



# Rainbow Connection



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Western New York Walk to Emmaus & Chrysalis

June, 2005

## YOU'RE INVITED TO THE SUMMER PICNIC !!!

**When:** Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 to 5:00 pm

**Where:** The East Lodge at Mendon Ponds Park, Honeoye Falls, NY  
(detailed directions below)

**Why:** To celebrate and fellowship with your fellow Emmaus community

**What to Bring:**

- Yourself, your family, anyone interested
- A dish to pass (hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls and condiments will be provided)
- Table service for your family
- Beverages for your family (coffee and iced tea will be provided)
- Frisbees, footballs, baseballs and gloves, any fun toys you might have
- Lawn chairs (if you'd prefer to sit in a comfy chair instead of a picnic table)
- A guitar (or other musical instrument) if you'd like to play

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### Directions to Mendon Ponds Park:

Coming from the **West Side** take 390 south to exit 14A, "Route 252/Jefferson Road." Turn right onto Clover Street. Take a left onto Canfield Road. We're at the East Lodge (the second lodge on the left)

Coming from the **East Side** take 590 south to exit 2B, "Route 31/Monroe Avenue." Merge right onto Monroe Avenue and then a right onto Clover Street. Take a left onto Canfield Road (this is after you've crossed over the Thruway). We're at the East Lodge (the second lodge on the left).

Coming from the **New York State Thruway** take exit 46 for 390, take the Lehigh Station Road exit, from there take the 253 east ramp toward route 15A. Make a right onto Lehigh Station Road, which you follow all the way to Clover Street. Take a right onto Clover Street, cross over the Thruway and then enter the Park by taking a left onto Canfield Road. We're at the East Lodge (the second lodge on the left).

Any questions, please call Bob or Christa Fathergill at 585-387-0928 (or if you need to contact us the day of the party, 585-298-5855)

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE !!!

## Walks #31 to be Held in Olean, NY

*Men's Walk October 13th-16th 2005  
Deadline for Men - Sept. 20th 2005*

*Women's Walk November 17th-20th 2005  
Deadline for Women - October 20th 2005*

These Walks will be at Christ United Methodist Church in Olean. This facility is all on the ground floor so there are no steps to climb inside or entering the building. There are no showers, but there is air conditioning, if needed. We would appreciate and encourage anyone sponsoring pilgrims to send us forms as soon as possible so we can direct all needed info. to the proper areas in due time. Also, double check forms to assure that everything is filled out and legible. Please contact us with questions.

Randy and Laura Walker  
716-373-5310 or irv7@localnet.com

### Men's Team - Walk # 31

Spiritual Director	Carol Sierk
Clergy	Troy Sellers
Clergy	Nilla Owen
Clergy	Jim Maxwell
Clergy	Richard Koch
Lay Director	Randy Kent
ALD - Chapel	Lynn Blakeman
ALD - Agape	Mark Curtis
ALD - Bell Ringer	Erich Jones
Table Leader	John Trowbridge
Table Leader	Bill Barber
Table Leader	Joe Greene
Table Leader	Jack Woika
Table Leader	Jesse Babcock
Table Leader	John Becker
A. Table Leader	Doug Manzer
A. Table Leader	Bill Wallum
A. Table Leader	Mike Burley
A. Table Leader	Tony Chevez
A. Table Leader	Jim Birch
A. Table Leader	Bob Neamon
Musician	Mike Mortimer
Musician	Chris Klimecko
Logistics	Jim Keiper
Logistics	Denny Weiler
Board Rep.	Jim Moody

### Women's Team - Walk # 31

Spiritual Director	Ron Sellers
Clergy	Kim Sellers
Clergy	Jo Vinyard
Clergy	Shirley Davidson
Clergy	Doug Wilson
Lay Director	Shirley London
ALD - Chapel	Carol Goodwin
ALD - Agape	Sue Clarcq
ALD - Bell Ringer	June Adams
Table Leader	Sue Doherty
Table Leader	Jan Fuller
Table Leader	Cheryl Babcock
Table Leader	Ann DeRooy
Table Leader	Kathy Wessel
Table Leader	Vicki Perry
A. Table Leader	Janice McKinney
A. Table Leader	Beth Priset
A. Table Leader	Char Smith
A. Table Leader	Bev Rosbrook
A. Table Leader	Donna Klembczyk
A. Table Leader	Toby Dole
Musician	Heather Young
Musician	Mary Beth Trenchard
Logistics	Cheryl Isaman
Logistics	Pam Mellon
Board Rep.	Karen Westerman

### **Walk # 31 Team Dates**

#### Men

July 30 - Medina UMC  
August 26,27 - Trinity UMC, Attica  
September 30, Oct. 1 - Christ UMC, Olean

#### Women

September 10 - Greece UMC  
October 7,8 - Alexander UMC  
October 28,29 - Christ UMC, Olean

Walk # 31 Reunion - December 3  
Christ UMC, Olean

### **All Community Members**

Our term as Board Chairpersons ends in December, 2005. The Board Chair(s) is nominated and elected by the membership of the WNY Community. The person(s) in this position oversees all activities. The role must be held by a person or couple with a thorough understanding and heart for Emmaus. A commitment to the Walk to Emmaus Model and the Covenant with Upperroom Emmaus is essential. Please prayerfully prepare to select new leadership.

In His Love,  
Gary and Sue Clarcq

## Board Positions Opening in 2006

In addition to the role of Chairperson(s) of the Board of Directors, several other Board positions will change in January 2006. To be selected, a person must be nominated by someone in the Emmaus/Chrysalis community. You can nominate yourself. Each position can be filled singularly or as a couple. Meetings are held the third Friday of every month at Trinity UMC in Attica, NY at 7:00 p.m. Each of these positions is held for three years.

**Agape** - takes care of filling the bags and envelopes on the weekends. They coordinate long distance agape with other Emmaus/Chrysalis communities and the completion of the 72-hour prayer vigil. They also set up agape parties and distribute packets of placemats and napkins for decorating.

**Facilities** - is responsible for locating and reserving facilities for the walks and flights, last teaming, and reunion. They choose the facility a year in advance and coordinate the set up and clean up of the weekends.

**Registration** - makes sure all registrations are accurate and that sponsors have done their job correctly. They send letters of acceptance to both pilgrims and sponsors. They collect the registration money and keep the community advised of procedures and deadlines through the Rainbow Connection. They are present at Sponsors' Hour and supply nametag buttons.

**Evangelism** - provide information to Western New York churches about the Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis. They are available to come to local churches to spread the news and educate people.

**Clergy** - The Clergy person who holds this position manages and orders books for sale on the book table and also helps maintain the spiritual priority and purpose of the weekends.

If you feel God nudging you to serve, please contact us or any other current Board member. "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms" 1 Peter 4:10

Decolores,  
Gary and Sue Clarcq

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### "TUNE OUT THE TUNE"

As I went for my run (more of a very fast walk as I age!) this morning, I listened to one of the several fine Christian radio stations available to us. The particular program being played was "soft" praise music. After several minutes of listening, I realized that I really wasn't enjoying their repertoire at all. In fact, I began to develop a very critical attitude about the various compositions. I would like to blame my attitude on a sore back or a bad knee, both the harbinger of age's impact upon my exercise routine, but the truth is I simply didn't like the way the music I was listening to was "put together". And after a few minutes of feeling sort of guilty about dissecting the songs' meter and chord progressions, I realized that not liking this music was "O.K.", but that the not liking the message was something to be concerned about.

As Christians, we cannot separate our faith from the culture in which we were raised. And, like it or not, that cultural influence impacts our preferences, tastes and predispositions in many areas of our lives, including our ear for music. But praise be to God that He knows all about these worldly things and allows His message to overcome the constraints of our human inclinations. And as I realized this I began to note (no pun intended) that while I may not appreciate the musical composition of a particular song, the message of hope and faith it produced was undeniable.

As members of the Emmaus community (and particularly as Emmaus musicians) we often sing songs that, given over to our own preferences we might not play. But the diversity in our songs' melodies cannot hide the unifying message of a risen and faithful Christ. After all, isn't that the real reason we sing?

So, the message of this little story is to be tolerant of the types of music we play during Emmaus and Chrysalis events. Learn to listen to them with your hearts and not only with your ear. And the Maker of all music will place His song in your very soul!

DeColores,  
Bill Lang

## Welcome = Our New Board Member

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the addition of Pastor Manilla Owen to the Board of Directors to complete the unexpired term of Pastor Garry McCaffery. Pastor Owen along with her husband, Pastor Sam Owen, completed their Walk to Emmaus in Kansas. "Nilla" will have the responsibility of purchasing books for the book table on the Walks. She will have the opportunity to be elected to a full three year term in September this year (if we treat her right – she says she likes dark chocolate!) Welcome Nilla!!

Gary and Sue Clarcq

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### From the Book Table...Suggestions of Good Books!

Hello, from your new Book Table Coordinators - Nilla and Sam Owen!

Preyed On or Prayed For by Terry Teykl. An excellent book for people who want to support their pastor, yet don't know where to start. This reading sets out the need every pastor has for people who will be praying for them daily. It is a sad situation that too many pastors are more the subjects of gossip or on the receiving end of a litany of everything that is going bad. This book can be ordered from [www.prayerpointpress.com](http://www.prayerpointpress.com) or 1-888-656-6067.

I recently checked out Stone Tables by Orson Scott Card from our local library. I found it a very fun read, as well as spiritually challenging. Mr. Card, in his usual riveting manner, tackles the story of Moses. In my opinion (Nilla's), he stays truer to the Biblical text than most who try to retell Moses' saga. What set Mr. Card aside are his deep personal faith, as well as the breadth of his knowledge of Orthodox Christian theology and themes. One caveat, Mr. Card is a Latter Day Saint, but writes this book from an Orthodox Christian view.

Lastly, I recommend families consider reading C.S. Lewis' The Chronicles of Narnia together. This is a classic series of books for children that never lose its appeal. I would recommend purchasing them. In doing so, you can return to them time and time again. While you are at it, pick up his short (and to the point) book The Screwtape Letters. Let it convict you regarding the easy ways we fall for the wily ways of the devil.

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### DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT YOUR NEWSLETTER ???

For the past two years, the task of mailing this newsletter has been performed by students of the BOCES class at Willink Middle School in Webster (see picture below!). A member of our Emmaus community, Ginny Miller, is the Willink Librarian and worked with the original group that distributed newsletters. She asked the BOCES teacher, Linda Howe, if her class would be interested in preparing the Rainbow Connection for mailing. This is one of the many types of jobs BOCES considers as a tool to provide practical skills to the students.

Every month, five students in the class – grades 6 through 8 – collate, fold, staple, address and stamp over 600 copies of the Rainbow Connection. Usually, they accomplish this on short notice and are able to complete the work in one school day. This offering is in addition to their regular school work and other community projects. Thanks to all the members of Linda Howe's class!

**THANK YOU !!!**

**LINDA HOWE'S  
CLASS AT WILLINK  
MIDDLE SCHOOL !!!**



**WELL DONE !!!**

## GATHERING NEWS ...

Enchanted Mountain (Olean) &  
Northern Mt. View Only  
No July or August Gathering

Please attend the Picnic!

### Contact the Board Chairs

Questions, concerns and comments are always welcome:  
Gary and Sue Clarcq  
4140 Culver Road  
Rochester, NY 14622  
(585) 323-1910  
email: <suzeandcq@espernet.net>

#### Donations Asked to Help Cover Newsletter Costs

Each month the "Rainbow Connection" takes many steps to complete. After design, it is sent to a local printer for printing and assembled. Labels are run and stamps purchased. The newsletter is then folded, stapled, labeled and "stamped" before it is sent to community members. Sue and I would like to thank the many servants who spend time and energy in preparing our newsletter.

The cost for publication is about \$325.00 per month. We mail it first class, to ensure we are notified if people no longer wish to receive the newsletter (If we mail it bulk, undelivered pieces are discarded by the Post Office. We would not know who no longer wants to receive the newsletter).

Would you be willing to help with the cost? Please send a donation to WNY Emmaus in c/o of: The Arnett's, 709 West Avenue, Medina, NY 14103.

Another way to help is to notify our Online Distribution Editor, Clara Wilder, that you would like notification when the Rainbow Connection is up on our website. Contact Clara at [cwilder@adelphia.net](mailto:cwilder@adelphia.net). Let her know right away, please.

As always, we thank you in advance.

DeColores,  
Gary and Sue Clarcq  
Community Lay Directors

## Online Subscriptions

Any Community members who have internet capability can receive the Rainbow Connection every month through the WNY Emmaus website. [www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org](http://www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org) Send your email address to our Seceretary, Judy Hunley at <jhunley@rochester.rr.com>. She will then forward your request to Clara Wilder, our electronic edition publisher. You will be notified when the latest edition is posted. Jim Moody (editor) - 585-765-9644 or jxmooody@yahoo.com

## Emmaus/Chrysalis Prayer Chain

The Western NY Walk to Emmaus/Chrysalis Community has a powerful group of dedicated people willing to pray for your needs and concerns. You also can become a member of this prayer warrior group. Prayer requests or a desire to join the prayer chain can be emailed to Ann Becker at <Emmaus @frontiernet.net>. Phoned in requests should be made to Ann at 585-924-0568.

## Emmaus Board of Directors

Term	Position	Name	Phone
2005	Chair	Gary & Sue Clarcq	(585) 323-1910
2007	Sprt. Dir.	Ron Isaman	(716) 373-3616
2005	Agape	Vicki Perry	(585) 593-4262
2005	Facilities	Randy and Renee Kent	(716) 763-2255
2005	Clergy	Nilla Owen	(585) 584-3329
2005	Registration	Randy & Laura Walker	(716) 373-5310
2005	Evangelism	Pat Corsette	(716) 826-6840
2006	4 <sup>th</sup> Day	Lynn & Pat Blakeman	(716) 373-6470
2006	Supplies	Jim & Donna Coleman	(585) 385-1296
2006	Library	Jack & Kathie Woika	(585) 343-3813
2006	Wknd Coord.	Allen & Alethia Keiper	(585) 591-0502
2006	Clergy	Carol Sierk	(585) 591-2410
2007	Team Select	Hal & Carol Goodwin	(585) 798-4593
2007	Music	Bill Lang	(585) 591-0477
2007	Kitchen	Bob & Christa Fathergill	(585) 387-0928
2007	Secretary	Judy Hunley	(585) 377-0894
2007	Treasurer	Bill & JoAnn Arnett	(585) 798-1224
2007	Newsletter	Jim Moody	(585) 765-9644

# Gathering Schedule

## **Fairport Gathering:**

Hosanna Junction UMC - 2nd Sunday of the month  
357 Fairport Road (Rt. 31F)  
6:00 P.M. - Meeting (child care upon request)  
Bob and Christa Fathergill 585-387-0928

## **“West Bank” Area:**

Grace UMC - 2nd Saturday of month  
8:30 A.M. - Continental Breakfast  
9:00 A.M. - Meeting (call ahead for child care)  
Debra Wolfe - Child Care Contact 585-458-3166  
Chris Collins 585-227-1519

## **“Niagara” Area:**

Lockport Emmanuel UMC - 2nd Saturday of month  
6:00 P.M. - Meeting  
Dave & Janice McKinney 716-434-5471

## **Alexander:**

Alexander UMC - 4th Saturday of the month  
7:00 P.M.- Meeting (child care)  
Kathy Wessel & Bob Neamon 585-547-9221.

## **Northern Mountain View Area: (NO SUMMER MTG.)**

Holland UMC - 3rd Saturday of the month  
9:30 A.M. coffee - Meeting: 10:00 A.M.  
Please call ahead for child care  
Ruth Zimmerman 537-9524

## **Enchanted Mountain (Olean): (NO SUMMER MTG.)**

Christ UMC - 3rd Wednesday of month  
7:00 P.M. - Meeting  
Jan Mortimer 716-373-2237 <mortimer@localnet.com>

## **Ionia:**

Ionia UMC Last Saturday of the month  
7:00 P.M. - Meeting  
Lee and Ruth Packer 585-367-3827

## **Buffalo Area:**

Seneca UMC Church, 2846 Seneca St.  
3rd Saturday of month - 9:30 A.M.  
Pat Corsette 716-826-6840

## **Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns:**

Hamburg UMC - Methodist Meeting House  
3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 P.M.  
Gary Caldwell 716-649-3889

## **Medina/Millville:**

Millville United Methodist Church  
Last Friday of the Month - 7:00 P.M.  
Hal and Carol Goodwin 585-798-4593

## **Napoli:**

Napoli UMC  
4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 P.M.  
Rick Peters - 938-6800

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*Newsletter Deadline July 20, 2005*

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