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Read this!

- Get in the GATHERING habit!
- We need women for the October Women's Walk and February Men's Walk!

BARB'S LITTLE BITS

Have you noticed how quickly life is moving or is it just me? It seems like when I was younger, time went much slower. Remember how long it took for school to be out for summer break? How long it took to be 16 so we could get a driver's license? How slowly high school seemed to go and college even faster. . and so on. My mom always said the older you get the faster time goes. Sure, Mom. Well, as usual, Mom was right. The older I get, the faster the years seem to fly by. I remember a friend saying when I retired you go to church and turn around and it's Sunday again. She was right too. WAIT!!

There are still 24 hours in every day, 365 days in every year. What is it?

God said life is like a vapor – a mist that is here and quickly vanishes. After all, this world is not our home, we're just traveling through. How is your trip going? Are you in the fast lane hurrying here and there or are you focusing on the main things?

James 4:13–15 says, "Now listen, you who say "today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money". Why you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you

ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that".

Life is short no matter how many years we live. Don't be deceived into thinking that we have lots of remaining time to live for Christ, to enjoy our loved ones, or to do what we know we should. Live for God TODAY! Then, no matter when our life on this earth ends, we will have fulfilled God's plan.

Let's take time to....

Live Laugh Love.

De Colores,

Barb

GUEST CLERGY DEVOTION

*"The Lord merely spoke,
and the heavens were
created.
He breathed the word,
and all the stars were
born."* -Psalm 33:6

How mighty is our God! How blessed we are to have a Creator who thinks of all the small details. Can we ever imagine our place in God's Kingdom?

When my mother was alive, she used to say to me, "Tell me how God loves me?"

She was a faithful person but also loved to hear the stories. She knew I would tell her the truth as I knew it and she would renew her faith in a loving God. She would listen to the words I'd read from scripture and she was comforted that her wonderful God in heaven was big enough to love her no matter what she did and would guide her through life. All she had to do was obey and trust. For her, "The Lord merely spoke....."

Judi Wiley

The image of our God *breathing the word* makes me realize that the power of God is in the very small whispered breath of God. God speaks, the universe listens, and obeys! God breathes life into all humanity and we are free to respond. How wonderfully we are made! I know God is working in my life. Do you know it? Do you feel the very essence of a God that is personally involved with creation? A God who cares so fully with a love eternal that *(continued on page 2)*

GUEST CLERGY (continued)

we feel the very power of God? You bet, and those are the wonderful stories my mother wanted to hear. She yearned to know this God who loved her, and now you can experience God as he breathes life and love into you. Read the stories. Cherish the stories. Know the truth! God Almighty loves you, always, and in all ways.

Judi Wiley

PRAYER LIST

The following names were raised in prayer at the March Gathering. Please continue to pray for the needs of these folks. (Please excuse any misspellings.)

- Dave & Dinah Bond
- Kathy Bright
- Stephanie Hamann
- Debbie Hill
- Family of Krista Koehl
- Roger Maines
- The Stykes Family
- Teresa & Bonnie
- John Waugh
- Iris Wilkinson



We're looking for **PILGRIMS** for Women's Walk #91.

DEVOTION TO PONDER

"But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Read Matthew 5:38-48

For a long time, I didn't understand this passage from Matthew. I just don't have a lot of enemies—I'm friendly, calm, and a bit of a people-pleaser. Then one day I attended a lecture where I felt a friend of mine (as well as a whole group of people I care about) was being implicitly verbally attacked. In my seat in the audience, I shook with hurt and anger and seethed inwardly at the mean-spirited ignorance and rhetorical incompetence I saw in my newfound opponents.

I realized then that I'd rather pray for them to receive some divine common sense (which would of course look pretty

similar to my way of thinking) than to pray for their well-being. I realized that praying for my enemies also means praying for a change in myself, and these words from *The Book of Common Prayer* (p. 816) took on a deep meaning:

O God, the Father of all, whose Son commanded us to love our enemies: Lead them and us from prejudice to truth: deliver them and us from hatred, cruelty, and revenge; and in your good time enable us all to stand reconciled before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Welcome to the Men from Walk #57

PILGRIM	ADDRESS	TOWN	PHONE
Derrick Adkins		Germantown OH 45327	
Pete Barbiero		Washington CH OH 43160	
Clay Bennington		Hillsboro OH 45133	
Scott Carter		Jamestown OH 45335	
Pete Esposito		Lebanon OH 45036	
David Hunley		Burlington KY 41005	
Zach King		Wilmington OH 45177	
Paul Lancaster		Blanchester OH 45107	
Ken Ludwick		Hillsboro OH 45133	
Aaron Miller		Wilmington OH 45177	
Matt Noggle		New Vienna OH 45159	
Matt Puckett		Lynchburg OH 45142	
Adam Shivers		Wilmington OH 45177	
Jerod Turner		Wilmington OH 45177	
Greg Walls		Wilmington OH 45177	
Kyle Zimmerman		Leesburg OH 45135	

Cut the pilgrim list out and add to your community roster!

Pilgrims for Women's Walk #91			
Debbie Allen	Hillsboro	OH	Bob and Dorothy Hodson
Betsy Brooks	Wilmington	OH	Dave and Robyn Hinman
Lana Daniels	Hillsboro	OH	Bob and Dorothy Hodson
Valerie Huff	Hillsboro	OH	Pam Blaser
Judy Kammer	Kettering	OH	Diana Burdick
Lisa Pitzer	Greenfield	OH	Pam Blaser
Beth Puckett	Lynchburg	OH	Barb Little
Holly Requardt	Greenfield	OH	Heidi Tite
Valerie Smart	Wilmington	OH	Jeff and Janell Smart
Melissa Stoffel	Mt Orab	OH	Ruth Nixon Lewis
Brittany Totten	Wilmington	OH	Paula Johnson

Thank-you to the Team for Men's Walk #57!		
Position	Name	Talk
Lay Director	Dean Hall	Perseverance
Assistant Lay Director	Bob Erwin	Priorities
Assistant Lay Director	Jim Blair	Grow through Study
Assistant Lay Director	Mike Harris	Fourth Days
Table of Arrears	Jerry McWhorter	Changing Our World
Table Leader	Roger Dedrick	Body of Christ
Table Leader	Denny Beis	Life In Piety
Table Leader	Charlie Weaver	Discipleship
Table Leader	Robin King	Priesthood of All Believers
Assistant Table Leader	Jordan Foster	
Assistant Table Leader	Dick Wilson	
Assistant Table Leader	Jason Levandofsky	
Assistant Table Leader	Chuck Adkins	
Spiritual Director	Chuck Tabor	Means of Grace
Asst Spiritual Director	Dave Hinman	Sanctifying Grace
Board Representative	Randy Riley	Christian Action
Music Director	Kent Holland	
Asst Music Director	Cliff Klutts	
Audio/Video	Mike Daugherty	
Clergy	Larry Stewart	Prevenient Grace
Clergy	Dick Lehman	Justifying Grace
Clergy	Dow Tippett	Obstacles to Grace



**ORGAN
RECITAL**
James McLaughlin
October 20—3:00 pm
St. Mary's Episcopal Church
234 N High St—Hillsboro
FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Women's Walk Team #91 (cont.)	
Board Representative	Robin Hinman
Music Director	Cindy Bloom
Asst Music Director	Jennie Harner
Audio/Visual	Toni Jenkins

Team for Women's Walk #91		
Lay Director	Jennifer Brown	Perseverance
Assistant Lay Director	Robin Smalley	Priorities
Assistant Lay Director	Chondra Bills	Grow through Study
Assistant Lay Director	Debbie Harp	Fourth Days
Table Leader	Debbie Mitchell	Changing Our World
Table Leader	Cathy Deakayne	Body of Christ
Table Leader	Melissa Thompson	Life In Piety
Table Leader	Donna Potts	Discipleship
Table Leader	Rhonda Andrews	Priesthood of All Believers
Table Leader	Soundra Weaver	Christian Action
Assistant Table Leader	Holli Ertel	
Assistant Table Leader	Jenny Eubanks	
Assistant Table Leader	Kasie Vilvens	
Assistant Table Leader	Marilyn Fenner	
Assistant Table Leader	Nikki Estep	
Assistant Table Leader	Dianna Burdick	
Spiritual Director	Joy Stanforth	
Asst Spiritual Director	Christy Mitchell	

Wilmington Area Walk to
Emmaus

Wilmington United Methodist Church
PO Box 191
Wilmington, OH 45177

We're on the web:
www.wilmingtonemmaus.org

See you at the Gathering!
October 8
Singing starts at 6:45 pm
Wear your nametag!
Bring a snack to share!
Men's Walk #57 Reunion
at 6:00 pm

DATE	INSTRUMENTALIST	SONG LEADER	SPECIAL MUSIC	FOURTH DAY SPEAKER
October 8	John Glaze	Cliff Klutts	Carl Guenther	Tonya West
November 12	John Glaze	Kathy Holbrook	Cindy Bloom & Emily Jackson	Jim Wingo
December 10	John Glaze	Bronwyn Jones	Community-ALL MUSIC!	none



Coming in future issues: How does a walk come together? Who does what?

ALSO: Step-by-Step guide to sponsorship!

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