

# Emmaus Community News

## Women's Walk #88

Below are the names of the team and pilgrims for the next Walk. Please remember to keep these people in your prayers so that their hearts will be prepared for the Lord to work in and through them. (List as of 10-31-04)

*Let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:16

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- Daphane Robinson, Music
- Rev. Jeanette Shegog,  
..... Obstacles to Grace
- Rev. Stephanie Tunison, SD  
..... Means of Grace
- Rev. Harold Utley, ..... Preventient Grace

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## 2005 Board Election

Enclosed is a voting card for the 2005 Board Members. Please affirm the Board by voting and returning the card to the Nominations Committee. All votes received will constitute a quorum. The Board also requests your prayers as we move into the new year.



**SPONSORS: Remember 4th Day books are available for purchase (\$5). They are a great gift for a Pilgrim's Fourth Day!**

## Spiritual Director's Message

Greetings, in the name of our Lord, my brothers and sisters,

"WE HAD THE BEST WEEKEND EVER!!" They ARE all good, but some ARE better than others. As we enhance the way we do things as a community, sponsorship takes on a paramount role in the outcome of a weekend.

I have been on walks where I have seen the evidence of excellent sponsorship, and I want to thank each sponsor personally. I have also been on walks where sponsorship has been questionable.

When a person comes on a walk and is questioning a lot of the process, questions Christianity, has little or no involvement in his/her church, or is incapable of meeting the schedule, it greatly impacts the entire weekend. One or two folks who fit into these categories take so much time and energy to focus on their needs, that the rest of the table suffers. On my original walk I sat at a table with a lady who questioned nearly everything that was said and done. That part of my weekend was miserable.

Before you sponsor someone, please ask yourself about the individual's commitment to Christ. Emmaus is not a mental health facility to cure the ills of emotional problems, a way to solve family problems, or to convert a friend. Folks need to accept our Lord, and be involved in church. Emmaus is to help deepen that faith journey. Maybe now is not the time for your friend. If you have a question, please call the

Board Representative or Community Spiritual Directors and run the idea past them.

Be in prayer about your decision, and once you have decided to sponsor someone, please take it seriously. You have to approach couples together, not that both have to go. You will have to tell them how to pack, see that they eat dinner on Thursday evening before you bring them, come to sponsors' hour, sign up for the 72-hour prayer vigil, come to candlelight and closing, get 12 letters from those nearest and dearest for Sunday, and take them home. During the weekend you want to care for their family needs if necessary. Then you need to help them find a share group and bring them back to the next Gathering. If you're part of the live-in team, you can't sponsor someone for that weekend. Defer to someone else.

Because there is so much information, beginning in November, we are starting Sponsorship Training before Gatherings (6:30 p.m.), and beginning in January you will need to have completed the training before your pilgrim can come on the weekend, **EVEN IF YOU HAVE SPONSORED BEFORE.**

Sponsorship is the key to building leaders for the church. Sponsorship is the key to our successful walks so each weekend is truly, "THE BEST WALK EVER!!" Sponsorship is the key to healthy community.

De Colores,

*Stephanie Tunison*  
Assistant Spiritual Director

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## Thoughts from your Lay Director

As I prayed about the November gathering and listened to the concerns from the board and community, God put one verse on my heart, "*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.*"—Proverbs 3:5 NIV.

The board has been working very hard with the ideas from the Upper Room to encourage more participation from the community, at the earliest possible time. What better time than right after pilgrims have completed their Walk and are still "on fire" for the Lord, than to have them sign up for background support on the next Walk.

"Trust in the Lord" that everything will run smoothly. Have faith in the board and its hard work to restructure

the background support design. We need to let go and let God take care of the Walk through the Holy Spirit.

I attend closings to welcome the new pilgrims to the community as a representative of the board. The excitement and spirit-filled testimonies are a great example of how the Holy Spirit works on the weekend. The new pilgrims are eager to serve with the agape love shared with them on their walk. They are excited to go home and sponsor their friends and family members who haven't attended.

These new members, added to the faithful Cincinnati Emmaus Community, will truly keep our community alive and well. Pray for the direction God wants to take each of us.

How will He use our gifts in the future? "Trust in the Lord," and lean on "His understanding as He sets our path straight.

One last thought, enclosed is a postcard that lists the 2005 board members. Uplift them with your prayers and affirm them with your vote by returning the post card to the Nominations Committee.

God Bless,  
*Suzanne  
Bowman*

## Overview of New Background Support Structure for Emmaus Walks

Presently underway is an effort to revise the “background support” activities for the women’s and men’s walks. This is aimed at aligning the Cincinnati Emmaus community more closely with the ‘model’ established by The Upper Room. The Emmaus Board has been working to establish three (3) new logistics subcommittees to guide this transition. Many of these background support activities, previously assigned to LOGs serving as team members during a walk, have been re-defined. One positive benefit is the far broader participation available to community members wishing to support each walk. Moving logistics duties to “background support” functions and adding a third ALD to the team will provide enhanced opportunities for the community to give the ‘agape of service’ during the walk.

Reporting to the Emmaus Board Logistics Chair, three subcommittees will manage this new structure: (a) Background Support (facilitate set-up, take down, equipment, on-site background support during Emmaus weekends), (b) Prayer Chapel (facilitate continuous prayer support during weekends), and (c) Supplies (provide needed weekend supplies for conference room, pilgrim & team needs, etc.). A key component of the new plan is the creation of ‘Daily Background Support servants. Each day of the walk, three (3) community members, under the direction of two Weekend Coordinators, will serve as Daily Background Support servants, providing (a) traditional “LOG functions” as defined in new 3-Day Background Support Schedule, (b) collectively, provide continuous Prayer Chapel support during the day (i.e., each individual “rotates” through the Prayer Chapel for an hour or two at a time), and (c) pray with speakers, prayer partners, 72-hr vigil volunteers, and other community prayer participants.

Currently, we are refining the details of the specific job responsibilities for the background support team, establishing a consistent set of Walk Graphics (name badges, pew labels, bed tags, and so on), equipping the new Emmaus Prayer Chapel (Room 034), and developing a common format for the new job boards.



A brief presentation of the new structure will be given at the upcoming November gathering.

Your participation in these exciting changes is needed in four areas: (a) pray for the Board’s and community’s discernment as we implement this new background support structure, (b) be prepared to sign up on new Job Boards for the upcoming January and February 2005 walks (first under the new framework),

(c) attend a Sponsor Training Workshop, and (c) provide feedback to Board or Logistics Coordinator on issues or suggestions of interest to you. Led by the Spirit and with your help, we will indeed be able to further strengthen the Walk to Emmaus experience for

the pilgrims and, at the same time, broaden the opportunities for community involvement in each Emmaus weekend.

DeColores,  
*T.W. Tesche*  
Logistics Coordinator

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR? HERES SOMETHING YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS...

The Greater Cincinnati Emmaus Community is now offering **SPONSOR TRAINING** for everyone! Conveniently scheduled just prior to the Gathering in November and December, Sponsor Training will provide complete information about the duties and responsibilities of the sponsor – including some of the newer information that everyone is talking about! Planning on serving as a sponsor within the next few months? You definitely won't want to miss this...Interested in learning what being a sponsor involves? Mark your calendar now so that you don't miss this!

**Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> • 6:30 – 7:25 p.m.**  
**Conference Room**

## 2004 Board of Directors *Worshipfully Working Together*

Spiritual Director .....	Dave Weaver .....	979-8184
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## CALENDAR

### Upcoming Emmaus Walks

#### Women's Walk #88

**November 18-21, 2004**

- Candlelight 11/20, 8:30, Sanctuary
- Closing 11/21, 4:30, Sanctuary

Gathering: Saturday, November 6, 2004  
Board Meeting: Tues, November 9, 7:00  
Gathering: Saturday, December 4, 2004  
Board Meeting: Tues, December 7, 7:00

#### 2005 Walks to Emmaus

Men's Walk #73: Jan. 20-23, 2005  
Women's Walk #89: Feb. 17-20, 2005  
Men's Walk #74: May 19-22, 2005  
Women's Walk #90: June 16-19, 2005

**Please make childcare arrangements before attending candlelight and closings. It is inappropriate for children to be present at these services.**

For complete Pilgrim Lists, Applications, Emmaus information and links to other communities, log in at [www.cincinnatiemmaus.org](http://www.cincinnatiemmaus.org)

Christ is Counting on You!



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