks to Emmaus

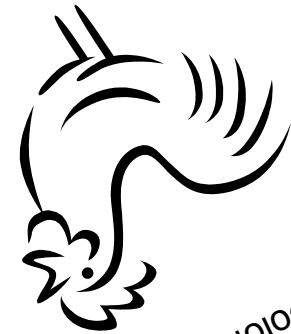
Women's Walk #96: June 21-24

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.

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