



# WILMINGTON EMMAUS

## Spiritual Director Maurice's Musings



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**All Emmaus walks and gatherings are held at the United Methodist Church**  
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I grew up in south-eastern Ohio. My home was only 6 miles south of I-70. I-70 is an interstate highway that has been expanded to up-date the old US Route 40, which had previously replaced the "National Road," which extended from Cumberland, Maryland, to St. Louis, Missouri. This National Road was built in the early 1800's. It provided access to the west for thousands of settlers. Each mile along the 225 miles in Ohio, as well as the other states, they placed a stone mile-marker. The stone marker had carved on one side the miles to Cumberland, the eastern end of the road, and on the other side they carved the miles to St. Louis, Missouri, the western end. Some of those mile markers can still be seen along Old Route 40, after almost 200 years.

These came to mind as I considered this coming month. The month of May marks several 'mile-

stones', the end of one chapter and the beginning of another for many people. High school seniors are wrapping up their high school careers. College students are finishing their college days and looking to the future of making a living, or for some, continuing their education at graduate school. Even the students, who aren't at a turning point of graduation, celebrate the ending of one grade level and look forward to, or anxiously await the next.

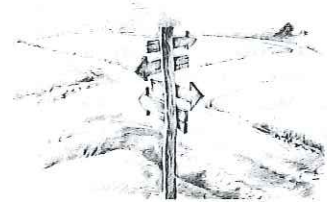
For those who have been out of school for a few years or even decades, this month still marks milestones as many celebrate special class reunions. I guess this is the real reason that milestones have been on my mind. It was 30 years ago this month that I graduated from seminary. (Oh my, that was a long time ago!)

Last month we celebrated the anniversary of our Lord's Resurrection. In

reality, we celebrate this event every Lord's Day, every Sunday, the first day of the week. One contemporary Christian song writer shares that he can be happy every day, no matter what, because he's one day closer to heaven.

Read 1 Timothy 6:12-16. Paul tells Timothy to "...take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses."

We only need to strive to be faithful today. We only need be concerned with our faithfulness this one day. May we 'mark our time' with faithfulness, as we live each day for our Lord.



### Trivia:

Who at first refused to let Jesus wash his feet?  
 A. Peter (John 13:8)

From where did Deborah prefer to do most of her counseling?

Who first warned David to flee from Saul?  
 A. Jonathan (1 Sam 19:2)

Who asked Jesus to perform his first recorded miracle?

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**Gatherings are held  
on the second Tuesday of each month  
Board meeting – 6:00  
Gathering – 7:00  
(singing starts at 6:45)**

**When attending a gathering or closing,  
You may wish to bring food to share  
During the fellowship time**



Don't forget  
Wilmington  
Emmaus is  
on the web:

[www.wilmingtonemmaus.org](http://www.wilmingtonemmaus.org)

Chrysalis Hoot is held every third Monday of every month at the Grace Methodist Church in Washington C.H. It starts at 7pm. Come and be a part of the Chrysalis Community.

Agape—If you are sponsoring a pilgrim, please get your letters out to people early.

Name Badges Are Important!

Don't forget to wear your name badge to all Emmaus events. This includes working in the kitchen, scrubbing bathrooms, gatherings, candlelights, and closings.



Campbell

"Naming me Solomon didn't work."