
WILMINGTON AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON

WHICH TENT DO YOU LIVE IN?

As most of you know, I retired the first of the year and I am enjoying my retirement immensely.

Through my fifteen years as mayor, I had many opportunities that I cherish. One of those is being invited to the different churches to speak or as a visitor on friend day. I can truly say that I have visited almost every church in Hillsboro during that time. The one thing that I would always say to my family as we left that congregation was, "Wasn't it great to be able to feel the power of the Holy Spirit in that service and to feel the warmth and love of the people."

It is great, a true blessing to live in a country that we can worship together and to be able to leave that church knowing we are a better person because of our visit.

Oh, how I love the church in which God has put me to do His work and to fellowship weekly with His people. But we are just one little part of the vast Body of Christ. It takes all of us working together to build the kingdom of heaven.

I urge you to take the opportunity to visit other churches, but whatever you do, don't let down in your own home church. Do some extra work that week. I am sure you will see, as I do, that Christ reigns supremely in the hearts of all those who love Him, have accepted Him in their hearts, and call upon His name. Jesus!

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FROM LARRY

I will soon celebrate my four-year anniversary of Men's Walk #11. As I reflect on those talks and the special men of God who presented them, I am drawn to the last three presented by Steve Haines, Jack French, and David Swindler. In these are a recurring theme about the importance of staying in fellowship with other Christians throughout our Fourth Days.

Oh, how much I do enjoy the contact with all fellow pilgrims in the Emmaus Community, whether it be at Gatherings, walk events, share groups, etc. However, there is an important element that we might need to be reminded of that can get lost in our enjoyment of community-related events, and that is our involvement and commitment to the local Body of Christ, the Church.

Allow me to review some high points from those talks:

Body of Christ - The Body (Church) is laity and clergy being

equipped to serve alongside one another. Characteristics of the Body are: 1) Alive and life-giving; 2) covenantal agreement with God and other believers in commitment; 3) gifted by the Holy Spirit for service; 4) missionary as we breathe in the Holy Spirit and piety and breathe out action and service.

Perseverance - We participate in the Body to stay in contact with Christ and with other Christians. "Emmaus activities are to supplement, not replace the local Church!"

Fourth Day - The purpose of the Emmaus Walk is to strengthen the Christian community, and to develop Christian disciples who will give their lives to sharing Christ.

The Apostle Paul writes, "But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired...Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it" (1 Corinthians 12:18,27). The following story illustrates how critical each individual is to the Church's witness.

In a certain mountain village in Europe several centuries ago, a nobleman wondered what legacy he should leave to his townspeople. At last he decided to build a church.

No one saw the complete plans for the church until it was finished. When the people gathered, they marveled at its beauty and completeness. Then someone asked,

**WILMINGTON AREA EMMAUS
WOMEN'S WALK #36
June 22-25, 1995**

Pilgrim

- Lois Baker
- Lorraine Barnes
- Sandy Beverly
- Vicky Bishop
- Barbara Briggs
- Pauline Cameron ✓
- Barbara Collins ✓
- Cathleen Combs
- Caralyn Everman
- Brenda Ford
- Norma Harner
- Ruby Henderson
- Claudia Hidy
- Robyn Hinman
- Debbie Kidwell ✓
- Emily King
- Nita Kirk
- Sue Kisseberth
- Darlene Kroencke
- Glenna Leeth
- Dottie Linter
- Janice Martin
- Ilene McDonough
- Beverly McDowell
- Darlene Mihalik ✓
- Karen Moon ✓
- Pam Mossbarger
- Ethel May Nelson
- Carrie Nichols ✓
- Bryanne Peck
- Cherri Pitzer
- Martha Preston
- Maggie Rees
- Michele Schurman
- Clara Sears
- Cindy Seip ✓
- Shirley Shroder
- Mildred Shumaker
- Penny Smith
- Connie Travis
- Sharon Walls
- Yolanda Williamson ✓

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- Morrow
- Hillsboro
- Xenia
- Carlisle Bks.
- Cincinnati
- Hillsboro
- Hillsboro
- Waynesville
- Hillsboro
- Washington C.H.
- Wilmington
- New Vienna
- Washington C.H.
- Wilmington
- Hillsboro
- Mt. Sterling
- Centerville
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- Hillsboro
- Sabina
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- Greenfield
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- Wilmington
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- Loveland
- Hillsboro
- New Vienna
- Hillsboro
- Arcanum
- Wilmington
- Washington C.H.
- Jamestown
- London
- Hillsboro

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- Bonnie Young
- Wilma Burton
- Carol Bradds
- Joan Brandenburg
- Liz McEwen
- Lowell/Carolyn Chambers
- Joyce Frazer
- Joy Hall
- Mary Carter
- Doug/Diana Ford
- Bud Eastes
- Judy McCord
- Preston/Susie Bentley
- Linda Cebula
- Kathy Petzold
- Mike/Susan Jenks
- Dick/Carol Ousley
- Gene/Carol Bradds
- Terri Roberts
- Lela McWhorter
- Jeff/Phyllis Hodson
- Sharon Irons
- Mary Carter
- Vicki Ames
- Mary Black
- Ruth Adams
- Sharon Irons
- Carol Ousley
- Lisa Williams
- Robin Prewitt
- Jeannie Snapp
- Jane Appel
- Dean/Joy Hall
- Betty Dodds
- Judy McCord
- Susan Lowell
- Eric Anspaugh
- Carolyn Alexander
- Doug/Diana Ford
- Carol Bradds
- Gary/Carol Scott
- Bud/Becky Marsh

THE LIVE-IN TEAM

- HEATHER ALLEN -ATL
- OPAL ARMSTRONG - Music ✓
- JUNE BOWMAN - TL - *Christian Action* ✓
- LISA CARTER - ATL
- MARY CLAUSING - ATL
- TERRY CROSIER - ALD - *Growth Through Study*
- JUDY FRANKLIN - ATL
- DIANA FORD - TL - *Body of Christ*
- SHIRLEY GASKELL - TL - *Life in Piety*
- ROBIN GARMAN - TL - *Priesthood of all Believers*
- JULIE HENRY - ALD - *Changing Our World*
- HELEN HIESTAND - LD - *Perseverance*
- CAROL HIGHTOWER - ALD - *Priority*
- PEGGY LARKIN - Music
- VICKIE MCGINNIS - TL - *Discipleship*
- CATHERINE MEADE - ATL
- MARILYN PFEIFER - ATL
- KAMI RUTH - ATL
- SUSAN SCHECHTER - TL - *Fourth Day*
- JUDY SCOTT - TL
- LARRY STEWART - SD
- DARRELL HOLMES - SD

Death is a challenge

It tells us not to waste time...
It tells us to tell each other right
now that we love each other.

Leo F. Buscaglia

NEW ADDRESS!!!!

Please Note

The Wilmington United Methodist Church Office will soon be moving to the newly renovated former Sears building directly behind the church on Main Street. All Emmaus-related correspondence should be sent to the following address:

61 E. Main Street, Suite 4
P.O. Box 927
Wilmington, Ohio 45177

Remember, there will be old applications with the current address so check that before you give it to a prospective pilgrim.

Thank you.

**DON'T FORGET TO WRITE ACAPEI
SIGN UP FOR WEEKEND JOBI
SIGN THE PRAYER VIGILI
COME TO CANDLELIGHT!
COME TO CLOSING!
SPONSOR A PILGRIM!**

*Has someone seen Christ in you today?
 Christian, look to your heart, O pray,
 The little things that you have done or said.....
 Did they accord with the way you prayed?
 Have your thoughts been pure and words been kind?
 Have you sought to have the Savior's mind?
 The world with a criticizing view,
 Has watched.... but did it see Christ in you?*

*Has someone seen Christ in you today?
 Christian, look to your heart, O pray,
 There are aching hearts and blighted souls
 Being lost on sin's destructive shoals,
 And perhaps of Christ their only view
 May be what they see of Him in you.
 Will they see enough to bring hope and cheer?
 Look to your light! Does it shine out clear?*

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From Larry(continued from page 1)

"But where are the lamps. How will it be lighted?"

The nobleman pointed to some brackets in the walls. Then he gave to each family a lamp which they were to bring with them each time they came to worship.

"Each time you are here the area where you are seated will be lighted," he said. "Each time you are not here, that area will be dark. This is to remind you that whenever you fail to attend, some part of God's house will be dark."

Remember our commitment made at the cross ceremony, "I am counting on Christ and Christ is counting on me." The Church belongs to Him, and He is counting on us to proclaim, fellowship, and serve through the Body. De Colores!

In Christ's Service and Love,
 Larry

WHICH TENT DO YOU LIVE IN? (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Lord!

Recently I heard an illustration used about being content with one another and I would like to share it with you. It was written by John C. Maxwell.

WHICH TENT DO YOU LIVE IN?

All people live in one of two tents - content or discontented. In which do you live?

The contented person looks beyond their circumstances and sees a better day; the discontented looks at their circumstances and sees no other way.

The contented person understands the purpose for which they were born; The discontented person looks at others' successes with a face that is filled with scorn.

The contented person has surrendered to a purpose that demands their best; The discontented person has selfishly hoarded much and grasping for more, will not rest. The contented person has placed their

values on things which will forever last; The discontented person has placed their values on things that will soon pass.

The contented person is anchored to clear goals and is hardly ever swayed; The discontented person has no goals that anchor them and is many times dismayed.

The contented person counts their blessings and names them one by one; The discontented person counts others' blessings and thinks he has no fun.

All people live in one of two tents - content or discontent. In which tent do you live?

Let us be content with one another, respect each others' beliefs, forget our petty little differences and all work together in order to walk together on those streets of gold.

De Colores
 Betty Bishop

FUTURE WALK DATES

Wilmington

MEN

#20 - July 27-30, 1995

#21 - September 21-24, 1995

WOMEN

#36 - June 22-25, 1995

#37 - October 26-29, 1995

Greater Scioto Valley

MEN

#2 - September 14-17, 1995

WOMEN

#2 - October 5-8, 1995

My Father When I Was.....

- 4 years old: My daddy can do anything.
- 5 years old: My daddy knows a whole lot.
- 6 years old: My dad is smarter than your dad.
- 8 years old: My dad doesn't know exactly everything.
- 10 years old: In the olden days when my dad grew up, things were sure different.
- 12 years old: Oh well, naturally Father doesn't know anything about that. He is too old to remember his childhood.
- 14 years old: Don't pay any attention to my Father. He is so old-fashioned!
- 21 years old: Him? My Lord, he's hopelessly out-of-date.
- 25 years old: Dad knows a little bit about it, but then he should because he has been around so long.
- 30 years old: Maybe we should ask Dad what he thinks. After all, he's had a lot of experience.
- 35 years old: I'm not doing a single thing until I talk to Dad.
- 40 years old: I wonder how Dad would have handled it. He was so wise and had a world of experience.
- 50 years old: I'd give anything if Dad were here now so I could talk this over with him. Too bad I didn't appreciate how smart he was. I could have learned a lot from him.

Ann Landers

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