

# EMMAUS

## NEWSLETTER

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### *Greater Dayton Walk to Emmaus*

April  
2006

April is a month that signifies birth, either new or re-birth. We have arrived into spring, even with the brief snow that welcomed it, and we begin to anxiously anticipate the growing and blooming of our beautiful plants and grasses (even those pesky weeds that we would all rather do without) as warm weather becomes more common place. This provides a lift in spirit for most people, following the cold, drab days of winter. We look forward to the beauty and warmth that will soon be ours to enjoy.

In a similar manner, we should also look forward to celebrating Easter Sunday and the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As I once heard in a talk on the Body of Christ, we are to celebrate the joy of Easter and not the gloom of Good Friday. We should remember the terrible events that took place on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, and thank God for sending His Son to die for our sins. The real celebration should be saved for Easter Sunday, which is the time that Jesus defeated death and was raised up so that He might spend eternity with His Father, awaiting our arrival.

We have all heard the story. Even most non-Christians know something about it, but perhaps this year we should take a few moments to really think and meditate about what transpired those many years ago, and the positive effect that they had on our lives today. What do you think your life would be like without Jesus and his love for us? Whatever you do, remember praise him always and give thanks for the many blessings he has given us.

YBIC, John Wissinger

I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.  
John 17:23

#### HOW TO FIND US!

Greater Dayton Emmaus  
Normandy UMC  
450 W. Alex-Bell Rd.  
Centerville OH 45459  
[www.daytonemmaus.org](http://www.daytonemmaus.org)

#### UPCOMING WALKS

##### Normandy UMC 2006

Women's Walk #66, April 20-23

##### Christ UMC 2006

Women's Walk #67, June 8-11

Men's Walk #40, July 13-16

Women's Walk #68, August 17-20

#### GATHERINGS & BOARD MEETING

Normandy UMC	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	7:15
Dayton Board	4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	7:00

#### CANDLELIGHT AND CLOSING

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

#### TRAINING & ORIENTATION

##### SPONSORSHIP TRAINING

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

Date: May 8, 2006

Place: Normandy UMC, Room #214

Time: 6:30 PM

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

##### SHARE GROUP ORIENTATION

For new members of the community to get connected to a share group.

Date: April 10, 2006

Place: Normandy UMC, Chapel

Time: 6:30 PM

# Seeds & Needs



Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 2 Corinthians 9:10

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Thanks to all for supporting our community Housing requirements. We still need 8-10 people (male or female) for the Wednesday evening shift (6-7:30PM). This is the "set-up" shift and if we get a good group of workers it should last no longer than 7:30PM. Please sign up in the lobby next Gathering or call Bill Bromley at 427-1421, email [wbrom3737@aol.com](mailto:wbrom3737@aol.com). God Bless!

## SUPPLY

If you are a Wednesday supply volunteer, please contact me and let me know if you are still willing to help with Wednesday deliveries. Thank you!  
Karen Roush Cell: 937-307-1899 / e-mail: [kjrroush06@aol.com](mailto:kjrroush06@aol.com)

## REGISTRAR

Just a quick reminder to everyone that we only have one more Men's Walk scheduled for 2006. July 13-16, 2006 at CUMC. If you know of any man you would like to share in this wonderful Emmaus Walk experience, please get their applications in as soon as possible. We will be sending out invitations soon.

YBIC, Don Adams, Men's Registrar

## AGAPE

I know on Walk weekends it is so exciting, particularly when we know a pilgrim on the Walk, to get them a special gift to commemorate the occasion. However, Pilgrim Sunday packets are only so big and there is a lot of information that needs to go into those packets. Please do not bring gifts for Pilgrims to go into the Sunday packets. Instead, please give gifts to them after closing or at a more convenient time.

Also, if you donate Agape for the weekend, please stop in the agape room before or after candlelight to check for leftovers. Also agape containing anything edible will not be kept longer than the walk weekend. **Thanks! Linda Stout, Agape Chair**

## GOOD SHEPHERD

A little reminder....the rainbow ribbons proudly displayed on Pilgrims' name tags are a beacon for us old-timers in GDE to be welcoming, loving and encouraging to our newcomers of the last year.

Please mark your calendars for the share group orientation which precedes the April 10th Gathering at 6:30 in the Chapel at Normandy. It is so vital to bring new members of our Community to this meeting, because it is, without doubt, the very most efficient way to find and join a Share Group. These groups are the backbone of Emmaus, and are so important for staying connected to all of us in fellowship, and more importantly, to Christ Jesus. The networking there is a wonderful chance to find time, place and other seekers!

Also, it would be a great help if share groups who have room for one more, would please e-mail/write me with times and places. In the Service of Christ our Lord,

**Joyce Zimmann, Good Shepherd**

## DOCUMENTATION

If you can type, and would be interested in helping to type the photo roster during Walk Weekends, please contact Jean Jarusiewicz at: [pauljarus@aol.com](mailto:pauljarus@aol.com)

Community rosters are available for purchase at monthly gatherings. The cost is \$10.00. The community roster is intended for community use only and is not to be used for business or solicitation purposes.

**Pilgrim List Women's Walk #66**

Pat Bell	Miamisburg OH
Pam Brown	Centerville OH
Jill Bush	Kettering OH
Holly Caddell	Farmersville OH
Phyllis Carmack	Tipp City OH
Cathy Cattani	Liberty Twp
Beth Center	Beavercreek OH
Ruthie Coppersmith	Dayton OH
Kay Garey	Springboro OH
Mindy Green	Miamisburg OH
Linda Guernsey	Beavercreek OH
Amber Haas	Dayton OH
Christine Holtz	Centerville OH
Sherry Hylton	Bellbrook OH
Jill Jackson	Dayton OH
Theresa Marchioni	Miamisburg OH
Sarah McElfresh	Kettering OH
Jill Moyer	Dayton OH
Nancy Potter	Centerville OH
Sue Powell	Bellbrook OH
Diann Ring	Dayton OH
Linda Roberts	Kettering OH
Pamela Sanders	Miamisburg
Bethany Schultz	Kettering OH
Mardia Shands	Cincinnati OH
Lisa Sowry	Tipp City OH
Joyce Spence	Dayton OH
Pamela Steele	Moraine OH
Bonnie Stoner	Beavercreek OH
Vicki Swartzbaugh	Dayton OH
Susan Updike	Kettering OH
Vicki Wallace	Springboro OH
Maria Walusis	Springboro OH
Sandra Wickert	Miamisburg OH

**Team Roster for Women's Walk # 66**

Marilou Brewster - ATL  
Cheryl Carter - AMD  
Vicki Chaffin - ATL  
Alice Craig - TL  
Christenna Day - ATL  
Karen Doseck - PS  
Deb Forward -TL Talk: Priesthood of All Believers  
Linda Haller - ALD Talk: Priority  
Chris Holmes - TL Talk: Christian Action  
Jean Jarusiewicz - LOG  
Julie Johnson - ATL  
Mamie Johnson - ASD  
Janie Kear - MD  
Cathy Kooser - LOG  
Norma Lakes - PS  
Lisa Lohse - LD Talk: Perseverance  
Suzzi Luken - ATL  
Ellen McIntosh - BR  
Sandy Pappenfus - SD  
Cindy Pierson - TL Talk: Discipleship  
Heidi Reil - LOG  
Kristi Schnipke - TL Talk: Changing Our World  
Brenda Smith - ATL  
Carole Smith - TL Talk: Body of Christ  
Linda Stout - ALD Talk: Grow Through Study  
Sharon Vincent - ATL  
Roian Ward - TL Talk: Life in Piety  
Kristen Zimmann - ALD Talk: Fourth Day

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45

**COMMUNITY NOTE:**

Candlelight and Closing are intended for graduates of Emmaus Walks and Chrysalis Flights (and similar functions) ONLY. Please, do not bring other family members to these events.

Guests are more than welcome to attend monthly Gatherings.

Also, we are guests at Normandy Church and they are gracious to allow us the use of their facilities. Please do not bring any food or drink into the sanctuary during our functions (Gathering, Candlelight and Closing). Thank You!

# PASTOR'S CORNER

*Yet to all who received him,  
to those who believed in his  
name, he gave the right to  
become children of God.*

*John 1:12*

## The Signet of God

I love to find treasures in God's word that open up new thoughts about his love for me. God is always seeking creative ways to express his affection. I love the illustration he used to show his love to Zerubbabel, the governor of Judah, through the prophet Haggai. "I will treat you like a signet ring on my finger...for I have chosen you." What an incredible perspective. God's view of us is always so much better than our own.

A signet ring (sign-et) was a sign of power and authority. It represented the identity of the king. It was in fact the king's seal. Any document that bore its impress was the official word of the king. The seal established its authenticity.

When Joseph was able to interpret Pharaoh's troubling dreams about the groups of seven cows and the sheaves of grain, Pharaoh said, "Can we find anyone like this man, one in whom is the spirit of God?" Then Pharaoh did an amazing thing to this forgotten captive. He removed his signet ring, placed it on the prisoner's finger, and said to Joseph, "I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt."

Is that what God is longing for us to understand about the partnership he desires? Imagine yourself in that role—a signet ring on the finger of God. You are the impress of God—a symbol of his power and authority to redeem—his representatives of grace.

DeColores,  
Hazel Burns

# His Word His Word in My Heart in My Heart

I have hidden your word in my heart that  
I might not sin against you.  
Psalm 119:11

Know and love the Lord by memorizing His word. Memorize one verse per week. At the end of a year, you will have 52 verses in your heart!

April—WEEK 1

PSALM 1:1

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

April—WEEK 2

PSALM 1:2

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.

April—WEEK 3

PSALM 1:3

He is like a tree planted by streams of water which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

April—WEEK 4

PSALM 1:4

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

April—WEEK 5

PSALM 1:5

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

May—WEEK 1

PSALM 1:6

For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

GREAT RESOURCE: [His Word in My Heart](#) by Janet Pope  
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My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.  
 John 17: 20-21

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