

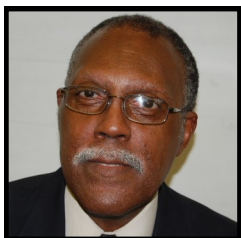
From Our Co-Spiritual Director

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17—“THEREFORE, IF ANY MAN IS IN CHRIST, HE IS A NEW CREATURE; THE OLD THINGS PASSED AWAY, BEHOLD NEW THINGS HAVE COME.”

As I type this article, I look back on eighteen years of serving in this Emmaus community and others, and I wonder where the time has gone. The old adage says, “Time flies when you’re having fun.” I have served on 77 Weekends in Emmaus, Chrysalis, Kairos, and Epiphany, and God has blessed me through each service; I’ve even had the opportunity to serve as Community Spiritual Director for Emmaus (twice) and Chrysalis. Now all that is coming to an end; life must continue to evolve.

We, as Christians, must also give up our old life (before being saved) and take on the new life in Christ Jesus. We can no longer stand around wishing things were the way they used to be. God is moving us on to different pastures as His sheep. That doesn’t mean retiring all together but simply moving into another area of service. New blood must come on board, and we with experience (age?) must make way for them and help them to do their best for God. Maybe you’ve gone as far as you can go serving on Teams or being on the Board, but that doesn’t mean that God has stopped using you. There is service in giving Talks, sponsoring Pilgrims, being a prayer partner, or anything God gives you to do, wherever He sends you.

There is plenty of work for all of us to do in God’s vineyard, and He continues to use all Believers in service for Him.. I just look for the adventure and say, “God, surprise me.” How about you? Will you continue in



His service in new and interesting ways? There’s a lot more work to be done before Jesus comes back for us. I challenge you who are not busy in Emmaus now to find a work for God; to offer someone, who doesn’t know about the love and grace of God an opportunity to see God at work, just as we experienced on our Weekend.

God bless the Springfield Emmaus Community. You have a special place in my heart.

With God’s love,

Pastor Ray Harper

Community Co-Spiritual Director

Pastor Bill Kelley will be Co-Spiritual Director with Pastor Sherri Blackwell for 2014-15.

Thank You, Pastor Ray, for giving your Christ-dedicated life to all who came searching for a closer walk with Jesus through Emmaus, Chrysalis, Kairos and Epiphany. During all of Springfield Emmaus’ growing pains and later when the community needed refreshed and inspired, you stepped forward and said, “Here I am Lord.” We sincerely hope you know how much you are appreciated and loved; not only you, but also your wife, Linda and your awesome children too. An often asked question is, “How can you know who is a Christian?” The answer is as Jesus said in John 15:8, “You should produce much fruit and show that you are my followers, which brings glory to my Father.” Again, bless you our friend and spiritual director for helping produce glorious harvests through the Springfield Emmaus Community.

From Our Community Lay Director

It is that time of year --- time when I try to find time to put a garden. Because I find myself in this position every year, the job of clearing the weeds (and small trees!) gets larger and larger -- thus making that first step appear to be a huge time commitment. So I continue to put it off since it seems like it would take so much time.



This dilemma reminds me of the Priority talk. We make the time for the things that are important to us. The Main Thing is that we keep the Main Thing the Main Thing. Gardening clearly is not a priority for me, but do I have my priorities in the right place? We are five months into the year, and most New Year's resolutions have probably fallen to the wayside by now. I wasn't even able to stick with my Lenten resolution!

As I look around at God's creation, in all it's fresh green newness, I am going to challenge myself to take a fresh look at how I spend my time, money, and energy. God has given us the ability to choose our actions. But time and time again, I go about doing what I think is important without even consulting The Lord through prayer, for what He plans for me, and what His will is for me. I am going to start this summer with fresh new resolve to realign my priorities with His will for me. Jer 29:13-14. Will you join me in this challenge, to review priorities? Prayerfully, let us let Him guide us.

In His Service,

Sue Neves

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Sue, bless you for your leadership this year and for continuing the community's goal of abiding by the Emmaus manuals and guidelines. The amount of time, energy, and prayer you have dedicated to Springfield Emmaus is commendable and worthy of praise. With love and thanks, Your Emmaus Community

Please welcome our new Board members—

Agape: **Bette Brown**

Co-Community Spiritual Director: **Rev Bill Kelley**

Community Lay Director: **Ed Jurkat**

Logistics: **Kevin Smith**

Music: **Ben Webster**

Newsletter: **Kay Weller**

Outreach: **Ellen Morgan**

Purchasing: **Linda Pack**

Registrar: **Dean Settles**

Treasurer: **Brian Case**

A huge thank you for your willingness to serve...
and a "well done" to those retiring from the Board.

NEWS FROM THE AGAPE ROOM

I am happy to inform you all that your new agape chairperson is Bette Brown! She and her committee will be serving our community for the next three years.

Susan LaPrise and I enjoyed serving our community for the last three years!

PLEASE REMEMBER to give Bette ONLY LETTERS--NO GIFTS! The gifts are for AFTER THE WALK.

Also, please sign up to pray for the women's June walk at the June gathering on the 8th. There are still many empty spaces on the 72-hour prayer vigil.

In His service,

Libby Hammond



SPRINGFIELD AREA EMMAUS

WOMEN'S WALK # 70

June 19-22, 2014

LD: Millie Luttrull - Perserverance

ALD: Libby Hammond - Priority

ALD: Sue Neves - Fourth Day

ALD: Verna Reed - Life of Piety

LOG: Karen Speas

LOG: Cheryl Jurket

Music: Diane Page

Music: Marty Scott

SD: Rev Carolyn Peacock - Means of Grace

ASD: Rev Jeff Smalley - Sanctifying Grace

ASD: Rev Cindee Johnson - Prevenient Grace

ASD: Rev Sherri Blackwell - Justifying Grace

ASD: Rev Ken Woode - Obstacles to Grace

TL: Janet Schillinger - Priesthood of All Believers

TL: Joyce Isley - Christian Action

TL: Lechell Raines – Grow Through Study

TL: Tammy Masters -- Changing our World

TL: Lisa Nettleingham - Discipleship

TL: Kathy Robbins - Body of Christ

ATL: Judy Spanel

ATL: Anna Whetstone

ATL: Robin Smith

ATL: Susan Holladay

ATL: Stacey Cameron

ATL: Judy Delledonne

Board Representative: Judy Delledonne



ALD —Assistant Lay Director	LD —Lay Director
ASD —Assistant Spiritual Director	LOG —Logistics
ATL —Assistant Table Leader	TL —Table Leader

Do you remember the extraordinary feeling when you finished your walk? There is nothing like it, ever. So close to God, so aware of Jesus and what He now means to you! You felt like you found everything that was missing in your life.

Jesus gave us so much....you really wanted to keep Him right beside you forever. Jesus is still speaking to you to support the Emmaus Community that brought you Him like nothing else.



It is time to bring these feelings to life again by attending the Gatherings and serving during the upcoming Women's Walk.

You are being called to serve Him and all of the women that are coming. They are so ready for this time, hopefully you will come and serve in many different ways. Even a few hours of your time will mean so much to so many. Please come and support your Community.

I'll be looking for you ~ *Jean Grumbling*



PILGRIM LIST

Women's Walk # 70

June 19-22, 2014

PILGRIM

Bobbi Allen
 Molly Barnes
 Darla Bires
 Angela Brown
 Tammy Clawson
 Abbey Dixon
 Beanie Evans
 Sheila Fambro
 Kelly Funderburg
 Carrie Gifford
 Judi Hunter
 Jenny Jackson
 Hayli Karg
 Denise Kuhn
 Jennifer Leggett
 Cathy Lynch
 Christi Nutini
 Barbara Patton
 Betty Reed
 Lisa Richards
 Kelly Rowlands
 Brenda Russell
 Angel Sherrock
 Linda Slusher
 Linda Sollars
 Shirley Stewart
 Shelby Vincent
 Val Watson
 Katie Webb
 Stephanie White

CHURCH

Buckeye Gospel
 My Church
 Apostolic Gospel Church
 St. John Missionary Baptist
 Grace United Methodist
 Terre Haute United Methodist
 New Life of Springfield
 House of Prayer
 High Street United Methodist
 Ledbetter Rd. Church of God
 Crossroad Baptist
 Middletown Church of God
 None Listed
 Potter's House of Springfield
 Simply Church
 St. Teresa
 None Listed
 So Charleston UMC
 Mt. Zion Baptist Church
 Grape Grove Church of Christ
 Ginghamburg
 Restoration Worship Center
 None Listed
 First Christian
 Lafayette Methodist
 Lafayette Methodist
 None Listed
 Potter's House
 Apex
 St. John Missionary Baptist

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