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Western New York Walk to Emmaus Men's Walk #40



Row 1: l to r; Bob Laurie, Bill Garrett, Lora Keiper, Jim Keiper.
Row 2: Doug Manzer, Charlie Davis, Bob Fathergill, Richard Quast, Jesse Babcock.
Row 3: Rich Preston, Mike Kepler, Troy Sellers, Mike Burley, Hal Goodwin, Jim Noreck, Pastor Bob Schooley, Larry Hint.
Row 4: Paul Williams, Pastor Ray Noell, Jerry Schneggenburger, Roger Ridley, Douglas Albone.
Row 5: Pastor Karen Grinnell, George McKinney, George Poteat, Jeff Valeski, Cory Aradine.
Row 6: Darrell Rublee, Brian Lothridge, Mike Quesenberry, Jim Coleman, Marty Doherty, Pastor Ron Sellers, Ron Alsworth, Paul Brown, Bill Wallum, Dorothea Schweitzer.

From the Lay Director - Men's Walk #40

As if I could adequately summarize Men's Walk #40 (or any Walk held anywhere) in any number of words! This Walk was God's Walk way back when it first began about a year ago, and although God's vision has now been shared with us, His Team and treasured newest pilgrims, the Walk remains His. I'm humbled to have been part of it, and gratified that none of us got in God's way. As I mentioned at the closing, the Holy Spirit visited us early and often during the weekend. Our new pilgrims were encouraged to call upon the Lord at various times, and I have to tell you that these men responded with eagerness! On Thursday night they were asked to participate, to exercise cooperation and charity and to search their souls, and they responded with such a deep commitment to those of us on the team, that you could see it in their eyes. These men travelled here to meet Jesus, to touch Him and to sing and laugh with Him, to wonder about the future and to thank Him (and ask forgiveness) for the past.

As Walks go, we certainly weren't perfect. Ten pilgrims. Five tables. Four clergy. A Chrysalis-sized (almost) lay director. A cow bell. A cow bell? On the other hand, we now have further proof that God is with us whenever two or more have gathered in His name; we shared the benefits of a very leisurely pace in which to experience God's grace and each other's company. Our precious clergypersons formed a sturdy team within a team that never stopped working for us, never stopped serving us and serving with us. They were challenged to endure, and they responded with further strength, keener commitment and the love of God. Everybody heard the bell, and as I mentioned, we all managed to stay out of God's way.

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Men's #40 Lay Director (cont)

We thank everyone for their efforts toward this Walk. Please offer continued prayers for our Men's pilgrims and, as a Community, I ask that we now all direct our prayers, energies and open slots on your calendar toward the Women's Walk coming up at the end of October. Please pray for that team and for the ever-increasing number of pilgrims...what a blessed opportunity we have to share Jesus and the gift of the Walk to Emmaus.

De Colores!
Bob Fathergill

Wooden Crosses

As you well know, each pilgrim receives a homemade wooden cross at closing. If anyone has the woodworking tools and capability to become part of this gift of Agape, contact Gary Clarcq at <suzieandcq@frontiernet.net>

Women's Walk #40 - Team

Cheryl Isaman	Lay Director	14 - Perseverance
Pat Blakeman	Agape	15 - 4 th Day
Nancy Vredenburg	Chapel	10 - Discipleship
Lisa Waterhouse	Bell Ringer	1 - Priority
Cheryl Babcock	Logistics	6 - Growth Through Study
Karla Smith	Logistics	
Marlene Worthington	Musician	
Anna Maria Gavens	Musician	
Sue Doherty	Board Rep.	
Zina Goodenbery	Tble Ldr	11 - Changing Our World
Donna Koch	Tble Ldr	3 - Priesthood of all Believers
Geniece Perkins	Tble Ldr	8 - Christian Action
Mary Beth Trenchard	Tble Ldr	5 - Life of Piety
Judy Hunley	Tble Ldr	13 - Body of Christ
Andrea Turton	Asst Tble Ldr	
Ruth Rosa	Asst Tble Ldr	
Carol Eaton	Asst Tble Ldr	
Robertta Baker	Asst Tble Ldr	
Jeanne Veno	Asst Tble Ldr	
Stan Scoville	Spiritual Dir	7 - Means Of Grace
Karen Grinnell	Clergy	2 - Prevention Grace
Sara Merle	Clergy	12- Sanctifying Grace
Carlos Rosa	Clergy	4 - Justifying Grace
Becky Ward	Clergy	9 - Obstacles to Grace

Women's Walk #40
Greece United Methodist Church
October 28th - 31st
Sendoff - Thursday Oct 28 - 7:00 pm
Candlelight - Saturday Oct 30th - 8:00 pm
Closing - Sunday Oct 31st - 4:00 pm

Walk #40 Reunion
Greece UMC
Saturday November 13th
9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Directions to Greece UMC

From the East:

NYS Thruway to exit 45 Victor. Follow Rt. 490 West through downtown Rochester. Route 390 North to Vintage Lane. Turn left on Vintage. Turn left at first signal light (Fetzner Road). Turn Right on Maiden Lane (First signal light). Church Parking lot is about 1/2 to 3/4 miles on the right (just past the duck crossing sign).

From the West and South:

NYS Thruway to exit 47 Leroy. Follow Rt. 490 East to Route 390 North (left exit from 490) to Vintage Lane. Turn left on Vintage. Turn left at first signal light (Fetzner Road). Turn Right on Maiden Lane (First signal light). Church Parking lot is about 1/2 to 3/4 miles on the right (just past the duck crossing sign).

Pilgrims - Women's Walk #40

Kris Aldrow	St Paul's UMC (Westfield)
Alice Alsworth	Allentown UMC
Karen Aradine	Kendall UMC
Elisia Blades	Emmanuel UMC (Roch)
Aida Caminero	Emmanuel UMC (Roch)
Terry Cullinan	Avon UMC
Ana Delgado	Emmanuel UMC (Roch)
Marsha Dillon	Christ Community UMC (Syr)
Virginia Hint	Allentown UMC
Barb Howitt	Bethany UMC
Natasha Jones	Albion 1st UMC
Rev Cindy Beth Klopfer-McCune	Elmgrove UMC (Spencerport)
Marge Kuczynski	The Chapel At Crosspoint (Amherst)
Claudia Leonard	Kendall UMC
Kristine McGuire	South Park United Presbyterian
Ann Mejia	Emmanuel UMC (Roch)
Colleen Quast	Emmanuel UMC (Lockport)
Aurea Rosa	Emmanuel UMC (Roch)
Shirley Schildkamp	Elma UMC
Kathleen Simpson	Middleport UMC
Julie Valeski	Christ Community UMC (Syr)
Mary Kay Williams	Springville UMC
Mavis Williams	Kendall UMC
Terry Wilson	Bolivar UMC

From the New Community Lay Directors

We are humbled to represent the WNY Walk to Emmaus Community as Community Lay Directors and yet, as many who have served before us, we feel inadequate to serve in this role. With the belief that God doesn't call the equipped, He equips the called, and through the guidance and grace of God, we will strive to serve the community to the best of our ability. This includes continuing to follow the guiding principles of the International Walk to Emmaus Model which our Community is charged with following.

We would like to recognize Jim and Lora Keiper who have served in this capacity most recently and modeled leadership and the servanthood of Christ. We and the Community are in your gratitude. While leading the Board these several months, the Keipers continued in their daunting role as Kitchen Coordinators, not only for Walks but also for the two recent Chrysalis Flights as well.

After just completing our first board meeting, we know that we have much to learn. We are grateful to serve with a dedicated Board whose members have servant hearts and work untiringly for the good of the Community. We appreciate the opportunity to work with them.

The Board already has projects in the works which will allow us to better serve the Community and also operate more efficiently as a Board. We know the process is unending and there are many tasks yet to accomplish.

One need we perceive, is the fostering of better communication between the Board and the Community. We need to better articulate our responsibilities both as a Board and as individual Chair positions and subcommittees mandated to abide by the Emmaus Model and Bylaws of our WNY Emmaus Community. We need to explain some of our roles, policies and procedures – why and how we do what we do. At the same time we need to listen to the feedback from the Community; to hear their perceptions, their needs, their questions and their input. Together we need to explore ways to grow and nurture the heartbeat of Emmaus, our local Gatherings and Groupings.

We view this as an emphasis for our time in office. Through better communications we can eliminate-prevent misunderstandings and distrust. By working together in the spirit of servant hood we can continue to grow our Community, touch and inspire the hearts of men and women, develop Christian leaders in our local churches and beyond – all to the glory of God.

DeColores,
Rose and Gary Caldwell

Agape - 72 Hour Prayer Vigil

Have you signed up for the Women's Prayer Vigil? Call Jack and Kathie Woika at 585-343-3813 or email them at

<jwoika1@rochester.rr.com>. You can also find a link to the Prayer Vigil on our website at <www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org>.

Emmaus is based on prayer. How about adding one half hour of yours?

From the Community Spiritual Director

In our fourth day we are challenged to find a group where we can grow as disciples. A place where we can be asked how is it with your soul and know that it is safe to answer that question. Most of the growth I have experienced as a Christian has taken place in those times in my life when I was involved with some kind of small group where we had covenanted to grow in Christ. Small covenant groups are essential elements to Christian growth.

Many people have been asking questions and discussing why our community is struggling to fill Walks, why we have had lower attendance at recent gatherings than we once had. I do not know all the answers, but one piece that is missing in our Emmaus Community is a lack of commitment to the fourth day discipline of belonging to a covenant disciple group. WNY Emmaus has had a strong commitment to Walks and Gatherings, but has never developed and supported the small group component that Emmaus recommends for a strong community.

I would like to challenge our Gatherings to make a commitment to starting covenant groups in your area that meet weekly or every other week to encourage us in our daily walks. If your church has 6 or more Emmaus alumni, start a covenant group in your congregation. Do not limit it to Emmaus alumni. Invite others who have a strong desire to grow in Christ to meet with you to examine your lives, to challenge your servant life, to tend to your souls and to hold each other accountable in your daily life as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Will you step out and start a covenant group in your gathering, your church, your community? Will you take time weekly to pray together, to examine your Christian walk, to grow in Christ?

Nervous or uncertain there are many books that will give you blueprints for starting a covenant group. Check them out at <www.cokesbury.com> or <www.cbd.com> or send me an email with your questions to <twarevs@frontiernet.net> .

DeColores, Pastor Nilla

Spring Walks - 2011

The Spring Walks will be held at Clarence, UMC
It's not too early to "Spring Ahead" in your thoughts:

Send in your applications now for the Spring Walks:

Men's Walk

March 10 – 13, 2011

Application Deadline 1/31/2011

Board Meeting 2/18/2011

Women's Walk

April 7 – 10, 2011

Application Deadline 2/28/2011

Board Meeting 3/18/2011

Reunion

April 16, 2011

Joe and Nancy Thoman, Registrars

A Word From Evangelism

I hope that our new brothers in Christ are still basking in the glory that they were witness to on Men's Walk #40. Again, the community as a whole were waiting to see if the walk would happen. We need to do a better job of filling these walks. How do we do this? Through evangelism! We MUST help others to seek what we already know. We can do this on our own or through the help of the entire community. Each gathering should be looking right now to find pilgrims for the Spring walks. If each gathering sent two men and two women to each walk, we would never be in doubt.

Again, I extend our invitation to help in this effort. Joanne and I would just love to come to your meeting, gathering, Bible study, small grouping, etc., and talk and share God's love and grace with your group. We will also visit your church and hold an Emmaus Sunday service to explain the weekend and share the Good News with all! We cannot come without an invitation. Please talk it over with your Pastor, Ad Board, group leaders, and let us know. We would love to visit you and spread the word. Please consider this mission and help us win more souls for God! Our info can be found in the Board of Directors section of the Rainbow Connection.

DeColores, hope to visit you soon,
Paul & Joanne Brown, Evangelism Chairs

Board Rep Men's Walk 30

Greetings from WNY Emmaus Men's Walk #40. Well folks from my perspective walk 40 was a Spirit filled three and a half days! The gentlemen that participated as pilgrims seemed to gel almost overnight. What a difference a bit of sleep can have. We all laughed, sang, ATE, SNACKED, and yes cried! The Holy Spirit was truly among us during all the talks, discussions, worship and meals. This all was revealed during the closing ceremony. The Team for walk 40 worked together like a well oiled machine with very few problems to show God's love and grace to the pilgrims. It showed in the deep commitment of EVERYONE involved including the out of conference room team!

It was a privilege for me to serve as the Board Rep on this walk, helping to represent the WNY Emmaus Community to the pilgrims. It was also a privilege to help welcome these men into our community. I know that they will persevere in their fourth day with the community's help. I received an e-mail from one of our new Emmaus brothers that I think sums up the whole walk. In it was a link to a song on YouTube, which puts it all in perspective: Something Beautiful, Something Good, by Bill and Gloria Gaither. All I can add is Amen Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

To God be the glory forever!

DeColores,
Paul Brown, Board Rep

Kitchen Korner

The floor is now mopped & the stoves are turned off from Men's Walk #40. Thank you to all who helped in the kitchen to serve Men's Walk #40. From the early teaming meals until final clean up, the kitchen worked great. This is only possible because of the servants who give of their time, talents & gifts. We have been so blessed as kitchen coordinators the past three years, and we thank God for this opportunity to serve. We are also so thankful for all who have stepped up to help in any way. Thank you again for all who helped in the kitchen for Men's Walk # 40.

The Women's walk is quickly approaching, and we do still have some open slots in our sign up sheet. If you would like to work in the kitchen at any time during the walk please let us know as soon as possible. We can be contacted at (585)591-3121, or keiper5@wildblue.net.

DeColores,
Jim & Lora Keiper

From Fourth Day:

The Emmaus Picnic was held on Saturday, July 10 at a pavilion on the Erie County Fairgrounds in Hamburg, NY. 65 friends gathered for a pleasant afternoon of good food and fellowship. Several musicians came so we christened the new songbooks. Eve Roushey organized games for the 4 youth that attended. A collection was taken to cover costs. Our thanks to the Hamburg gathering for helping to organize the picnic and provide some of the supplies. A big thank you to the board of the Erie County Fairgrounds for the lovely pavilion.

We hope to see you at the Reunion of Walk # 40 on Saturday, November 13 at 9:30 AM at Greece U.M.C. Bring a lunch, a snack, your mug and lots of agape love!

WE NEED A HOST GATHERING FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY! Please contact us if you would be willing to organize this event.

DeColores!
Sue & Marty Doherty

Newsletter Deadline

October 25th is the deadline for submissions to the "Rainbow Connection." Articles of interest should be sent to Barbara Swanson, the editor, at bms4him@rochester.rr.com before the end of the day on October 25th.

Musicians Workshop

Calling all musicians, we will be having a Musicians training in the Rochester area during the Women's Walk Saturday before candlelight.

Saturday October 30th, 2010

3pm to 5pm

(This gives us time for dinner afterwards and then we can meet at candlelight)

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

4115 Dewey Ave

Rochester, NY 14616

Dave Rood Home# 716-941-5703

email confirmation dgrood62@yahoo.com

Please attend. We need all the help we can get. This is a musician workshop and is required for all musicians (who have not attended a workshop) prior to serving on team in a musicians role. However, it is advised for all musicians to attend these workshops whenever possible.

I have a list of musicians that goes back to Miriam and her tambourine, and I will bring it so that we can update your contact information. Please show up or send me your information via e mail.

Oh yeah, We are about a thousand dollars short of covering our new book costs.

They are roughly 2 dollars each cost. Thanks to those who have already contributed towards the cost.

Peace be with you,

Dave Rood

WNY Walk to Emmaus

Musicians Board Rep

Directions to Aldersgate

Same directions as going to Greece UMC, except turn right on Vintage Lane to Dewey Ave. Turn Left on Dewey. Church is about a mile or two down on the left hand side. Park in bck and enter through North door.

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Donations for Music Books

WNY Emmaus has recently revised all songbooks and musician books. The cost for this effort is \$1455.00. Emmaus is feeling the pinch just the same as everyone else. 750 songbooks were printed along with 40 musicians books costing almost \$2.00 each. If you feel led to do so, we would very much appreciate any donation you wish to give to help defray this cost.

Checks should be made out to "WNY Walk to Emmaus" and mailed to the treasurers:

The Smith's

4362 S. Gravel Road

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WNY Walk to Emmaus Board of Directors

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2011	Comm. Lay Dir.	Gary and Rose Caldwell	(716)649-3889	rgscaldwell@msn.com
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Westbank Gathering

November gathering will be to participate in the Walk Reunion and the December gathering will be cancelled in favor of attending the Christmas party.

Gathering Schedule

Alexander: Alexander UMC - 3rd Saturday of month
7 p.m. - Meeting (Child care as needed)
Kathy Neamon-Wessell & Bob Neamon 585-547-9221

Buffalo: New Hope UMC
2846 Seneca St., West Seneca - 3rd Saturday of the month
9:30 a.m.- Meeting
Pat Corsette 716-826-6840

Enchanted Mountain (Olean): Christ UMC
3rd Wednesday of the month
7-8:30 p.m. - Meeting
Lynn & Pat Blakeman 716-373-6470 smitann1@verizon.net

Fairport: East Rochester UMC
357 Fairport Road (Rt. 31F)
2nd Sunday of the month
5 p.m. - Meeting (Child care upon request)
Bob & Christa Fathergill 585-387-0928

Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns: Hamburg UMC
116 Union St., Parlor - 3rd Tuesday of the month
7 p.m. - Meeting
Gary & Rose Caldwell 716-649-3889

Kendall: Kendall UMC, 1808 Kendall Road - 2nd Friday of the month; 6:30 p.m. - Meeting
Bob & Trudy Slocum 585-659-8445

Medina/Millville: Millville UMC - Last Friday of the month
7 p.m. - Meeting
Jesse & Cheryl Babcock 585-589-7413

Napoli: Napoli UMC - 4th Monday of the month
7 p.m. - Meeting
Rick Peters 716-938-6800

Niagara: Lockport - Emmanuel UMC
2nd Saturday of the month
6 p.m. - Meeting
Dave & Janice McKinney 716-434-5471

Springville: Springville UMC - 3rd Saturday of month
9:30 a.m. - Meeting
Brian & Susan Scharf 716-592-9811

West Bank: Greece UMC - 2nd Saturday of the month
8:30 a.m. - Continental breakfast
9 a.m. - Meeting (Call ahead for child care)
Sonia Ingle - Child care contact 585-621-1766
Will & Carolyn Rickman 585-392-9784

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