

I wonder what the first Thanksgiving was like. Have you ever thought what Christmas was like when the pilgrims landed here many years ago, or even the first New Year? I'm sure that many, if not all, gave thanks to God for their new land, their homes and families, and for safe passage from their world they knew. You see the pilgrims left England for freedom of religion. They wanted to worship God for themselves. It was all about the pilgrims finding God.

Imagine, if you will, a ship preparing to leave for the new world. Shipmates volunteer with pride to selfishly take the passengers across the wide sea. Anxious passengers buy tickets and wait to board with supplies for the pilgrims. However, the ship is late to leave. There were too many shipmates trying to run the ship, some had stayed from a previous voyage and others just showed up expecting to help. The ones who had volunteered, were bitter, as there was no need for their service now. Even the passengers had problems. Just before the voyage family members demanded that others be removed from the ship, so that they may take their place to see a loved one into the new world.

I asked you to image that scene and I hope you did. Unfortunately, this scene takes place several times a year at our walks. The pilgrims come anxiously awaiting their three-day journey to worship God for themselves. They leave the old world enroute to the new world where they'll thank God for His blessings, their homes, families, and their safe passage. But on the docks there are problems, the areas short of help always seem to be the ones that don't see the pilgrims, and the areas that do see the pilgrims have too much help.

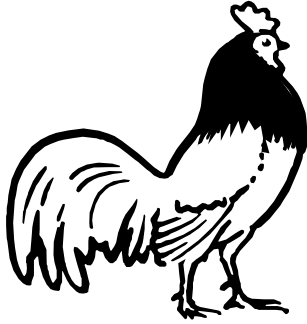
Do you remember the Christian Action talk? We are the hands and feet of God. Don't be an obstacle to God's grace. Our acts of agape are what make God's grace so visible to the pilgrims and those we serve with. Remember, it's all about the pilgrims!

God Bless You All,  
Ron Burkitt

### **Guidelines For Volunteering**

Please Use the sign-up sheets  
Please Don't just show up expecting to be needed  
Please "Ask" about openings & help the pilgrims in any way you can  
Please call ahead if you need to cancel  
Please grace us with your presence at the appointed time  
Please grace us with your absence at the appointed time  
Please spread agape love by serving selflessly

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# The Rooster

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER!!!**

### **2001 Central Ohio Emmaus Community Walks**

Men's Walk #42 – Jan. 11-14  
Women's Walk #66 – Feb. 15-18  
Women's Walk #67 - May 17-20  
Women's Walk #68 - July 12-15  
Men's Walk #43 – Sept. 13-16  
Women's Walk #69 – Nov. 15-18

### **2001 Ohio Epiphany Weekends**

OH Reformatory for Women #7 Feb. 23-25  
Madison Correctional Institution #5 April 20-22  
OH Reformatory for Women #8 Aug. 10-12



## WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING WOMEN WHO ATTENDED WALK #65

Sharon Boerner	Kim Broshes	Jo Chamberlin
Kathy Henderson	Sara Miller	Debbie Hicks
Kay Jones	Marie Mohr	Kay Thompson
Yvonne Woodruff	Kristy Apt	Nancy Buck
Janet Harder	Deb Orecchio	Lynn Sawyer
Carmen Cronley	Linda Haney	Katie Lattimer
Barbara Main	Jenny Watson	Melissa Perk
Cheryl Backus	Barb Bouic	Kathy Short
Bev Weeks	Stephanie Wright	Judi Irwin
Martha King	Sandy Kizer	Darlene Shirk
Linda Wallace	Mary Caldwell	Aimee Dutton
Martha Furbush	Debbie Gratz	Mary Whetstone-Robinson

### Can You Tipe!?!

If so, we need your help. There has been a recent need to organize the books the community uses. In this upcoming year we will be attempting to load the books onto the Emmaus Community Computer. We are looking for anyone who has a computer with Windows 98 or ME and would be willing to spend some time typing for us. If you are interested please contact Ron Burkitt @ (614) 777-4185 or rdburkitt@cs.com

### Cheerful Givers!!!

The Lord loves a cheerful giver and so does our community. In the past we have had a few members that enjoyed the blessings they received and shared them with us. This help continues today however, I feel that there is a great enjoyment in giving. Each walk we have our community grows, and so do the costs related to the walk. I would like to ask you and those in your household to prayerfully consider what our community has meant to you and then give accordingly. We have provided an addressed envelope that will go directly to the Central Ohio Emmaus Community Treasurer. Please use it to forward your agape gift to us. May God continue to bless you and our community as we continue to train church leaders.

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Ron Burkitt, Community Chairperson

### Electronic Newsletter

Are you interested in receiving your Central Ohio Emmaus Community newsletter by e-mail? We have started sending the newsletter electronically in an attempt to get it out earlier before each walk and in an effort to reduce printing and postage expenses. If you would like to receive an electronic newsletter please log in at our web site at [centralohioemmaus.org](http://centralohioemmaus.org) and submit your form.

### 2001 Board Members

Community Chair	Ron Burkitt	Board Chair	Vincent Sheehan
Secretary	Bev Beery	Treasurer	Doris LeFavour
Agape'	Rebecca Crisler	Chrysalis	Mark Shumway
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Social	Joyce Clevenger/Sally Sieg	Sponsorship	Bill & Ruth Foreman
Supplies	Steve & Deb Daum	Worship	Brent & Lora Kotsaris

## CENTRAL OHIO MEN'S EMMAUS WALK #42

### January 11-14, 2001

Spiritual Director	Rev. Dick Teller	Means Of Grace
Assistant Spiritual Director	Rev. Dan Steep	Prevenient Grace
Assistant Spiritual Director	Rev. Kurt King	Justifying Grace
Assistant Spiritual Director	Rev. Jim Stoffer	Obstacles Of Grace
Assistant Spiritual Director	Rev. Bill Turner	Sanctifying Grace
Lay Director	Jack Bailey	Perseverance
Assistant Lay Director	Dan Froehlich	
Assistant Lay Director	Dick Sparks	Priority
Assistant Lay Director	Johannes Cilliers	Growth Through Study
Table Leaders		Assistant Table Leaders
Paul Burkitt	Changing Our World	Rick Bails
Jerry Shiffer	Fourth Days	Stephen Broshes
Robert Ward Jr.	Life in Piety	Michael Haney
Cy Prettyman	Body of Christ	Don LeFavour
Jim Oliver	Christian Action	Brian Reigle
Tom McCarthy	Discipleship	Bob Smith
Jeff Swartz	Priesthood of All Believers	Roger Stillings

Music Director: Ted Herndon & Scott Stevens  
 Live In Logistics: Doug Bovey, Ed Markin, Tom Woodruff

## Pilgrim List for Men's Walk #42

(As of 12/16/00)

Pilgrim	City	Sponsor	Pilgrim	City	Sponsor
Terry Bearden	Marysville	Johannes Cilliers	Bob Kessack	Centerville	Christine Money
Greg Coleman	Zaneville	Rick Julian	Greg Morgan	W. Liberty	Jim Craig
John Collier	Marysville	John Overly	Mike Murphy	Urbana	Ted Berlin
Jon Cook	Woodstock	Ted Herndon	Mike Poepelman	W. Mansfield	Keith Kavanagh
Kevin Davis	Plain City	Sue Troyer	Ron Shaffer	Urbana	John McNeely
Moe Demming	Delaware	Rick Julian	Josh Streit	Hilliard	Lindsay Brower
Doug Dillard	Kenton	Pat Craig	Daniel Stutzman	Plain City	Sue Troyer
Ken Fanty	Louisville	Gary Spees	Brad Taylor	W. Mansfield	Mary Taylor
Chuck Hazelton	Urbana	Andrea Tullis	Steve Tennant	Bellefontaine	Jim Lewis
Matthew Hubbar	Columbus	Greg Krzeczkowski	Bob Wiant	Urbana	Becky Wiant
John Hughes	Richwood	Patti Evans	Shawn Williams	Westerville	Amanda Heminger
Jerry Huxley	Cable	Carolyn Huxley			