

Springfield Area Emmaus News

Keep cool!

August 2006

Community Lay Director's Comments

We are approaching another walk and as always, God has been busy ensuring we have what is needed to do his work. The number of men registered for a Men's Walk has always been low but this walk started out really low. But with the guidance of the good Lord, the Men's Registrar (Karen Speas) put out a plea and the community came through in an outstanding manner. We now not only have a full walk but have some extra men waiting to go on a walk. However, we as a community need to continue to put forth the extra effort to get men signed up for future walks. Remember, one of the things that God asks us to do is spread his word and what better way than to sponsor individuals who can become leaders in their church and assist in the spreading of God's word. Christ is truly counting on us!

The community is counting on us as well. As with every walk, help is needed in many areas and in many ways. Help is needed in the kitchen, with logistics, on the prayer vigil, at candlelight and at closing. When was the last time you participated in one or more ways in helping spread God's Word through your servant hood? There are over 2500 people who have attended the walks held in the Springfield Emmaus Community since it started. Many have been back to serve many times since their original walk. Others have kind of drifted away and WE MISS YOU!

Each of us has busy schedules that sometimes pull us in many directions. As we deal with the everyday events that occur in our Fourth Days, let us not forget what we heard as we experienced our Emmaus Week-end. What is our Priority? Have we let the everyday things become blinders to the importance of what God has for us to do? Piety – Study – Action, are we looking at what God wants us to do and allowing his Grace to surround us with agape love? Are we sharing his agape love with others? I'm counting on Christ and want him to be able to count on me. How about you?

May the love of God shine in you every day!

God Bless and Decolores!
Tom

**Important Dates to Remember...
Upcoming "WALK" Dates**

*Men's Walk # 32
August 17-20, 2006
Women's Walk # 48
November 2-5, 2006*

All walk dates are tentative.



God bless all my Emmaus and Kairos brothers and sisters. It will be my privilege to serve as your Kairos rep. to our board. As the months go by I will do my best to keep you all informed what Kairos is all about and when the Kairos weekends will be taking place. If any of you have any questions at all or would be interested in serving on a Kairos team please feel free to contact me any time: Jim Vineyard - (937) 324-4333. Remember God told us in his Word, "When did you see me in prison and come to visit me? When you did it to the least of these you have done it unto me." Decolores, Jim Vineyard

**Attention
GFS & OfficeMax shoppers....**

The Springfield Emmaus Community receives benefits from your shopping at Gordon Food Service and at Office Max. If you tell the cashier, you would like your purchase to benefit the Springfield Area Emmaus, the dollar amount will contribute towards the percentage of discount when we make purchases for walks and gatherings.
Thank you!

PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED

This is directed to all 2005 Emmaus pilgrims. Now that you have been in your fourth days, I pray that you have gotten into a share group. If you have an email address, please contact me and I will gladly add you to the 386 addresses that reach around the world. There are people receiving email messages in all fifty states and in seven foreign countries. Simply send me your email address at bamaster@bright.net. In the subject space write "Prayer Request" and I will take all praises, all concerns and send out information about church dinners and projects to benefit anyone in need. Each of you have received one of our prayer chain cards in your Sunday packets.
If you do not have email, you can call Pam Peterman at 325-3629 and you will be connected to the phone prayer chain. She will call me and I will get your request out as soon as possible. Stay on the Emmaus Road!

Love in Christ,
Becky Master, "The Email Lady"

SHARE GROUP INFORMATION

Greetings **Emmaus Sisters**, If you would like to join a Share Group or form one with a friend and need help, please contact me. I will do my best to help you. *Yours in Christ, Mary Ahlborn,*
Your Good Shepherd 937-322-1958/email:
jahlborn@woh.rr.com

Emmaus brothers,
Call Jerry Peterman at 325-3629
for men's share groups.

Thoughts from one of your Spiritual Directors

In Psalm 35, we see the Psalmist, David, asking the Lord Almighty to help him against those who try to inflict pain for no reason. When our enemies are unjust and lie about us, even when we do good to them, we can appeal to the Lord our God who is always just. Our enemies though are not always people; they may be situations, circumstances, and attitudes or other matters of the heart. Yes, this Psalm may sound harsh but David was fleeing from men who were unjustly seeking to kill him. I would like you to encourage you to read this Psalm and think about the situations, circumstances, attitudes or yes, even relationships that are seeking to destroy your heart.

A mentor has reminded me that sometimes life can feel too tight like a shoe. Sometimes we can be overwhelmed with commitments, which cause sleepless nights. We can spend several hours rehearsing everything we have to do and can't possibly get it done. Therefore, we're tempted to blame others or to wallow in mire of self-pity.

My mentor suggests laughing it off because sometimes life can be taken way too seriously. I invite you to join my mentor and I to laugh a little.

A day without a crisis is a total loss.

The other line always moves faster.

Inside every large problem are a bunch of little ones struggling to get out.

Whatever hits the fan will not be evenly distributed.

Friends come and go, but enemies accumulate.

The repairman will never have seen a model quite like yours before.

There's never time to do it right, but there's always time to do it over.

If you try to please everybody, nobody will like it.

When a broken appliance or car is demonstrated for the repairman, it will work perfectly.

There's a committee somewhere right now planning your future, and you were not invited to the meeting.

That's just a few. I feel better. How about you?

Laughter always makes me feel better. It is like a shield protecting me from the assaults of crisis.

Chris Farmer

Co-Spiritual Director

*Everyone gets the same twenty-four hours in a day –
the difference is how you use it.*

Attention Supply Room Shoppers

School Supplies are on sale now, please pick up a few extra of the following items to help the supply room costs for the walks. Last year enough folders, pencils and pens were donated for the whole year!

Folders

One subject spiral notebooks

Pens

Pencils

Scotch tape and masking tape

Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Thanks to all you Emmaus Shoppers last year, the supply room does not need any basic supplies for the coming year.

We also need the following items:

Poster Board – the ones the Pilgrims use to draw /describe the talk points.

The poster boards donated over 5 years ago are almost gone and that person is a mystery. If you are out there and can donate again, it will be greatly appreciated

Construction Paper – Packages of the same basic colors are needed.

Envelopes - 9 by 12 and 10 by 13

Scotch tape and masking tape

Grocery Bags – New, for Pilgrims to take home their agape.

Thanks to my share group who supply the meds, Kleenex, toothpaste, brushes, and other personal items. This would be a good way for other share groups to give agape to the pilgrims if they want to show their love, and are able to do so.

August Gathering
Sunday, August 13th at 7:00 p.m.

(one week early due to Men's Walk #32)

Women's Walk #47 Reunion at 6:00 p.m.

Pilgrims on Walk # 32, August 17-20, 2006

Pilgrim

Dan Abbey
Chris Albert
Larry Barnett
Mark Bennett
Walter Brown
Carl Brundege
Thomas Burnett
Jack G. Carey
Darrell K. Carson
Stephen Chambers
Christopher Copeland
Robert "Bob" Cornelison
David Crockett
Larry Delawder
Richard Dunn
Doug E. Gardner Jr.
Joel Gilbreath
David Heffner
Paul Howell
Micah Jacobs
Ed Jones
Frank Lautner
Moe Lonergan
Tim Mattern
Tim McCarty
Vic Neves
Gill Nichols
David Peterson
Mike Phillips
Dennis Rice
Brandon Shaw
Doug Shotsky
Keith Smith
Ron Snyder
Tim Timmons
Mike Whitaker
Glenn Whitley
Bob Wildman

Church

Lagonda United Methodist
St. Teresa

High Street Nazarene
High Street Nazarene
Jamestown Church of Christ
W. Possum Church of God
Medway United Methodist
Grace New Covenant
Mount Sterling Nazarene
Urbana St. Mary

Way of Holiness Church
First Pent. Church of God
Christ in Christian Union
Covenant United Methodist
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First Pent. Church of God
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Fellowship Christian
Common Ground Comm.
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Grace United Methodist
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Church of the Nazarene

First Pent. Church of God
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High St. United Methodist
North Hampton Community

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Ray Tope
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James Myers
Sim Bowen
Sim Bowen
Bill Oder
Rhonda Voorhees

Please pray for these pilgrims!

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Men's Walk to Emmaus # 32 Team, August 17-20, 2006

Gene Porter, LD Perseverance

John Chambers, ALD Fourth Day

Jerry Hess, ALD Priority

Keith Hyslop, ALD Growth through study

Ray Harper, SD Means of Grace

Kevin Moehn, ASD Obstacles to Grace

Jim Mayhugh, Log

Charles "Pinky" Pendleton, Log

Derf Page, MD

Corey Pearson, AMD

Roy Mulkey, Board Rep

Table Leaders

Jeff Canan Changing Our World

Dan DeArmond Life of Piety

Tom Dever, Sr Fourth Day Example

Lynn Dickerson Discipleship

Randy McHenry Christian Action

Alcides Vasquez Priesthood of all Believers

Tobias Wilson Body of Christ

Assistant Table Leaders

Jim Ballard Paul Luttrell

John Nixon Joe Datko

Ricardo Smith Steve Green

Doug Gardner, Sr.

**Clergy Speakers: Ernest Brown, Sanctifying Grace Robert Martin, Justifying Grace
Bill Turner, Prevenient Grace**