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DATES

WW#53 Send off March 17, 2005
WW#53 Candlelight March 19, 2005
WW#53 Closing March 20, 2005
WW#53 Reunion 6:30 PM
 March 25, 2005

Bryan Gathering 7:30 PM
 April 16, 2005

Toledo Gathering 7:30 PM
 April 22, 2005

Kiros #4 May 12, 2005
Kiros #4 Closing May 15, 2005
Bryan Gathering 7:30 PM
 May 21, 2005

Toledo Gathering 7:30 PM
 May 27, 2005

WW#54 Send off June 16, 2005
WW#54 Candlelight June 18, 2005
WW#54 Closing June 19, 2005
Chrysalis Girls#11 June 24, 2005
WW#54 Reunion 6:30 PM
 June 24, 2005

Toledo Gathering 7:30 PM
 June 24, 2005

Chrysalis Girls#11 4:30 PM
 June 26, 2005

MW #47 Send off July 14, 2005
MW #47 Candelight 8:00 PM
 July 16, 2005

MW #47 Closing July 15, 2005

Toledo Gathering 7:30 PM
 July 22, 2005

Women's Walk #54 Pilgrims

Beverly Andrews – Faith UMC
Karen Baer – Garden Park Christian
Charlene Barr – Toledo First SDA
Brittany Bean – Collingwood UMC
Tamara Bennett – Calvary United Methodist
Lucy Berkebile – St. Thomas Lutheran
Stacey Blaker – Canandaigua
Mona Campbell – New Life Temple
Casey Church – New Life Temple
Judi Dusseau – Zion UMC
Cindy Floyd – Crossroads Community
Cheryl Forsberg – Church of the Nazarene
Nancy Ann Froelich – Holland Free Methodist
Ginger Fry – Cedar Creek
Pat Groves – Central UMC
Denise Harper – St. Caspar's Catholic
Ann Hartmann – Epworth UMC
Karen Hollo – Fairth UMC
Laura Ingersoll – Epworth UMC
Janel Joy – Crossroads Community
Carol Kinsel – St. Mark Lutheran
Carol Kumpe – Maumee UMC
Tammy Love – First UMC
Janice Luff – Perrysburg First UMC
Kelli Mewborn – Crossroads Community
Veronica Munguia – Unity UMC
Linda Polter – First UMC
Sannon Pugh – New Start
Rose Shaffer – First Baptist
Nina Smith – New Life Community
Ercell Somerville – First UMC
Bonnie Thraikill – Epworth UMC
Carol Wasserman – Cedar Creek

Women's Walk #54 Team Members

Debbye Hoffman – Lay Director
Tom Moyer – Spiritual Director
Andy Wagner – Assistant Spiritual Director
Brad Martin – Assistant Spiritual Director
Paula Stewart – Assistant Spiritual Director
Lindy Maurice-Saum – Assistant Spiritual Director
Claire Cechner – Music Director
Paula Schings – Assistant Lay Director
Debra Coon – Assistant Lay Director
Lori Coey – Assistant Lay Director
Laurie Isley – Assistant Lay Director
Kris Jackson – Log
Darlene Leonard – Log
Beth Dawson – Log
Adrian Vancil – Log

Women's Walk #54 Team Members (cont'd)

Patti Belote – Table Leader
Mary Beth Snider – Table Leader
Marilyn Waite – Table Leader
Ruby Mohamed – Table Leader
Cathy Griteman – Table Leader
Shannon Simons – Table Leader
Wanda Hug – Table Leader
Bonnie Zup – Assistant Table Leader
Debbie Long – Assistant Table Leader
Robin Cagle – Assistant Table Leader
Carmen Tedrow – Assistant Table Leader
Erin Jackson – Assistant Table Leader
Cheryl Speith – Assistant Table Leader
Shirley Fry-Sostio – Assistant Table Leader

Kitchen News

We are excited about the woman's walk coming up fast in June. I am excited to see all the willing and able people who have committed to helping out in the kitchen. We know God has big plans for the walk and I bet you would love to be a part of it. We are still in need of some help though. Listed are the open slots.

FRIDAY- 6:15 am to 8:45 am

FRIDAY- 11:45 am to 6:15 pm

SATURDAY- 9:15 am to 12:00 pm

SATURDAY- Ice Cream Social Servers*****good job for a share group*****

SUNDAY- 7:30 am to 2:00 pm

Please if you can work it out to stop by for an hour or two or even three please let me know so I can put your name on the list.

Community, we need your help. Please remember someone did it for you!

We are also approaching the Men's walk in July and the Woman's walk in August and I know they are busy months for all of us but please consider helping out. Both of these walks have a lot of slots open so be the first to call and you can have the pick of the crop.

If you could please call me ASAP so I can fill these empty spots.

Thank You sooo much, and GOD BLESS YOU!

Holly Seguin

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Kitchen chair

Walk Prayer Request

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Saviour, from sunny South Africa, and I do hope this mail finds you having a God filled day.

I come to you with a request for assistance in filling the 70 hour prayer vigil for Girls Flight # 20 which will be held at African Enterprise, Pietermaritzburg, Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa from 7-10 July 2005.

The caterpillars and team members will really appreciate you being part of this wonderful God filled weekend. I know I was really touched to hear that people from all over the world had actually prayed for me!! The theme for the weekend is "Come, Follow me" and may you all "Follow" closely, as you assist with getting this vigil complete. Would you be so kind in circulating this request to members of your community and any other community that would be keen in taking a slot on the prayer vigil.

Praying that you are led to take a 30 minute slot, please go to the following site - www.3dayol.org and sign up on the Kwa-zulu Natal Chrysalis Community Flight # 20 prayer vigil. Thank you.

Some prayer guidelines;

Pray for Lyn Warr our LD by duty

Pray for The ALD's, Mez, Kirsty and Lee in the same way

Pray for the SD's that they may be true instruments of God's Holy Spirit

Pray for the Board Representative

Pray for the Table and assistant table leaders as they interact with the caterpillars - for wisdom, gentleness and love for the caterpillars

Pray for the talks and their message, for the speakers and those that hear the talks.

Pray for the musicians that their music would glorify God

Pray for the 36 caterpillars - for those battling to leave their thoughts behind, those uneasy in the setting, those who can't sleep, those who need the Flight the most and the least and for all conditions known to only God.

Pray for fun and fellowship

Pray for the prayer warriors, the support team, the clowns, staff of Africa Enterprise and all who minister in unrecognised ways.

Pray for the agape gifts, for the hands that made them and for the blessings they bring.

Pray for the sponsors and for families at home.

Pray for special times - clowns, dying moments, candlelight, agape feast, las mananitas, letter time and closing.

Please note that any agape would be trully valued as well.

We thank you in anticipation for responding to our request for prayer cover and agape - may you be blessed.

With His love
Wendy Warr, Nigel Warr
Prayer warriors
KZN-Drak Chrysalis Flight #20

More Walk Prayer Requests

Hi! I am the Three Rivers Chrysalis Lay Director and my name is Heidi Varner. We have not had a Chrysalis Community for some time now, and we have actually been driving teens in our community over to Ohio to share the same three day experience with them.

With God's help and also Emmaus people from Ohio's help, we are holding Chrysalis Flights north of Pittsburgh over the summer.

We are asking for your community's prayers for this set of Flights - Boy's will be June 24-26 and Girls July 1-3, 2005. We actually have an on-line prayer vigil set up!

Also, if anyone would want to sponsor any youth from your community --we would welcome and receive them with open arms!

I was wondering whether you might share this with others in your community. We covet your prayers as we fly with Christ for teens!

Thank you!

Heidi Varner
Three Rivers Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis
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<http://www.trwe.org/cf/prayervigil.cfm> ---
Please sign up on our on-line prayer vigil!!!

DATABASE INFORMATION

Thanks to all of you who have contacted me already this year with updated information for

our database. We continue to make strides in getting up to date and accurate information with your help. If you or someone you know has moved, changed phone numbers or changed email accounts, I would like to have you contact me with the new information. My name is Jane Whisler and **you can contact me by phone at my home: 419-636-3015 or by email at: bryan_so@nwoca.org.**

Our database is also a source for board members to find community members willing to serve on Walk weekends. Remember all of those silent servants who helped make things run so smoothly on your own Walk. We are always looking for new people to serve in these roles during the current Walks. Do you have an interest in helping in the kitchen or in the agape room? Are you an early riser – how about driving for showers? We need workers for set up and tear down as well as those of you willing to help out in pouring drinks, setting up or cleaning up for send off on Thursday evening and closing on Sunday afternoon. Where is God calling you to serve our Community? Prayerfully consider those areas that you can help in and contact me. I will gladly pass your name on to the chairperson in charge and they will cheerfully contact you for help.

From On Line With Faith Daily Devotional:

Whose needs can I meet?
Where can I serve?
What can I give you?
Why are you doing that all by yourself?
Who needs something that I can give?
When do you need me?
Are you okay?
Can I get you something?

What's common about all these questions?
They are all seeking a way to serve without waiting to be asked.
We were put here to make a contribution but no assignments are given out.
Part of serving is looking for and finding the need so you can do something about it before it becomes an issue.

Author unknown

Scripture - Galatians 5:13

You, my brothers, were called to be free.

But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

God Favored?

Are you God-favored? Rev. Joel Osteen, in his book "Your Best Life Now", uses the term "God-favored" when describing our faith journey with our Lord. Joel says we are God-favored or that we, who profess Christ as our Lord and Savior, receive special favors from God. I suspect another way of saying that is to say "we receive Blessings from God".

Many times those blessings come from the way other folks treat us in certain situations. You know those times when someone at the check out counter moves aside and allows you to go ahead of them. The favor of God causes other people to extend preferential treatment to you. Yes, and I really think that happens frequently to many of us.

Often we don't recognize or accept these happenings as coming from God, but I believe they do and when they do that's an indication that we are God-favored.

When we live 'favor-minded', we begin to see God's goodness in the everyday, ordinary details that take place at work, the mall, at home, in our Emmaus Community and in our churches.

I suspect some of you are thinking, "but I'm really not of much value - why would God favor me?"

Joel tells us, "your value in God's eyes never change. Some people think that the moment they do something wrong or go off course, God gets His big marker out, crosses our name off His list, and says, 'I knew they couldn't do it.' No, God is a forgiving God. He is a God of second chances. No matter how many times you fail Him or how many mistakes you make, your value in God's eyes remains exactly the same. Imagine that I am handing you a new, crisp one-hundred-dollar bill. Would you want it? Probably so! Suppose I crumpled it up so it wasn't quite as good-looking as it was the day it came from the mint. Would you still want it? Sure! But wait, what if I took it out in the parking lot, threw it on the ground, and stomped on it. It's now dirty, stained, and soiled. Would you still want it? Of course you would. Why? Because it is still valuable despite the rough treatment it has experienced. A hundred dollars is a hundred dollars. It doesn't lose its value simply because it has aged, is not as pretty as it once was, or has taken bumps and bruises in life. That's the way God sees each one of us.

We all go through challenges and struggles. Sometimes we feel like that hundred-dollar bill, all crumpled and soiled. But just as that bill still has value, we do, too. In fact, we will never, ever lose our value. Our value has been placed in us by the Creator of the universe, and nobody can take it away from us."

So start living a favor-minded life. You are God-favored. And when you are living favor-minded, the Bible says, "God's blessings are going to chase you down and overtake you." In other words, you won't be able to outrun the good things of God. Every time you turn around, somebody's going to want to do something good for you, to assist you in some manner. They may not even know why. But it's the favor of God that is happening in your life.

The Bible says, "set your minds on the things which are above" - we must continually choose, day in and day out, twenty-four hours a day, to keep our minds set on the higher things. The Apostle Paul provides a great list by which we can evaluate our thoughts: "whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy - meditate on these things."

God is in control of our life and of our Community and when one door closes, God always opens a bigger and better door.

So let's look with expectations as to what God has in mind for each of us individually and as an Emmaus Community.

DeColores, Pastor Jo

Left Overs

Women's Walk # 53 has come to a close and as they say it was the "best walk ever". The outpouring of love through agape was wonderful, and I have several items left over. I hope to bring those with me to the next gathering for share groups and individuals to pick up any extras they may have supplied. Also, I have just received word from the share group that is making the felt book covers for the purple books, that they will no longer be making them. They will have them for the June Women's Walk, but that will be the last. We are looking for another share group to step up and take over this act of love. If your group is interested please let me know.

I am also looking for someone who has previously worked in the Agape room to cover

the weekend of the June Women's Walk. I am scheduled to work my job that weekend and would not be able to devote the amount of time required to cover the weekend. Again if you feel you could be of service in this area please let me know.

DeColores!
Becky Snyder
Agape

Leadership

Ken Switzer has become the leadership chair for our community effective June 1. Ken has served the Board as our Outreach Chair and as Good Shepherd prior to accepting this new role. Please join us in congratulating Ken and extending him a helpful hand.

Leadership is a very responsible role in our community guiding our lay director and team selection process, as well as insuring each team has all of the materials they need to complete each walk successfully among other accountabilities.

Barb Zale has accepted the assignment of community Good Shepherd replacing Ken. Please congratulate Barb as well. The Good Shepherd greets all new community members at their first reunion gatherings and helps in the formation of share groups and assimilation of new Pilgrims into our community.