

**Elizabethtown Emmaus Community
Newsletter
February 2007**

Greetings and Blessings,
E-Town Emmaus Community:

WOW!!! What a blessing to see so many brothers and sisters turn out for the January gathering. Thanks to Brother Chuck Darland for filling in as Clergy and truly blessing us with such a powerful devotion. I also would like to thank David Dozer and Raymond White for their humble servanthood and great music.

This is an exciting time in our community as we approach Chrysalis 39, Men's Walk 102, and Women's Walk 103. I cannot stress enough the importance our support plays during this time. Just remember your own walk and how blessed you were when you looked around and saw all of those people, and felt all of that Agape love. Please continue to pray for the Teams, Caterpillars', and Pilgrims who will be experiencing GOD's Love in abundance during these next few weeks.

On a short note, I would like to close by re-emphasizing three things: (1) The importance of "Good" Sponsorship can be seen in the smile of our new brother or sister in Christ as they return from their Emmaus Walk. (2) Let's make a commitment to ourselves to be prayer warriors for the upcoming Flight and Walks, and (3) Let each of us take part in the upcoming Send Offs, Candlelights, and Closings, whenever possible.

May GOD continue to bless you and keep you is my prayer and I hope to see you at the next gathering on Saturday, February 3rd.

In Christ's Love,

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Sponsorship

Our Emmaus Handbook lists ten steps to good sponsorship. These are a good checklist for the first time sponsor or a good check up for the more experienced sponsor:

1. PRAY! Pray for the person's openness to God's call to discipleship (not how to get him/her to go on the Walk).
2. Make an appointment with the person or couple to discuss their participation in an Emmaus Weekend.
3. Extend an Invitation. Invite your friend to go for a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ. Explain the basic elements of the walk, its purpose and follow up dimensions that help us live close to God the rest of our lives. You are presenting your friend with a wonderful gift.

4. Ask your friend to make a commitment by filling out the registration form. If married, speak with both spouses and encourage each to commit to the weekend.
5. Continue to Pray for your friend(s), prepare agape letters and enlist the support of their pastor. Try to collect at least 10 letters. (And please do not ask the team to deliver personal gifts during the weekend.)
6. Support the Walk through your prayers during the 72 Hour Prayer Vigil and your presence at Send Off, Sponsor's Hour, Candlelight and Closing. Support your friend's family by house sitting, baby sitting, feeding pets or just checking in with their spouse to make sure everything is all right.
7. Encourage your friend in his/her Fourth Day. Let them talk about their experience on the Walk. Take them to a Reunion Group to help them plug in. Take them to the first Gathering after their weekend.
8. Help your friend reenter his/her church as they consider ways to contribute with their new enthusiasm.
9. Inform them of ways to serve in the Emmaus Community and future Walks.
10. Help your friend sponsor another on an Emmaus Walk!

Prayer Time

COUNTRY—LEADERS—WORLD—CHURCHES

- Nicaraguan Community
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Families
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Sponsorship
- Emmaus Lay Directory (Spring)
 - Danny Raisor (Men's Walk #102)
 - Jodi Kerger (Women's Walk #103)
- Chrysalis #39 Directors
 - Becky Higdon (Girls)
 - Dennis Castiner (Boys)

Chrysalis 39 Team Members

Becky Higdon, Dennis Castenir, Lauren Mensch, Justin Line, Jenny Castenir, Kim Miller, Chris Yates, Bobby Smith, Shelley Hummel, Linda Smith, Glenn Higdon, Carl Stoltzfus, Josh Brown, Jessica Purchis, Bethany Riggs, Sharon Riordan, Debbie Seaton, Mark Riordan, Buster Seaton, Rebekah Akers, Kelsey Bennett, Darrell DeLoach, Matt Ruth, Jessica Castenir, Bethany Gibson, Brian Hammer, Aaron Howard, Vickie Green, Sara Russell, Steve Moore, Blane Routt, Katie Pace, Claudia Castenir, Max Misner, Jeff Grover, Autumn Miller, Jackie Allen, Ted Malecek, Kyle Hammer, Tricia Smith, Cheryl Daniels, Donald Daniels, Josh Nichols, Te'Andra Parker, Lindsey Skaggs, Wes Durham, Jeremy Stith, Colleen Bagley, Keri Gibson, Mark Ott, Brennan Pace, 'Charlie' Allen, Julian Mehl, Doug Bratcher, Jared Waldeck, Amanda Earles, Heather Gage, Wes Walker, Lori Biggs, Alison Cox, Larry Houthouser, Camden Miller, Marie Stoltzfus, Ariel Waldeck, Todd Brown, Tommy Irwin, and the Spiritual Team.

**Have you had a change of Address,
Email address, or Name?**

Previous Information:

Change to:

Return to:

Elizabethtown Emmaus Community
PO Box 2070 · Elizabethtown KY 42702
Or Email: reconnect@etownemmaus.org

Inspirations from the Editor

What Does It Mean To Say "I'm A Christian"
by Carol Wimmer

When I say, "I am a Christian," I'm not shouting "I am saved."
Instead, "I was lost"; Now I found my way.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I speak of this with pride.
I'm also confessing that I stumble, and need someone to be my
guide.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I'm not trying to be strong.
I'm professing that I'm weak, and pray for strength to carry on.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I'm not bragging of success.
I'm admitting I have failed, and cannot ever pay the debt.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I'm not claiming to be perfect.
My flaws are too visible, but God believes I'm worth it.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I still feel the sting of pain.
I have my share of heartaches, which is why I speak His name.
When I say, "I am a Christian," I do not wish to judge.
I have no authority; I only know I'm loved.

Mark Your Calendars

Saturday	Board Meeting	6:00 PM	Memorial UMC
February 3rd	Gathering	7:00 PM	
Saturday	Chrysalis 39 Send	9:30 AM	Campground
February 17th	Off		
Sunday	Chrysalis 39	8:00 PM	Memorial UMC
February 18th	Candlelight		
Monday	Chrysalis 39	5:00 PM	Grace Heartland
February 19th	Closing		
Saturday	Board Meeting	6:00 PM	Memorial UMC
March 3rd	Gathering	7:00 PM	
Thursday	Men's Walk	7:00 PM	Campground
March 8th	Send Off		
Saturday	Men's Walk	8:00 PM	Memorial UMC
March 10th	Candlelight		
Sunday	Men's Walk	5:00 PM	Campground
March 11th	Closing		
Thursday	Women's Walk	7:00 PM	Campground
March 15th	Send Off		
Saturday	Women's Walk	8:00 PM	Memorial UMC
March 17th	Candlelight		
Sunday	Women's Walk	5:00 PM	Campground
March 18th	Closing		

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