



A Note from the Chair...

DeColores to each and every one of you.

How has the Lord blessed you this month? The GSV Emmaus community has completed Women's Walk #45 on October 14-17, 2010, and our community was blessed with an awesome walk with great support from the community. The Holy Spirit filled the Church and blessed the pilgrims and the entire community the whole weekend. We had an great Gathering on October 21st with Music and the new members sharing their Fourth Day's, and fellowship. Our cup overflowed and continues to do so. We are so blessed everyday. I hope you will take the time to realize all of the blessing that God has poured out on you.

"Don't worry about anything, instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done." Philippians 4:6 (NLT)

Seems like everyone wishes for happiness. Everybody wants some. Everybody seeks it. Many people pretend to have it, yet few seem to truly possess it. Why is happiness so hard to find?

Paul gives three clear instructions for finding lasting contentment. He says:

- 1) Not to worry
- 2) Pray about everything
- 3) Thank God for everything

What if today we took this instruction to heart and put it into practice? What if today we decided not to worry about anything? What if when we found ourselves worrying, we stopped and handed the situation over to God in prayer? What if we then thanked Him for taking care of the issue? In fact, what if we spent most of our mental free time today thinking about what good care our awesome God takes of us? What would happen then?

Paul says in verse seven, if we begin to live this way we will experience amazing peace – a kind of peace we can't even imagine. This kind of peace is so powerful that it has a protective function on our hearts and minds – which only makes it easier and easier for us to stop worrying and be thankful. That sounds like a state of happiness to me!

In verse eight Paul elaborates on what to think about instead of our worries – whatever is good, true, honorable, pure, lovely, praise worthy, and right. Many things can fall into these categories, but Christ encompasses them all! This is not just "positive thinking," this is spiritual thinking.

So happy contentedness is not something that comes once our waistlines have slimmed, our wrinkles are erased, our houses are clean and well furnished, our children are successful, our husbands dote on us, or our dreams are fulfilled. Instead it is learned as we become prayerful and thankful, as we practice spiritual thinking, and as we trust in Christ.

God is GOOD all the time! I can't think of a better day to start practicing Paul's process of prayer, thankfulness, and "spiritual thinking" than today and the entire month of November.

I hope you're Faith and Prayers will grow stronger each day. I hope you will include our Emmaus Community in your daily prayers and support God's calling for you this month. Please come and join us at the next gathering on November 18th at 7:00PM. The Chrysalis Community will host this Gathering and we will enjoy "Emmaus on steroids". Please add this to your calendar and join us.

I pray you will enjoy God's Blessing. Rick

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BOLD NAMES ARE THE ONES GOING OFF THE BOARD

POTENTIAL NEW BOARD MEMBERS

8 NEW BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE ELECTED AT THE NOVEMBER GATHERING! If you want to vote, please do so via the website at GSVEmmaus.org, **by midnight Weds, October 17th** OR email to harper@yskcorp.com, **by midnight Weds, October 17th** OR drop off a sealed envelope at Trinity, labeled Emmaus Vote, **by 5pm Thurs, October 18th** OR COME to the Gathering and vote in person! You can vote for up to 8 people! Nominees are:

Charlotte Spires	Trish Barber	Danny Morris
Pat Cook	Debbie Michael	Terri Werr
Heather Glandon	Lana McGrath	Russ Harr
Eric White	Sue Kelly	

Duties of the Registrar:

The duties of the registrar begin in the months prior to the walk. The registrar must collect all of the new pilgrim applications and enter the information in the spreadsheet database. He must then begin the process of contacting pilgrims and inviting them on the next walk. Much time is spent calling pilgrims (and leaving messages) in order to “confirm” their interest in going on a Walk. After a few rounds of “phone tag” the registrar and pilgrim have the opportunity to speak together and that is when the magic begins! The registrar informs the pilgrim of the basics of the walk and answers any questions that may arise. I have had many wonderfully spiritual conversations with pilgrims which usually leave me feeling more blessed than I think the pilgrim feels! Once a pilgrim confirms, their name and contact information is moved to a special “Walk” spreadsheet and shared with the team who then contact the pilgrim in the weeks leading up to the walk. This year the GSVE Board voted to establish a “minimum” criterion. This “minimum” criterion states that we have at the minimum 16 confirmed pilgrims for the upcoming walk before the team begins to meet. There are many good reasons for such a minimum criteria, namely, to insure that we have at least enough pilgrims break even financially for a weekend. Everything from food to rent is calculated in this determination. Many other groups could potentially use the church if given enough notice that the Emmaus walk is cancelled due to low enrollment. Also, food is usually purchased in the week prior to a walk, so that if a walk is cancelled “last minute” we just may have wasted money on food that we then cannot use! Furthermore, the team has by this time invested many hours of preparation in the weeks leading up to a walk. By establishing a minimum of 16 pilgrims 6-8 weeks prior to the Walk weekend, all of these goals can be achieved.

If you have someone you would like to sponsor, pray about it, and then ACT! It is never too soon to send in an application! Most applications are coming in at the last minute leaving us wondering if we are in jeopardy of cancelling the walk. Don't worry if your pilgrim waivers about which date to attend! Get the application in and let the registrars worry about that!

That's our JOB!!! DECOLORES!!! Jerry Kunz and Wayne Barnhart

From Our Spiritual Director . . .

We have entered into the holiday season and at the end of this month we will celebrate Thanksgiving. So, how do you celebrate this holiday? For some of us it is a time to gather with family and enjoy a turkey dinner and watch some football, take a nap and make a turkey sandwich and then watch some more football. I have a member from my church that says it is his favorite holiday of the year. I asked him why? His reply: “I can eat until I stuffed, watch football and I don't have to buy anyone presents.”

So entering into the Thanksgiving season, I would like to ask; what are you thankful for? There are many things to be thankful for, our health, family, a job and yes of course the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful meal. But, it is often very difficult for me thinking about those who are homeless and hungry while I am sitting at a table filled with food that would feed an army. It brings me to tears.

So what can I do about it? I pray to God for those who are homeless and hungry and ask God to penetrate my heart with love for them and do the best I can to help them. I know I can do more than pray and I believe that is what God wants me to do. He wants me to reach out to those who are less fortunate than we are and especially during this time of the year.

So what can you do about it? Find a place in your local area where you can donate your time or help with a pantry and get to know the people who are in need in your local area. Getting to know the people in Bainbridge who are less fortunate than I is one of the most rewarding gifts I receive throughout the year and I look forward to it during this holiday season. I love seeing the people who come to our pantry at our church and talking with them. I am reminded that they are children of God and they have their joys and struggles just like I do.

In Matthew 25:40 it says: “Whatever you have done for the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

So during these next couple of weeks, challenge yourself and be a servant of Christ doing something for the least of our brothers and sisters as though you were serving Christ Himself.

DeColores! Scott

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Join Us at the Gathering

See you at the next Gathering,
November 18, 2010, 7 PM
at Trinity UMC,
Main and Mulberrv Sts.. Chillicothe

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GSVEmmaus.org**

You can read current and past newsletters and
sign up on the prayer vigil or kitchen and
housekeeping crews for walks.

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CHRISTMAS I GIVE YOU WHAT YOU NEED?

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