

Newsletter of the
Northwest Ohio
Emmaus and Chrysalis
Community

The Joyful Noise

October 2009

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

The Gift of Faith

GET INVOLVED!

Attend Gatherings,
Send-Off, Candlelight &
Closing

Help Set-up for the
Walks on Wednesday
Evening

Serve in the Kitchen, on
Logistics or Social

Make Agape for the
Walks

Get Involved in a Share
Group

Be a Sponsor

Serve on a Team

Serve on the Board

It has been a very good summer. Our garden has produced almost more than we can handle. The cherry trees gave us much fruit. We have been up to our elbows in apples. . .literally. . .as we have been making apple sauce. Even our pear trees are producing enough for the two of us to have fresh fruit. And, much earlier than usual!

The Bible says that the gift of faith produces fruit. Confident that the Holy Spirit has planted faith in us, we are ready to begin another 'season' of walks, ready to bloom with what the Apostle Paul called the 'fruit of the Spirit' – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. This is the fruit Jesus produced so perfectly during His earthly ministry. His life, death and resurrection has equipped us to continue His ministry, as His hands and feet. We can care for believers on the journey. The Holy Spirit commissions us to share our faith, and we can strengthen believers through prayer, listening, preparing and witnessing. In a sense, this community is God's produce department.

As you enjoy that fresh peach, crispy green beans, and fresh, homegrown tomatoes, be sure to thank God for what you have received. And, take the time to thank God for what He is doing in the Northwest Ohio area (as well as throughout the whole world!) Remember to imitate the One who has given what we eat. Be fruitful and feed others with the Gospel that has made you grow. Get more involved in the many ministry opportunities of the church, the communities in which you live and work, and this Emmaus community as well. May this be a 'banner' season of Christ's great grace and love.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Emmaus Calendar Dates

From our Community
Spiritual Director

Outreach Chair

Worship Chair

Board Candidate Bios

Outreach & Constant
Contact

De Colores!!

Rev. Jim Roynon, Spiritual Director

Emmaus attendees are leaders within your home church. But WE NEED YOU! Five people will be going off the Emmaus Board in December.

This has been our request for several months---and we THANK all of those willing to run and help guide the NWO Emmaus community over the next three years. Check out the bios inside this newsletter. Voting will be at the Gathering on November 7.

The November newsletter will have the newly elected Board members who will then attend the December meeting in preparation for 2010

2009 Emmaus Board of Directors

POSITION	NAME	EMAIL
Spiritual Director	Rev. Jim Roynon	njroynon@fulton-net.com
Chairperson	Steve Brillhart	topbrilling@yahoo.com
Leadership	Debbye Hoffman	td@tdhoffman.com
Secretary/Treasurer	Loyal Briskey	ruoyal2@yahoo.com
Agape West	Connie Tibbets	ctibbets@parker.com
Chrysalis	Rusty Coey	ruoco@wcnnet.org
Database Management	Jane Whisler	bryan_so@nwoca.org
Epworth Liaison	Laura Switzer	lswitzer@buckeye-express.com
Good Shepherd	Javier Lerma	jklerma@msn.com
Kairos	Jerry Dunne	junne708@bex.net
Kitchen	Karen Pastor	mema@cityofbryan.net
Log West	Mike Tippin	bry_aca_mt@nwoca.org
Outreach	Gwynn Drown	momdrown24@aol.com
Registration	Allen Drown	alldrown@aol.com
Social	Larry Waite	sparks6708@juno.com
Sponsorship	Alan Adam	alantemp@roadrunner.com
Supplies	Butch Dhondt	mcdhondt@aol.com
Wesley Liaison	Randy Price	rsprice@cityofbryan.net
Worship	Gordon Ward	gordonward@bex.net

GO ONLINE!!!

The new Emmaus Web Site is operational as of this newsletter. You can print off the registration form and newsletter at this time.
www.nwoemmaus.com

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.

Watch for more information on the Web Site in the near future.

Women's Walk # 67 Pilgrims/Home Church

Kimberly	Ackley	Cedar Creek Church
Deborah	Bok	Life Changing Realities Fellowship
Alta	Bowers	Oasis Christian Fellowship
Angela	Bowser	Dayspring Assembly of God
Tracey	Britt	Cedar Creek Church
Karen	Clarke	Cedar Creek Church
Beverly	Goins	First Congregational
Connie	Grant	St. Paul's UMC
Lisa	Haldy	St. John's UCC
Susan	Hopkins	House of Prayer
Lisa	Johnson	First UMC
Marilyn	Joyner	Calvary Assembly of God
Denise	Kamer	Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission
Jeannine	Lindquist	Cedar Creek Church
Gerri	Masters	Solid Rock Community Church
Stephanie	Mazur	St. Michael Catholic
Lori	McQuade	Archbold Evangelical Church
Donna	Owens	Cedar Creek Church
Ruth	Paschen	Aldersgate UMC
Diane	Phipps	House of Prayer
Dolores	Rice	Mainstree United Brethern
Lynne	Saunders	Epworth UMC
Candice	Seaman	Clyde Christian Church
Beverly	Snyder	Community Christian Church
Stacey	Snyder	Wesley UMC
Ciara	Stewart	Collingwood LUMC
Casemira	Trumbull	New Hope UMC
Julia	Trumbull	New Hope UMC
Jenni	Wallace	Pathway Community Church
Linda	Welch	Liberty Cchapel UMC
Pebbles	Westfall	Liberty Chapel UMC

EMMAUS WALKS for 2009

Women's #67 @ Bryan, Oct. 22-25

KAIROS Weekends

Oct 29-Nov 1, ToCI & MUMC

GATHERINGS for 2009

Sat., Nov. 7 @ Central Mennonite;
 Reunion @ 5, Pastg @ 6, Meal @
 6:30, Gathering @ 7:30

Sat., Dec. 5 @ Central Mennonite in
 Archbold; Meal @ 6, Gathering @ 7

Chrysalis Events

Boy's Chrysalis, Oct 16-18, @
 MUMC

Women's Walk # 67 Team members:

Kris Beck (Lay Director), Beth Figley, Jess Short, Kris Jackson, Kelly Hephner, Amy Blankenship, Jodi Caryer, Betsy Zuver, Bonnie Zup, Beth Bowers, Melissa Beerbower, Melanie Calvin, Kim Brown, Lynsey Slagle, Lori Turner, Wendy Wilson, Sallie Gardner, Iris Restemayer, Kim Tumblin, Erin Hachtel, Susan Crist, Joan Cousino, Lisa Walz, Ellen Gearhart, Judy Handy, Scot Ocke (Spiritual Director), Diane Schaffner, Ruth Ann Scoby, Joannie Schilling, Bruce Tumblin

Newest members from Men's Walk # 58

Paul Ackerman, Aaron Brown, Alan Calvin, Lonnn 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

How are Your Fourth Days?

Our 72 hour Emmaus weekend is a once in a lifetime experience. It never can be duplicated. However, we all can maintain our growth experience by being in a Share Group. Did you know that there are several Share Groups still thriving, after being formed during the first pair of Walks 20 years ago? Are you in a Share Group? Why not? Get together with some of the folks who were at your table and get one going. You'll find it a very worthwhile investment of your time.

Do you ever pull out the table agape that you got on your Walk? Some novel and innovative items there, right? Do you know there's been a decline in such agape in recent years? You and your share group could help to solve that problem.

When was the last time you attended a Gathering? Call your table mates and plan to come to the next one. Chances are you'll have fun, be inspired, and enjoy renewing acquaintances....people you never knew prior to your Walk, but with whom you became instant friends.

Make your Fourth Days enjoyable by becoming involved. We need you!

Gordon Ward, Worship Chair

I am trying to help update our database and expand it to churches of the area. My goal is to have a contact person at every church in NWO who have sent individuals on Emmaus Walks by early 2010. You will notice on the card coming out that I need up-to-date addresses, names of who resides at that address; new addresses for people who have left the home; email addresses, church names and addresses; whether you wish to receive Constant Contact messages & prayer requests, etc. I am working on the up-to-date mail list for newsletters and those individuals will receive a copy of the newsletter published on the website this year or by email.

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. Hopefully we will be able to have lists eventually of each member under their church name.

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 120 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 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 can share names and phone numbers or email addresses of new pastors in the area.

I NEED HELPERS! THANK YOU!!

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





The Joyful Noise
Newsletter of the Northwest Ohio
Emmaus and Chrysalis Community

2544 Patrice Ln.
Maumee OH 43537-1245

Email: momdrown24@aol.com

www.NWOEmmaus.com

Gathering/Reunion

Saturday, Nov 7, 2009

A postcard will be going 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.

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!!

Looking for some volunteers to make calls and check out addresses for members. Please call if you could help out.

Gwynn Drown, Outreach Chair, 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 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.

Candidates for the NWO Emmaus Board of Directors for 2010-2012

Carissa (Larry & Denise) Hefflinger – NWOChrysalis Girls Flight #7

(June 28-30, 2002 Table of FROGIES (Fully Rely On God In Each Situation), Liberty Center UMC

When I went on my walk I felt so touched by how people were so willing to serve the Lord. Then I said to myself “I want to help and make someone else feel special.” I was on my flight seven years ago. Since my flight I have helped out in the kitchen on both Chrysalis and Emmaus. I provided a variety of agape, and signed up for the prayer vigils, as well as sponsoring several friends and family members. I enjoy serving the Lord, and seeing someone else draw closer to Christ. I enjoy helping out in whatever way I can. I would desire to serve on the board because it would be such an honor. My family has been impacted by the Emmaus/Chrysalis Community and it has forever changed our lives.

Kris (Jim) Jackson – NWOEWW #19 – Table of Elizabeth

I would very much like to serve on the Emmaus Board because Emmaus in a wonderful weekend in which, for me, was one where I have never felt closer to Christ. Emmaus is a gift; one that should be valued and taken care of! God has entrusted this gift to us as a community to look after and to care about. I have been blessed to have served on several walks and have also served on the NWO Chrysalis Board for 5 years. I have also been blessed to serve on many Chrysalis teams and was the Lay Director on girl's flight #11. Please consider me for the board of Emmaus as I will put my heart into the job to see that the gift will continue to bless many more individuals. God Bless you.

Kathy (Gary) Mohler – NWOEWW #34

I have served on several teams since my walk. What those 3 days meant to me: I grew up in a good church-going home, parochial school and was taught of God's love for me, but I never really knew what that love meant until I went on my walk. Even though it has now been 9 years since I went; every time I serve whether it be setting tables, passing out agape, candle light or closing, or whether it be serving in my own church, it brings me closer to the realization, not only of how God loves me but how he uses others to show just how much. I remember on my walk how I was amazed that the only time I ever saw anyone was serving meals but yet everything was done, and a blanket miraculously appeared on my bed when I mentioned that I was cold the night before... and learning that people I did not even know gave up of their time to give me everything for the “greatest weekend ever” forever left a mark on me that whenever and wherever I can, I try to pass it on. A Sister in Christ

John (LuAnn) Kaylor – NWOEMW #34

My original Walk was awesome, just as it is for many. It changes my life and brought me closer to my Lord. I continued my involvement with my church and became actively involved in Emmaus. I have had the pleasure and honor of serving on several walks and providing silent servanthood on many walks. Every time I serve I can see how it blesses the pilgrims and reminds me of God's blessings to us all. I said yes to allowing my name on the ballot after prayerful consideration, because it is another opportunity for me to give back to God and the community. The “Walk to Emmaus is a life changing experience that we need to support and make available to others. Let's all use our God given talents to give back to HIM.

Rusty (Lori) Coey – NWOEMW #21

My Emmaus experience was very meaningful and allowed me to understand how to build better relationships with God and with people. I have had past leadership experience in Chrysalis, and feel that experience could be used to assist and support the Emmaus community. Emmaus is a great gift from God and a great place where God can use servants to spread the love of Jesus.

NO BIO AVAILABLE YET AS OF PUBLICATION OF THE JOYFUL NOISE

Lisa (Kenny) Walz – NWOEWW #36

Margie (Scott) Smith – NWOEWW #41 (Calvary UMC)

Rick (Kelly) Sexton – NWOEMW # 53 (Cedar Creek Church)

VOTING WILL BE AT THE NOV 7 GATHERING ... SEE YOU THERE