

Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community News

Nov. 2017

Thoughts From The Spiritual Director

God has blessed us with another year of successful "Walks" and changed lives.. I have been blessed to be a part of them and to leave a few things at the altar during dying moments.

We are now in November and look forward to Thanksgiving as our next holiday. It is my prayer that it is much more than just a holiday. I pray that you will join me in expressing sincere thanks to God, the One from whom all good things come.

David Letterman had his top ten list on various subjects, and I challenge you to put together your top ten list of things you are thankful for this Thanksgiving season.

Here is my list:

10. A house – many people in this world today have no place to live.

9. Food - we always have plenty to eat at our house. Many people don't.

8. Clothes – I never have to worry about whether there will be clothes in my closet for me to put on each day. Many people only have the clothes that they are wearing.

7. Health – I am thankful that I am blessed with good health. Many people have a serious illness which keeps them from enjoying a full and happy life.

6. My country – I am thankful that I live in a country where I enjoy great freedom. In many countries you can be put in prison, or even put to death, for telling others about Jesus.

5. Churches – I am thankful for the churches I have been blessed to attend over the years and especially for Ebenezer where I have served as pastor for the past 13 years.

4. Friends – I am thankful for my many friends mainly from church and Emmaus.

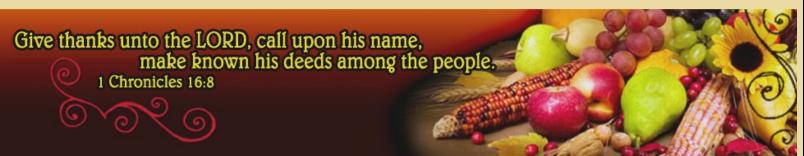
3. Family – I am thankful for family--especially my wife. She has been such a great help-mate and friend.

2. Parents – I am thankful that God blessed me with a father and mother who loved me, cared for me, and taught me about Jesus and His love.

1. Jesus – Jesus is number one on the list of things for which I am thankful. No one ever loved me like Jesus. He loved me so much that he was willing to die on a cross so that I can have everlasting life. Thank you, Jesus.

This Thanksgiving season and throughout the year, let us be Thankful for the many blessings we all receive.

DeColores! Ken Harmon



Welcome to Our Community!

Tiffanie Atkins Lana Chandler Brigitte Daniels Tina Baker **Debbie Farrell** Bonnie Hardymon Kathy Finlaw Nancy Grimes Becky Hall Rebecca Hardymon Betsy Jones Joyce Linville Tammy Hill **Ruth Jones** Martina Kuttler **Jill Marshall** Kim Mefford Heather Meyer Sonya Meyer Berta Moore Jackie Murphy Betty Patrick Patty Rachford Rebecca Myers Amanda Rogers **Emily Schelling** Kristi Shepherd Teresa Smith **Kim Strunk**



News from the Lay Director of Women's Walk # 35

"I can do all things through Him that strengthens me."Philippians 4:13 It became apparent very soon into the team formation and meetings that our verse for Walk #35, Phil. 4:13, was given to me for very specific reasons. How thankful I am that my God follows through on His promises!

Through His strength we had 29 pilgrims, whose lives were changed through this wonderful ministry called, The Walk to Emmaus. And, as we say after each and every walk – This one was the bestest one ever!!!

Thank you to the community for allowing me to lead this awesome walk - Thank you to each and every one of you that provided prayers, agape, and all of your hands and feet that were used in such special ways.

I want to give a special welcome to our 29 newest members of the LOVE Community and I want to encourage each and every one of you to continue to be involved in the Emmaus Community. The best way to do that is to mark your calendars now and attend the Gathering every fourth Tuesday. Also, attend all Walk Events, as well as volunteer for cleaning, prayer, and agape for the walks themselves. Sponsor a pilgrim so that others can share in this wonderful blessing. You will be blessed!

As you go forth in your Fourth Days, I pray God reveals Himself in such wonderful ways to each and every one of you.



DeColores! Amy Farrell

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From The Community Lay Director

I am no longer a slave to fear...you drowned my fears in perfect love...I am a child of God! The words to this song, No Longer Slaves, by Jonathan and Melissa Helser, have gripped my heart over and over the past few months. First in preparation for the recent Women's Walk, then when a high school senior so beautifully led us in worship one Sunday morning through this song, and most recently featured in a special music service at another church. The message is just so WOW!

1 John 4:18 says, "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear." Those fears are drowned, destroyed, washed away. We are left with the perfect love of God, and know that we are his children, and he is our Abba-Father.

This is so perfectly the message of Emmaus as we move through Saturday afternoon and evening, as we are reminded that we are his heirs, his sons and daughters, princes and princesses of the kingdom. And we get a glimpse of the perfection of his love as we walk through Candlelight on Saturday evening.

Can you sing these words as a testimony to your walk with the Lord? Take some time to remember the Saturday events of your Walk, and renew your awareness of his perfect love and your place as his child.

DeColores! Linda Naylor

Come Before His Presence with Thanksgiving

O come, let us sing unto the LORD; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, let us shout for joy unto Him with psalms. For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods; In whose hand are the depths of the earth the heights of the mountains are His also, The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land O come, let us bow down and bend the knee; let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; For He is our God. and we are the people of His pasture, and the flock of His hand.

Psalm 95

where two or three are gathered together...



Come gather with us every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Washington United Methodist Church in Maysville, Ky. We sing - we praise - we pray - and we praise some more! We also have a 4th Day Speaker at each of the meetings in which a speaker gets up and talks about what God has done in their 4th Days. We end the service with Communion and then after the service, remember where Emmaus meets. Emmaus eats! We dismiss to go downstairs to have food and fellowship with one another. We are always in need of music.

If you, or your group, would like to sing at the Gathering, please contact Elizabeth Jones.

If you would like to be a 4th Day Speaker, please contact Amy Farrell.

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L.O.V.E. Emmaus Community Limestone - Ohio Valley Emmaus Community Walk to Emmaus - Registration Form

Please complete the information below so we can meet your needs on the Walk to Emmaus weekend. All information will be kept confidential. UPON COMPLETION, PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR SPONSOR.

Name	For Name Tag
Address	Circle One: Male - Female Age
City State	Zip Phone ()
Circle One: Married – Single – Divorced – Widowed	- Separated E-mail address:
Spouse's Name	Number of Children
Your occupation	Business Phone ()
Name of close friend other than your sponsor	Phone of close friend ()
Name and denomination of church you attend	
Pastor's Name Pastor's Address	
Has the Walk to Emmaus been explained to you?	IF NOT, ASK YOUR SPONSOR!
Has the opportunity for fellowship following the Walk	been explained? (Share groups, Monthly gatherings)
Are you on a special diet? If yes, what typ	e?
Do you have a physical limitation or health problems	that may affect your full participation on the weekend?
If yes, please explain	
(NOTE: If you have any medical condition or take medic	Do you smoke? Do you have allergies to food or smoke? cations that medical personnel would need to know in case of emergency please fill out the ur name and give it to the registrar when you sign in. It will be returned unopened on Sun-
	alk to Emmaus?
Signature	Date
	total of \$75.00. You can make the check to: LOVE Community. The deposit is non- weekend. GIVE THIS FORM TO YOUR SPONSOR TO COMPLETE.
Following are the dates of upcoming Walks. The W Check the date you would like to attend.	alks will be held at Ruggles Campground near Tollesboro, KY.
Men's Walk #31: May2018	Women's Walk #36: June2018
Men's Walk #32: Sept 2018	Women's Walk #37: October 2018
**Note: <u>The registra</u>	r must have this form completed with the \$15.00

deposit before the pilgrim will be added to the walk list.

L.O.V.E. Emmaus Community Limestone - Ohio Valley Emmaus Community Walk to Emmaus - Registration Form

SPONSORS: Please read this section before giving the Registration Form to the prospective pilgrim.

We are counting on you to understand and fulfill the responsibilities of a Sponsor. These include:

<u>AWARENESS</u> AND **SENSITIVITY** - sponsor only those you know well enough to assess their spiritual, physical, and emotional readiness for the Walk.

PREPARATION - you are to inform the pilgrim (and spouse) of the nature and schedule of the Walk and the opportunity for ongoing Emmaus participation, share groups and gatherings. REMEMBER, NO SECRETS, ONLY SURPRISES.

SUPPORT - you are asked to support your pilgrim with transportation to and from the Walk, prayer vigil during the Walk, personal agape, attendance at Sponsor's Hour, Candlelight and Closing, escort to their first monthly gathering and assistance in finding a sharing group. Help with family needs during the weekend if so desired. Commit yourself to minimal contact with your pilgrim on the Walk, especially if it is your spouse.

PLEASE DO NOT AGREE TO SPONSOR ANY PILGRIM IF YOU CANNOT COMPLETELY FULFILL THESE RESPONSI-BILITIES.

Sponsor Name		Address		
City	State	Zip	Phone ()	
E-mail address:		Hov	v long have you known the pilgrim?	
Where did you attend Emmaus/Ch	rysalis/Cursillo?			
When Walk #	Name/Der	nomination of you	Ir church	
Are you in a sharing group?	_ Do you receive a	a newsletter?		
Have you served as a sponsor bef	ore? If	f so, in the past s	ix months?	
Specific ways the pilgrim demonst	rates Christian lead	dership:		
How do you think the pilgrim will b	enefit from the wee	ekend?		
Additional comments that may be	helpful:			
Mail registration form to:				

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