



Summer 2007

**FALL WALK DATES**

**Men's Walk # 23**  
Christ UMC  
Middletown, Ohio  
September 27 to 30,  
2007

**Women's Walk # 28**  
Christ UMC  
Middletown, Ohio  
October 18 to 21, 2007

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# VISIONS

## June Gathering

PICNIC AND PRAISE  
IN THE PARK

Keehner park, West Chester

June 8, 2007

6:30—7:30 Picnic

7:30—9:00 Praise / Worship

Bring a covered dish and come prepared to  
visit and worship with your Emmaus family.

Hope to see you there!

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### *Upcoming Gathering dates and locations*

*Friday, May 11 at Cornerstone UMC at 7:00 pm*  
*Friday June 8 at Keehner Park, at 7:00 pm*  
*Friday July 13 at Cornerstone UMC at 7:00 pm*  
*Friday August 10 at Cornerstone UMC at 7:00 pm*

**Can you help locate these Northern Lights Emmaus Community Members. With the last mailing, these newsletters were returned without a forwarding address or the email that we had in the database was no longer working. We would really like to find our Emmaus family members. If you know their new address or email, could you please forward to the email listed below. Thank you!**

<b>Linda Alexander</b>	<b>Jeff &amp; Patty Hall</b>	<b>Nancee Ponder</b>
<b>Robert Allen</b>	<b>Terry &amp; Sue Henke</b>	<b>Arica Ratliff</b>
<b>Ginger Alley</b>	<b>Barb Hoffman</b>	<b>Ron &amp; Suzie &amp; Jenn Sellers</b>
<b>Mary Arnold</b>	<b>Dan, Dianne, Michelle Johnson</b>	<b>Sarah Shay</b>
<b>Stephanie Auman</b>	<b>Ann Jordan</b>	<b>Brenda Smith</b>
<b>Becky Black</b>	<b>Jim &amp; Jenny Lapham</b>	<b>Jamie Smith</b>
<b>Marcus &amp; Beth Casbeer</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Judy Loftis</b>	<b>Sheree Smith</b>
<b>Jerry Chambers</b>	<b>Rev. Joni Manson</b>	<b>Melody Toms</b>
<b>Alice Cox</b>	<b>Mark McClure</b>	<b>Jim &amp; Dee Tunstill</b>
<b>Melissa Ernst</b>	<b>Meghan McQuiddy</b>	<b>Steve &amp; Dena Weatherly</b>
<b>Bill &amp; Rowena Estill</b>	<b>Vicki Milano</b>	<b>Heather Webster</b>
<b>Darsie &amp; Anna Lou Flannery</b>	<b>Sandy Morris</b>	<b>Jeff Willis</b>
<b>Matt &amp; Jill Garretson</b>	<b>Lee &amp; Becky Ortman</b>	<b>Irene Wilson</b>
<b>John Guinte</b>	<b>Eric &amp; Marueen Painter</b>	<b>Kathy Yoder</b>
<b>Lance Hakanson</b>	<b>Mike Pence</b>	<b>Bruce &amp; Kae Zorman</b>

**If you received this newsletter through your postal mail.....We need your help!**

The Northern Lights Emmaus Board is working through the directory which is a very large data base of over 1500. We have ran across some outdated emails. Also there are many names that we only have addresses for. **It is a significant cost savings if we can email the newsletter to you instead of mailing.** *The most important thing to us is that*

*You receive the newsletter some way.* If you are agreeable to receiving your newsletter by email please email your name and correct email(s) to [bkpearson@cinci.rr.com](mailto:bkpearson@cinci.rr.com) . If you would like to continue receiving your emails by postal service then that will happen also.

Decolores,  
Brenda Pearson  
Northern Lights Communication

## IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Has anyone ever thought about how everything gets to the Emmaus Walks? Is it possible everything just magically appears on site? No, I'm afraid not. It is the job of the Quartermaster to gather, to organize, and bring all the necessary supplies to the Walks, and also to order anything we find necessary to supply our pilgrims with what they need.

We have been blessed in recent years to have Bob Hamp as our Quartermaster. He has totally reorganized everything, and has done a great job. Now, however, he would like to move on to other areas, and would like to turn this over to someone else in 2008. I know this sounds like a long time off, but the fall walks are right around the corner, and it would give Bob an excellent opportunity to train someone for next year. Bob has suggested maybe a couple, or even if two people would like to share in this responsibility that would be fine, also. God uses everyone to make these walks successful, and this is just one of them. It takes a true servant to take on such a responsibility, and we are saddened that Bob is leaving us in that capacity. We pray God will place it upon someone else's heart to step forward. Is God calling you?

Karen Chambers, Logistics

# The Emmaus Education Corner

(First in a series covering an overview of the Walk to Emmaus)

Sometimes in our excitement over the Emmaus experience that we received – perhaps a newfound energy and passion for ministry, perhaps a newfound love for Christ, perhaps a deeper sense of the Holy Spirit - we lose sight of the goal and the over-riding principles of the Walk to Emmaus. Over the next many newsletters, we'll try to take a closer look at Emmaus. Today the BIG PICTURE!...

**The aim of Emmaus®** is to inspire, challenge, and equip local church members for Christian action-in their homes, churches, workplaces, and communities. The three-day Emmaus® course in Christianity moves church members to new levels of openness and commitment as disciples of Christ. People re-experience the gift of God's love and emerge from the Emmaus® weekend with a desire to pass that love on to others. The three-day course strengthens persons' conscious union with Jesus Christ as the embodiment of God's grace, truth, and compassion.

**Emmaus is a Movement.** The Walk to Emmaus has grown from its beginning as an ecumenical outgrowth of the Catholic Cursillo movement to a worldwide movement of hundreds of local Emmaus communities (including our own Northern Lights Emmaus). However, The Walk to Emmaus is ecumenical. The program invites and involves the participation of Christians of many denominations. Emmaus is ecumenical not only because members of many denominations participate, but because Emmaus seeks to foster Christian unity and to reinforce the whole Christian community. This is one of the great strengths and joys of the Emmaus movement. The fact that Emmaus is ecumenical does not mean it is theologically indifferent. On the contrary, The Walk to Emmaus is designed to communicate with confidence and depth the essentials of the Christian life, while accentuating those features that Christians have traditionally held in common.

Local church involvement is an outgrowth of Emmaus®. Though involvement in Emmaus® activities can be fun and satisfying, Emmaus achieves its aim only when local churches gain strength; and people become active members of the body of Christ, sharing the love of God in homes, workplaces, and communities around the world.

Resources: Upper Room Handbook on Emmaus by Stephan Bryant (more commonly called “the manual”) and the Upper Room Emmaus web site.

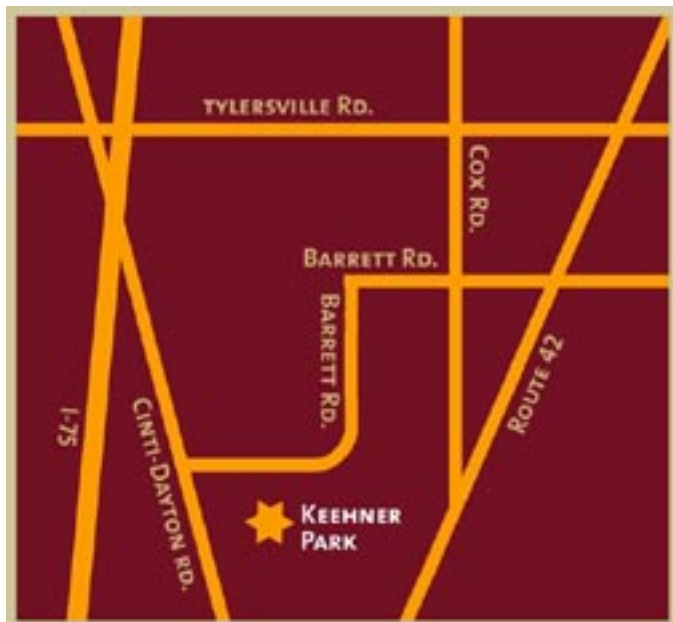
Touching Hearts



Transforming Lives

Sue Guttag  
Education Representative  
Northern Lights Emmaus Board

# MAP AND DIRECTIONS TO KEEHNER PARK West Chester, Ohio



From I-75: Take Tyersville Road exit—East; turn Right on Cox, Right on Barrett, Left at stop sign to stay on Barrett. Keehner Park is on the left just past the bend in the road. Take the second entrance into the picnic area, just past the log cabin.

Or

From I\_75: Take the Cincinnati-Dayton Road Exit—South on Cincinnati-Dayton; Turn Left onto Lesourdesville-West Chester Road. Just after crossing RR tracks, turn Left onto Barrett. Keehner Park is on the right, take the first entrance into picnic area.

From Fairfield, Indian Springs, etc..take Hamilton-Mason or Tyersville Roads to Lesourdesville-West Chester cross Cincinnati Dayton and continue as above.

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**Jesus  
said,  
“Come  
follow  
me.”**

Matthew 4:19