



# Greater Dayton Community

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## September Newsletter

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### 2017 WALK SCHEDULE

#### At Normandy UMC

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

#### 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

## Sponsorship. Being a Sponsor.

Sponsoring is the act of supporting an event, activity, person, or organization financially or through the provision of products or services.

On the second Monday of the month, same night as the gathering, we have sponsorship training at 6:30pm. We invite you to come and hear what it means to be a sponsor and what is expected when you sponsor a pilgrim on an Emmaus Walk.

We have two Registrars - one to support the women's walks and the other the men's walks. The Registrars teach the sponsorship training classes and it's a great way to see and hear how to be a sponsor.

After your pilgrim attends the walk, and is now a community member, I encourage you to bring your pilgrim sponsorship training is to bring them and attend with them.

Being a sponsor can and should be a blessing. Jesus is counting on us to always be His hands and feet.

A Walk to Emmaus weekend takes many servants. Serving in the kitchen or other area of need, is a great way to serve with your pilgrim. I have served with my sponsor and many past pilgrims.

September gathering is Monday, September 11th at Normandy church. If you had a pilgrim from a previous walk, perhaps you could pick them up and attend sponsorship training the gathering together.

De Colores,

Dennis Leach  
Chairman



# The Hands & Feet of Christ



## KEY DATES/REMINDERS

Next Gathering:	September 11, 2017 Normandy UMC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6:15 Share Group Orientation in Chapel</li> <li>• 6:30pm Sponsorship Training in Loggia</li> <li>• 7:15pm Gathering in Sanctuary</li> </ul>
Next Woman's Walk:	CANCELLED: 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, <a href="mailto:mensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org">mensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org</a>
Women's Registrar:	Shelly Crabtree, <a href="mailto:womensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org">womensregistrar@daytonemmaus.org</a>
Sponsorship Training:	Available before Gatherings at 6:30 in Loggia at Normandy UMC
Application Forms:	On website, under registration tab, or link: <a href="http://daytonemmaus.org/deForms.shtm">http://daytonemmaus.org/deForms.shtm</a>

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



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



[http://www.kairosOhio.org/Events\\_Calendar.html](http://www.kairosOhio.org/Events_Calendar.html)



# Message from the Spiritual Director



## The Doctor is In

“What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.” James 4:1-3 (English Standard Version)

One of the primary reasons for visiting the doctor is to get a check up or to address an ongoing malady. Occasionally they are able to provide guidance and ongoing solutions but there are those times that a follow up is necessary. The bible is a doctor of sorts for sinners. It provides direction for those who are sin sick.

James is the doctor who doesn't sugar coat his message. He tells it exactly as it is. You have to ask yourself, do you want a watered down message that could be life threatening or one that gives you opportunity to make a change that could prolong your life? This sounds harsh but that is exactly the point James is making. In the fourth chapter of James he discusses something that everyone can identify with and that is conflict. Corporations have built classes to address issues pertaining to this subject because they know when there is conflict and division not much can get done. The same applies in your home and in your relationship with others. Clearly he (James) asserts it is selfishness, what you want that causes the quarrelsome environment(s) you may find yourself. Is it possible for you to concede your desire to prevent strife and submit to the will of another? Of course it is if you would go to the ultimate physician (God) and submit to His authority and His will.

The Emmaus community is one where there are many opportunities to serve. For those of you who have volunteered to do so you may come to realize that sometimes conflict arises. But, if you exercise the true heart of the community then you recognize that the entire objective of this initiative is love. There is no room for conflict or contentious attitudes. Never forget everything you do you're doing for the love God has shown you and as such you demonstrate that same love to others (in all things).

If you're feeling uncomfortable reading this maybe God is calling you in for an examination. He will address what's going on and give you ways to heal and prevent the disease of sin from reoccurring. He'll go inside and take a look around and pinpoint the exact origin of your disease. After all, you can't fix what you can't find.

De Colores,

Mamie Johnson  
Emmaus Spiritual Director



# Board & Committee Updates



**Chris Wissinger, Men's Worship Chair: [MensWorship@DaytonEmmaus.org](mailto:MensWorship@DaytonEmmaus.org)**

**Julie Crowl, Women's Worship Chair: [WomensWorship@DaytonEmmaus.org](mailto:WomensWorship@DaytonEmmaus.org)**

Remember your walk weekend and how much the worship meant to you? Come share your gifts with pilgrims and community members so their experience is as memorable as your Emmaus walk. The Worship team needs you. We need musicians for the walk weekends, gatherings and closings, but we also need support teams to help:

1. Gatherings - set up, run, and tear down sound equipment at Normandy
2. Walk Weekends - set up/tear down for the walk weekends at Normandy
3. Moving to Sulphur Grove - moving the equipment from Normandy and set up/tear down of the equipment after the walks
4. Moving to Normandy - return equipment from Sulphur Grove back to Normandy

If you have been faithfully serving, we thank you for your continued support. If you have been away for awhile and want to come back, we welcome you back. If you'd like to start getting involved we would like to hear from you. Many hands will make light work for us all. Please contact us.

**Keith Simpson, Kairos Liaison: [Kairos@DaytonEmmaus.org](mailto: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)

**Good Shepherd, Pam Rafdal: [GoodShepherd@DaytonEmmaus.org](mailto: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.