



# Walk to Emmaus® Newsletter

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## Greater Dayton Community

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### Chairman's Corner



#### International Spiritual Director, Emmaus and Chrysalis -- Víctor Pérez Silvestry

On July 1 of this year the Upper Room to Emmaus International Spiritual Director Victor Perez Silvestry retired. He will be missed and we wish him well. He wrote the following as part of his final message. His words rang so true to me I wanted to share them with you as I reflected on our Emmaus Walks, Gatherings, Closings and Team Meetings. I hope you feel the same way as well.

**Victor wrote:** *It has been a blessing to be among Emmaus and Chrysalis people who enjoy praising God. They enjoy singing praises to Christ, our risen Lord. They enjoy lifting others in prayer, because they believe in prayer as they have experienced the power of prayer in their own life. Through Christian conversation, holy listening, honest sharing and loving dialogue the Holy Spirit blessed my visits and I have left the place feeling a sense of peace and satisfaction as God has showed me once again, that it is not about me but about what God wants to do through these movements.*

The last section of his final sentence caught my attention: *...it is not about me but about what God wants to do through these movements.* Having just finished the Walks of July and August I again realize how God works so magically in our humanness. When there was reason for discord He kept us strong. As many changes were being made He kept us on course for the Walk, not being concerned with our own comforts. The heat was unbearable but we endured. All the different personalities coming together in a Walk weekend worked in unison to deliver God's message of love to the Pilgrims.

We learned a lot on these Walks that will bring us all closer, working for "these movements" to be the most meaningful 72 hours the Pilgrims, as well as the Community delivering Agape Love, can ever encounter.

Your Brother in Christ, Lou Caldwell

### HOW TO FIND US!

Greater Dayton  
450 W. Alex-Bell Rd  
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[www.daytonemmaus.org](http://www.daytonemmaus.org)

### 2011 EMMAUS WALKS

**Held at Normandy UMC:**  
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  
Women's Walk #88-Sept.

### 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:** September 12, 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:** September 12, 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. Last one will be in Oct.

# 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 September 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](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).

## 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? We need someone to call people to help serve Communion at Gatherings. Please indicate that on your Willing Servant Form or contact us through the Emmaus website. 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](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**

## Spread the Good News

Social media has taken the world by storm. I'm not sure when it started but before I could get adjusted to one form of communication another one was being introduced. I recently downloaded Skype and couldn't believe how easy it was to install on my computer and then successfully contact and view a friend who had moved miles away. The forms of communication I utilized had been relegated to an in home land line and some occasional items I would send through the U.S. Postal Service.

Many of my friends and ministry partners have been encouraging me to blog and tweet. It was difficult enough to get me signed on to Facebook! Once I got the hang of it I began using it as a way of staying in touch with old friends and marketing for upcoming ministry initiatives. I thought I had arrived only to find that I truly am a novice at understanding the wide array of tools that are at our disposal. From internet forms, weblogs, social blogs, microblogging, wikis, podcast, video, social bookmarking, twitter, and Youtube my head has gone into a tailspin.

No matter how many forms of social media there are, it's about staying in touch, sharing, and communicating. Just think for a moment, what better way to get the message of Christ out to those who may not walk into any church service or have any interaction with other Christians. ***I Timothy 2:4-7 says it well "He wants not only us but everyone saved, you know, everyone to get to know the truth we've learned: that there's one God and only one, and one Priest-Mediator between God and us—Jesus, who offered himself in exchange for everyone held captive by sin, to set them all free. Eventually the news is going to get out. This and this only has been my appointed work: getting this news to those who have never heard of God, and explaining how it works by simple faith and plain truth (The Message Bible)".***

So, I've come to the conclusion that all of these forms of communication were not by mistake but by design. God doesn't desire anyone to miss the opportunity of salvation. So to all my tech-savvy brothers and sisters in whatever communication media you choose to use, please make sure to take a moment and share the message of Christ!

Mamie Johnson  
Spiritual Director

# Pray for One Another

**Women's Walk #85**  
**September 15-18, 2011**

<u>PILGRIM LIST</u>		<u>TEAM ROSTER</u>		
Danica Allen	Fairborn	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Talk</b>
Susan Anderson	New Carlisle	Rita Aspach	ALD2	Fourth Day
Sarah Bays	Dayton	Cindy Barty	ATL	
Cora Crain	Dayton	Sue Benner	PS	
Mary Crews	Dayton	Mandy Carlson	ATL	
Lori Davis	Dayton	Carolyn Carter	LOG	
Deana Edington	Centerville	Shelly Crabtree	ATL	
Heather Franz	New Lebanon	Pam DeHart	LOG	
Robin Gann	Dayton	Trudi Gilchrist	BR	
Laura Grimes	Dayton	Karen Hall	TL	Changing Our World
Gail Hammons	Miamisburg	Denise Haws	MD	
Lorie Heagerty	West Carrollton	Debbie Hayes	TL	Christian Action
Karen Knight	West Carrollton	Erica Hayes	TL	Life In Piety
Beverly Kramer	Arcanum	Roxie Hiatt	AMD	
Juanita Krisher	Englewood	Debbie Hildreth	ALD	Priority
Leslie Lindsay	West Carrollton	Deb Holder	ASDL	Obstacles to Grace
Betty Loeb	New Carlisle	Mamie Johnson	SD	Means of Grace
Karen McKeand	Englewood	Kathy Kruse	LD	Perseverance
Cynthia Miller	Franklin	Sonya Lemmerbrock	LOG	
Davida Prater	Clayton	Roberta McMahan	ALD	Grow Through Study
Tammy Reese	Vandalia	Carol Oslins	TL	Discipleship
Debra Slife	Dayton	AJ Puderbaugh	ATL	
Corlus Small	Minnesota	Barbara Ticketts	ATL	
Victoria Speakes	Centerville	Denise Shaw	ATL	
Anitra Spinelli	Kettering	Brenda Smith	LOG	
Susan Whitbeck	Dayton	Linda Stout	TL	Body of Christ
Chanda Williams	West Milton	Kim Wilmoth	TL	Priesthood of All Believers
Jessica Williams	Monroe			
Louise Woolums	Centerville			
			<b>Other Clergy</b>	
		Palmer Jason		Prevenient Grace
		David Tacket		Justifying Grace
		Justin Williams		Sanctifying 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 September Women's Walk is full! We are accepting registrations for Women's Walk #86, February 16-19, 2012. Please send registrations to the P.O. Box listed below. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Women's Walk in the following areas:

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>(set up)</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>(luggage)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	<b>(sleeping area teardown) 4:00pm (conference room tear down)</b>

## 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](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. Marc Littman, Kitchen Chair


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**Proverbs 3:5-6**

“Trust in the Lord with all  
your heart and lean not on  
your own understanding, in  
all your ways acknowledge  
Him and He will make your  
paths straight.”



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