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Chairman's Corner

"And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise." - Philippians 4:8

Where do you spend your "thinking times"? This is a question that, as you may recall, comes out in the Priority talk of the Emmaus Walk weekend. It seems that so often, my thoughts get wrapped up in the details of life and getting things done, that I forget the big picture. Granted there are a lot of things in our busy lives that we need to do, but the key is to not make the details our primary focus or what we dwell on.

Praying for God's help is the first thing I do when I find that I am overwhelmed by "the stuff", the hurry, scurry of the world. After that, it also helps to take a moment or two (or maybe more) and focus on good things. These good things can either be related to "the stuff" like the benefits of them, or the big picture they relate to. Alternatively, sometimes I like to focus on completely different good things, like the qualities of God or His creation - parts of the REALLY big picture.

Spiritual retreat is such an important part of our lives. I was reflecting on the recently completed Women's Walk #84 and how I envied the Pilgrims their 72 hour retreat, totally removed from the world. We can all use time to step away from the things of this world and focus on spiritual matters. I'm reminded of the song "Breathe You In", by the Christian rock band, Thousand Foot Krutch. The words of this song help me to shift my focus to God and remember that He is where I can take refuge. "I've always been strong, but can't make this happen. 'Cause I need to breathe, I want to breathe you in. I'm so tired of running. 'Cause I need to breathe, I want to breathe you in."

So, if you are finding yourself in the situation where there is just too much going on, perhaps one of the best things you can do is take some moments, minutes, or days with God. He's the best one to help you out.

Your Brother in Christ,
Lou Caldwell, Greater Dayton Emmaus Chairman

HOW TO FIND US!

Greater Dayton Emmaus
Normandy UMC
450 W. Alex-Bell Rd
Centerville OH 45459
www.daytonemmaus.org

2011 EMMAUS WALKS

Held at Normandy UMC:

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
Women's Walk #87—July 19-22
Men's Walk #54—Aug. 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: August 8, 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: August 8, 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 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 August 8. Sponsors, please bring your pilgrims to this session. Cheri Spencer, Good Shepherd Chair

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, 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.

MUSIC

Please don't forget your Kandle Lites for Saturday night Candle Light. Kandle Lites are available for \$5 and make a great gift for your Pilgrim.

The Dayton Emmaus community needs you. Can you like to sing or can play an instrument. Would you like to serve at Gatherings or on Walk weekends? Please indicate that on your Willing Servant Form. If your email or phone number has changed, please contact Gregg Hayes to update your information. Linda Haller and Tim Macy, Music Chairs

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) 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

Too Busy to Eat

In the summer when I was young, I enjoyed playing outside. Tonka trucks in the sand box, skateboarding, baseball, army guys, cowboys and Indians, collecting bugs. I always had something going on.

When mom called at meal time, I never wanted to stop and eat. But parents do have ways of getting their way, so I would drop what I was doing, wash my hands ... (She told me if I didn't wash my hands I'd get hydrophobia. I didn't know what that was, but I didn't want it.) ...sit down, pray, eat (in five minutes or less), and then head back outside to resume playing. I was too busy to eat.

Fast forward to the present time.

It's summer, and I still always have something going on. Visitation, sermon preparation, team meetings, and other church related activities; home improvement projects, Reds on TV, Dragons games, golf, car repairs.

If I'm not careful, you know what gets left out? Spiritual feeding. My heavenly Father calls and tells me it's time to eat, and sometimes I just don't hear because of my busyness.

So I have to discipline myself to listen and spend time with the piety leg of my stool. Daily Bible reading, prayer and reflection, Christian music, spiritual books are among my favorite sources of spiritual nourishment.

Being too busy for spiritual feeding leads to spiritual malnutrition.

No matter the season, summer, springtime, winter or fall: Too busy for God is too busy.

Spend some quality time with Jesus each day.

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Brad Martin

Pray for One Another

**Men's Walk #
August 18-21, 2011**

<u>PILGRIM LIST</u>	<u>TEAM ROSTER</u>		
	Name	Position	Talk
	Don Adams	ALD	Priorities
Jay Blair	Jeff Adams	ATL	
Steve Cooley	Scott Anspach	TL	Chng. Our World
David Earnhardt	Randy Bartly	ATL	
Matthew Gearhart	Charles Benner	PS	
Bryan Hobbs	Wayne Botkins	ASDL	Sanctifying Grace
Ryan Holeton	George Brewer	ASD	Obstacles to Grace
Jeff Jorgenson	Dan Brumfield	TL	Discipleship
Danny Kautz	Chris Christoff	TL	Christian Action
Greggory Kilpatrick	Andrew Courtice	LOG	
Charles LeMasters	Randy Daniels	SD	Means of Grace
Gregg Liming	Jimmy DerSarkisian	ATL	
Darrell Lochtefeld	Kevin Eldridge	TL	Piety
Aubrey McCary	Gregg Hayes	BR	
Brian Miller	Paul Hayes	LOG	
Patrick Moharter	Palmer Jason	ASD	Prevenient Grace
Gerald Noland	Dennis Leach	ATL	
Glenn Pizzo	Cody Logan	LOG	
Scott Powers	Marc Littman	ALD	Fourth Day
Chris Rogers	Lex Luther	LOG	
Gary Stevens	Paul Maranka	ALD	Grow Through Study
David Stromberge Sr.	Joe Morgan	ASD	Justifying Grace
David Wells	Dave Pappenfus	MD	
Anthony Valquez	Stephen Puderbaugh	TL	Body of Christ
	Keith Reed	PS	
	Steve Rudisill	ATL	
	Keith Simpson	TL	Priesthood
	Rex Stupp	LD	Perseverance
	Terry Trent	ATL	
	Toby Troup	AMD	
	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 September Women's Walk is full as of July 11, 2011 and we have a waiting list. 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 & Chrysalis 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 937-681-3361 or womensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org

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

MEN'S REGISTRAR

Applications are begin accepted for the Men's January Walk at Normandy. Please send your pilgrim's fully completed application to: Men's Registrar, Greater Dayton Emmaus, P.O. Box 292224, Dayton, Ohio 45429

NOMINATIONS

NOMINATIONS The nominations committee is looking for people to run for board positions that will be up for election. 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

DID YOU KNOW????

The information about Emmaus that the Pilgrims receive in the Sunday packets is now available for the entire community. We need you to update your Willing Servant form so we have the right phone numbers and addresses. The community would love to have you share your musical talents for Gatherings, Walks, and special events.

HOUSING

Don't forget to sign up for the upcoming Men'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)

AGAPE NEEDS

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

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, 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. Marc Littman, Kitchen Chair

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Be on your guard;
stand firm in the faith;
be men of courage;
do everything in
love.
I Corinthians 16:13,14



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