



Sept 2011 Newsletter

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**REMINDER:**

**Saturday evening special service on the men’s walk #68 (Sept 10<sup>th</sup>) will be held at SOUTH CAMPBELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH !!! Please SPREAD THE WORD about this change in location – TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS !! Special Service for Women’s Walk #69 on Sept 17<sup>th</sup> will be held as usual at “Big B” Campbellsville Baptist Church.**

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Dear Emmaus Family,

My friend Gary Hendrickson was recently sharing with me how much God used the instrument of Emmaus in his life. He said that it was not the content of the fifteen part talk on a life in grace that affected him the most, it was the life in grace that was lived out in his presence through which God caused him to do and will and live according to His purpose. In his words, “doctrine in shoes will transform a community; otherwise all you have is a theologically conservative church.”

I was again reminded of the truth of Galatians 5:6 in shoes today at Jim and Jamie Mattingly’s funerals. The program that was printed to celebrate life said this of Jim: *“Two things stand out about Jim Mattingly. Jim was in love with Jesus... and that love was contagious...Jesus...was the wellspring of his love and joy and peace that overflowed onto all he came in contact with. His presence and His power was enough to get Jim through the day...”*

To me, the Walk to Emmaus is a celebration of **life empowered by the Holy Spirit**. When we are around people who are in love with Jesus, like Jim, His love gets caught.

There are a lot of lessons with powerful content, and speakers with great passion and gifted delivery. Great books like: "Grace Walk", by Steve McVay; "Celebration of Disciplines", by Richard Foster; "Purpose Driven Life", by Rick Warren; and "Experiencing God", by Henry Blackaby, present lessons of God's grace and truth in such ways. But, there is no substitute for a life in grace lived out by a Community of faith, not just for seventy-two hours, but for all our fourth days.

Diane shared today as she was being showered by God's grace as family and friends expressed their common faith in Christ love, that she felt God had her in a bubble. Doesn't that sound a lot like your Emmaus experience?

Walk 68 and 69 are fast approaching. God's teams need your prayers and service. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fill their hearts and kindle in them the fire of His Love. Pray that he will send forth His Spirit and create His Sanctified Body and renew the face of the earth. Pray that the Holy Spirit will instruct their hearts and grant them the fruit of His Love. Pray that they will be so saturated with Christ, so in Love with Jesus, so entombed in his Grace that they will be a wellspring of love, joy and peace to all God has chosen to attend the walks. Pray for the pilgrims, for God's prevenient grace to go before them, for his justifying grace to deliver and save them, and his sanctifying grace to keep on saving and empowering them. Pray for them to catch a life in grace so they can “Praise God in their Storms” and say, “Worthy is the Lamb.”

Put shoes on your faith and express it in God's love. Be in love with Jesus. Attend send off, Special service, and closing. Make snack agape, table and bed agape, serve meals, and pray, pray, pray.

Your Servant in Christ,  
Wesley Durham  
Campbellsville Emmaus CLD



Greetings, in Jesus name!

The thought has just occurred to me of "how do we finish?" When we are given a task by God and the task is completed ...how do we finish? Do we finish on a positive note giving God thanks for the experience and the opportunity to be of service to him or, do we become negative and remember all the things that did not go our way and say " Well, I will never do that again"?

Paul in 2 Timothy 4:6-8 is facing the very thing that I am speaking of but, with Paul it is more than a temporary ending. Paul realizes that his life is coming to an end and his work here on earth will soon be done. Paul had every right to be negative. He was cast into prison, ship wrecked, beaten, stoned and soon to be killed. Now that will make you sour (negative)???

This leads us to look at some of the things Paul said. The first thing I want to look at is "I *have fought a good fight.*" I believe Paul is telling us, I have done my best to serve God with all of my heart and I am happy with the service I have given. Paul did not regret his service to God. He was proud of what God had done through him. This leads me to think that we should do every job in a manner that when we finish we can say I do not regret the work I did for Jesus.

Secondly, Paul says; "*I have finished my course.*" I want to point out Paul was doing what God had called him to do and, not what God had called someone else to do. Paul understood that each person has their ministry in the kingdom of God and we each need to complete our own calling (Priest Hood of All Believers). Paul also completed the call God had on his life. The call of God should not be left undone. He said I have finished. Jesus when He was dying on the cross said "it is finished" complete, all done. I have tried to instill in my sons the idea of finish what you start do leave things undone. Just as Paul finished we need to finish the work God has for us.

Lastly, "*there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness.*" Paul did not dwell on the past.... he looked forward to the future. In 2 Cor. 5:8 Paul said "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent form the body, and to be present with the Lord." Paul had problems and struggles like we all do but, he did not allow the things of this world hold him back. Instead, Paul looked to the future when he would be with Jesus.

My oldest son played his last high school football game a few years ago. We hoped for a state championship but, the season ended before we got there. The last few minutes of the game my wife cried. I ask her why she was crying and she said because it is his last high school football game and, if this had of happened or that had happened we would still be playing. I reminded her that this is not an end but, rather it is a beginning. Now my son is married and we have two wonderful grandchildren and we are looking forward to a new grandbaby. You see God has a plan it is not an ending it is a beginning.

Let us, as the followers of Christ, be positive and leave a positive influence on the world around us.

God Speed,  
Marvin Janes, Spiritual Director  
Campbellsville Emmaus Community

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**URGENT NEED ! We need YOUNG ADULT CHRYSALIS Candidates immediately for the Nov 4-6 flight.** Do it now ! Don't wait til the last minute to work on this. Please send in your applications immediately (click on "forms" link from the side menu on the website to download your application)

If you are willing to help sponsor a young person in need, please send your donations earmarked for Chrysalis registration fees to Campbellsville Emmaus Community P. O. Box 4155 Campbellsville, KY 42719

## ANONYMOUS SERVANTHOOD

By Bob Brandt

Anonymous/invisible servanthood has **ALWAYS** been part of the Emmaus Movement, as well as all Fourth Day renewal movements. For that matter it has always been part of what Christ taught and is foundational to our Christian faith. Unfortunately, we mere mortals have a way of muddying the waters and so servanthood takes on different meanings. Sometimes servanthood ends up being put in the spotlight rather than staying in the shadows where it belongs.

If we are truly serving God and the pilgrims as we are called to serve, it shouldn't matter whether our servanthood is recognized by pilgrims, team, or community. **The only recognition that counts is that God recognizes our response to the call to servanthood—in whatever form it may come to us.**

It has been suggested by some that there are those who would “shut the Holy Spirit out” with the new guidelines that we are attempting to follow—I don't believe that is the issue, for the Holy Spirit intrudes upon all that we do in the Emmaus movement.

The question is more a matter of whether we will be faithful to the gift God has given to us within the Emmaus movement through the inspiration (by the Holy Spirit) of those who originally brought us the model as we currently have it. None of the “revisions” of the past couple of years, nor those “revisions” which are currently in process of being implemented is changing any of the foundation of the basic Emmaus model. However, these steps are helping to clarify the model and clarify what was the original purpose and intent of the model.

The Holy Spirit only gets shut out when we (mistakenly) think what happens within the Emmaus movement (and our local churches) is the result of what **WE** do. (B.B.)

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The many acts of service to the Campbellsville Emmaus Community that help ensure a positive event for the pilgrims may go unnoticed by many, but it takes everyone in our community to ensure the success of the weekend.

The acts of agape (snack & table), the attendance at the Send-off, Special Service, & Closing, are the things we all can see. However the many hours of PRAYER on behalf of the speakers and team members are what we may not see, but can certainly be felt during the walk weekend.

Community members who have been on a walk should take some time to reconsider what a servant is and does. Does a servant expect remuneration for serving? "Christian Community" is all about serving and being served.

A stirring example of this is recorded in John 13. Jesus takes the position of the lowest servant and washes the feet of His followers. He gives a powerful example and then calls them to follow. Servanthood is at the very core of community. There must be humility and a willingness to serve each other. God has appointed us this time of the walk weekends on September 8-11 and September 15-18 to be the servants He wishes us to be.

Let's start now communicating our Father's love to the Pilgrims of Walks #68 & #69 by serving our Father through service to His children. And May our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, be glorified!!

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## **CAMPBELLSVILLE EMMAUS**

### *Dates to Remember*

**\*\*\*\*\*NO GATHERING IN SEPTEMBER due to walks\*\*\*\*\***

**Sept 8-11                      Men's Walk #68 Randy Durham LD**  
**Sept 8 7:00pm              Send-off & Sponsor's hour at the Campground**

**\*\*\*\*\* note change of location \*\*\*\*\***

**\*\*\*\*\*SPECIAL SERVICE at South Cville Baptist Church!!!**

**Sat. Sept 10th @ 8:00pm -- tell all your friends !!!**

**Sept 11 at 4:30pm              Closing Services @ Campground**

**Sept 15-18                      Women's Walk #69 Lisa Wilkerson**  
**Sept 15th 7:00pm              Send-off & Sponsor's Hour @ Campground**  
**Sept 17th 8:00pm              Special Service @ Campbellsville Baptist Church**  
**Sept 18th 4:30pm              Closing Services @ Campground**

**October 15 Emmaus Community Picnic at Camp Acton @ 5:00p.m.**

**Board meeting @ 3:00p.m.**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH !!**

**( meat, plates, cups & ice will be provided)**

## **FUTURE DATES**

October 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>            REC #25            Keith McMahan, LD  
 November 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>            YAC #11 (19-24 year olds )Amy & Kenny Lawson LDs  
 November 19                Gathering at 7:00pm at Greensburg Baptist  
 December gather will be held on the SECOND SATURDAY (Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>)  
 January 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> 2012 Girl's Chrysalis Flight #24 Holly Wilson, LD  
 February 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2012 Boy's Chrysalis Flight #25 Jim Ward, LD

**\*\*NOTE: Chrysalis Flights are for high school age. Candidates must be 15 years old and already in their sophomore year in school to attend HS Chrysalis.**

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### **Visit the website often ! !**

Please remember to check the website [www.campbellvilleemmaus.org](http://www.campbellvilleemmaus.org) frequently to stay abreast of the happenings and events in our community.

It's a great source for news, prayer requests, events, dates to remember, as well as a place to get up-to-date information concerning walks such as pilgrim and team lists. Thanks to our webmaster, Jerry, **you can now sign up on the prayer charts and speaker charts via the website. So spread the word and tell all your Emmaus friends.**

You can also download and print out applications to Emmaus and Chrysalis, as well as volunteer sheets etc.

Wouldn't it be a great act of agape if you printed out a copy to place on the bulletin board at your church or give a copy of this newsletter to a friend without internet access?

**If you know of someone who does not get the newsletter via email, Please encourage them to go to the website and sign up with their current contact information (email address). We want everyone to stay connected to the Campbellville Emmaus Community and become involved in its ministry.**