



February 2017 **The Springfield**

**Area Emmaus February 2017**

## Co-Spiritual Director Message

### LISTENING TO GOD.

Dear fellow pilgrims

When we come to God in prayer it is as important to listen as to speak. Jesus did urge us to bring our needs to God saying, "Ask and it will be given to you.." (Matthew 7:7) So often we just end with that but God has so much more for us! He wants to give us help and direction, hope and joy through speaking to us as well as hearing from us. When Jesus says "Seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matt. 7:7) that so often requires open ears to hear as well as a mouth to speak.

Many of us who are pretty good at TALKING TO GOD have gotten that way because we are not very good at LISTENING TO GOD! The reason for that is God can have some challenging things to say to us, leading us to new places and new people, sharing God's Word in new ways.

When the prophet Samuel listened to God, God told him some very fearful things. This started as a young man with his mentor Eli. God told Samuel to tell Eli that he and his sons would die because of disobedience. Later he first anointed Saul king but then had to tell Saul God was going to reject him as well.

As long as we do all the talking; everything is OK. When we start listening to God we open ourselves to all kinds of possibilities, some of which may make us very uncomfortable.

But there is no way around it - we need a two-way relationship with God.

In order to listen to God

1. **Set aside a regular time.** Yes, you can pray in your car but are you sure this is the best you can do? Distracted driving is dangerous. You want to
2. **Eliminate distractions.** Avoid intrusions of sight, touch, smell, taste. However I often pray best with spiritual music in the background VERY softly. I find God speaks to me in and through the lyrics.
3. **Let God In.** Sit quietly and let the Holy Spirit be there with you and in you.  
Try this spiritual breathing exercise based on Colossians 1:27 (Phillips)  
(Breathe deeply in) And the secret is simply this: Christ in you!  
(Hold breath) Yes, Christ in you!  
(Breathe gently out) Bringing with him the hope of all the glorious things to come!

**GOD REALLY WANTS TO BE WITH YOU, TO RELATE TO YOU, TO SPEAK WITH YOU!**

God created you, loves you, redeems you with the broken body and shed blood of Jesus!

God raised Jesus from the dead to show you the reality of that love and bring that love and power to you TODAY through the Holy Spirit.

4. Here is where things get tougher. **Follow God's promptings.** Yerington NV, working for the weekend. Small church Sunday school super. Closer I got to God the more disquieted I became. On bed reading the Bible – Follow me! What do you want me to do? Three months later all our stuff was in a U-Haul headed for Ohio and three small churches south of Hillsboro. Yeah, but you are a PREACHER!  
If you really begin listening to God, God is going to call you also.  
This last Sunday I anointed Steve and Lisa Neal and her brother who God has called to go on a medical mission to Quito, Ecuador to run a medical outreach clinic.  
What does God have for you? Where God calls may be uncomfortable, He may lead you into different places and situations, but you will know you are right where you are supposed to be.

God bless all of you!

Bill Kelley

## Note from Community Lay Director

Dear Emmaus Brothers and Sisters,

The last few weeks have been very busy for your Emmaus board members and the team for Men's Walk #48! There have been MANY changes, so here is a recap of a few of them.

Millie Luttrull needed to step down from the board as Secretary. Lisa Case has agreed to fill the position for the remaining year and a half. I truly praise God for her saying yes and I am looking forward to serving with her! Also, I want to thank Roberta Abbott for filling in as secretary in January.

Then a few days after the first team meeting the Men's Walk #48 Lay Director Dean Settles was given a heart catheterization which afterwards they would not even release him to come home to get clothes. Dean's "widow maker" artery was 95% blocked. He had a triple bypass on January 17<sup>th</sup>. He is recovering well, but of course he has had to step down as lay director. Gene Porter (who was the board representative on the walk) has now stepped into the lay director shoes. Gene has said several times that Dean had it so well organized! Thank you Dean for planning ahead and Gene for stepping in! I am now asking the community to keep Dean in your prayers for healing and let's also ask the Lord for him to be able to attend candlelight on the 18<sup>th</sup>!!

Another team member had to step down due to another commitment he had that was extended. Thanks to Dan Warren for stepping in to be the experienced Log for the walk! There are more team members that are having tests in the next couple of weeks, so PLEASE pray for them daily. I know we have sometimes felt and have even said that either our self or someone else has "sure come under attack since saying yes to serving on a team". It does happen...but, perhaps our God held off those attacks until that person was on a team so that s/he would have the encouragement and prayer support of the team and the whole community? His timing is perfect.

I want to share with you my experience from this morning. I got into my car to take my grandson to school. I put my key in the ignition and it would not go all the way in. I jiggled the steering wheel and tried several more times to no avail. I went back in my house and retrieved my other set of keys and tried again, but still it would not go in. I called my neighbor and borrowed her car to take my grandson to school. By the time I returned home my spirit was grumbling inside my heart and since *the mouth speaks from the heart* (paraphrased) my words were very grumbly as I returned the keys to my neighbor. I started to walk into my house and the thought came to me to try it one more time. I turned toward my car and with a heavy exhale said out loud, "Jesus would you just fix my car!" "Please!" I inserted the key (without jiggling the steering wheel) and started my car. I was glad I had said please.....

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Hello, Emmaus Community

Here it's the middle of January the weather is spring like. Jesus has a way of teaching me about unconditional love. 1 Corinthians 13:7, it's all about love, for without we have nothing!!

As, I remember my walk the love I felt was overwhelming. The way Christ, loves us no matter who we are or what we have done.

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### *Springfield Area Emmaus Gatherings 2017*

<i>Board Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Gatherings 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday of each Sundy of each</i>	<i>Month starting Month Starting</i>	<i>At 5:30 pm At 7:00 pm</i>
<i>February 12</i>	<i>April 9</i>	<i>July 9</i>	<i>October 8</i>
<i>March 12</i>	<i>May 14</i>	<i>August 13</i>	<i>November 12</i>
	<i>June 11</i>	<i>September 10</i>	<i>December 10</i>



*February 18-20 next Flight  
Any questions*

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<p><b>Men's Walk #48 that will be February 16-19</b></p> <p><b>Possible Future Dates for 2017 Walks</b></p> <p><b>June 22-25</b></p> <p><b>September 21-25 However we need Applications! Applications! Applications!</b></p>
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Revised: Sep 2013

SPRINGFIELD AREA WALK TO EMMAUS APPLICATION (Please PRINT and fill in ALL blanks)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (as preferred on name tag) Age \_\_\_\_ Sex M \_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Church now attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Married \_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_\_ Separated \_\_\_\_

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_ Walk spouse attended \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Walk attended \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary concerns Medical concerns Disability concerns Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of a close friend: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly state why you want to attend a Walk to Emmaus and what you expect.

Would you be able to attend on short notice? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Perhaps \_\_\_\_ I understand that this application does not reserve a position on a particular Walk, but does place me on a list for future Walks to Emmaus in Springfield.

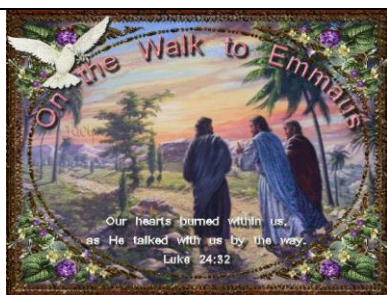
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose a NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERRABLE deposit of \$25.00, which applies to your \$75.00 donation to offset expenses. Make checks payable to Springfield Area Emmaus. Remit to: Registrar, Springfield Area Emmaus, High Street United Methodist Church, and 230 E. High St., Springfield, OH 45505.

REGISTRATION ONLY Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Card sent to: Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Pilgrim \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd from \_\_\_\_\_

1st Invite \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Invite \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Invite \_\_\_\_\_ Inactive \_\_\_\_\_



Please consider making several copies and get them filled and turn them. Any questions contact. REGISTRAR: Dean Settles

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Springfield Emmaus Willing Servant Sheet      Revised April 2015

**Please Print:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Regularly Attend Share Group? Y / N

Church Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Walk # \_\_\_\_\_ Walk Location \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Information is current as of: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

**===== I Am Willing To Serve In These Areas: =====**

*Please Check All That Apply*

\_\_\_\_\_ Help serving meals      \_\_\_\_\_ Be a Meal Coordinator      \_\_\_\_\_ Help with Agape for weekend

\_\_\_\_\_ Help Registrar (contact pilgrims before walk)      \_\_\_\_\_ Help Set up/Tear Down for weekend

\_\_\_\_\_ Help with Sponsorship (get info to Sponsors)      \_\_\_\_\_ Help get word out about Emmaus

\_\_\_\_\_ Help on purchasing team for weekend      \_\_\_\_\_ Be On a Live-In Team      \_\_\_\_\_ Lead Music

\_\_\_\_\_ Play an instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Offer special music for Gatherings or walks

\_\_\_\_\_ Help with the newsletter      \_\_\_\_\_ Help with social after Gatherings      \_\_\_\_\_ Help set up Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ Provide secretarial help at Board Meetings      \_\_\_\_\_ Help inventory and organize supplies

\_\_\_\_\_ Help clean bathrooms during a walk      \_\_\_\_\_ Help get people connected to Share Groups

\_\_\_\_\_ To learn more about Emmaus by attending the Leadership Development Event (LDE)

Help in other ways: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Mail to: Springfield Area Emmaus, 230 East High Street, Springfield OH 45505

Men's Walk# 48 Pilgrim List	Team List for #48	
Robert Webb	<b>Lay Director</b>	Gene Porter
Lee Simpson	<b>ALD's</b>	<b>Talks</b>
Scott Hisey	Dave Zimmerman	Grow Through Study
Arlin Arony	Dana Johnson	Fourth Day
Mike Gregory	Gary Robison	Priorities
Steven Leep	<b>Table leaders</b>	
Jamie Weeks	Dan Downing	Priesthood of All Believers
Martin Nichols	Jim Leonard	Christian Action
Jim Pyles	Brain Case	Body of Christ
Jeremy Larsen	Don Jefferson	Life of Piety
David Salyers	Richard Cox	Discipleship
Patrick Witt	Deon Blakely	Changing Our World
Claude Castleberry Jr.	<b>SD:</b> Rev. Jeff Smalley	Means of Grace
Dustin Holcomb	<b>Ass. SD:</b> Rev. Bill Kelley	(I think, I heard) Sanctifying Grace
Terry Stephens	Rev. Carolyn Peacock	Prevenient Grace
John Joseph	Rev. Bill Halter	Justifying Grace
Walter Packer	Rev. Tom Woods	Obstacles to Grace
Ron Coss	<b>LOG's</b> Vic Neves	<b>MD:</b> J.C. Howell
Chuck Hull	<b>LOG's</b> Dan Warren	<b>AMD:</b> Derf Page
Shannon Jackson	<b>ATL'S</b>	Steve Craig,
Bill Richey	Glenn Kaffenbarger	Jeremy Stewart
	Jack Yeager	Jeremy McClure
	Brain Upchurch	

### Reminders

**Remember to come to sign up for Prayer Vigil, Logisitic helpers (Set-up, cleaning, and tear down).**

**Keep in mind Saturday night Candlelight and Closing are for members only!**



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**Do you have a new phone number, address, or email please let us know! This can be completed at Gatherings, emailed, or mailed.**



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### **Community Music Director**

“Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise Him”

- Psalm 147:1

I can't believe we are already 1 month into the new year. Did anyone make a New Year's Resolution? How are you doing with that? One of my New Year's Resolutions was to always have a positive attitude, no matter what I am facing. I have to admit, I'm not doing a bad job on keeping that resolution. One of the stories that has helped me with that is the story of Paul and Silas. We all know that Paul and Silas were unjustly thrown into prison. The scripture that reminds me to stay positive is found in Acts 16:25 which says, “About midnight

Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.” Paul and Silas could have taken a different approach when they were thrown into prison. They could've gone with the “Woe Is Me” approach and blamed everybody and everything for the predicament that they were in. But they didn't, instead they praised God. As a result, they let their light shine and other prisoners listened to them as they sang and praise God. What an example of Christ counting on us to let His light shine through us.

So, I challenge you, if you are having “one of those days” why don't you turn the TV off and turn the radio on? There are several Christian radio stations on the FM dial that you can listen to right here in Springfield.

90.3 – KLOVE

100.7 – WEEC

88.3 or 96.9 – Air One

No matter what kind of music style you like, it can probably be found on one of these three stations. If you don't like to listen to the radio, then how about singing some of your favorite hymns to yourself, just like Paul and Silas. “There is Power in the Blood”, “Victory in Jesus”, “It is Well”, just to name in few. Here's to hoping you all have a blessed February, and keep singing for Jesus.

De Colores!!

Ben Webster

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**Springfield Area Emmaus Community**  
**Newsletter Request**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Walk#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to have the Newsletter mailed please send your \$10 fee along with this or copy of requested information to Springfield Area Emmaus, 230 E. High St., Springfield, OH 45505

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