



# The Emmaus News

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## From the Community Lay Director:

### He Gives Life's Order of Events (Ecclesiastes 3)

Friday evening, near the end of the Emmaus gathering, I was longing to be invisible in His service. After a year of being a leader at Emmaus and at the Church, was my service to change to be behind the scenes? ...to be that agape or kitchen person, grounds keeper, transportation support, or sound system man?

There must be visible leaders and invisible support warriors in His service. Ecclesiastes 3:1 states "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven".

The key point is His time and not my time. As the song title states "In His Time".

DeColores,

Dan Kirkling



## Report to the Community on Walk #53

Walk #53 was a great weekend.

Part of the scripture chosen for this walk asks "... were not our hearts burning within us?" Our hearts were warmed on this walk as we strongly felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. He was present during table bonding, talks, meal fellowship, and singing.

Camp Lakeview is wonderful for the walks. Hiking to the conference room one morning we were awed by the fall colors, fishermen on the lake, geese overhead, and a hot air balloon in the distance. (I'm not making this up!) What a wonderful agape gift!

Thanks to the community for your prayers, agape, sacrifices, loaning great men to work on the team, and for sponsorship of 31 wonderful pilgrims.

Thank you for letting me serve as lay director. I'll always treasure this walk and the chance to share this time with my father (he served on team) and other men I greatly respect.

Explore how the Holy Spirit is leading you if asked to work on a future walk. Join these new pilgrims on their fourth days; travel with them on their journeys, and help them join reunion groups.

In Christ,

Dale Guse

## Report to the Community on Walk #54

WALK 54 -- Unbelievable, Indescribable, Completely Amazing!

This is how one person described Walk 54 in an e-mail sent by a pilgrim and received on Monday morning after the walk.

"And God saw that it was good..." I trust that is what God said about Walk 54 because it was created, directed and completed by Him. He is a God of detail and to Him goes all the thanks, glory and praise for all that happened in those 72 hours.

The Team members first gave themselves to the Lord (2 Corinthians 8:5) and each one came to serve as needed. The Pilgrims responded and bonded by God's grace. There was joy in the camp! Each day's activities and special events brought us closer to the reality of God's great love for us and the depth of His gift of grace to all believers. I am humbly thankful for the privilege of having served as Lay Director for Walk 54. Praise be to God!

DeColores,

Jan Carlstrom



DATES FOR UPCOMING FLIGHTS AND WALKS	
Flights 17 & 18	Jan. 15-17, 2005
Men's Walk #55	Apr. 14-17, 2005
Women's Walk #56	Apr. 21-24, 2005

**REMINDER**

There is NO December Gathering. Have a Blessed Christmas!

The January Gathering is January 7th at East Columbus United Methodist Church. This is earlier than usual so we can have dedication for the Chrysalis team.

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The December newsletter is being sent to over 1,000 homes via ground mail and over 280 homes by e-mail. As of the November gathering we have only 30 subscriptions for ground mail for 2005. Adding to that the new pilgrims, who will receive the newsletter by ground mail for 1 year, we will be mailing less than 100 newsletters in January. If you wish to continue receiving a hard copy through the mail, you MUST fill out a subscription form like the one below and return it to Mike Riley. (His address is on the form.) This can also be done by visiting the Emmaus web site: [www.columbusinemmaus.org](http://www.columbusinemmaus.org) If you are already on the e-mail list you do not need to resubscribe. If you wish to be put on the e-mail list, either fill out a subscription form and get it to Mike, or visit the web site to sign up.

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## Chrysalis News

Chrysalis Flights 17 & 18 are scheduled for **January 15-17** at Hilltop Christian Camp in Brown County. The Lay directors are Ron and Becky Povaleri. Team selection is nearing completion and team meetings will be beginning soon. Please keep Ron and Becky, the team, and the flights in your prayers.

It is just the right time to be getting those registrations in for boy and girl caterpillars for these flights. Please be praying for the caterpillars and sponsors for Flights 17 & 18. If you know of youth that would benefit from this opportunity, you may want to consider sponsorship. The application forms are available on the Emmaus website. Please send all applications to Diane Elmerick at the address below.

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### BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED AT NOVEMBER GATHERING

During the November gathering retiring members of the Emmaus Board were recognized. They are: Dick Bray, Mike Hien, Gordon Meek, Jack Mendell, and Lisa Reuter. Dan Kirkling, Community Lay Director, commended them for their hard work and dedication.

Six new board members were elected. Robin Everhart, Gary Fuquay, Jane Hien, Ron Povaleri, and Brian Teater will begin serving three year terms in January. Kathy Bush will begin a two year term, replacing Cheryl Hunt who has moved to Carmel.

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**December Hoot**

**Sunday, December 5th at 1:30 p.m.**

**First United Methodist Church – Seymour**

**NO DECEMBER GATHERING**

**January Gathering**

**Friday, January 7th at 7:00 p.m.**

**East Columbus United Methodist Church**

**2439 Indiana Ave. Columbus**

**N – Z bring snacks and drinks**

**Child care provided for children ages 6 and under.**

