



# Rainbow Connection



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## New Year, New Commitment

- Hal & Carol Goodwin, Community Lay Directors

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It doesn't seem possible that another year is "in the history book," but by the time you read this 2007 will be history and we will all be making plans for 2008. For us, it is good that the calendar year ends with the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pause, be it ever so briefly, from our hectic schedules to spend time with friends and family and to reflect on the things that are most important in our lives; things like Love, Joy, Peace, and Hope, and, of course, our relationship with God and our Lord Jesus. "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift." - *2 Corinthians 9:15*

As we look forward to 2008 we wonder what the New Year will bring, and we wonder what our priorities will be. At the WNY Emmaus Board Meeting on Dec. 21, 2007, we welcomed new members and "commissioned" them to serve for the next three years. They, like those before them, committed themselves to serving the WNY Emmaus Community and to serving Jesus Christ and their local church.

The Board of Directors cannot and should not try to do it all. We need the entire WNY Emmaus Community to commit themselves to the same service. Each of you is important to the success of Walk to Emmaus. "Christ is counting on you," and we are, too. If you will make Walk to Emmaus a priority for 2008 we believe you will be blessed beyond what you can imagine. Make

sponsorship a priority and we may have full Walks again. Make service a priority and the load will be lighter for everyone. Make prayer a priority and believe that God will accomplish a great work, and He will!

As always, we ask that you pray for your Emmaus Board of Directors. We are greatly encouraged by those who tell us they are praying for the Board, and we believe that prayers, your prayers, make a difference. Thank you to all those who have and are supporting Walk to Emmaus with your prayers, your time, and your talent. And, thank you, in advance, to those who will make WNY Walk to Emmaus a priority in 2008. God bless you, each and every one.

### New Board Members

We welcome these newly commissioned and consecrated members, as of Dec. 21, of the 2010 class of the Western New York Walk to Emmaus Board:

**Clergy** - Wilson Jones

**Kitchen** - Jim & Lora Keiper

**Music** - David Rood

**Secretary** - Jessica White

**Treasurer** - Jeff & Char Smith

## Western New York Walk to Emmaus #35

**Christ United Methodist Church - Olean**  
633 Linwood Ave.  
Olean, NY 14760

**Men's Walk**  
**March 27-30**

**Women's Walk**  
**April 10-13**

**Reunion - Christ UMC**  
**May 3**

### \*APPLICATION DEADLINE

**Men's Walk & Women's Walk**  
**March 7**

\*Applications received after this date will be processed for the next walk.

**Sponsor's Kit available at:**  
[www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org](http://www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org)

**For registration information, please contact**  
**Bill and Pam Wallum**  
**PO Box 182**  
**Silver Springs NY 14550**  
**(585) 493-2751**  
**erie@frontiernet.net**

## Agape Corner

We want to wish everyone a very blessed Christmas and a safe New Year. We are very blessed to have so many talented people in the Emmaus Community. You make so much of the agape that is given out at the walks. We all want to give to the new pilgrims so that they can experience the love that we felt. You make this job fun to do and for that we want to say Thank You.

The Spring Walks will soon be here; so on these cold winter nights and days, gather a few of your friends and make some agape, or decorate the placemats if you took a packet at Reunion. We will have further instructions on the agape in newsletters to come.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

- Cheryl and Jesse Babcock  
*Agape Chairs*

## WNY Walk to Emmaus #35 Men's Team - Spring

Position	Name	Talk
Spiritual Director	Kim Smith	#7 Means of Grace
Asst. Spiritual Director	Jake Denny	#4 Justifying Grace
	Nilla Owen	#9 Obstacles to Grace
	Dorothea Schweitzer	#2 Prevenient Grace
	TBA	#12 Sanctifying Grace
Board Rep	Gary Caldwell	
Lay Director	Norb Fuest	#14 Perseverance
Agape	Randy Walker	#15 Fourth Day
Chapel	Hal Goodwin	#10 Discipleship
Bell Ringer	Bill Barber	#1 Priorities
Table Leaders	Mike Burley	#8 Christian Action
	Gary Clarcq	#5 Life in Piety
	Bill Garrett	#13 Body of Christ
	Dick Pinneo	#11 Changing Our World
	Will Rickman	#6 Growth Through Study
	Jeff Smith	#3 Priesthood of All Believers
Asst. Table Leaders	Bob Fisher	Rich Preston
	Todd Jones	Rick Park
	Al Kidd	Jerry Trass
Logistics	Harry Lockwood	Jack Woika
Musicians	Dave Rood	Bob Fathergill

## WNY Walk to Emmaus Board

Term	Position	Name	Phone	E-mail
2008	Chair	Hal & Carol Goodwin	(585) 798-4593	carolhal@lakeplains.net
2009	Spirit. Dir.	Greg VanDussen	(716) 592-7615	pastorgreg@s1umc.org
2008	Agape	Cheryl & Jesse Babcock	(585) 589-7413	cbabcock002@rochester.rr.com
2008	Clergy	Nilla Owen	(585) 584-3329	tworevs@frontiernet.net
2008	Evang.	*Pat Corsette	(716) 826-6840	*Contact during winter months
2008	Facilities	Bill & Sue Barber	(716) 689-2093	barberb@nationwide.com
2008	Regis.	Bill & Pam Wallum	(585) 493-2751	erie@frontiernet.net
2009	4th Day	Keith Grinnell	(585) 750-3519	kksbg@localnet.com
2009	Library	Bob & Teasha Fisher	(716) 592-2362	kyclark@localnet.com
2009	Newsltr.	Rose Caldwell	(716) 649-3889	rgscaldwell@msn.com
2009	Supplies	Dave & Janice McKinney	(716) 434-5471	dmckinney4@roadrunner.com
2009	Weekend	Paul & Sue Gagne	(716) 648-3460	paulsuegagne@verizon.net
2009	Team Selct.	Norb Fuest	(585) 591-1198	mortonNF@wycol.com
2010	Clergy	Wilson Jones	(585) 226-2125	wilsonjones65@gmail.com
2010	Kitchen	Jim & Lora Keiper	(585) 387-0928	jimlorakeiper@aol.com
2010	Music	David Rood	(716) 941-5703	dgrood62@yahoo.com
2010	Secretary	Jessica White	(585) 591-1858	jdgirl25@yahoo.com
2010	Treasurer	Jeff & Char Smith	(585) 798-3831	csmith72@rochester.rr.com

## Songbooks Inventory

We appreciate those Gatherings who reported their songbooks inventory to us, and ask these who have not done so yet to please let us know: Ionia, Buffalo, Olean and Napoli.

We are asking for a numerical listing of your songbooks. Please record **each** number and submit the list so we can complete our inventory.

Please return any outstanding songbooks to your Gathering .

Send your list to psgagne@verizon.net. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Paul & Sue Gagne  
*Weekend Coordinators*

## Women's Team - Walk to Emmaus #35

Position	Name	Talk
Spiritual Director Clergy	Pastor Ron Isaman	#7 Means of Grace
	Pastor Carol Sierk	#2 Prevenient Grace
	Pastor Sara Merle	#9 Obstacles to Grace
	Pastor Lee Carlson	#4 Justifying Grace
	Pastor Brian Scharf	#12 Sanctifying Grace
Board Rep Lay Director Agape Chapel Bell Ringer	Pat Morse	
	Karen Westerman	#14 Perseverance
	Sue Clarcq	#10 Discipleship
	Alethia Keiper	#6 Growth Through Study
Table Leader	Ruth Lang	#1 Priorities
	Shirley London	#15 Fourth Day
	Kathy Wessel	#5 Life in Piety
	Cheryl Babcock	#13 Body of Christ
	Christa Fathergill	#3 Priesthood of All Believers
Asst. Table Leader	Debbie DeRooy	#8 Christian Action
	Kathie Woika	#11 Changing Our World
	Karla Smith	Laurie Manzer
	Lauretta Peters	Evelyn Seeger
Logistics	Genice Perkins	Phyllis McKinney
	Nancy Vredenburg	Pam Mellon
Musicians	Marlene Worthington	Becky Fox

### Men's and Women's Teaming Dates

#### Men's

Jan.12 - Alexander UMC, Alexander  
Feb. 15-16 - Alexander UMC  
March 14-15 - Olean UMC

#### Women's

Jan. 12 - Trinity UMC in Attica  
Feb. 8-9 - Trinity UMC in Attica  
March 14-15 - Olean UMC

## Important Walk Registration Information

Happy New Year! Before we know it, the Springs Walks (#35) will be here. See the front page for the dates for the Walks and Reunion which will be held at Christ Church in Olean.

Because of timelines and other needs beyond our control, **the deadline for applications for BOTH Walks is March 7**.

Please pray about who God may want you to sponsor as a Pilgrim and do not wait until the last minute. This is extremely important since there is

only one deadline. We need your assistance to make this go as smoothly as possible. We truly appreciate the cooperation everyone gave during fall registration.

Let's work together to fill these Walks! If you have any questions, please call us at 585-493-2751 or email us at [erie@frontiernet.net](mailto:erie@frontiernet.net) Our address is PO Box 182, Silver Springs, NY 14550.

If anyone needs a new nametag at any time, just let us know.

- Bill and Pam Wallum, *Registration*

## Sponsorship Mentors

These Sponsorship Mentors will help with your sponsorship questions, and review and sign your pilgrim applications before submitting them to Registrars Bill and Pam Wallum. To contact them, please call your Gathering leader (as listed on page 4). Thank you.

### Fairport

John & Mary Trowbridge  
Gary & Sue Clarcq

### Alexander

Jim & Lora Keiper  
Rev. Greg & Jackie Van Dussen

### Millville/Medina

Hal & Carol Goodwin  
Pat and Steve Morse

### West Bank

Chris Collins, Sparky Hess  
Don Crawford, Carolyn Rickman

### Ionia

John & Ann Becker

### Enchanted Mountain

Mike & Jan Mortimer  
Lynn & Pat Blakeman

### Springville

Rev. Greg & Jackie Van Dussen  
Bud & Nancy Van Vredenburg

### Niagara Area

Bill & Sue Barber  
Keith & Karen Grinnell

### West Seneca/Buffalo

Pat Corsette; Bob & Deanna Laurie

### Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns

Gary & Rose Caldwell  
Paul & Sue Gagne

### Napoli

Bryant & Cheryl Keesler  
Bill & Alex Gage

## Gathering Schedule

**Fairport:** East Rochester UMC

357 Fairport Road (Rt. 31F)

2nd Saturday of the month

6 p.m. - Meeting (Child care upon request)

Bob &amp; Christa Fathergill 585-387-0928

**West Bank:** Greece UMC - 2nd Saturday of the month

8:30 a.m. - Continental breakfast

9 a.m. - Meeting (Call ahead for child care)

Sonya Ingle - Child care contact 585-621-1766

Will &amp; Carolyn Rickman 585-392-9784

**Niagara:** Lockport - Emmanuel UMC

2nd Saturday of the month

6 p.m. - Meeting

Dave &amp; Janice McKinney 716-434-5471

**Alexander:** Alexander UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

7 p.m. - Meeting (Child care as needed)

Kathy Wessel &amp; Bob Neamon 585-547-9721

**Springville:** Springville UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

9:30 a.m. - Meeting

Brian &amp; Susan Scharf 716-592-9811

**Enchanted Mountain (Olean):** Christ UMC

4th Monday of the month

7-8:30 p.m. - Meeting

Lynn &amp; Pat Blakeman 716-373-6470 smitann1@lverizon.net

**Ionia:** Ionia UMC - Last Saturday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Lee &amp; Ruth Packer 585-367-3827

**Buffalo:** New Hope UMC

2846 Seneca St., West Seneca - 3rd Saturday of the month

9:30 a.m.- Meeting

Pat Corsette 716-826-6840

**Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns:** Hamburg UMC,

116 Union St., Parlor - 3rd Tuesday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Gary &amp; Rose Caldwell 716-649-3889

**Medina/Millville:** Millville UMC - Last Friday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Jeff &amp; Char Smith 585-798-3831

**Napoli:** Napoli UMC - 4th Monday of the month

7:30 p.m. - Meeting

Rick Peters 716-938-6800

**January Newsletter Deadline: Jan. 20, 2008**

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