



Walk to Emmaus[®] Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Jesus made disciples by going to the places where they lived and worked and inviting them to come along. Jesus made disciples by spending time with them and teaching them. Jesus made disciples by patiently showing them a new way of living. Jesus gathered all kinds of people—fishermen and tax collectors, religious leaders and sinners, women and men, rich and poor, young and old, healthy and sick. No one was left out of Jesus' invitation to "follow me."

In the process of making disciples, Jesus bore much. The disciples sometimes doubted. They were sometimes afraid. They tried to talk Jesus out of going to Jerusalem and dying. They competed among themselves for the best place in the kingdom of heaven. They asked question after question. They tried to keep children away from Jesus. They interrupted Jesus' times of prayer and fell asleep when Jesus asked them to watch and pray. They abandoned and denied him. These were the disciples Jesus made and loved with such amazing grace. They were people a lot like us.

What is perhaps even more amazing, is that God entrusted those disciples—and us—with making more disciples. We will be agents of God's amazing grace if we model our disciple-making after Jesus. We will extend the invitation to all no matter where they come from or what they have done. We will go to where they live and work. We will spend time with them, teach them, and show them a new way of living. We will bear their doubts and questions, their sins and shortcomings. But mostly we will introduce them to Jesus whose love is greater than anything we can imagine and whose promise is sure: "I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Share your walk with our Lord with someone today. Encourage them to seek the same peace you have received and tell them of the gift of Jesus' Grace freely given to all of us. All we have to do is accept and believe in Him.

May God Bless You All
YBIC, Don Adams

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"And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ."  
*Romans 1:6*

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...." *Matthew 28:19a*

### 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 EMMAUS WALKS

#### Held at Normandy UMC:

Men's Walk # 45: May 15-18, 2008  
Women's Walk #76: Sep 18-21, 2008  
Men's Walk #47: Jan 22-25, 2009  
Women's Walk # 77 - Feb 19-22, 2009

#### Held at Christ UMC:

Women's Walk # 75 - Jul 24-27, 2008  
Men's Walk # 46 - Aug 14-17, 2008

### GATHERING & BOARD MEETING

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

### CANDLELIGHT AND CLOSING

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

### TRAINING & ORIENTATION

#### SPONSORSHIP TRAINING

**Date:** May 12, 2008 / 6:30pm

**Place:** Normandy UMC, Room #214

This is an open invitation for everyone to attend a 45-minute training session before the Gathering. Come and learn the best methods suggested by the National Emmaus Board.

#### SHARE GROUP ORIENTATION

**Date:** May 12, 2008 / 6:15pm

**Place:** Normandy UMC, Chapel

This is a great opportunity for new members of the Community to get connected with a Share Group.

# Giving Our Hands to Christ

**But be sure to fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things He has done for you. 1 Samuel 12:24**

## MENS REGISTRAR

We have at least 30 men confirmed for Men's Walk #45 (May 15-18, 2008) and their names are listed on page 4 for your convenience. Our next Men's Walk (#46) will be held at Christ United Methodist Church on August 14-17, 2008. Men with mobility issues may want to attend this Walk because of the availability of elevators to get between floors. Men's Walk #46 request for confirmation letters will be sent out in early June for those men with an active application on file with the men's registrar. If you would like to sponsor someone for a Men's Walk, please be sure and get their application into the men's registrar as soon as possible. Walk #46 will be the final men's walk for 2008 and we are pleased to have our Brother in Christ, Dean Wells, as the Lay Director.

*Your Brother in Christ, Keith Simpson, Men's Registrar*

## HOUSING CHAIR

Please check the housing sign-up sheets for the next Walk and the BIG MOVES at the next Gathering. We can always use a few more hands. You can also check out the Housing section on the Greater Dayton Emmaus website: (<http://daytonemmaus.org/eHousing.htm>) for additional information.

*De Colores, Stephen Puderbaugh, Housing Chair*



## GOOD SHEPHERD

**Pastors' Share Group:** I need the help of the spiritual directors and the other pastors in the community. I am still looking for a share group for a male pastor in Vandalia who is seeking an all-pastor share group. Please contact me if you can help.

**Share Group Orientation:** Next session will be May 12th at 6:15pm in the small chapel at Normandy Church. Sponsors - please be sure to bring your pilgrims to the orientation and networking session so they can get in touch with others seeking a share group. This meeting is open to anyone who is seeking a share group or seeking to expand their existing group. This will be the first orientation following the April Women's Walk.

**Outreach:** Just a reminder that I am available for outreach. If you would like an Emmaus presentation during your weekend church service, please contact me (937-312-9033).

*De Colores, Cheri Spencer, Good Shepherd*

## COMMUNITY EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN



If you have prayer concerns or would like to pray for other requests in the Dayton Community, please email ([bennercl@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:bennercl@notes.udayton.edu)) or call 937-879-2118. Please limit your requests to a serious/urgent nature and to the needs of either a member of the Emmaus Community or your immediate family. **Also, if you are not receiving prayer chain messages and wish to do so, please call me to confirm/update your email address.** Blessings to all who support the prayer ministry.

*De Colores, Charles Benner*

# FROM THE SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

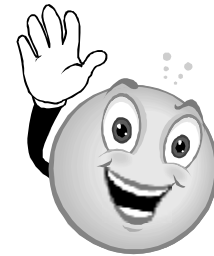


## THE NEW GUY SAYS "HI!"



It is both an honor and a privilege to join Dave, Mamie, and Palmer as one of your Spiritual Directors. God continues to bless the Greater Dayton Walk to Emmaus community with growth and an extra set of hands was needed in the vineyard. I look forward to meeting and serving with each one of you in the future as we labor together by the grace of God to bring the experience of life-transforming spiritual renewal first to individuals and then through their leadership, bring revival to the church.

Let me tell you a little about myself. I'm a second career pastor. I grew up in a small town in Pennsylvania. I remember being forced to attend church as a child and hating every minute of it! As soon as I could, I turned my back on God and off I went pursuing a college degree, a job, and all the "stuff" that the culture considered important. I entered a career in department store retailing that began at Gimbels in Philadelphia and then moved to New Jersey, New York, Miami, and Naples. I was a nominal Christmas Eve/Easter Christian. I didn't need God... Hey, I was doing just fine on my own!



Twenty years passed and then a series of events occurred that shook my assured self-confidence. I realized I was headed on a dead-end road and everything I thought was important, wasn't. Thank God, God never gives up on us! When I needed God most, God was there and has remained there to this day!

Since I let God back into my life in 1985, what an exciting and glorious journey it has been! God led me back to church. I met Jesus there (really for the first time) and was transformed by his love. The Holy Spirit has guided and sustained me along the way, especially through four years of seminary and twelve years of pastoral ministry.

For me, the Emmaus community has been an instrument of God's sustaining and life-giving grace since attending MW36, and has continued in opportunities for giving talks, and participating in Emmaus and Kairos team ministry. God has truly blessed me through you. May God now use me as a blessing through my service to our community.

De Colores!  
Pastor George Brewer

### IMPORTANT CANDLELIGHT NEWS!

**NEWS  
FLASH!**

Due to the fire hazard, safety risks, and liability concerns associated with burning candles in the church buildings, the Board has approved the use of battery-operated candles for our candlelight services. Beginning with Women's Walk #75 in July, we will only use the new battery-operated candles. Also to help minimize storage space, community members may purchase their own battery-operated candle. They will be sold at the Gatherings, starting in May, for \$4 each. Be sure to get your new candle before July!

*De Colores, Chris Christoff, Worship Chair*

# Pray for One Another



**Mens' Walk #45**  
**May 15-18, 2008**

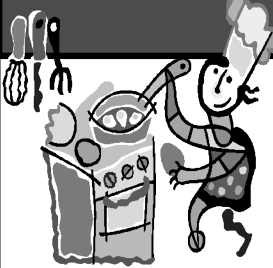
| <u>PILGRIM LIST</u> |                 | <u>TEAM ROSTER</u>                          |                 |                                    |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Gene Adams          | Huber Heights   | <b>Name</b>                                 | <b>Position</b> | <b>Talk</b>                        |
| Robert Allen        | Tipp City       | Mark Beachler                               | TL              |                                    |
| Dan Alley           | Centerville     | Craig Bjorklund                             | ATL             |                                    |
| Gary Anderson       | Englewood       | Joe Blackmore                               | TL              | <i>Christian Action</i>            |
| Scott Bennett       | Kettering       | George Brewer                               | SD              | <i>Means of Grace</i>              |
| Kirk Bierley        | Miamisburg      | Dave Brooks                                 | ATL             |                                    |
| Keith Crabtree      | Dayton          | Lou Caldwell                                | PS              |                                    |
| Aric Dimeff         | Beavercreek     | Jeff Clevenger                              | Log             |                                    |
| Mark Frazee         | Englewood       | Greg Crabtree                               | ALD             | <i>Grow Through Study</i>          |
| Richard Garey       | Springboro      | Randy Daniel                                | ASD             | <i>Obstacles to Grace</i>          |
| Brent Gill          | Dayton          | Mike Derenzo                                | ALD             | <i>Priority</i>                    |
| Mark Gooch          | Piqua           | Grant Dunigan                               | BR              |                                    |
| Kevin Harris        | Union           | Mike Engel                                  | TL              | <i>Life in Piety</i>               |
| Brian Hayes         | Centerville     | Steven Fewell                               | ASD             | <i>Justifying Grace</i>            |
| Thomas Hoskins      | Tipp City       | Mark Flannery                               | ATL             |                                    |
| James Jones         | Bellbrook       | Steve Hardy                                 | ATL             |                                    |
| Clayton Keys        | Huber Heights   | Steve Hiatt                                 | PS              |                                    |
| Chip King           | Waynesville     | Steve Holmes                                | TL              | <i>Body of Christ</i>              |
| Tim Klopfenstein    | Wapakoneta      | Jim Howe                                    | TL              | <i>Discipleship</i>                |
| Rod Korte           | Dayton          | Bob Iddings                                 | ASD             | <i>Prevenient Grace</i>            |
| Dennis Mallaney     | Centerville     | Dave Kepple                                 | ASDL            | <i>Sanctifying Grace</i>           |
| Travis McBride      | Waynesville     | Kerry Kline                                 | Log             |                                    |
| Richard Neel        | Huber Heights   | Ron Kline                                   | Log             |                                    |
| David O'Brien       | Kettering       | Bob Linhardt                                | ATL             |                                    |
| Larry O'Connor      | Dayton          | Tom McElfresh                               | LD              | <i>Perseverance</i>                |
| Alan Oglesby        | Dayton          | Dennis McNeil                               | ATL             |                                    |
| Derek Petrey        | Dayton          | Keith Reed                                  | ATL             |                                    |
| Ron Piatt           | Riverside       | Neal Stout                                  | TL              | <i>Changing Our World</i>          |
| Jeremy Riffle       | West Carrollton | Toby Troup                                  | MD              |                                    |
| James Stryker       | Dayton          | Mike Updike                                 | TL              | <i>Priesthood of All Believers</i> |
| Ted Theopolos       | Beavercreek     | Jeff Vaflor                                 | AMD             |                                    |
| Terry Trent         | Beavercreek     | Duane Veley                                 | ALD2            | <i>Fourth Day</i>                  |
|                     |                 | ALD – Assistant Lay Director                |                 | LD – Lay Director                  |
|                     |                 | AMD – Assistant Music Director              |                 | Log - Logistics                    |
|                     |                 | ASD – Assistant Spiritual Director          |                 | MD – Music Director                |
|                     |                 | ASDL – Assistant Spiritual Director Live-in |                 | PS – Prayer Servant                |
|                     |                 | ATL – Assistant Table Leader                |                 | SD – Spiritual Director            |
|                     |                 | BR – Board Rep                              |                 | TL – Table Leader                  |

Please note the Team and Pilgrim rosters are subject to change after press-time. Prior to the Walk weekend, the Newsletter is updated with the most current Pilgrim / Team rosters and posted on the Dayton Emmaus website:

<http://www.daytonemmaus.org/deNewsletters.htm>

# Giving Our Hands to Christ

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. *1 Peter 4:10*



## KITCHEN CHAIR

The Kitchen staff continues to need help during the following shifts on Walk weekends:

- Thursday, 9:00am - 12:30pm**
- Friday, all shifts**
- Sunday, 6:00am - 9:00am**

If you would like to volunteer for these needs, please contact Virgil Gallagher ([shgaoh@verizon.net](mailto:shgaoh@verizon.net)) or check the sign-up sheets at the monthly Gatherings.  
*Thank you, Virgil Gallagher, Kitchen Chair*

## BOARD POSITION VACANCY

In accordance with procedures, 5 positions on the Greater Dayton Emmaus Board will be vacated at the end of this year. These positions are: **Supply, Housing, Kitchen, Men's Registrar, and Christ UMC Rep.** In November, the Community will elect new members to fill these positions for a 3-year term. Each of the job descriptions will be included in the newsletter for your consideration. We ask that you prayerfully consider one of these positions, and if you feel called to serve, please contact Missy Trumbull ([pastchairman@daytonemmaus.org](mailto:pastchairman@daytonemmaus.org))

### SUPPLY COORDINATOR

The Supply Coordinator position on the Board requires:

1. Attendance at the monthly Board Meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month.
2. Maintaining a team of Emmaus community people to assist in the inventory of all consumable (food and goods), purchasing, picking up, and accepting deliveries.
3. Working closely with the Kitchen Coordinator to obtain and coordinate special dietary needs for each walk, adjust quantities purchased as needed, coordinate items to be moved to CUMC

#### DURING WALK WEEKENDS:

Be available (or designate someone to be available) to take calls concerning items not found.

#### AFTER EACH WALK:

Inventory all consumable and staples on inventory sheets (with 2 or 3 assistants whom you select)

#### BEFORE NEXT WALK:

1. Transfer inventory sheet information onto the Order sheets.
2. Make necessary phone calls to suppliers according to the "timing of orders" sheet
3. Coordinate volunteers to pick up other supplies (i.e. Sam's Club, Meijer, Wonder Bread, GFS, Bagel Cafe)

#### DETAILS:

1. Check Monday prior to walk on availability of food items still in refrigerators and freezer from inventory taken to determine what should be ordered (items are not locked/secured).
2. Along with 1 or 2 assistants, accept all deliveries on Wednesday morning of walk at church and place items in their appropriate place (Ellenbee, Produce One and Alcor). Any items missing from deliveries should be called into appropriate supplier and confirmed to be delivered in time for use during Walk or purchased elsewhere.
3. All supplies for a Walk should be in place at the church no later than Thursday morning (usually done by housing Wednesday evening) in order for the kitchen help to do the work necessary.
4. Have volunteer pick up end of the day bagels from Bagel Cafe.
5. When ordering supplies from The Upper Room, don't have that delivered to the church. Have those delivered to your home and take to the church.
6. Give any volunteer, who purchase with their own money, vouchers for reimbursement directly from the Emmaus treasurer. (Get current vouchers from treasurer).
7. Check with Normandy Rep on Board if combination to kitchen door has changed. It will be necessary for whenever you need access to church.



**Please remember to pick up a Willing Servant Form** at the May Gathering or online at the Dayton Emmaus Community website: <http://www.daytonemmaus.org/deForms.htm>. If your Willing Servant Form is submitted by July 1, 2008, and you meet the requirements to serve on a live-in team, you will be eligible to serve through June 30, 2010.


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*1 John 4:16*



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