



# The Emmaus News

Columbus Indiana Area Emmaus Community, Inc.

## Letter to the Community:

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Welcome New Pilgrims!

We were blessed by your comments at the Closings of Walks #67 and #68. We were blessed by your comments at the Gathering. Between the Walks and the Gathering, you have a little time to let the rubber meet the road, so to speak. You get to see how you can use this "Very Old" information and power you have been told about. You get to test it, see if it really works and see if you can answer the call to love like you are loved.

We heard your stories of success, and your honesty about your not-so-successful adventures, and your hope even in your disappointments. It is not easy, but it is promised with Christ. Not everyone out there has heard about the spirit of cooperation and charity. It is the reason we meet once a month. We rejoice over His successes, we ask for new direction for the not-so-successful, and we help keep hope alive in our places of disappointment. We do all of this by worshiping, communing and talking to one another about the empowerment of God in our lives.

Now together, we begin the process, all over again, for those that God has called for the Fall Walks. We begin to build a foundation from which He will change the lives of those who follow us. Our hearts will soar as they tell us their successes and our prayers will follow them as they tell us their sore places. It is the work of the Body of Christ on earth. It is one of our greatest joys. It is abiding and growing in the Vine. Welcome to this blessed adventure.

**DeColores,**  
Renée Kasting  
Community Lay Director

## Dates for Upcoming Walks & Flights

Chrysalis Flights #29 & #30	Aug 30, - Sept 1, 2008
Men's Walk #69	Oct 16-19, 2008
Women's Walk #70	Oct 23-26, 2008



In the same way,  
**let your light  
shine**

before men,  
that they may see  
your good deeds  
and praise your  
Father in heaven.

**Matthew 5:16**

### Lay Director's Report, Men's Walk 67

Our God is an AWESOME God was proven again watching him perform a mighty work during Men's Walk 67. It started with His team selection of wonderful Christian men who went beyond everything asked of them. The walk went very smoothly as the LORD used the team in His way and the Pilgrims were ready and responded right from the start.

Beginning with the Chapel service on Friday morning we knew these were very eager Pilgrims, arriving early and ready to go. With the talk on Priorities the Pilgrims were participating in the discussions and making those famous posters. Tables started to bond immediately and we were flying high. By midmorning they were submitting themselves to the spirit of the Walk to Emmaus. We could feel God's presence in the speakers' talks, which touched the hearts of the Pilgrims. The poster party was both serious and humorous including a Blue Grass rap song. Our evening was blessed by those wonderful clowns who displayed how great Gods' love for each of us is.

Saturday the walk was spirit filled and spirit led. Dying Moments was very special to so many of the Pilgrims and the team. All of us were blessed and many sins were removed by the blood of Jesus. We had a time of telling blessings that had been given to us; most everyone in the room spoke out with a personal blessing from the Lord. Candlelight was awesome, the Pilgrims were greeted by the face of Jesus so many times. Many thanks to the Chrysalis youth who spent their Saturday night serving the ice cream.

The team was terrific, the food was 5 stars and just kept on coming. Music was one of our highlights; its Blue Grass style made a big hit in the conference room. The Agape Team was always one step ahead of every need even before we asked. Their skit on Saturday and the Kitchen Team's skit on Sunday had the whole dining room in stitches.

Sunday morning we woke the Pilgrims up with the great song "Fishers of Men." At closing, what happened was very special, as it is very unusual for all Pilgrims to speak. Quite a blessing.

I would like to thank the community for all your acts of agape, your support, and your prayers and for being at Sendoff, Candlelight and Closing. The prayer vigil is so meaningful to the Pilgrims; they have a hard time comprehending all this given time and love. It was an honor and a privilege to be called by the LORD and this board to be the Lay Director of Men's Walk 67.

DeColores,  
Richard (Dick) Bray  
Lay Director Men's Walk 67

**Lay Director's Report, Women's Walk #68**

Eighty-two women and four men left homes, families, jobs, and calendars to dedicate 72 hours to the love of the Lord. It was a blessed time. Throughout the 15 portions of the one message, we learned how God uses ordinary people with ordinary lives under sometimes heart-breaking situations to achieve extraordinary results. We heard about lives being changed by simple acts of kindness, praying for clients, or songs. It became obvious that God can use every one of us for His purpose if we are willing to trust and obey. Perhaps the world didn't change during Walk #68, but our lives were changed.

**DeColores,**  
Connie Yeaton,  
Lay Director,  
Women's Walk #68

**Blessing Before Meal**

Gathered at this table,  
Holy Spirit Come!  
Fill us with your Presence,  
Bind our hearts as one.

Bless this time to-gether,  
Jesus, give us peace.  
Come, Lord be with us,  
Join us as we meet.

Come, Lord be with us,  
Bless this food we eat.

**Blessing After Meal**

As we leave this table,  
Fed by Your own Hand.  
Holy Spirit fill us,  
Till we meet again.

Jesus, as we leave here,  
Let us walk your way.  
Sharing God's blessings  
As we do and say.

Sharing forever  
Your love here today.

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**June Gathering**

Friday, June 20, 7 pm,  
Cornerstone Community Church,  
1088 Sarasota Dr., Seymour  
A—I bring drinks, snacks  
Childcare provided for ages 6 & under

**July Gathering**

Friday, July 18, 7 pm,  
First United Methodist Church,  
618 8th St., Columbus  
J-Z bring drinks, snacks  
Childcare provided for ages 6 & under

