



**Greater Dayton Community**  
450 W. Alex-Bell Rd., Centerville, OH 45459

## March Newsletter

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### 2018 WALK SCHEDULE

At Sulphur Grove UMC  
WW #104 July 19-22  
MW #66 August 23-26  
CANDLELIGHT  
8:30PM Saturday of Walk

CLOSING  
4:30PM Sunday of Walk

NEXT GATHERING  
Monday, March 12  
2nd Monday Every Month  
7:15 PM, Normandy UMC

BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, March 27  
7PM, Normandy UMC

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### Chairman's Message

Can you feel it? Spring is just around the corner. It's time for warmer weather, longer days and daylight savings — or as some refer to it, a time to change your clock, spring forward or lose an hour of sleep. For Christians, we know the One who never changes.

*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."*

— Hebrews 13:8 New King James Version (NKJV)

Jesus stays the same so we may be changed by the truth. During the Walk to Emmaus, we hear his truth through fifteen talks. Jesus shares his priorities from Friday through Sunday through each speaker who gives a talk. The talks are filled with scripture and the speaker's God-inspired testimony.

At closing, those completing the walk to Emmaus share with the Emmaus community what the walk has meant to them and what they are going to do as a result. It is a powerful privilege to hear how the Holy Spirit moves in the hearts of pilgrims. Many share how they plan to go out and reach others sharing the Good News about the One who came to save us and change us — our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our community is reminded about how the Holy Spirit changes us, but cautions us that the world remains unaffected. When our walk weekend ends, we go home and start to process and pray for that same Spirit that brought us to Emmaus to begin anew in us. We remember these words, "Jesus is counting on you," our response, "And I am counting on Jesus."

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Dennis Leach  
Greater Dayton Emmaus Chairman

## Donate \$50 for Mat Fundraiser



Donate \$50 to purchase one of 60 new mats for Walk weekends. Tony Ammon (above) is holding a sample of the denser more comfortable foam for the mats. Just write the word "MAT" in the memo of your check and mail to: Greater Dayton Emmaus Community, 450 W. Alex-Bell Rd., Centerville, OH 45459 or bring a check to the February Gathering.

## Name Tag Guidelines



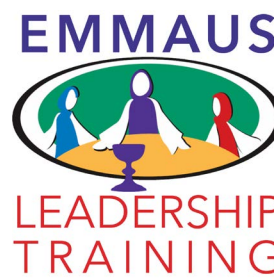
Please wear your Emmaus name tag to all Emmaus community activities including; walk weekends, Gatherings, all serving activities prior to, during or after walks.

## March Gathering



The March Gathering is Monday, March 12. Come meet our new community members from WW#103 and support our Board as they are anointed for service. (Board Member List pg. 4)

## Leadership Training



Leadership training will be offered on Saturday, March 17 from 9am - 4pm at Sulphur Grove UMC. If you are interested in serving as a Lay Director (LD) on an Emmaus Walk, leadership training is required within 15 months of serving.

Additionally, leadership training provides an indepth look at the workings of Emmaus. The training explains the "why" behind how Emmaus does the things it does. It is not only beneficial to LDs, but helps all Emmaus community members gain a deeper understanding of Emmaus. Those interested in Leadership Training may contact Jean Jarusiewicz by email: [jjarusiewicz@yahoo.com](mailto:jjarusiewicz@yahoo.com) at 937.681.7468 or sign up at the gatherings—sign up sheets located in the Narthex.

## Photography/Recording



No part of the 72-hour experience may be videotaped electronically recorded, photographed, digitally recorded or tape recorded.

## Candles to Buy/Borrow



Battery powered candles are available to borrow before Candlelight and must be returned before you leave. You may also purchase candles for \$5 each. Please remember they are only available to buy or borrow during Candlelight of Walk weekends.



# For Whom Do You Weep?

One day during our Holy Land trip in November, Myra and I and our group found ourselves on the Mount of Olives, looking down towards the beautiful city of Jerusalem. Of course, the Dome of the Rock dominated our view, but we could also see the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Eastern Wall and Kidron Valley, along with other churches and holy places. I could imagine the place where the Temple once stood and the gate through which Jesus entered the city on Palm Sunday.

And I couldn't help but remember Christ's words as He was entering the city on that day:

*But as they came closer to Jerusalem and Jesus saw the city ahead, he began to weep. "How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace. But now it is too late, and peace is hidden from your eyes. Before long your enemies will build ramparts against your walls and encircle you and close in on you from every side. They will crush you into the ground, and your children with you. Your enemies will not leave a single stone in place, because you did not accept your opportunity for salvation."*

—Luke 19:41-44, NLT

Jesus wept over the people and city that He loved, who would in a few short days clamor for His crucifixion. He knew they were missing an opportunity for salvation.

For whom do you weep? Who do you know is missing their opportunity for salvation right now? Which of your friends, relatives, acquaintances and neighbors do not know the love of Christ in their lives, whose eternal destiny leads to a track away from God? Whose eternal soul causes you to weep?

You need to start praying for them, asking the Lord to soften their heart. You need to discern opportunities to engage them in conversation about your faith. Your life needs to be complimentary of a redeemed nature. You need to be ready at a moment's notice to share the reason for your faith. You need to have courage and know that the Holy Spirit will lead.

They are not ready for an Emmaus Walk. Remember, the purpose of Emmaus is to strengthen leaders within the church. But someday, if their lives have accepted the opportunity for salvation, they may be ready to go on a Walk. But they must be reached first before they can travel.

Gary Wheeler  
Spiritual Director



# Greater Dayton Walk to Emmaus

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## I See Jesus

During the Body of Christ talk at the Greater Dayton Women's Walk to Emmaus #103, the women heard a dramatic reading of 11-year-old Summer Water's poem, *I See Jesus*. As the pilgrims listened, they identified with Waters' simple message and were encouraged to go out into the world to be Jesus.

I saw Jesus last week.  
He was wearing blue jeans and an old shirt.  
He was up at the church building; He was alone and working hard.  
For just a minute he looked a little like one of our members;  
But it was Jesus ... I could tell by his smile.

I saw Jesus last Sunday.  
He was teaching a Bible class.  
He didn't talk real loud or use long words,  
But you could tell he believed what he said.  
For just a minute, he looked like my Bible teacher;  
But it was Jesus ... I could tell by his loving voice.

I saw Jesus yesterday.  
He was at the hospital visiting a friend who was sick.  
They prayed together quietly.  
For just a minute he looked like Brother Jones;  
But it was Jesus ... I could tell by the tears in his eyes.

I see Jesus everywhere,  
Taking food to the sick ...  
Welcoming others to his home, Being friendly to a newcomer,  
and for just a minute, I think he's someone I know;  
But it's always Jesus ... I can tell by the way he serves.

*"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."* — John 15:12 (NKJV)



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Lebanon Correctional Institution (LeCI) #56  
March 8-11, 2018 Jeff Vogel, Leader  
Dayton Correctional Institution (DCI) #12  
March 15-18, 2018 - Pat Crotty, Leader

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Girls Chrysalis #66 - July 6-8, 2018  
Boys Chrysalis #66 - July 27-29, 2018

