



Walk to
Emmaus
THE UPPER ROOM

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus Himself came near and walked with them. Luke 24:15



Greetings Emmaus Family,

Spring has sprung! With Spring comes all those outside chores. Some people love to cut grass or plant vegetable and flower gardens. Other people think those things are just routine chores that need to be done.

Regardless of how you feel about grass cutting or gardening, why not take some time out of your busy schedule and enjoy an evening of worship and Christian fellowship? Come to the Gathering!! Better yet, bring someone with you. The Gathering is a great time of worship, communion, and fellowship; don't forget "where Emmaus meets, Emmaus eats".

The fellowship time following worship lets us share a meal, with favorite dishes we make and bring. The May Gathering is on the 22nd; it is always the 4th Tuesday of the month. The Gatherings are held at the Washington United Methodist Church and start at 7:00pm.

1 Corinthians 12:27 says, "You are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

So come and join this body of believers at the Gathering. Sure beats mowing grass or pulling weeds, at least to me!

DeColores,
Alan Leonard
Community Lay Director

Speaking

logistically



Dear Love Community,

Greetings from the Logistics chair couple. We are once again preparing to be God's hands and feet on the upcoming Men's Walk. There are many opportunities for the community to participate in this walk. Prayer is number one on the list. You can also be a sponsor and help clean-up before and after walks. If you would like to help out, we can always use note cards, envelopes and extra unique poster supplies. Please give these to Tim or Linda or leave them in the log room. We would like to say thanks to all of the lanyard makers. We have quite a few lanyards ready for the pilgrims God is calling on the Walks this spring. We hope to see you at Ruggles for the Men's Walk activities.

DeColores,
Tim and Linda Ratcliff

Please Join Us!

What? Gatherings
Where? Washington United Methodist Church, Washington, KY

May 22, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
(Men's Walk #22 Reunion will begin @ 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall)

June 26, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
(Women's Walk #24 Reunion will begin @ 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall)

July 24, 2012 @ 7:00 PM

**Board of Directors meeting begins at 6:00 PM.*

BE A BLESSING!

What ways do you try to be a blessing to the people who you encounter every day? Do you reach out to people who are in need? What about people who are in need of a spiritual renewal? Our Spring Men & Women's walks are such a great opportunity to bless someone in a dramatic way!

Think about your experience on your Emmaus Walk and how spiritually uplifted you felt when you came back from your walk. Be praying for the upcoming walks, and that God will transform the lives of the pilgrims who will be there as well as the teams. Remember, in order for lives to be changed and encouraged through the Emmaus experience, we need sponsors!

DeColores,

Kim Purdy, Sponsorship Chairperson

Pilgrim update
From the Registrar

Please pray for the 16 men that will be pilgrims on Men's Walk #22-

Tim Allen, Rick Bolin, Jason Cummings, Bob Euth, Jake Farrell, Tim Kidd, Troy Farrell, Scott Liming, J.D. Lyle, Rick McIntosh, Eric Oetzel, Trent Ogden, Erik Riley, Zach Stimpert, Jeff Tavis, and Josh Thompson

There are 10 pilgrims already signed up for Women's Walk #24 in June. Please pray for the following ladies-

Sherri Fields, Alice Fisher, Molly Gilliam, Joan Hanselman, Linda Henry, Elizabeth Jones, Kassie Jones, Laura McComas, Amy Rau, and Tiffany Taylor. Continue to pray, also, for others who are considering accepting the invitation to be a pilgrim on this Women's Walk.

Clip and keep this handy as you pray for these individuals.

"Ketch-up" with the Kitchen



"Seeing is believing," as the old saying goes. We believe what we know, and we believe what we see. But does it have to be this way?

The disciple Thomas certainly thought so. Though Jesus taught for three years that one day he'd die but rise again, Thomas still wasn't sure that the other disciples were telling the truth when they said, "We've seen the Lord." Thomas needed proof.

Though Thomas gets a bad rap by teachers and preachers for his lack of trust, I believe there is a little bit of Thomas in all of us. We all have moments in our journey when we want to believe the promises of God's goodness, mercy, and ways of working all things for the good. Yet we just can't believe unless we SEE it ourselves.

Anyone can believe when the picture is clear and times are good. But when we believe, even when we can't see, then we've begun to live by faith.

Elizabeth Evans Hagan

God, what thing are you asking me to do next, that I can't see clearly yet? Lead me on with grace and courage as I take the next step. Amen

The saying is sure. I desire that you insist on these things, so that those who have come to believe in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works; these things are excellent and profitable to everyone. Titus 3:8

The above is the daily devotion that I received today. This spoke to me about our jobs as servants in the kitchen. It says it all. We have the opportunity of seeing for ourselves how God's grace transforms lives in 72 hours.

I only have the luncheon meal on Saturday being prepared and served by a share group/church for the upcoming Men's Walk, that begins Thursday, May 3rd. If any other groups or individuals are interested in preparing and serving a meal for the Men's Walk, please email me at bcmcginnis@windstream.net.

Please also let me know if you would like to help with a meal during the Women's Walk, June 7-10.

DeColores,

Collette McGinnis, Kitchen Coordinator

Message from the Spiritual Director



BILL HENRY

I know there are a lot of people who wish the Christmas season could last all year long, but I personally just love the Easter season. I have learned a lot during this year's Easter season, as I have given myself to studying all aspects of the season in a variety of ways. In an effort to extend this season just a few more days, please bear with me as I share a couple of the things our Lord has taught me over the past couple of months.

I read one devotional, can't even remember which one it was, that talked about Jesus telling his followers to deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow Him and how that played out when Simon of Cyrene was forced to carry the cross of Jesus. We sometimes make jokes about the cross we are called to carry. If we are extremely secure in our marriage, we may joke that our spouse is the cross we called to carry. We may associate carrying our cross to a 'hard to please' boss, an annoying co-worker, an overbearing neighbor, or any number of other minor daily inconveniences. The devotion I read made the point that in first century Jerusalem, one would never make a joke about carrying a cross. Doing so would be on the scale of making a joke to a Jewish person about the concentration camps of World War II. When Simon picked up the cross of Jesus, it certainly wasn't because he wanted to. He knew he had no choice. We are never forced, as Simon was, to carry our cross. God leaves it up to us as we make the choice whether we want to pick up our cross and follow Him, or we decide to do things our way. The crosses we are called to carry are heavy, but we are never called to carry them alone. Jesus calls us to carry our cross because it is for our benefit. We cannot make a better decision than to do what He asks us to do.

Continuing on the cross theme, I seemed drawn this year to the insults and mockery directed toward Jesus as he was on the cross. It seems as though every group- the religious leaders, the soldiers, the passersby- even the criminals who were dying with him, said basically the same thing. They all taunted him by saying, "You saved others, save yourself! Come down from the cross if you are a king!" He could have done that, you know. He could have saved Himself. But we know that's not why He came. He came to save sinners, like you and me. He could have come down off the cross. If He had, we would have no hope today. The logical, sensible thing would have been to save Himself; that's the human way. Today we would call this a matter of self-preservation. The man on the cross was more than just a mere human. He was, and is, God. And His main objective, his preoccupation, was to save mankind. Coming down off the cross would have saved His life on Earth, but it would have meant certain death for all of us. He chose not to save Himself, so he could save us. Easter is such a wonderful time for us to realize what a great God we serve and how much He loves us. Every day is a day to celebrate the resurrection and to celebrate the gift of eternal life we have been given. Carrying our cross is a privilege, not a chore.

Just ask Simon.

Men's Walk #22 Team

David Lewis	Michael Starkey
Ken Harmon	Wayne Harper
Rick Satterfield	David Reveal
Dan Reed	Jeremy Rutledge
Jim Crase	Charles Kemp
Lawrence Baldwin	Jeremiah Durbin
Dustin Armstrong	Bill Boling
Billy Boling	Christ Earhardt
Fred Kragler	Mike Burke
Steve Richards	Jared Reveal
Mitch Irvin	Kyle Purdy
Kenny Lawrence	Steve Hahn

Please keep the team in your prayers before and during the Walk.

Women's Walk #24 Team

Linda Ratcliff	Janice Edingfield
Bill Henry	Susan Davidson
Alice Bailey	Shirley Link
Kay Grooms	Lisa Leonard
Susan Young	Brenda Reveal
Shauna Brillhart	Linda Naylor
Lisa Jump	Sheila Euth
Lisa Boling	Rita Harper
Breanne Stewart	Lauren Doyle
Kristyn Foster	Kim Purdy
Debbie Knauff	Michelle Mills
Denise Burke	Elaine Collins
Jamie Wirth	Elizabeth Smith
Jim Finch	

Please keep the team in your prayers before and during the Walk in June.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WALK DATES FOR 2012:

Men #22: May 3 - 6

Women #24: June 7 - 10

Men #23: Sept. 6 - 9

Women #25: Oct. 4 - 7



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