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PRAY

(Praise, Repent, Ask (for others), Yourself)

John 15:4 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful apart from me.

In an earlier article I wrote about how relationships were becoming more and more important in my life. The most important relationship, of course, is my relationship with God. To keep it from deteriorating I need regular, ongoing communication (prayer) with God. This involves both talking **and** listening. The task in life is to deepen this relationship with God, and prayer is the glue that holds me to God.

An acronym for reminding us what to pray is **PRAY**: Praise, Repent, Ask (for others), Yourself.

PRAISE – Give praise to God for all your many blessings. There are so many things in our lives to be thankful for and lift up to God. Four blessings on the top of my list are Jesus Christ, all the means of grace, gifts I have received from God and the people in my life.

REPENT – Confess our sins to God and receive forgiveness. In 1 John 1:9 it states, “But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong.” However, with this forgiveness comes the responsibility to change or transform ourselves so as to avoid committing this same sin again.

ASK (for others) – This is often called intercessory prayer, lifting the needs of the world to God and asking for blessing and help. There are so many people who need our prayers. Many opportunities exist in the Emmaus community, especially around Walks. Every Walk is bathed in prayer. Opportunities like the 72 hour Prayer Vigil, using the Community Prayer Room, praying for the Pilgrims at Sponsor’s Hour and Candlelight, and the Gathering Prayer Requests, to name just a few. When people know someone is praying for them it strengthens them when they may have doubts, comforts them in their need and gives them renewed hope. Also, the more you pray for others the more you see your own blessings and the less selfish you become as your love of God and love for others grow in your heart.

YOURSELF – Often called petition this is lifting up to God what is needed for living your life. It’s telling God our hopes and dreams and asking Him to provide what’s best. From Luke 11:9, “And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will be given what you ask for. Keep on looking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened.

In our society today where life is measured and dominated by a clock it can be a real challenge to set aside the time needed for prayer. When everyone is in such a rush mode and where our senses are constantly bombarded by noise (TV, radio, cell phone, pager, etc., etc.) we need the quiet time of prayer. Accomplishing this takes real discipline. In his book about Moses, Charles Swindoll wrote, “If you’re too busy to meet with the Lord, friend, then you are too busy.” Make a commitment right now to get your Bible and spend time with God.

De Colores,
Bob Hewitt

HOW TO FIND US!

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UPCOMING WALKS

NormandyUMC 2004

Woman’s Walk #60, Sept. 23-26

Normandy UMC 2005

Men’s Walk #36, Jan. 27-30

Woman’s Walk # 61, Feb, 17-20

Woman’s Walk #62, April 14-17

GATHERINGS & BOARD MEETING

Normandy UMC	2 nd Mon	7:15
Christ UMC	3 rd Fri	7:00
Dayton Board	4 th Tues	7:00

CANDLELIGHT AND CLOSING

Candlelight	8:30 PM	Saturday
Closing	4:30 PM	Sunday

Pilgrims for WW# 60

<u>Pilgrim</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Rosalyn Battle	Judy Storey
Cathy Bromley	Bill Bromley
Dorothy Cain	Don Adams
Bev Capstick	Dee Nies
Marti Caskey	Brenda Brown
Elizabeth Cottrell	Karen Hall
Christeena Day	Anne Derenzo
Debbie Deisher	Joyce Foster
Sarah DuBois	Lynn Galioto
Kelly Dunigan	Lisa Tonkin
Kit Evans	Joyce Burton
Norma Fall	Donna Hayes
Cheryl Fohl	Ken Timmons
Mary Gaddis	Debra Frye
Judy Jobst	Don Adams
Julie Johnson	Roseann Costantino
Ginger Kooser	Pam Kooser
Penny Landis	Ron Kline
Marjorie Lechner	Jim Lechner
Theresa Long	Freeda Hutchinson
Pat Malas	Deb Esala
Bonnie Marshall	Jane Boucher
Deborah Minnix	Mindy Leab
Laura Nugent	Mary Rocquemore
Debbie Parker	Audrey Lavoie
Bonnie Roberts	Nancy Phillips
Rhonda Ryerson	Jennifer Fathergill
Gail Simpson	Bob Lindhart
Karen Tracy	Lisa Lohse
Creada Vance	Allyn Richied

Current list as of 8/25. See Newsletter on the Web site prior to the Walk for an updated list.



Team for WW# 60

Debra Caupp	ATL	
Lillian Chambliss	ATL	
Jill Evans	ATL	
Kristen Glasser	ATL	
Heidi Reil	ATL	
Lisa Sawyer	ATL	
Roiann Ward	ATL	
Carol Carter	TL	Changing Our World
Susan Brammel	TL	
Karen Hall	TL	Priesthood of All Believers
Betty Pickthorn	TL	Body of Christ
Beth Shilt	TL	Christian Action
Debbie Tope	TL	Discipleship
Cheryl Wilson	TL	Life in Piety
Melodie Byrd	ALD	Priorities
Betty Chow	ALD	Growth Through Study
Missy Trumbull	ALD	Fourth Days
Karen Doseck	LOG	
Karen Dubro	LOG	
Debbie Hildreth	LOG	
Christy Ellis	PS	
Lynn Vogt	PS	
Margaret Tuttle	BR	
Roxie Hiatt	AMD	
Denise Haws	MD	
Mary Carter	LD	Perseverance
Hazel Burns	ASDL	Obstacles to Grace
Sandy Pappenfus	SD	Means of Grace
Deb Egloff	ASD	Prevenient Grace
Palmer Jason	ASD	Justifying Grace
David VanDenburg	ASD	Sanctifying Grace



The view from here.

- The structure of the Walk is what we see. It is an earthly home for the Holy Spirit to move in.
- God gives the community the extraordinary privilege of hosting His presence.
- The conference room experience takes place on the backs of a lot of people.
- God uses me in His service and heals me at the same time.
- The longer I serve, the deeper He goes.

I am awed.

Christy Utz
Newsletter Chair

"Taste and see that the Lord is good". Psalm 34:8

"Knock-Knock..."

When I hear these words, I don't think of the old "Knock-Knock" jokes. I am reminded of several passages from the Bible? One example (and my favorite) is found in Revelation 3:20 "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him and he with me." What better offer can we receive than for Jesus Christ to come into our hearts and nourish us with His love.

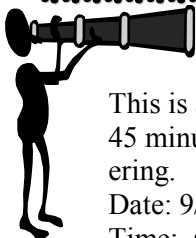
Another example is found in Luke 11:9 "So I say to you: Ask and it shall be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks, the door will be opened." Jesus is encouraging us to take an active part in our Walk with Him. We only have to ask, and look and He will open the door with The Answer.

When we want to serve God, the same theory applies. Ask what needs to be done, seek out a way and a time to do it, then simply let your personal light shine as you help others to know and walk closer to the Lord.

Remember, we are here to serve and glorify Him, not to try and earn personal glory. Staying true to these verses will enrich your lives as well as those of whom you serve.

YBIC,
John Wissinger
Computer Chair

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**Christmas Program for December Gathering**  
If you have an interest in sharing your talents (singing, dancing, reading, etc) with the Emmaus Community, contact  
**Andy Manvell at (937) 848-4611 or email at andy @manvell.org**  
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SPONSORSHIP TRAINING

To bring Jesus our best

This is an open invitation for **all** to come to this 45 minute training session before the next Gathering.

Date: 9/13

Time: 6:30 PM

Come and learn the best methods put forth by the National Emmaus Board.

Opportunity

Prayer Chain Coordinator needed to receive computer prayer requests and pass them on to others on the prayer chain.

Contact: **Bob Hewitt: hewittgang@aol.com**

TEXAS SCRAMBLE

Golf Outing Sign ups

There is still room for more teams!

Date: Saturday, October 9, 2004

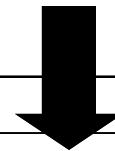
Time: 8:30 am/sign in—9:00 am/start

Cost: \$50/player (includes golf, cart and refreshments)

Place: Moss Creek Golf Club, Clayton OH

Contact: **Dean Wells: (937) 325-0979**

e-mail, **cme2cod@yahoo.com**



Picnic

Picnic/Potluck to follow the golf outing:

Date: Saturday, October 9, 2004

Time: 2:00 PM

Place: Englewood Park

Bring a covered dish

Paper products and drinks provided.

Questions?

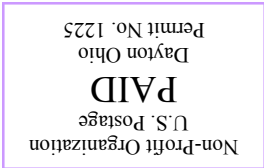
Contact :

Lynn Combs, Social Chair

engle1954@aol.com

- We cannot reserve a shelter ahead of time at Englewood Park. Look for the friendly faces and De Colores colors, hopefully in the shelter nearest the parking lot.





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*Holy, holy holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of His
Glory.
Isaiah 6:3*

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