



IMPORTANT DATES

GATHERINGS

March 9th at Ingomar UMC
 April 14th at Lutherlyn Camp
 Men's Walk #61 Candlelight
 May 11th at Carnegie UMC
 June 8th at Regional Locations
 July 7th at Camp Crestfield
 Girls Chrysalis Candlelight
 August 10th
 at Regional Locations

SPRING WALKS

LUTHERLYN

Men's Walk April 12-15, 2007
 Women's Walk April 19-22, 2007

FALL WALKS

LUTHERLYN

Men's Walk October 11-14, 2007
 Women's Walk October 18-21, 2007

CHRYSLIS FLIGHTS

Camp Crestfield near Slippery Rock
 Boy's Flight #6 June 29-July 1, 2007
 Girls Flight #5 July 7-9, 2007

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Three Rivers Walk To Emmaus

1995-2007 Fifteen years of Walking with Jesus

February 2007

FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

A "Purpose Driven" TRWE?

Many of us have read "The Purpose Driven Church" by Rick Warren, and we all can easily remember the five purposes for life are Worship, Discipleship, Ministry, Mission and Fellowship. Each of us has been on a Walk to Emmaus, and the four keys of Emmaus are...Servant hood, Prayer, Sponsorship and 4th Day.

Did you get them right off the bat? Have you ever thought of it that way?

Servant hood - Only with the heart of a Servant can we fulfill our mission in Emmaus. As servants on a Team or helping to serve a meal at a Walk, or in working in God's Kingdom at our home churches- that is how we fulfill the key of Servant hood. *"Whenever we have the opportunity, we have to do what is good for everyone, especially for the family of believers."* Galatians 6:10 GWT

Prayer - At my home church we like to say "Nothing moves without prayer." Well actually a lot of things move without prayer...just not in the way God would necessarily want, take a look at that world out there. Prayer works to fulfill those things that are in accordance with God's desire for his people, and prayer works in a powerful way in what we do in Emmaus. *"Pray for us...that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ."* Colossians 4:3 NIV

Sponsorship - I've told many of you that I encountered Jesus in the greeting area of Dutilh United Methodist Church one Sunday after church...and he looked just like Bill Harvey, the man who sponsored me on TRWE #37. I never knew that someone I didn't really know all that well could love me that much. I didn't know until then that I was *"surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses"* (Hebrews 12:1). Think of the opportunity to be Jesus to someone you know - Sponsor them.

4th Day - Oh yeah, you just said to yourself "I've got that covered- I served breakfast last fall at the Women's Walk." Well that is part of it...Are you in a Reunion or Accountability Group? Do you use those sessions for more than fellowship? Do you attend Gathering and stay connected with our Emmaus family? Have you reflected God's love by making Agape or a gift of your time, energy and prayers? The last talk you heard on your Walk was to encourage you in all your 4th Days, make the most of each and every one of them. Take the opportunity to fulfill God's plan for your life and remember Mark 8:35 *"Jesus said, 'Only those who throw away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News will ever know what it means to really live.'"*

Really live...in **Servant hood**
 ...in **Prayer**
 ...in loving **Sponsorship**
 ...and in a full and fulfilling **4th Day**.

Thank You, God Bless and DeColores!
 John McMullan



FROM THE COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

Love Notes from Linda
GOOD NEWS, I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS!

GOOD NEWS! The Emmaus Police have been let go. We are now totally under the power and jurisdiction of God's Holy Spirit.

How exciting – we are setting out just as Paul and Barnabas did in New Testament times – we are moving into new “territory” both literally and figuratively as we begin our Regional Gatherings.

The beauty of meeting in 4 places several times throughout the year is not just for fellowship, although that is important to all of us, but it is also a wonderful opportunity to jump the “click” syndrome.

Oh NO, did I have the audacity to say that word? You know the one that made some of us feel unimportant in high school, college, at church youth gatherings, and at Emmaus gatherings and reunion groups. You bet. We are called to be inclusive people, and it is in our inclusiveness that we best express the true Spirit of Christ.

I'm so excited that I'm going to meet new folks and get to know them, that I, who LOVE snow, am praying that God will spare us snow on February 9th. I want to meet the folks who have been unable to come to gatherings at Ingomar but live close enough to come to Harrisville.

Why is it important to meet and fellowship with strangers – that's easy – so that we GROW spiritually. Oh yes, speaking of spiritual matters, please allow the Holy Spirit to work in you and in these and all future gatherings. Let's not be attached to or married to only one way of doing things.

So, what is it that we need to do as a community for 2007?

- 1) Covenant to be a holy community dedicated to God's service**
- 2) Have a contagious spirit of enthusiasm**
- 3) Allow The Spirit to lead us**
- 4) Show grace and receive it from others with gratitude**
- 5) Curb our tongue and open our arms**
- 6) And don't worry about what “others” are saying, but rather worry about what God is THINKING.**

While it's not about US, we are the ones who must make that abundantly clear to others by our behaviors and attitudes! GOOD NEWS, we have the joy and privilege to serve The Church through the Emmaus Community. PTL

Amen, praise the Lord and DeColores! Linda Tunnell (big hug)

Thanks

The Three Rivers Walk to Emmaus Community wished to extend a very warm THANK YOU to Mary Sickles, Ralph Sprang, Jude Urso, Scott Robinette, and Heidi Varner for their many years of dedicated service on the Board of Directors. They spent many hours working for the glory of God with tireless effort and a servant's heart for our community. Mary, Ralph, Jude, Scott, and Heidi many thanks for a job well done. Thanks to Linda Claypool for the wonderful leadership and willingness to stay on the board of directors as Community Lay Director Emeritus

Agape

Agape is a wonderful surprise for the pilgrims and everyone is encouraged to make some for each walk. This community has done a terrific job at providing Agape for each walk. I thank you for that. It has made my job as Agape Coordinator easier because this community is so giving of itself. Recently there have been a lot of questions concerning Agape and if we can have individual names (meaning the name of the person or persons who donated the Agape) on the Agape we give. The model says no personal Agape. It doesn't mean that you can't put your name on the Agape you make. That is okay to do. What that means is you can't single out one pilgrim and make Agape for only that person. Agape needs to be given to all pilgrims. If you want to include team that is a great idea also. Team appreciates the agape also. IF you have any questions please either email me at trweagape@yahoo.com or call at 412-835-6072 and I will try to answer your questions.

Thank you
Sandy Codding
TRWE #42



TRWE 2007 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY

January 13 th (Saturday)	E-Day/Gathering – Special Day & Time! Saturday / 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
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FEBRUARY

February 9 th	<i>Regional Gatherings – 4 Locations 1 Night!</i> Harrisville UMC – 1 st Presbyterian, Houston Ingomar UMC – Murrysville UMC
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MARCH

March 9 th	All Community Gathering Team Commissioning – Ingomar UMC
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APRIL

April 14 th (Saturday)	Gathering @ Men's Candlelight TRWE #61 Camp Lutherlyn, Prospect, PA
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MAY

May 11 th	All Community Gathering Ingomar UMC
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JUNE

June 8 th	<i>Regional Gatherings – 4 Locations 1 Night!</i> North – South – Central – East
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JULY

July 7 th (Saturday)	Gathering @ Chrysalis Candlelight Location: Camp Crestfield Slippery Rock
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AUGUST

August 10 th	<i>Regional Gatherings – 4 Locations 1 Night!</i> North – South – Central – East
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SEPTEMBER

September 14 th	All Community Gathering Annual Meeting Team Commissioning – Ingomar UMC
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OCTOBER

October 13 th (Saturday)	Gathering @ Men's Candlelight TRWE #63 Camp Lutherlyn, Prospect, PA
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NOVEMBER

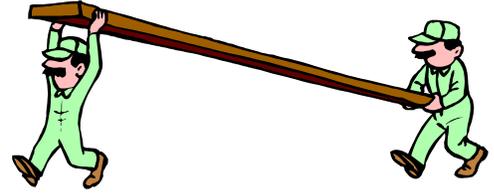
November 9 th	All Community Gathering Ingomar UMC
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DECEMBER

December 7 th	<i>Regional Gatherings – 4 Locations 1 Night!</i> North – South – Central – East
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Three Rivers Walk to Emmaus

Board of directors 2007



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Board Notes



Board Notes

The Three Rivers Chrysalis and Emmaus Community seek to provide a safe and secure environment for the children, youth, and vulnerable adults who participate in our programs and activities. The Three Rivers Chrysalis Steering Committee and the Emmaus Board of Directors are bringing together a Safe Sanctuaries policy for our community as directed by the United Methodist Church for all communities of faith. The goal of the Safe Sanctuary policy is to demonstrate our commitment to protect the community's children, youth, and vulnerable adults, and promote an atmosphere of safety and spiritual growth. This policy will allow our community to be one of Christian hospitality as well as a place of safety.

Reunion Group Fundamentals

- **Why a Reunion Group?**

Reunion groups provide a natural launching pad for Christian Action in the community. The whole reason for The Walk to Emmaus is to make you a more faithful disciple and active member in your church. As outlined in the talk on Perseverance - disciples of Jesus cannot make it alone, but can persevere with strength from the Holy Spirit through mutual support and accountability in group reunions.

Reunion Groups are a natural progression into your Fourth Day experience. Reunion Groups are a symbol of the Fourth Day journey of the Christian pilgrimage that follows the three-day Emmaus experience.

- **Who Can Start a Reunion Group?**

Any one who desires to persevere in their walk with Jesus Christ. The accountability and support of Reunion Groups is central to the Emmaus experience, as it extends each individual's experience beyond the weekend and into life in the world.

- **How Can I Form a Reunion Group?**

To form a Reunion Group, just find other believers who want to be encouraged in their Christian pilgrimage. An important and necessary foundation for faithful Christian living is a vital connection to the Christian community for support, guidance, and challenge. So simply form a Reunion Group as a means of reviewing your service card (either formally or informally) on a regular schedule. The group can be formed as a small group from a Bible study.

- **Who Can Attend a Reunion Group?**

Your Reunion Group need not be made up of people who have experienced the Emmaus Weekend. Encourage other Christians to participate – others who desire to continue to grow in relationship with Christ and live as faithful disciples in all of life. Some groups are members who relate to the same church, find a shared ministry within their congregations, etc.

Does the Three Rivers Walk to Emmaus know you?
Please keep the community up to date with any changes in your contact information.

If you move

If your email address changes....

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Please send changes to trwecomm@comcast.net

**How many times have you
wanted to sign up to
work 4th day on a walk
and missed sign up
at gathering!**

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(www.trwe.org)



Save the Date:

June 8, 2007

**TRWE Regional Gathering
Coming To An Area Near You!**

East – Murrysville, PA

North – Harrisville, PA

South – Houston, PA

Central – Ingomar, PA

**Your Choice Of Locations
To Connect And Worship
With Emmaus Friends**



Team Rosters for Walk #61 and #62

Please keep the team member and the pilgrims in your thoughts and prayers
as they prepare for the walks

Glenn Brooks
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Jerry Beloit
Andy Wahl
Barb Moore
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Susanna Caldwell
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Bonnie Readie
Sandy Underwood
Annette Jones
Linda Tunnell
Clara Belloit
Millie Martin
Bill Saxman





Fourth Day Corner

This comes under, ‘*Boy, does God have a sense of humor or what!*’ As the new Fellowship Coordinator for the Board of Directors, the responsibility for lunch for the recent E-Day fell to me. The Board decided on pizza and salads. So I was in Giant Eagle on Friday before E-Day, with my list in hand—making the decisions on what to buy. Do I plan on salads for 50 or 150? OK, made those decisions for better or worse and now what else did I need? Oh, yea, Nick Denardo said we needed decaffeinated tea. So off to the tea isle. Hum---I want to be sure to get tea bags with those individually wrapped covers so they’re more sanitary for the drink table. I’m not a tea drinker so I started to read the packages but none of the boxes mentioned that. I heard my name called. I turned around and saw a lady—the files were going around in my head—who is this person, where do I know her from? Meanwhile I shared my dilemma—are you a tea-drinker? Do you know which have individual wrappers? She said, “Yes I am. Red Rose doesn’t, Giant Eagle brand doesn’t, only Lipton has the individual wrappers.” I said thank you and tossed the Lipton box into my cart, still not placing who this lady was, we parted company after a few more pleasantries. I headed to the paper-goods isle. Who was this person—any clues from our conversation—did God send an angel to help me to make the right choice? Ponder, ponder. . . she mentioned Gail, that didn’t match any female in my head-files, Oh, Gail as a male, her husband Rev. Gail McQueen, her name Judy, yes, he used to cover vacations for my husband in the early days at Wurtemberg Church. So what are the chances that we would meet at the Rochester Giant Eagle? What are the chances that we would meet in the tea isle? So I thought, thank you God, for sending me a tea drinker, and this made me smile—If God can be in the mundane choices we make everyday surely he’s in control of the big picture, too.

I share this with the Emmaus Community for three reasons. First, perhaps you will get a chuckle from the description of this little event. And stimulus to ask yourself the question; when and where does God seem to smile on my activities? Sometimes events, like this one, seem like they can only happen by God-circumstances. It’s easy to forget the good and let the struggles dominate our heads. And second, it’s important for me to have reason to write it down so *I’ll remember*. That’s something I’ve learned through Emmaus in regards to giving Talks. As we think about our lives in terms of Piety, Study and Action—if we ponder deeply—events and life situations will come as personal witness so we can share with the conference room about a life in piety, a life growing through study and a life intentional in Christian action. And at the same time help us clarify, in our own thinking how these are active in our lives.

The third reason: Do you have a story to tell but not quite bold enough to volunteer as 4th Day speaker? Has God answered your prayer in an unusual way that writing it down would help clarify it’s meaning for your life? This column is open to any community member who would like to share about their continuing life’s Walk. Just e-mail your writing to Garth Johnston trwecomm@comcast.net

DeColores!

Pat Mould

Lexington KY Walk to Emmaus #32





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