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## CALENDAR *Upcoming Emmaus Walks*

- Men's Walk #64 Jan. 17-20**
- Candlelight, 1/19/02, 8:30 pm- Sanctuary
- Closing, 1/20/02, 4:30 p.m. - Refectory
- Women's Walk #79 Feb. 14-17**
- Men's Walk #65 May 16-19**
- Women's Walk #80 June 20-23**
- Men's Walk #66 Oct. 17-20**
- Women's Walk #81 Nov. 14-17**

**Other Community Events**  
**Gathering: Wed: Jan 2 -- 7:30 pm**  
**Gathering: Wed: Feb 6 -- 7:30 pm**  
 Bd. Meeting: Feb 12-- 7 pm

For complete Pilgrim Lists, Applications, Emmaus information and links to other communities, log in at [www.cincinnatiemmaus.org](http://www.cincinnatiemmaus.org)

# Emmaus Community News

## Men's Walk #64:

Below are the names of the team and pilgrims for the next Walk. Please remember to keep these people in your prayers so that their hearts will be prepared for the Lord to work in and through them. (List as of 12/19/01)

*Joshua 24:15d "but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."*

PILGRIM	CHURCH	SPONSOR
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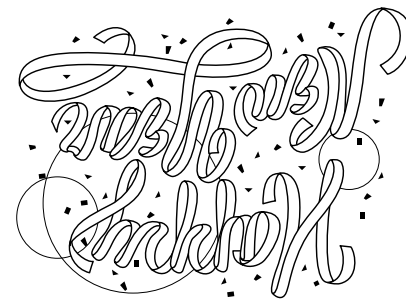
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- Rev. Jim Clark ..... Sanctifying Grace
- Rev. Richard Coldwell .. Prevenient Grace
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- Craig Monsell, TL ..... Body of Christ
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- Rev. Alice Wolfe ..... Obstacles of Grace
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**SPONSORS: Remember 4th Day books are available for purchase (\$5). They are a great gift for a Pilgrim's Fourth Day!**



## Kids' Cuties

A Sunday school teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

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A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination, looking at the old pages as he turned them. Then something fell out of the Bible and he picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that has been pressed in between the pages. "Momma, look what I found," the boy called out. "What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked. With astonishment in the young boy's voice he answered, "It's Adam's suit!"

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Six-year old Angie and her four-year old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

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One Sunday in a Midwest city, a young child was "acting up" during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew but were losing the battle.. Finally, the father picked the little fellow up and walked sternly up the aisle on his way out. Just before reaching the safety of the foyer, the little one called loudly to the congregation, "Pray for me! Pray for me!"

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## Spiritual Director's Message

### HAPPY NEW YEAR EMMAUS FRIENDS

Hope you each experienced the wonders of God's love during the Advent/Christmas season again in your hearts, homes and places of worship. Jesus the one who came to "dwell among us" renews our faith. The Spirit of Christ has carried us through the last year and that same Spirit will sustain us in the year 2002. God has been faithful and we have been faithful.

.. As spiritual director of the Greater Cincinnati Emmaus Community and as an associate pastor of HPCUMC, there is some official information I need to share with you that will be a major change for our Emmaus community and the walks.

HPCUMC purchased the Monastery of the Holy Name on Erie Ave. in October of 2001. The reason to purchase was driven by the needs to expand ministries and address current space issues of this church. Through the process of several brainstorming sessions, the leading of the Spirit, a decision to move the Emmaus weekends to this new venue seemed right.

HPCUMC has offered hospitality and a home for Emmaus for some 25 years and will continue to support us in its commitment to this ecumenical Christian outreach. The Emmaus board is excited about the transition, sees the mutual benefits or opportunities for this ministry and HPCUMC to expand its ministries because of this change.

In order for the transition to run smoothly we are creating an Emmaus Task Force Team. This team will consist of current and past board members, as well as at large members from the Emmaus community and the spiritual director's. We will work closely with the church's transition team in conversation in

## What is Chrysalis?

The growth stage between caterpillar and butterfly is called a chrysalis. On the surface it may not look like much is happening, but the delicate process changes the fuzzy caterpillar into an awesome butterfly with wings of intricate designs and intense colors. The chrysalis process symbolizes how Christ can transform us into something beyond our dreams. It happens when we grow beyond ourselves, opening our life to Jesus' power and love.

Chrysalis is the name chosen for the youth version of The Walk to Emmaus, its parent movement, because it symbolizes the spiritual growth that is essential between adolescence and

adulthood. That growth is as crucial for youth as the cocoon is for the caterpillar. It is that precious time of nurturing a person's faith for discipleship.

This three-day spiritual renewal time provides an opportunity for our youth to learn more about faith, to experience Christian love and support, and to make new faith commitments. The point is to inspire, challenge, and equip our youth for a closer friendship with Christ and for Christian action at home, church, school, and community.

Chrysalis lifts up a way for our youth to enjoy Christ's friendship and love and to be Christ's friend and partner in the world. The three days focus on

moving forward in the next several months. Much work will have to be done and many are needed to accomplish the tasks. We are calling on the community to pray and support this endeavor with servant hearts and openness to God's activity at this time.

In closing, I see this as a real opportunity to re-focus our energies to making Emmaus even more effective. This space will lend well to a more contemplative, cloistered experience than the walks currently have. Private rooms for pilgrims will be more accommodating. It is a setting that is hallowed and invites us to simplify and self-examine our spiritual lives as Christians.

I recognize that change can be challenging, confusing, and not very comfortable. Transition is part of life. It is my hope and prayer that we can embrace this adventure as pioneers of some new thing God is about to do with Emmaus. I invite you to fully participate in positive ways in making our new home for the walks a reality. We will continue to have our monthly gatherings in the sanctuary at the Grace Ave. site.

At the end of next year, we will once again celebrate how Christ has blessed and sustained us as an Emmaus community. The grace of God and the help of God call us to be faithful and obedient to this wonderful ministry in partnership with HPCUMC.

Christ is counting on you, blessings in the New Year,

*Dave Weaver*

PS. Updates will be presented at the gatherings and in the newsletters or special mailings.

God's grace, their experience with Christ as a friend, what it means to be the body of Christ, and giving love to a needy world.

Chrysalis Girls and Boys Flights are scheduled to take place in July this year. Monthly Hoots (Chrysalis version of the Emmaus gatherings) are on the 4th Tuesday of every month at Milford UMC at 7 p.m.

If you are interested in more information about Chrysalis, please visit the Chrysalis website, [www.cgcchrysalis.com](http://www.cgcchrysalis.com), or you can contact the Emmaus Chrysalis Board Rep, Sharon Hofer.

## Thoughts from your Lay Director

### HAPPY NEW YEAR, DEAR FRIENDS!

Thanks to all of you who have given me encouragement and loving support as I humbly begin this year serving as Lay Leader of the Greater Cincinnati Emmaus Community. Michael Kuremsky has done a superb job in this role in 2001 and I realize that I now have "big shoes" to fill! However, the role of Lay Leader is only one position of many on the Emmaus Board of Directors that works behind the scenes to keep our community operating smoothly. Until I served on the Board, I had no idea of its purpose, responsibilities or the commitment that was required by each member. I'm guessing that many of you are unaware of its role too!

The Emmaus Board is made up of about 25 individuals from a variety of backgrounds with different gifts and

abilities. Each position on the Board is very important and requires a commitment of time and hard work. Some of the responsibilities of these positions include processing applications for the Walks, registering pilgrims, contacting Sponsors, purchasing supplies for the weekends, selecting leaders for future Walks and encouraging and assisting community members who are seeking share groups. Others are called to provide spiritual direction and prayer support, to coordinate the logistics for all Emmaus activities, to plan food and to lead music for Gatherings and Candlelights. Then there are those who mail agape letters (like we see on the walls of the conference room) to communities all over the world and others who are reaching out beyond the community to groups and individuals on behalf of Emmaus. Of course, as with any organization, the key roles of secretary and treasurer are also needed. A liaison between the Chrysalis and Emmaus communities also serves on the

Board and finally we have those who have the talent of providing this wonderful newsletter for all of us.

In Matthew 20: 25-28, Jesus describes the role of servant leaders. Simply stated these are people leading others by serving them. This is the role of the Emmaus Board of Directors. We meet monthly and are here to serve you, the Emmaus Community. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

I am grateful to those who have agreed to serve on the Emmaus Board for the coming year and I am excited and blessed to be a part of this group of servant leaders.

I look forward to a wonderful new year in the Emmaus Community as together we praise and serve Our Heavenly Father and His son, Jesus Christ.

God Bless you all,  
*Shirley Lowe*

## B.L.E.S.S.IN.G.S.

Twice for each Walk, a group of dedicated individuals get together for B.L.E.S.S.IN.G.S. (Blissfully Loading Extra Sleep Systems IN God's Service). In other words, men and women help move mattresses so that the Pilgrims and Team can rest comfortably on the weekend. Well, if not comfortably, then at least they can lay down!

The mattresses are stored in a facility on Ridge Road and we must go there to load them on trucks, cars, vans or whatever is available. Then we bring them back to HPCUMC and carry them up to the second and third floors and, at times, some to the Refectory. This is all done on the Wednesday before the Walk. Then, on Sunday morning – bright and early at 6:00AM – we get to reverse the process and re-load them and take them back to storage. At this time we have the use of a truck that will hold all the mattresses, however, this is not a permanent donation, and someday we will again rely on individual's trucks, vans, etc.

Mattresses have been moved with as few as TWO people (can you imagine?!?), so they will get moved, but like anything else, many hands make light work and most of the time we can use many more hands than we have. If there are enough people – 12 to 15 or more would be ideal – we can move them in less than an hour. With enough people, no one has to climb up and down the stairs, but we can form a 'chain' and hand them up one to another. This really makes the job easier. And ladies, as you should remember from your Walk, the mattresses are not very big and heavy, so, yes, you too can get your B.L.E.S.S.IN.G.S.!!!

On future Agape charts, please consider listing your name under mattress moving. Or just show up on the Wednesday of Walk week at 6:00-6:30PM and/or the Sunday of the Walk at 6:00-6:30AM. And if you never thought you could laugh at 6:30 on Sunday morning, be there and find out how good it feels, especially while you are getting your B.L.E.S.S.IN.G.S.

Submitted by Bill Lindenschmidt, Walk 46, Table of Jeremiah