



# Walk to Emmaus<sup>®</sup> Newsletter

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### Chairman's Corner

"Pastor's Farewell"

It was with a heavy heart that many of the Normandy UMC congregation watched as Pastors David and Elizabeth Brown conducted their last service June 19, 2011. As I had previously reported in this newsletter they will be moving to Dublin, Ohio for their new assignment. In his sermon Pastor David's bible reference was from Paul's farewell to the church in Corinth:

**2 Corinthians 13: 11-13** Final Greetings and Benediction 11 Finally, brothers and sisters,\* farewell.\* Put things in order, listen to my appeal,\* agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. 12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. 13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. Many in our Emmaus Community got to know the Brown's very well during these past

3 ½ years as they served at Normandy. Through many meetings and future planning sessions Pastor David was able to move the construction of the new addition forward through some contentious times. The new showers and elevator were in his plans from the start to accommodate more outside uses not the least of which were Emmaus Walks. We are now able to utilize the full facility for the upcoming July and August Walks. I think it would be great for us to "shower" them with notes of gratitude and well wishes as they prepare to leave. Their address is:

David and Elizabeth Brown  
6648 Munger Road  
Dayton, Ohio 45459

Our new pastor is Jim Riggs who will arrive July 1<sup>st</sup>. I have met with him on two occasions and he is very anxious to work with us in the Emmaus Community. Jim has twice been a Spiritual Director on Walks in the Findlay area and given numerous ASD talks in the different areas he has been assigned as a pastor. We will have plenty of opportunity to welcome him in the grand Emmaus fashion.

Until then let us continue our prayers for the upcoming Walks as we remember the bible reference noted above, "agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you."

Your Brother in Christ, Lou Caldwell

### HOW TO FIND US!

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

### 2011 EMMAUS WALKS

#### Held at Normandy UMC:

Women's Walk # 84— July 21-24  
Men's Walk #52 - August 18-21  
Women's Walk #85 - Sep 15-18  
2012 Walks  
Men's Walk #53—Jan. 19-22  
Women's Walk #86—Feb. 16-19

### CANDLELIGHT AND CLOSING

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

### GATHERING & BOARD MEETING

Normandy UMC	2nd Mon	7:15 PM
Dayton Board	4th Tues	7:00 PM

### TRAINING & ORIENTATION

#### SPONSORSHIP TRAINING

**Date:** July 11, 2011/6:30

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

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

#### SHARE GROUP ORIENTATION

**Date:** July 11, 2011/ 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**

## SPONSORSHIP TRAINING



**Sponsorship Training - Why you need it!** As a sponsor, it's important to understand your role and responsibilities, which enhance your pilgrim's experience. Before sponsoring someone for a Walk, you are required to attend the sponsorship training. The sessions are held at 6:30pm before Gathering in Room 214 at Normandy Church. This is a short time of discussion, questions, and answers. Also, from The Emmaus Library, we have the Sponsorship booklet, which guides individuals through the process of sponsoring fellow pilgrims on the Walk to Emmaus. The authors explore the range of possibilities in the role of the sponsor for the renewal of church leaders, Emmaus communities, and the church. The booklet is available at Gatherings, and the cost is \$5.

## SHARE GROUPS

Share groups are the backbone of the Emmaus Community! There is a need to place a few ladies and gentlemen in share groups. If your share group is willing to consider new members, please contact me either through the web site at [www.daytonemmaus.org](http://www.daytonemmaus.org) under the drop down menu for the Board by phone 937-321-9011 or at the next Gathering. The next share group orientation and networking session will be at 6:15 just prior to the Gathering at Normandy Church on February 14. Sponsors, please bring your pilgrims to this session. If you have

## WILLING SERVANTS

Please remember to either update, or submit for the first time, your willing servant form. This is especially important for those of you who desire to serve on a live-in team (and hopefully, that is all of you!). The willing servant forms provide the basis for team candidate lists that are prayed over by the lay director for guidance from the Holy Spirit before forming the team. You can submit a willing servant form online at [www.daytonemmaus.org](http://www.daytonemmaus.org), print a copy from the website and submit via the US mail service, or fill one out at Gathering. Please make sure your contact information is correct! If you have any questions about this process, please contact Neal Stout, Leadership Chair, at [leadership@daytonemmaus.org](mailto:leadership@daytonemmaus.org).

## MEN'S REGISTRAR

**The August Men's Walk will be held at Normandy Church.** Normandy now has an elevator which will make this walk accessible to those with mobility issues. There are openings for this walk. We encourage sponsors to take the Sponsorship Training session offered by our board members. Please see the front of this newsletter for information on the next session. Please send your pilgrim's fully completed application to: Men's Registrar, Greater Dayton Emmaus, P.O. Box 292224, Dayton, Ohio 45429 or

## 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**

## WASHED INSIDE AND OUT

For me, one of the most remarkable sights during a Walk to Emmaus weekend is the “before” and “after”. The before: Thursday night at the send off, newbie pilgrims with their sponsors sitting nervously, uptight, still care-ridden with the worries of this world, thinking, “What have I gotten myself into?” And then the after: Sunday night closing, the same not so newbie anymore pilgrims standing before the community... How different they all look now. Tired, yes. A little rumped, you bet. But changed from what they looked like Thursday night. Transformed somehow. At peace. It’s sort of like the Holy Spirit gave them a good bath. Renewed and refreshed. Ready and raring to go back to their churches and to serve the Lord with new vigor. Maybe even ready to shake somebody and some things up in Jesus’ name!

I’ve been praying over this passage from Titus this week. It reminds me that God’s justifying and sanctifying grace overlap. That is, we continually experience God’s forgiveness and mercy as we are continually perfected in his love in and through Jesus. We are continually washed clean, restored, and made new by God’s grace.

*It wasn’t so long ago that we ourselves were stupid and stubborn, dupes of sin, ordered every which way by our glands, going around with a chip on our shoulder, hated and hating back. But when God, our kind and loving Savior God, stepped in, he saved us from all that. It was all his doing, we had nothing to do with it. He gave us a good bath, and we came out of it a new people, washed inside and out by the Holy Spirit. Our Savior Jesus poured out new life so generously. God’s gift has restored our relationship with him and given back our lives. And there’s more to come—an eternity of life! You can count on this.*

-Titus 3:3-8a, *The Message*

Do you know anyone in your church who is in a rut and could benefit from a good Holy Spirit washing inside and out? Anybody you know who you can’t wait to see what the “after” will look like?

Be their sponsor. I can’t wait to see their “before” on Thursday night and praise God and celebrate with you their “after” at Sunday closing!

De Colores,  
Pastor George Brewer

# Pray for One Another

## Women's Walk #84

### JULY 21-24

<u>WOMEN'S WALK #84</u>		<u>TEAM ROSTER</u>		
		Name	Position	Talk
Jeannie Alamon	Dayton	Elizabeth Burns	ATL	
Suzanne Beavers	West Carrollton	Heath Corl	SD	Means of Grace
Jessica Benner	Medway	Barbara Courtice	PS	
Sheryl Bowman	Dayton	Pat Crotty	TL	Life in Piety
Cheryl Brockman	Bellbrook	Julia Crowl	LOG	
Cyrisa Carlson	Centerville	Amy Dean	ATL	
Jennifer Carstensen	West Milton	Carol Dondero	TL	Priesthood
Pamela Cooley	Miamisburg	Chantele Dow	MD	
Connie Davis	Troy	Jeri Evenden	TL	Body of Christ
Kathleen Fader	Dayton	Barbara Geiger	ALT	
Adrienne Fiely	Kettering	Sandy Hedge	ALD	Priority
Catherine Green	Centerville	Chris Holmes	ALD	Fourth Day
Laura Grimes	Dayton	Kathleen Hosner	PS	
Christie Knott	Beavercreek	Susan Lehneis	LD	Preseverance
Michelle Miller	Dayton	Andie Lloyd	TL	Discipleship
Pamela Morrison	Trotwood	Lisa Meyer	AMD	
Sharon Mowry	Dayton	Brandi Minch	ALD	Grow/Study
Shelly Murphey	Beavercreek	Theresa Moyer	ATL	
Roberta Pace	Centerville	Lynne O'Connell	TL	Changing Our World
Luanne Piazza	Dayton	Sandy pappenfus	ASDL	Prevenient Grace
Donna Savage	Kettering	Michele Ruff	LOG	
Jeri Schulte	Englewood	Gail Simpson	TL	Christian Action
Gloria Simmons	Kettering	Cheri Spencer	BR	
Tina Snyder	Kettering	Petra Steinberger	LOG	
Vickie Sowers	Laura	Debbie Tope	LOG2	
Terri Staggs	Centerville	Anne Wolcott	ATL	
Mary Kay Thompson	Dayton	Linda Guernsey		
Carie Wheeler	Dayton	LeRoy Chambliss	ASD	Obstacles to Grace
Janice White	Dayton	Mamie Johnson	ASD	Sanctifying Grace
Rosemary Young	Miamisburg	Pam Weaver	ASD	Justifying Grace
		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

### From the Women's Registrar

The July Women's Walk is full and we have a waiting list of nine women. Invitations to the September Women's Walk will be sent in July. We currently have seven women confirmed for the September walk.

Sponsors, please encourage your pilgrims to return their RSVP to me right away in order to secure their reservation on the September walk. We encourage new and seasoned sponsors to take the **Sponsorship Training** session offered by our board members. Please see the front of this newsletter for information on the next session. *The Mission of Walk to Emmaus is empowering leaders through Emmaus & Chrystalis to be the hands and feet of Christ!* Please send your pilgrim's fully completed application to: Women's Registrar, Greater Dayton Emmaus, P.O. Box 292224, Dayton, Ohio 45429. Please contact me if you have questions, Pam Shively at 937-681-

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*

## NOMINATIONS

**NOMINATIONS** The nominations committee is responsible to find willing servants to serve on the Team Selection Committee and to run for board positions that will be up for election. Two people need to be appointed to the Team Selection Committee to serve for two years beginning July 1. They should know a lot of people in the community and will help form the teams for upcoming walks. They also help mentor and guide walk lay directors. One will need to be a man and the other a woman. Normally, committee members are previous walk lay directors. The nominations for the Team Selection Committee are due by May 15. The board positions that will be up for election in November are Good Shepherd, Housing Chair, Kitchen Chair, and Men's Registrar. Each of these is for a three year term that will begin January 1, 2012. Please see me or a current board member for details on the positions. The nominations for the board positions are due by September 15. If you are interested in serving the Greater Dayton Emmaus Community in any of these positions, or would like to nominate someone else, please contact me (pastchairman@daytonemmaus.org). De Colores, Stephen Puderbaugh, Nominations Chair

## HOUSING

Don't forget to sign up for the upcoming Women's Walk in the following areas:

**Wednesday 5:30pm (set up)**

**Thursday 5:30pm (luggage)**

**Sunday 7:00am (sleeping area teardown) 4:00pm (conference room tear down)**

Look for more details on the website. Please contact me if you have questions about serving on Housing Team

## AGAPE NEEDS

Agape Article – July Newsletter

Thursday night team agape needs to be turned in no later than 7:30 on Thursday evening – the close of Send-off, but before Sponsors' Hour begins. This has been changed because the film shown on Thursday night is a shorter version now, and there is less time to get agape out. Any agape left after 7:30 will be given to the team members with their Friday agape.

Please remember that the pilgrims are not to get any gifts in their Sunday agape. Any envelopes with gifts in them will be given to the sponsors to distribute to their pilgrims after the close of the walk.

All agape should have a first and last name on it in order to be distributed correctly. First names only (or "Mom" and "Dad") do not tell us whose agape it is!

Sponsors, please check the table in the Agape Writing Room for any agape that must be returned to you during the walk.

Thank you to everyone who makes table and bedtime agape for the walks. There is usually leftover agape – please check the table in the Agape Writing Room to pick up any of yours that is leftover. De Colores, Trudi Gilchrist, Agape Chair

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## KITCHEN HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

For those unable to attend Gatherings, you can now sign up to help in the kitchen online, anytime. Just go to the Emmaus Home Page at [www.daytonemmaus.org](http://www.daytonemmaus.org), click on the "Kitchen" tab, then click on the link to sign up and put in the time and day you want to serve. You should receive a confirmation within two days. Or for those not online, call me at 854-7583 and please leave a message with time and day, if no answer. Keep an eye out a week before the walks for a "help wanted" sign posted on the web page if we need more help.

Thank you for serving to help make our Pilgrims see God's great love.


*De Colores, Marc Littman, Kitchen Chair*

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Psalm 51:12



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