

Newsletter of the Northwest  
Ohio Emmaus and  
Chrysalis Community

# The Joyful Noise

February 2010

Do You Want to Keep Your  
Emmaus Experience Alive in  
You?

## GET INVOLVED!

Attend Gatherings,  
Send-Off, Candlelight &  
Closing

Help Set-up for the Walks on  
Wednesday Evening

Serve in the Kitchen, on  
Logistics, Agape or Social

Make Agape for the Walks

Get Involved in a Share  
Group

Be a Sponsor

Serve on a Team

Serve on the Board

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I woke up today wondering what might be in the making. I knew that several things needed to get done. It was going to be 'one of those days', when everyone wanted their needs met, yesterday. I dreaded having to get started. As I had my daily quiet time, one of the scripture passages was the familiar verses we know as 'The Lord's Prayer'. One verse hit me. . . "Give us day by day our daily bread." (NKJV). I remembered a book that I had read a couple of years ago, Max Lucado's "Every Day Deserves a Chance". In the book, the author encourages his readers to fill each day with GOD:

Grace. Oversight. Direction.  
G-O-D.

It was a good reminder. Each day we awaken from sleep is a gift of God's grace. Instead of dreading what might lie ahead, we can saturate the day in his grace. After all, Lamentations tells us, "The Lord's love never ends; his mercies never stop. They are new every morning." So, we can trust God with what each day holds. God is watching over us. And, we are promised that God meets daily needs daily. He will take care of our needs. . . if we will let him. Hebrews tells us, "Go confidently to the throne of God's kindness to receive mercy and find kindness, which will help us at the right time." We must accept God's direction for us. We all have a role in life. We have a part to play. We aren't all the same, called to be the same. Each of us is an original. But, we are all called to the same. Jesus said, "If any of you want to be my followers, you must forget about yourself. You must take up your cross each day and follow me." (Luke 9:23) What does that mean? To take up the cross is to take up Christ's burden for the people of the world he has created. Our cross is our calling, our task. The Apostle Paul tells us, "The Lord has assigned to each his task." (1 Cor. 3) And God has given us the abilities we need for the task that he has given. What is the task God has assigned to you?

De Colores!!

Rev. Jim Roynon, Spiritual Director

## **NEW NWO EMMAUS BOARD MEMBERS ARE:**

***New 3 year terms – Rusty Coey, Kris Jackson, John Kaylor, Margie Smith and Lisa Walz***

***Accepting 2 year terms to fill open slots from 2009 – Carissa Hefflinger, Kathy Mohler and Rick Sexton***

.Thank you for all who voted, and for those who accepted the call.

# 2010 Emmaus Board of Directors

| POSITION            | NAME               | EMAIL                         |
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Say **Thank you** to those going off the 2009 Board of Directors.

## Newest members from Women's Walk #67

Kimberly Ackley, Deborah Bok, Alta Bowers, Angela Nowser, Tracey Britt, Karen Clarke, Beverly Goins, Connie Grant, Lisa Haldy, Susan Hopkins, Lisa Johnson, Marilyn Joyner, Denise Kamer, Jeannine Lindquist, Gerri Masters, Stephanie Mazur, Lori McQuade, Donna Owens, Ruth Paschen, Dianne Phipps, Dolores Rice, Lynne Saunders, Candice Seaman, Beverly Snyder, Stacey Snyder, Ciara Stewart, Casemira Trumbull, Julia Trumbull, Jenni Wallace, Linda Welch, Pebbles Westfall

## Newest members from Men's Walk # 58

Paul Ackerman, Aaron Brown, Alan Calvin, Lonn Dugan, Jeremy Fisher, Arthur Goetz, Steven Greek, Timothy Hall, Jon Heffner, St., Desmond Johnson, Larry Joyner, Rich Knight II, Bradley Lindquist, Brian Lochbihler, Troy Masters, Tim McQuade, John Newlin, Seth Nofziger, John Paschen, Jr., Terry Perkins, Ben Resendez, George Roush, Kevin Sapp, Neil Shaffer, Daniel Stuckey, David Thompson, Tim Wright and Joe Brown (My apologies for his name being left off the list.)

## GO ONLINE!!!

The new Emmaus Web Site is operational. *You can print off the registration form and newsletter at this time.*  
[www.nwoemmaus.com](http://www.nwoemmaus.com) DO NOT USE .org.

You can sign up to volunteer. You must register on the site. Please use your firstname.lastname for your user name. Fill out your profile and set a password. You can set yourself up for Constant Contact emails.

In October 2009 you were able to vote online for the first time.

**Watch for more information on the Web Site as it is expanded.**

## 2010 Dates

### Emmaus Walks:

Men's #59 – Feb 11-14 @ Bryan  
 Women's #68 – Feb 19-21 @ Bryan  
 Women's #69 – Jul 15-18 @ Epworth  
 Men's #60 – Oct 14-17 @ Bryan  
 Women's #70 – Oct 21-24 @ Bryan

### Kairos Weekends:

#14 – April 29-May 2  
 #15 – Nov 4-7

### Chrysalis Flights:

Boy's #22 – Mar 12-14  
 Girl's #23 – Jun 25-27  
 Girl's #24 – Oct 8-10  
 Boy's #23 – Nov 12-14

### Gatherings:

Feb 27 @ Wesley UMC in Bryan  
 Apr 24 @ Delta UMC  
 Jul 24 @ Epworth UMC  
 Oct 30 @ Wesley UMC in Bryan  
 Dec 4 - TBA

## Greetings to all:

Most of our lives we have heard of small groups, Jesus and His Disciples, sports teams (The Fighting Irish of Notre Dame), The Fantastic Four, and how about Superman and Lois Lane. Well, how is your small group – your share group going? Are you leaping over tall buildings with a single bound?

I would like to encourage you to join a share group. A group of Christians with whom you can share your struggles and joys each week. A group of friends who can hold you accountable to live Christ-like. To share an evening or morning of fun. Being in a small group will not keep you out of harm, but could help you in time of need. Join a share group and help make the next Walk to Emmaus a success just like your walk was a success.

Colossians 3:12-14 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on Love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

May your share group have perfect unity bound with love.

Javier Lerma, Good Shepherd for 2009

From Your Community Lay Director

A new year always seems to start with, well "New". This year your NWO Emmaus board has 8 "new" members. All but 3 of the elected board members have "new" positions with "new" responsibilities. We, as a board, have "new" challenges this year.

During our first Executive Committee meeting, I presented goals and objectives for 2010. These goals and objectives were reviewed with the board during our January's meeting. Even though most of these may not be "new", I would like to list them for you so you know what your board will be working on this year.

#### Goals

1. Build and maintain relationships in the community
2. Increase volunteer participation
3. Increase pilgrim walk attendance
4. Have a healthier board by December of 2010

#### Objectives

1. Improve relationship with Chrysalis board and ministry
2. Improve support to Lay Directors of upcoming walks
3. Increase usage of our Website
4. Update board manuals and position sub-committees
5. Recruit new community members to be active in community
  - a. Implement table leader follow-up contact sheets
6. Fill the Music Director's position
7. Use candlelights as education opportunities for the community
8. Increase involvement from Toledo community
9. Review and update NWO Emmaus bylaws

You may already have some "new" ideas or would like to help with one or more of the above items. If so, please email me at [alantemp@roadrunner.com](mailto:alantemp@roadrunner.com). I know we have a lot of work to do this year to accomplish many of these goals. I want you to know that I am very encouraged by the enthusiasm of this year's board. I sense there is a real interest in making changes and improvements. For example, we talked about being good stewards of everyone's time. You will see your board working to start gatherings and events on time. The reunion will start at 6:00pm sharp! Heads will be bowed at 6:30pm for the fellowship meal. And the gathering will start at 7:30pm. And yes, our own board meetings will start at 7:00pm sharp!

I will use the Joyful Noise to update you on your board's accomplishments and challenges. The board is working hard to support the February Walks and we would encourage you to help as well. The Walk Lay Directors have assembled a great team and from what I hear, they are looking to be "the best Walks ever".

Alan Adam – Chairperson, 2010 Board

I am trying to help update our database and expand it to include churches of the area.

I NEED VOLUNTEERS! THANK YOU!!

My goal is to have a contact person at every church in NWO who have sent more than ten individuals on Emmaus Walks by early 2010. Some churches have many people and some have only a few. A contact person who has email would allow us to stay in better contact with all individuals through the help of a few. If you are willing to be a contact person for your church, please contact me ASAP with your name, email address, church name and address.

My own church this year has designated a church liaison person for Emmaus who keeps information out and current and stays in contact with us. Our church list now has over 130 persons who have attended Emmaus or Chrysalis.

I am also helping to update the clergy list. If you know where some of our previous clergy have gone, please send me or our Spiritual Director an email with the information-- out of area, same place, or new church and its address and phone number or email if you know it. These items will help us to update our information and to use it more efficiently. Or if you can share names and phone numbers or email addresses of new pastors in the area.

Gwynn Drown, Outreach Chair  
NWO Women's Walk #29

Grace, Mercy & Peace for our Lord Jesus to each of you.

I want to first express my Thanks to those who allowed their names to be entered into the election process. We need new blood to further the life of this vehicle called Emmaus.

Emmaus, for me, was a gift from God. It gave me a new set of glasses with which to view my Lord and a new instrument to be used to spread the Good News. I am/have been refreshed! I have seen others by the score, come away from weekends with a new lease on life. I have seen people come to the realization, on a weekend, that they did not really have an intimate relationship with Jesus and ask him into their hearts and life! Oh, what a joy to be a part of this movement called Emmaus; to be part of a group that offers living water to their fellow man in this period of time where people are thirsty and reaching out for something that is real, something they can feel, something that will make a difference in their lives for the rest of their lives.

I thank my Lord Jesus for putting my name on the heart of my sponsor a decade ago. I want others to see, feel and experience Emmaus and get a renewal of Spirit. Jesus is really AWESOME.

I accepted the challenge to serve on your board for three years as a direct result of what I received from my weekend. I wish to encourage all 4<sup>th</sup> day Pilgrims to step up and sponsor a weary pilgrim that needs a new drink of the living water to spur their soul into action for Jesus.

I am also asking each 4<sup>th</sup> day Pilgrim to endeavor to work with your new board. Encourage them; bring constructive criticism, offer to help in the areas God has gifted you, renew your efforts to be a bearer of the Good News to the world around you. Like the old cliché says: It's only one Life and will soon be past and only what's done for Christ will last.

Loyal Briskey  
2009 Secretary of NW Ohio Emmaus Community

### ***MEN'S WALK #59 - Final List***

| <b>Pilgrim's Name</b> |          | <b>Worships at this church</b>  | <b>Sponsor's Name</b> |           |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Mike                  | Atherine | Fallen Timbers Community Church | Jim                   | Farthing  |
| Jim                   | Bright   | Liberty Chapel U. M. C.         | John                  | Hartford  |
| Michael               | Drewyor  | Maumee United Methodist         | Anita                 | Leininger |
| Daniel                | Gardner  | Crosspoint Community Church     | George                | Roush     |
| Steve                 | Godwin   | Riverpoint Ministries U. M. C.  | Tim                   | Hall      |
| George                | Hall     | House of Prayer                 | Jeff                  | Petry     |
| Dave                  | Harmon   | River Point Ministries U.M.C.   | Tim                   | Hall      |
| Javan                 | Harris   | Timberlake                      | Jeff                  | Harris    |
| Jerry                 | Hillis   | Napolean Church of the Nazarene | Teresa                | Lowinski  |
| Zach                  | Johnson  | Sunrise Community Church        | Kirk                  | Thompson  |
| Gerard                | Kane     | Crossroads Community            | Gary                  | Obee      |
| Michael               | Kirsch   | Ney United Methodist Church     | Kirk                  | Thompson  |
| Clint                 | Krill    | Trinity Bible                   | Sharon                | Krill     |
| William               | Lowinski | Church of the Nazarene          | Jennifer              | Lowinski  |
| John                  | Mixon    | Crossroads Community            | Jerry                 | Dunne     |
| Richard               | Ruckman  | First Congregational            | Gary                  | Turner    |
| Roger                 | Scott    | St. John's Lutheran Church      | Jean                  | Scott     |
| David                 | Sgro     | Swanton Alliance Group          | Bryan                 | Sanchez   |
| Jeff                  | Snyder   | Wesley U. M. C.                 | Stacey                | Snyder    |
| Patrick               | Stutsman | House of Prayer                 | Jeff                  | Petry     |
| Bill                  | Vollmar  | Liberty Chapel U.M.C.           | Debbye                | Hoffman   |
| Joseph                | Woodring | Metamora United Methodist       | Paul                  | Barnes    |

| <b>Team #59</b>              | <b>Name</b>          |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Lay Director                 | Paul Barnes          |
| Music Director               | Jack Brace           |
| Lay Director In Training     | Mike Schings         |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Kurt Plouck          |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Butch Dhondt         |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Mike Mann            |
| Table Leader                 | Ray Sudheimer        |
| Table Leader                 | Larry Woodring       |
| Table Leader                 | Alan Adam            |
| Table Leader                 | Pete Cousino         |
| Table Leader                 | Murry Schaffner      |
| Table Leader                 | Butch Double         |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Tim Scott            |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Lyle Shiffert        |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Kris Walz            |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Jon Heffner, Sr.     |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Scott Starcher       |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Steve Greek          |
| Experienced Logistics        | Phil Lamb            |
| Experienced Logistics        | Bill Welker          |
| Logistics                    | Kenny Walz           |
| Logistics                    | Jim Batterson        |
| Spiritual Director           | Bill Holsopple       |
| Assistant Spiritual Director | John Paschen Jr.     |
| Assistant Spiritual Director | Mike Waldron         |
| Assistant Spiritual Director | Gary & Sandy Stuckey |
| Assistant Spiritual Director | Bruce Tumblin        |

**CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** is only for persons who have completed an Emmaus, Chrysalis, or similar 3-day spiritual renewal weekend, such as Great Banquet, Cursillo, etc. Do not invite family members who have not attended one of these weekends. Child care available.

Last year, beginning of 2009, The Board re-established the position of supply chairman. This position had been eliminated and meted out to different other positions. This was confusing because no one was sure who was supposed to be responsible for which supplies. It is now the Supply Chairman's responsibility to purchase and maintain the needed supplies for all the Emmaus Walks, such as art materials, cleaning supplies, medical supplies, etc. (not including kitchen supplies or supplies for gatherings).

I accepted the position and am currently working on storage issues and rearranging and organizing the bins which hold the supplies. I also hope to create a manual so that it will be easier for the next chairman to work in this position. If anyone has questions, comments, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

2 Corinthians 9:8 states: "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work".

May all of our walks be acceptable in God's sight not only having all the supplies we need, but all of God's grace as well.

In Christ, Butch Dhondt

### WOMEN'S WALK #68

as of Feb. 11

| Pilgrim's Name | Worships at this church | Sponsor's Name                     |
|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Kelli          | Alspaugh                | Bryan Wesley United Methodist      |
| Mary Jo        | Atherine                | Fallen Timbers Community Church    |
| Kim            | Baer                    | Mainstreet Church                  |
| Jill           | Barnd                   | Life Ghanging Realities Fellowship |
| Mary Lou       | Barnum                  | Stryker United Methodist           |
| Sue Ellen      | Beckey                  | Element Church                     |
| Sharon         | Blank                   | Maumee United Methodist Church     |
| Diane          | Brassil                 | Maumee United Methodist Church     |
| Jenny          | Brown                   | Central Mennonite Church           |
| Shannon        | Brown                   | Central Mennonite Church           |
| Shannon        | Brown                   | Living Hope Free Methodist         |
| Chris          | Donnal                  | Alger Assembly of God              |
| Tiffany        | Drown                   | Life Changing Realities Church     |
| Janice         | Fogel                   | Maumee United Methodist Church     |
| Patty          | Fruth                   | Evansport United Methodist         |
| Crystal        | Goodnight               | Stryker United Methodist Church    |
| Sherri         | Grant                   | Pleasant View Church of Christ     |
| Amy            | Huntsman                | McCord Road Christian Church       |
| Emmi           | Johnson                 | Sunrise Community Church           |
| Kimber Lee     | Karamol                 | Crossroad Community Church         |
| Darlene        | Kuhl                    | Maumee United Methodist Church     |
| Sabrina        | Metcalf                 | Northpoint Church                  |
| Teresa         | Ondrus                  | Mainstreet Church                  |
| Greta          | Perkins                 | New Hope Community Church          |
| Linda Kilgus   | Ruckman                 | First Congregational               |
| M. Sue         | Shuster                 | Alger Assembly of God              |
| April          | Sloan                   | Stryker United Methodist Church    |
| Teresa         | Utterback               | Maumee United Methodist Church     |
| Nancy          | Valentine               | First Baptist Church               |
| Lisa           | Whaley                  | Element Church                     |
| Joy            | Yoder                   | Central Mennonite Church           |
| Patricia       | Young                   | Elliston Zion United Methodist     |

| Team #68 Role                | Name              |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Lay Director                 | Kris Jackson      |
| Music Director               | Beth Figley       |
| Assistant Music Direcor      | Sheila Gruenhagen |
| Lay Director in Training     | Jane Whisler      |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Amy Brace         |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Cathy Brillhart   |
| Assistant Lay Director       | Laura Switzer     |
| Table Leader                 | Vicki Adam        |
| Table Leader                 | Joan Batterson    |
| Table Leader                 | Marsha Horner     |
| Table Leader                 | Beth Morrill      |
| Table Leader                 | Polly Richardson  |
| Table Leader                 | Margie Smith      |
| Table Leader                 | Marilyn Waite     |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Jan Batt          |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Linda Flesher     |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Anita Leininger   |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Mary Roesti       |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Kathy Smith       |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Sharon Stone      |
| Assistant Table Leader       | Sue Tianello      |
| Logistics                    | Rita Bare         |
| Logistics                    | Kathy Hartford    |
| Logistics                    | Val Pluock        |
| Logistics                    | Lori Coey         |
| Spiritual Director           | Jim Roynon        |
| Assistant Spiritual Director | Becky Ploughe     |
| Asst. Spiritual Director     | Mike Waldron      |
| Asst. Spiritual Director     | Ruth Crist        |
| Asst. Spiritual Director     | Diane Schaffner   |

### Looking for Boys for the next Chrysalis Walk in March

Chrysalis is important to help forge the leaders of our churches in the future. If you know of young people who could benefit from this experience, get them registered NOW. Go check out the [nwochrysalis.org](http://nwochrysalis.org) site and registration forms.



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### Gathering/Reunion

Saturday, Feb 27, 2010, Bryan

Debriefing (#59 & # 68) – 5:30  
Reunion (#59 & # 68)-6:00;  
Meal – 6:30; Worship – 7:30

A postcard was mailed out to all to gather information, new addresses, email addresses, etc.  
Please return the card to us, drop it off, email me the answers, or call.

The cards mailed out are coming in, and do we have a job in front of us. Probably 1000 plus cards have been "Returned to sender" which means moved – over a year ago.

However, we plan to create a list of only the newsletters to be mailed. For all others we hope you take advantage of reading it on the Web Site. **If you do desire the newsletter to be mailed to you, I need to hear from you.**  
**You can email me, call me or mail your request to the address listed below.**

If I do not hear from you I will assume you plan on using the Web Site version. THANKS!!

Gwynn Drown, Outreach Chair, [momdrown24@aol.com](mailto:momdrown24@aol.com), 419-345-4007,  
or mail To 2544 Patrice Ln., Maumee OH 43537

## Help Us Stay in Contact With You

*Would you like to receive notices when the newest Joyful Noise has been posted to our website?*

*Would you like to receive current announcements affecting your Northwest Ohio Emmaus Community?*

*Would you like to receive prayer requests from your Emmaus brothers and sisters?*

On the new [nwoemmaus.com](http://nwoemmaus.com) site you will find a box to check (to receive emails) on your profile. If you need to update your email information, please follow these same instructions. If you registered under a different email address, please go here and change to your new email address.

If you have a Prayer Request or an Emmaus announcement that you would like to share, or have a new email address, please feel free to email it to [momdrown24@aol.com](mailto:momdrown24@aol.com).