



Greater Dayton Community

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2017 WALK SCHEDULE

At Normandy UMC

MW #63 January 19-22
WW #101 February 16-19
WW #103 September 21-24

At Sulphur Grove UMC

WW #102 July 20-23
MW #64 August 17-20

CANDLELIGHT

8:30 PM Saturday of Walk

CLOSING

4:30 PM Sunday of Walk

GATHERING

2nd Monday Every Month
7:15 PM, Normandy UMC

BOARD MEETING

4th Tuesday Every Month
7:00 PM, Normandy UMC

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Chairman's Corner

Where Were You When the Lights Went Out?

It was on Friday morning and I was helping to prepare breakfast for Greater Dayton Emmaus Women's Walk #102 and I look outside and see a storm coming. It wasn't a spiritual storm, or at least not yet, but a weather storm!

The sky went dark from the thick clouds. The wind started to blow and rain came pouring down. I hear someone say "we have breakfast all ready to go, the food is done and being kept warm for the pilgrims and team". Then at 7:50 am the power goes out. No lights - nothing!

Then the emergency lighting comes on and we can start working again. Not only to serve breakfast, but to also get ready for the first talk of the weekend. It would have been hard to give a talk without lights, sound, air conditioning, and the PowerPoint presentation.

All these things we take for granted. But, God didn't call us to be faithful to us, but to be faithful to Him. It's not the power of Emmaus, but the power of God. He is a loving God and will provide to ensure His work will go on no matter what.

Many times in life we hear "God's got this" and He truly does, but it takes us 'His children' to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our serving. Emmaus our lives. God will equip us to serve others, even when the power goes out - God's power is always there!

De Colores,

Dennis Leach
Chairman



The Hands & Feet of Christ



KEY DATES/REMINDERS

Next Gathering:	August 14, 2017 Normandy UMC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:15 Share Group Orientation in Chapel • 6:30pm Sponsorship Training in Loggia • 7:15pm Gathering in Sanctuary
Next Men's Walk:	#64 (Sulphur Grove) August 17-20, 2017
Next Woman's Walk:	#103 (Normandy) September 21-24, 2017
Every Walk:	Candlelight - Saturday at 8:30 pm Closing - Sunday at 4:30 pm

Sponsorship: Seeking Pilgrims for Upcoming Walks

Please start talking with perspective pilgrims and submit applications now to insure a place on the next Walk.

Men's Registrar:	Bob Downs, mensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org
Women's Registrar:	Shelly Crabtree, womensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org
Sponsorship Training:	Available before Gatherings at 6:30 in Loggia at Normandy UMC
Application Forms:	On website, under registration tab, or link: http://daytonemmaus.org/deForms.shtm

Please support Teens (Chrysalis) and Prison ministry (Kairos)



<http://westohiochrysalis.no-ip.org/>



http://www.kairosOhio.org/Events_Calendar.html



Message from the Spiritual Director



Godly Hope: Hurry Up and Wait!

Who has ever half-jokingly prayed, “Lord, I need patience, and I need it RIGHT NOW!”? I think we all have at one time or another. Who among us likes to wait? This past week of being with God - in searching the Scriptures, prayer, and Christian fellowship I keep stumbling across the biblical command to “wait upon the Lord.”

So, just what does, “waiting upon the Lord,” mean? Apparently, the Bible tells us, it is something godly folks are supposed to do 24/7. We are instructed to do so by God himself according to both the Old and New Testaments. It’s about holding on tight to our faith, hoping with expectation and trust in God’s “hesed”; i.e., his provident care, faithfulness, character, loving-kindness, loyalty, and goodness.

“For God alone my soul waits in silence... my hope is from him” (Psalm 62:1,5). To wait upon the Lord is to expect something from him in godly hope, and as Paul reminds us in Romans 5:5, “Hope does not disappoint.” Someone has said that waiting upon the Lord is like waiting on the arrival of out-of-town relatives, with loving anticipation of seeing them again.

During our seventy two hour Walk to Emmaus weekend we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion every day. Often we hear the spiritual director say these words, “For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, (and as you wait for his return) you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.” (1 Corinthians 11:26). Paul’s central theological understanding of Christ’s death on the cross (“We preach Christ crucified...” 1 Cor. 1:23) is God’s justifying and redeeming grace for the all of humanity in the here and now. But in this verse Paul also directs our eyes, and our lives, to the future hope of Christ’s return in final victory over evil, sin, and death.

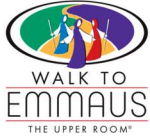
So, we are told to wait in hopeful anticipation. But our waiting on the Lord is not bidding our time until we finally get what we’ve been waiting for; it’s filling our time serving Christ, always on our feet, always moving out into the world proclaiming in word and deed God’s amazing healing, liberating, new-life-giving grace for our sin-sick, broken, and suffering world.

Hurry up and wait!

De Colores,

Pastor George Brewer
Emmaus Spiritual Director





August – Men's Walk #64

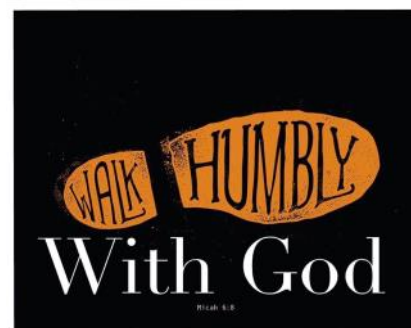


He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God

Micah 6:8

Team Member Name	Position	Talk
Carl Atzbach	TL	Body of Christ
Andy Courtice	TL	Christian Action
Howard Creek	LOG	
Mark Flannery	LD	Perseverance
Karen Hall	ASD	Justifying Grace
Brian Hayes	ASD-LI	Sanctifying Grace
Mike Hodgin	ATL	
Steve Holmes	ALD	Fourth Days
Palmer Jason	SD	Means of Grace
Mamie Johnson	ASD	Obstacles to Grace
Bill Jones	TL	Changing our World
George Kedaitis	ATL	
Terry Kierce	BR	
Cleveland McCalister	ATL	
Stephen Nichols	ATL	
Jeff Null	AMD	
David Pappenfus	PS	
Seth Prater	ATL	
Doug Puderbaugh	TL	Life of Piety
Keith Reed	ALD	Grow Through Study
Dave Scharff	PS	
Keith Simpson	LOG	
Gary Stanforth	ATL	
Neal Stout	ALD	Priority
Jonathan Taulbee	TL	Priesthood of All Believers
Gary Trice	TL	Discipleship
Steve Uphouse	LOG	
John Whitaker	ASD	Prevenient Grace
Chris Wissinger	MD	

Pilgrim Name	City
Eric Bryant	Huber Heights
Ed Buck	Miamisburg
Ed Dericks	Milford
Josh Diggs	Miamisburg
Dave Farlee	Dayton
Chris Hall	Dayton
Roger Heinisch	Dayton
Pat Hood	Bellbrook
Jack McChesney	Beavercreek
Marty McMichael	Clayton
Chris Miller	Pickerington
Kent Miller	Tipp City
Emery Phipps	Huber Heights
Vince Pitstick	Cincinnati
Brian Pollock	Beavercreek
Barry Solis	Dayton
Ben Vieth	Huber Heights
Marc Volosky	Dayton





Board & Committee Updates



Good Shepherd, Pam Rafdal: GoodShepherd@DaytonEmmaus.org

Share Groups: Share group requests are at an all time high. I'm requesting existing share groups to add in new members. Contact me with group schedule and I'll make connections. Please know the new members need support to make this happen. Emmaus grows when we serve together. What would Jesus do?

Emmaus Awareness at your Church: Outreach visits to make Emmaus awareness can be easily arranged for your church. Your personal request makes a difference.

Keith Simpson, Kairos Liaison: Kairos@DaytonEmmaus.org

September: Kairos Weekends & Retreats:

September 7: Chillicothe Correctional Institution (CCI)

September 14 - 17: Weekend #55, Lebanon Correctional Institution (LeCI)

September 21 - 24: Weekend #11, Dayton Correctional Institution (DCI)

Brenda Smith, Kitchen: Kitchen@DaytonEmmaus.org

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH KITCHEN - ALL SHIFTS NEEDED

September 21-24: Women's Walk #103 (Normandy)

Julia Crowl, Women's Worship: WomensWorship@DaytonEmmaus.org

Love Sound and Technology? Come to Sound Board Training!

August 12, 10am - 12 noon, Normandy Church

