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Chairman's Corner

Don't Anticipate... Well, Perhaps Just A Little

And Mary said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; let it be unto me according to thy word." And the angel departed from her. Luke 1:38 KJV

In that concise verse of scripture, Mary summarizes and illustrates the power and grace of trusting and obeying. The 1960s singing group The Beatles were so taken by Mary's faith they wrote an entire song, "Let It Be", to honor her commitment to God.

Here we are at the threshold of a new year, filled with bright hope; a year in which we could improve our willingness to trust and obey as the servant of the Lord; in which we could choose to make a difference. Perhaps you have listened to people in our Emmaus community express their concerns regarding different aspects of the community. I have listened to many concerns, including the non-specific lament, "Why doesn't someone do something about that?" Well, praise God from Whom all blessings flow! That someone has been revealed and is here...that someone is all of us!

During 2013, members of the Greater Dayton Emmaus Board will be offering invitations to the Emmaus community to become involved with differing types of community activities. These offerings will be announced from time to time and will include invitations to serve during Walk weekends, become a sponsor, and other traditional types of serving, but the Board will also offer new opportunities, such as being a "greeter" at Gatherings. One day Jesus was asked about some aspect of His ministry, and He simply replied, "Come and see." I believe Jesus is posing a similar invitation to each of us in this community. So, what am I anticipating? I am greatly anticipating that each person who has experienced the wonder and passion of their Walk, and who promised himself/herself to "give back" to the community, will become involved in some aspect of the Emmaus community. Now, does this mean serving on a live-in team? Well it could, but it could also mean being in a prayerful state and asking for God's blessing on our community, praying for wisdom for the Board as they act to fulfill God's mission, or repeatedly asking God to bless the men and women on the Walks and the willing servants who support them. Opportunities for service to Him abound! "Come and see."

Therefore, I am seeking you to offer you the joy, the fulfillment and the deep blessings of service in our community. Are you burning to experience the Spirit to work within you? Then, "Come and see" what our community offers as service to Him, and enrich your life as you travel the road to Emmaus with Him and become a willing servant.

I do look forward to meeting each of you during this year; please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to me. Please introduce yourself to the other Board members as well.

De Colores, Brian Wood, Community Lay Director

HOW TO FIND US!

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

2013 EMMAUS WALKS

Held at Normandy UMC:

Jan. 17 - 20 Men's Walk #55
Feb. 14 - 17 Women's Walk #89
TBD - Women's Walk #90
TBD - Men's Walk #56
Sept. 19 - 22 Women's Walk #90

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: January 14, 2013/6:30

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: January 14, 2013 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. The next session is January 14.

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.

INFORMATION FOR YOU

Would you like to volunteer in a different way on Walk Weekends? Each team could always use volunteer LOGS to assist during the day. Please contact Brian Wood to volunteer. Pilgrim fees are now \$85.00. This increase will compensate the rise in the cost of food and supplies to assure the Pilgrims are served as best possible. If you have any questions please contact Brian Wood at the Gatherings.

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 Keith Crabtree, Leadership Chair, at leadership@daytonemmaus.org.

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



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

*“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the **new** has come!”*

2 Corinthians 5:17

When was the last time you played Monopoly, or Scrabble or Candy Land or some other board game? Notice I said board not bored game. There’s something exciting about sitting down at the table with family and friends at the start of a brand **new** game. Everyone seems excited as they anticipate the fun that is about to ensue. Some are at the table for the camaraderie, some for the competition and others because they couldn’t come up with anything else to do. As you pull out the game board and choose your game pieces no one knows how it will all turn out. But everyone is ready for a good time. Regardless of who won or lost the last time you all sat down to play, this is a new game. The same can be said about this New Year. We get a chance to sit at the table, pull out the game board of life, choose our playing pieces and start a fresh new game. Regardless of how last year turned out for you, you get another chance, with a clean slate to “play” a brand new game. Now think about your spiritual life and what Christ has done for you. Because of His death, burial and resurrection, each of us gets the opportunity to start a brand new life. The scripture tells us in fact that *“if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new** creation; the old has gone, the **new** has come!”* Never underestimate what that means. We don’t have to wait until January each year. Our new year began the moment we accepted God’s offer of love through his Justifying Grace. At that moment we got a clean slate, and a new life. So get ready for the fun that is to ensue as you walk by faith. Happy New Year and Happy NEW LIFE!

DeColores,

Palmer Jason, SD

Pray for One Another

Men's Walk
January 17-20, 2013

PILGRIM LIST

Please keep these Pilgrims and team in your daily prayers.

Steve Albracht	Centerville, OH
Shawn Bartley	Tipp City, OH
John Binkley	Clayton, OH
David Broyles	Beavercreek, OH
Jeff Clark	Farmersville, OH
James Davis	Dayton, OH
Wiley Edington	Centerville, OH
Jason Franz	Dayton, OH
Rick Gies	Centerville, OH
James Hilt	Dayton, OH
Steve Hoke	Riverside, OH
David House	Fairborn, OH
Russell Huff	Farmersville, OH
Brian Hyland	Bellbrook, OH
Darius Jackson	Dayton, OH
Andrew Kendrick	Union, OH
Stephen Lenhoff	Dayton, OH
Gregg Limings	Medway, OH
Tim Lofton	Waynesville, OH
Joshua Metzger	Loveland, OH
Michael Miller	Kettering, OH
Paul Miller	Englewood, OH
Rex Musick	Dayton, OH
David Nortman	Centerville, OH
Tim Ortlieb	Piqua, OH
Seth Prater	West Carrollton, OH
Richard Smith	Laura, OH
Jerome Steverson	Dayton, OH
Kevin Underwood	Centerville, OH
Jeff Vogel	Kettering, OH
Kraig Williamson	Miamisburg, OH

TEAM ROSTER

Name	Position	Talk
Carl Atzbach	ATL	
Charles Benner	TL	Changing Our World
Jerry Deisher	ATL	
Jimmy DerSarkisian	ATL	
Mark Flannery	ALD	Grow Through Study
Jason Hoang	AMD	
Dick Hoback	TL	Life in Piety
Brian Hobbs	ATL	
Danny Kautz	ATL	
Kerry Kline	PS	
Ron Kline	LOG2	
Douglas Kolling	TL	Priesthood of All Believers
Dennis Leach	TL	Christian Action
Tim Macy	MD	
David Matthews	LOG	
Doug O'Connell	TL	Body of Christ
Doug Puderbaugh	ALD2	Fourth Day
Keith Reed	LOG	
Kevin Rivera	ATL	
Steve Rudisill	TL	Discipleship
Bob Schneider	LD	Perseverance
Ed Spears	LOG	
Neal Stout	ALD	Priority
Steve Uphouse	BR	
John Wissinger	PS	

CLERGY

George Brewer	SD	Means of Grace
Wes Souders	ASD	Justifying Grace
Thom Venema	ASDL	Sanctifying Grace
Gary Wheeler	ASD	Obstacles to Grace
Paul Brannon	ASD	Prevenient 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

Men, would you like to help? Let us know if you could be a volunteer LOG

PLEASE REMEMBER, Pilgrim fees are \$85.00 . As the cost of food and supplies increases, this fee increase will make certain our Pilgrims will be served abundantly.

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

MUSIC

Dear Community, Kandle Lights will be for sale before Candle Light for \$5.00 each. These make a great gift for a Pilgrim. ALSO, if you have your own Kandle Light please bring it with you as we have a very limited number of loaner Kandles. If you are interested in providing music for a gathering or playing for Candle Light or closing, please contact the worship chairs, Jean Jarusiewicz or Tim Macy.

WOMEN'S REGISTRAR

Women's Walk #86, February 16-19, is full and we now have a waiting list. We are accepting applications for the July women's walk. We encourage new and seasoned sponsors to attend the Sponsorship Training Session offered by our board members. Please see front of this newsletter for information on the next session. Please send your completed applications to Women's Registrar, Greater Dayton Emmaus, P.O. Box 292224, Dayton, Ohio 45429. If you have questions, please contact, Pam DeHart at 937-318-8760 or womensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org. **Pam DeHart, Women's Registrar**

MEN'S REGISTRAR

Don't wait, I need your application for the guy GOD is telling you to get to know (have conversation, talk to) & then commit to attend a WALK in 2013! Can you be that person? Hear GOD call you? I can! I bet, you even know this person, if not, listen, BE STILL, again, concentrate, slow down, BE STILL and LISTEN to GOD, GOD will tell you. After that get me the guy's application. Don't delay; hurry up, but make sure it is very readable, really, you know, like measure twice, cut once (it's a guy thing). One person typed the information. You know...., we serve an AWSOME God. De Colores, Coley Logan Men's Registrar.

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)

Look for more details on the website.

Please contact the Dennis Leach if you have questions about serving on Housing Team Housing Chair

AGAPE NEEDS

A few reminders from the Agape room:

- Please put first and last name on all agape letters. This will help us make sure that all the letters get to the correct person.
- Sponsors, please make sure your pilgrims have at least 15 letters for the Sunday packet.
- Pilgrims are not to receive gifts. There should be nothing larger than a card for the Sunday packet for pilgrims or team members. Anything larger will be returned to the sponsor.

Please feel free to contribute agape to any walk,. If you contribute meal time agape, you will need to donate 57 pieces of identical items. If you would like to contribute bedtime agape for pilgrims only, 30 pieces are needed. Please mark your contribution accordingly. Halos for the women's walk in July are needed. Is there a share group willing to donate them?

Thanks and blessings, Trudi Gilchrist, Agape Chairperson

KITCHEN HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

It's a new year, and Men's Walk #55 will be here before you know it! Please volunteer to help in the kitchen and be Jesus' hands and feet to the pilgrims. Sign-up sheets will be laid out at the next Gathering or you can send an email to kitchen@daytonemmaus.org.

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**"God's recklessly
extravagant grace...."**

Luke 15:32

But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found."



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