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CALENDAR

Upcoming Emmaus Walks

- Women's Walk #77 June 14-17**
- Candlelight, 6/16/01, 8:30 pm - Sanctuary
- Closing, 6/17/01, 4:30 p.m. - Refectory
- Men's Walk #63 October 18-21**
- Women's Walk #78 Nov. 15-18**
- Men's Walk #64 Jan. 2002**

Other Community Events

- Gathering: Wed: June 6 -- 7:30 pm**
- Bd. Meeting: June 12 -- 7 pm
- Gathering: Wed: July 11 -- 6:00 pm**
- McDonald Park / Family Picnic
- Bd. Meeting: July 10 -- 7 pm
- Gathering: Wed: Aug. 1 -- 7:30 pm**
- Bd. Meeting: Aug. 7 -- 7 pm
- Gathering: Wed: Sept 5 -- 7:30 pm**
- Bd. Meeting: Sept. 11 -- 7 pm

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

Emmaus Community News

Women's Walk #77:

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 5/22/01)

John 13:34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you..."

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Bev Williams	Springdale Nazarene	Teresa Kugel
Diane Williams	St. Anthony Church	Teresa Davis
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Terri Wykoff	Salem Methodist	Brenda Greer
Jonel Yunker	Church of the Savior UMC	Patricia Williams
Katie Zaring	Crossroads Community Church	Sara Rice

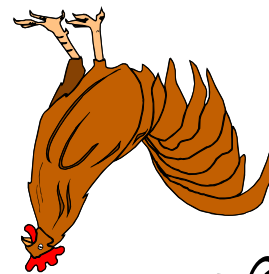
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Lori Burfitt, TL	Body of Christ
Joanne Clark	ATL
Jill Colaw	ATL
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Rev. Terry Pontius	Justifying Grace
Sandy Stoneburner, LD	Perseverance
Jemma Tennant, TL	Growth Thru Study
Cobin Trout	ATL
Linda Waldner	Prayer Servant
Rev. Dave Weaver	Sanctifying Grace
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Marge Wright	Bd. Rep.

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Summer 2001

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Emmaus

GATHERING SPOTLIGHT • July 11 • 6:00pm
JULY GATHERING ~ FAMILY PICNIC • McDonald Park/Madeira
See inside for a map and information.
JUNE 9 GATHERING @ HYDE PARK COMMUNITY UMC 7:30PM

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Spiritual Director's Message

As I think of Pentecost in our churches or parishes I think of the Holy Spirit. How it is the power and presence of Christ that lives in us as Christians. It is the energy sustaining force that gives us life. The Holy Spirit is a gift and part of God's Trinitarian nature. The Holy Spirit as we in Emmaus have experienced is God's empowerment or strength that calls us to discipleship.

The person and ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Gospels is confirmed by its work in the early church. The baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:5) is the pouring out of the Spirit's power in missions and evangelism (Acts 1:8). This prophecy of Jesus (Joel 2:28-32) begins on Pentecost (Acts 2:1-18). In the act of repentance, we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38), becoming witnesses of God's grace through the Holy Spirit.

The apostle Paul's teachings give us accounts of the Holy Spirit working in the lives of the followers of Christ. We can confess Jesus as Lord, we recognize many gifts but one Spirit, the Spirit intercedes for us when we cannot utter a word ourselves, and we claim the fruits of the Spirit as persons of faith who have received this power from God.

As an Emmaus community we have this supernatural and mysterious power, which is a gift from God. It is my hope that we continue to invite the Holy Spirit to lead us and sustain us in this ministry. My prayer for each of you is that you call upon the Holy Spirit to transform every dimension of your life. When we allow this Spirit to permeate our whole being we are truly living the life of grace.

In closing, I cannot leave without acknowledging the prayer to the Holy Spirit we recite in all of our Emmaus times of gathering. I believe it has a power of its own to radically change our hearts, homes, churches, and communities. I urge you to use it often in your personal times of devotion. May the Holy Spirit comfort, sustain, and care for you all your Fourth Days.

In Christ's Spirit,
Dave Weaver

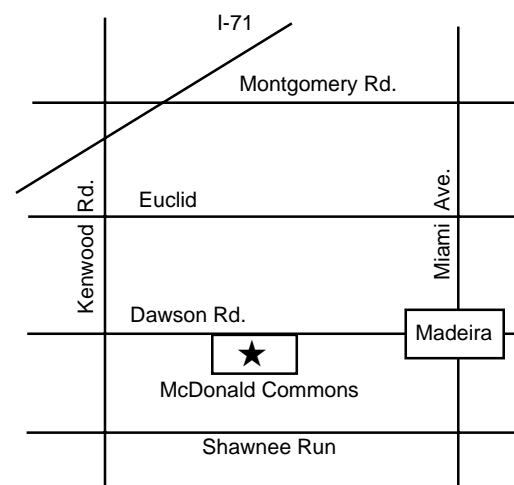
NEWS BITS

WORSHIP/MUSIC TEAM: The Board is trying to develop a team of musicians/singers that could lead or accompany worship at 2002 Emmaus events. If you feel called and/or have experience, please contact Jeff Markovic at jmarkovic7@cs.com. If you have participated in the past and have a desire to serve for the remainder of this year, also please call Jeff.

MEMBER DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE! - Member directories are available at Emmaus Gatherings, Walk registrations, candlelights, and closings for \$5.00 donation. If you find errors or changes that need to be made, please notify Bob or Jackie Jewett via mail at 625 Shultz Drive, Hamilton, OH 45013; or e-mail at cincinnatiemmaus@aol.com.

SCHOLARSHIPS for Walk Fees are available. Please keep this in mind if a financial concern may keep someone from "walking." Also, scholarships are available for Team members. Talk to the LD or ALD for more info!

Family Picnic 6:00pm - July 11



**Bring your own picnic dinner
and then a dessert to share!**

Thoughts from your Lay Director

THE EMMAUS PRAYER OF JABEZ

Who would have thought, after thousands of years, God would raise up the ministry of Jabez? Sometimes the simplest of messages can be the most powerful. We certainly see this first hand on the Emmaus walk as pilgrims realize the simple truth of God's love for them. Or how God's grace reaches far deeper than any of our sins.

As I have become familiar with the Prayer of Jabez, from 1 Chronicles 4:9-10, I have seen how this simple prayer applies to so much in life. I have been praying it on behalf of the Cincinnati Emmaus Community, and I thought I would share the Prayer of Jabez with you through the eyes and hearts of Emmaus.

Jabez penned these words:

Oh, that You would bless me indeed,

And enlarge my territory,

*That Your hand would be with me,
And that You would keep me from evil.*

We certainly all have the prayer that God would "bless the Emmaus ministry indeed." The Lord has certainly shown powerful favor on this ordained ministry called Emmaus, but imagine how much more He could bless the Walks we have each year, our gatherings and our sharing groups if we were faithful in prayer for his blessing. The Lord is willing and delights in showering His miraculous works upon His children who crave His presence and intimate involvement.

Let us also call out to God to "enlarge the territory of Emmaus." He is already at work in this area. As we have prayed for God to call men to our Walks, He has responded in number. And while numbers are not the aim, we should clearly pray for God to expand this ministry according to His will. Let us pray for God to bring Christians of all walks of life to our doors so we can all flourish in His love.

In all we do within the Emmaus ministry, we pray "His hand would always be with us." In serving as a sponsor, cook, mattress mover or prayer vigiler, God's comfort, support and love are our inspiration. May all we do in servanthood have the mark of the Lord's hand so that we follow His lead and accomplish His will.

We need always pray, especially for team members and new pilgrims, that He "would keep them from evil." As each team member and pilgrim prepares for a weekend, there are constantly obstacles and distractions that arise. But with the Lord's protection and encouragement, we as Christians can rise above the challenges and overcome situations through Jesus Christ. He is our protector and is already the victor.

Let us continue to cry out to God in prayers of thanksgiving and overflowing blessing for the Walk to Emmaus. Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Michael Kuremsky

Outreach

Would you like your church to be more involved in the Emmaus experience? One way of doing this would be to schedule an Emmaus guest speaker to speak at your church. Recently, John Welsh was invited to be a part of the Sunday morning worship service and spoke at Bethel Baptist church to introduce and speak on Emmaus. As a result, several members of Bethel Baptist including the minister and his wife are interested in going on the walk. This is part of the outreach ministry for our community. If you would like John to visit your church, receive more information or just discuss, please e-mail John at jw1333@aol.com.

DeColores,
Outreach group,
John & Carolyn Welsh, Carolyn Zeigler

Is Your Hut Burning?

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming.

Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements, and to store his few possessions. But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stunned with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me!" he cried.

Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

It is easy to get discouraged when things are going bad. But we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, next time your little hut is burning to the ground ---- it just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God.

-- Author Unknown

