

Elizabethtown Emmaus Community
Newsletter
June 2008

Greetings Emmaus Family!

As you read this newsletter, I pray that you have enjoyed the Memorial Day holiday. Let's continue to pray for those men and women that have devoted and in some cases, given their all that we may enjoy the freedom that we have.

Also, Memorial Day brings a time of family gatherings, picnics, sharing memories, reunions. I hope that you were able just to take a little time to enjoy reminiscing of past loved ones, friends, happy childhoods, school days, and the list just goes on. .

You've heard me often encourage reunion group participation. For those that have come off the walk, this group can mean so much more than just keeping you accountable. This can be the start of lasting and precious friendships. My reunion group is just that. We've been with each other thru births, deaths, loss of jobs, moves, and I've been blessed beyond measure by these women. They helped create a precious memory for me just the last couple of weeks. My granddaughter was in a musical at church and I asked for prayer for their choir director and their program. Well, the night of the musical, who was there but four of these precious women from my group along with one of their husbands who is a dear friend. My heart was so full and so touched by this simple act of "agape" for my granddaughter and her night. Memories...I've another "precious memory" now.

I want to thank Chris Yates, Tree Akers, and Greg Bolton and his group that led us in worship at the May gathering. I also want to thank the two young ladies who shared with us their 4th days and where God may be leading them in the future.

Just a little reminder, keep the fall walks and directors in your prayers: Amanda Earles and Mark Ott for Chrysalis 42; Fritz and Lydia Giesecke and the men's and women's walks as they will be starting to form teams; Rod Brown and the Nicaraguan community. And I know we're most anxious to hear from Steve Hart and his team to share with us REC 15 experiences.

Again, thank you for filling my life with your love and support. See you June 6 at Gathering! Bring a friend! God bless!

Behind The Cross,

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Sponsorship

From www.etaownemmaus.org

Now is the time to start praying for the Pilgrims you would like to sponsor for the Fall Walks!

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!

Sponsorship is an act of love for God, your friends, the local church and for the Emmaus Community. It demonstrates agape love, making us instruments of prevenient grace.

:: Link <http://www.etaownemmaus.org/sponsorship.php>

Prayer Time

COUNTRY—LEADERS—WORLD—CHURCHES

- Nicaraguan Community
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Families
- Emmaus & Chrysalis Sponsorship
- Emmaus Lay Directors (Spring 2008)
 - Fritz Giesecke (Men's Walk #108)
 - Lydia Giesecke (Women's Walk #109)
- Chrysalis #42 Directors
 - Amanda Earles (Girls)
 - Mark Ott (Boys)

Elizabethtown Emmaus Online

There is a wealth of information about our Emmaus Community available on the Internet 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Visit www.etownemmaus.org to get the most current information on:

- Events
- Reunion Groups
- Upcoming and Past Walks
- Current and Past Newsletters
- Volunteer Forms and Applications
- And Much, Much More!

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

Mark Your Calendars

Saturday June 7th	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Saturday July 5th	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Saturday August 2nd	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Saturday September 6th	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Saturday October 4th	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC
Saturday Oct 16th - 19th	Men's Walk 108		Campground
Saturday Oct 23rd - 26th	Women's Walk 109		Campground
Saturday November 1st	Board Meeting Gathering	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial UMC

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