

The Emmaus News

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Letter to the Community:

Complement Your Church Home!

An Emmaus Walk can be a very exciting and meaningful time for pilgrims and team alike. The Walk's fellowship, spiritual growth, and agape love can provide a strong incentive for the community members to stay involved and even serve on a team. That was true for me. Also, God has taught me so much about servant leadership by serving in the different team jobs. I think that serving on a Walk as a team member is even more meaningful than when I attended as a pilgrim.

You are able to stay involved and serve in the community or on a Walk, too! An easy, efficient way is to fill out the "Member Info Form" that is found on the community web site: www.columbusinemmaus.org. There you will find several jobs to choose from.

While I want you to stay involved in our Emmaus community, remember that there needs to be a fair and healthy balance with your involvement and service at your church home. I would never want to hear a pastor say, "Lost another one to Emmaus!"

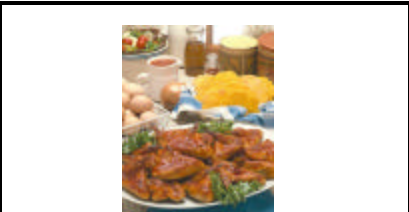
Emmaus is made to **complement** your church home. The sole purpose of the Emmaus movement is to strengthen disciples within the ministry of individual congregations. Emmaus is neither competitive with, nor a substitute for, your own church. In short, Emmaus does not intend to become anyone's "new church". Also, the Emmaus movement's mission is to **complement** the ministry of area churches and to strengthen the local Christian community.

In summary, enjoy your involvement and service in our Emmaus Community, but please, only as a **complement** to your primary commitment of involvement and service to your church home. It's a **complementary** combination!

Blessings & Peace, Bev Earley, Community Lay Director

DATES FOR UPCOMING FLIGHTS AND WALKS

Flights #19 & #20	Sept. 3-5, 05
Men's Walk # 57	Oct. 20-23, 05
Women's Walk #58	Oct. 27-30, 05
Flights #21 & #22	Jan. 14-16, 06
Men's Walk #59	Apr. 20-23, 06
Women's Walk #60	Apr. 27-30, 06
Men's Walk # 61	Oct. 19-22, 06
Women's Walk #62	Oct. 26-29, 06



May Gathering

You don't want to miss the May Gathering to be held Friday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Columbus. It will be a pitch-in supper with wonderful Emmaus food followed by a glorious worship service and communion.

Sponsors, be sure to bring our newest community members (you get to eat FIRST!). Bring table service and food to share.

CHRYSALIS NEWS

Hello Emmaus Community,

The Chrysalis community is preparing for the next set of flights over Labor Day weekend. Curt and Michelle Aton are the Lay Directors for the upcoming flights and team selection has started. Please keep Curt and Michelle in your prayers as team comes together.

It is never too early to register youth. Please pray about who God might lead you to sponsor and pray for all youth who will be caterpillars.

Fly with Christ, Venetia Green

Agape Needed

Remember the fun of finding a small piece of candy or a bookmark with a scripture or an airplane made with gum and candy on your bed? Remember the surprises by your plate at meal time or on your notebook when you returned to the conference room? These small pieces of agape are one more way of showing God's love to pilgrims. When I was a pilgrim I thought, "These people went to all this trouble for ME?"

It is not too soon to be thinking about and actually making agape for this fall's pilgrims. This is a great way for reunion groups or individuals to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ.

MEET AN EMMAUS BOARD MEMBER

Hello! My name is Robin Everhart and I am responsible for the Team Selection for the Emmaus Walks. I meet with the Lay Directors of each Walk and help them with the selection of team members.

I was on Walk #24 at the table of Lydia here in the Columbus IN Area Emmaus Community. My Walk meant so much to me. It's where I first saw the Body of Christ in action. Working and serving on Emmaus Walks and Chrysalis Flights have been such a blessing for my husband and me. I pray that each one of you will consider working on a Walk or Flight, or maybe in the background setting up camp, or even at candlelight. There are a lot of jobs to do and there is a place for YOU to serve if you want to. God will bless you!

I am married to Bill and have 2 sons. Blake, who is 21, will graduate on April 30, 2005 from Vincennes University. YEA! And my precious son, Benjy, is at home with the Lord.

Thank you for letting me serve on your Board of Directors. If you have any questions, please know you can talk with me at any time.

De Colores!
Robin Everhart

VISIT OUR WEB SITE www.columbusinemmaus.org

To find out more about our Columbus IN Area Emmaus Community visit our web site. You will find a list of upcoming events, applications, current and past newsletters, calendars for the Emmaus and Chrysalis events for the entire year, lists of Chrysalis and Emmaus board members and how to contact them – even directions for how to get to the next gathering. By going to the Member Information link you can find team lists, pilgrim lists, job descriptions and help documents for walks. To use this link you will be asked for a user name – **columbusemmaus** and a password – **4thday**.

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May Hoot:

Sunday, May 1, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.

Memorial Baptist Church, 2320 7th St. , Columbus

May Gathering:

Friday, May 20, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church, 3300 Fairlawn Dr., Columbus

Pitch-in Dinner to honor new pilgrims

Childcare provided for children ages 6 and younger.

June Hoot:

Sunday, June 12, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church, Seymour

