

**Elizabethtown Emmaus Community
Newsletter
August 2007**

**Hello
Emmaus Family!**

I'm thrilled to be doing a little "guest-writing" for this month's newsletter. It gives me a chance to say once again how precious my Emmaus community is to me. I hope I get to see many of you at the picnic. It's on August 4th, at the Camp Ground, beginning at 5:00 p.m. It's gonna be a big ole potluck! Fried chicken will be provided; we need to bring a side dish and enough drinks for our families. There will be lifeguards on duty for a couple of hours, so bring your suits and towels. There will be games for the kids and also for the adults. Don't forget your lawn chairs!

Please continue to be in prayer for the upcoming Fall Walks #104 and #105 and for Chrysalis # 40. We can be sure that God is ready to move and change lives in a mighty fashion.

In June I was blessed to attend the Anne Graham Lotz seminar entitled, "Pursuing More of Jesus". It was a wake-up call for my heart. In the following days I re-read and studied her book *My Heart's Cry*. If you haven't read anything by Anne Graham Lotz – she's Billy Graham's daughter – I highly recommend that you read this book. It convicted me on many counts. Anne's purpose is to constantly grow in her personal knowledge of God as she follows Him in a life of faith. She longs for more of Him than just enough to escape Hell, to call herself a Christian, or to squeak through Heaven's gates. She seeks, as we should, to know everything God wants her to know and to receive everything He wants to give her, emptying the vault of Heaven to bestow on her all the blessings He holds for her. How many blessings have you and I missed because we've only skimmed the surface of our relationship with Jesus?

I want to quote a portion of her book and make it a prayer for all of you, my friends, and for myself. Until our faith becomes sight and we see Him face to face, may we long for...

"More of His voice in my ear,
More of His tears on my face,
More of His praise on my lips,
More of His Death in my life,
More of His dirt on my hands,
More of His hope in my grief,
More of His fruit in my service,
More of His love in my home,
More of His courage in my convictions,
More of His nearness in my loneliness,
More of His answers to my prayers,
More of His glory on my knees!"

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Becky McGlone
Walk 91
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Invitation to the Journey: Sponsorship

From www.upperroom.org

What is Sponsorship?

Each person who attends The Walk to Emmaus® has a sponsor. A sponsor is a person who has been through an Emmaus experience and is willing to share that experience with another new Emmaus participant. The sponsorship of a previous participant frees the current participant from any personal responsibilities that might distract him or her while on the experience. Sponsorship also undergirds each participant's 72-hour experience with prayer and other expressions of God's love.

According to the dictionary, a sponsor is one who takes responsibility for another. The suffix "-ship" refers to the skill involved in the activity. So sponsorship is the skill of taking responsibility for another.

The Aim of Sponsorship

The aim of a sponsor should not be "to get all my friends to go," to fill up the weekend, to fix people's problems, or to reproduce one's own religious experience in others. Rather, the aim of the sponsor is to bring spiritual revitalization to Christians who will, in turn, bring new life and vision to the work of the church in the congregation, home, workplace, and community. The aim of sponsorship is to build up the body of Christ.

A Sponsor's Responsibilities

Sponsorship is an act of love for God, for the participants in the Walk to Emmaus, for the Emmaus Community, and for the church. It is a demonstration of agape love. A sponsor will:

- Pray for the participant's openness to God's call to discipleship.
- Make an appointment with the participant (or participating couple) to discuss his or her participation in Emmaus.
- Invite the participant to take part in Emmaus for the sake of a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ. The sponsor shares his or her faith, explains the basic purpose, elements, and follow-up dimensions of the Walk.
- Ask the participant to make a commitment by filling out a registration form. If the participant is married, the sponsor will speak with both partners and encourage an equal commitment by both spouses.
- Support the participant's Walk through prayers and otherwise. The sponsor will also support the participant's family by house-sitting, baby-sitting, watering plants, picking up mail, feeding pets, or just checking in with a spouse to see if any help or support is needed.

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- Encourage the participant in his/her continued journey and take the participant to Emmaus "gatherings" after the Walk weekend is over.
- Help the participant re-enter his or her church and consider ways to act out new commitment and enthusiasm.
- Help the participant sponsor others.

Find Out More on How to Become a Sponsor...

- :: Link <http://www.upperroom.org/emmaus/invitation/>
- :: Link <http://www.etonemmaus.org/sponsorship.php>

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@etonemmaus.org

Prayer Time

COUNTRY—LEADERS—WORLD—CHURCHES

- Nicaraguan Community
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Families
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Sponsorship
- Emmaus Lay Directors (Fall)
 - Steve Cutter (Men's Walk #104)
 - Judy Boone (Women's Walk #105)
- Chrysalis #40 Directors
 - Jennifer Kirkpatrick (Girls)
 - Eric Clemens (Boys)

Mark Your Calendars

Saturday August 4th	Emmaus Picnic	5:00 PM	Campground
Saturday September 1st	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Thursday October 11th	Walk 104 Sendoff	7:00 PM	Campground
Saturday October 13th	Walk 104 Candlelight	8:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Sunday October 14th	Walk 104 Closing	5:00 PM	Campground
Thursday October 18th	Walk 105 Sendoff	7:00 PM	Campground
Saturday October 20th	Walk 105 Candlelight	8:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Sunday October 21st	Walk 105 Closing	5:00 PM	Campground
Saturday November 3rd	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
November 3rd- November 5th	Chrysalis 40		Campground

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