

**Elizabethtown Emmaus
Newsletter
June 2006**

Dear Emmaus Family,

Hope this finds everyone well and ready for the summer months. We are very excited about the upcoming Emmaus Family Picnic on July 15th at the Campgrounds. I know that the summer months are busy with kids home from school, family visits and vacations, but hope that those of you that are going to be in town mark that date on your calendar now.

I have always loved summer - things seem less hectic, schedules tend to be a bit relaxed and everything seems to be a little simpler in the summer. I pray that everyone, especially me, remembers not to vacation from our time with our Father. Remember that closeness you felt on your weekend and keep it alive. I love to re-read my letters, look at the agape I was given (that is what is left after I ate everything edible) and focus on "what the weekend meant to me" and

ask ourselves are we doing what we said we were going to do about it?

It's been a few months since the last set of walks, and it seems the next ones are far off, but teams are coming together now and formations will begin before we know it. Please, always keep this ministry in your prayers. Satan is alive and at work and he hates what we are doing! We, however, serve a God that is much more powerful than Satan and we have a wonderful and blessed Community and each and every one of you are a part of making it so special. Hope to see you at the Gathering on June 3rd.

With love and appreciation,
Colleen Bagley
Walk #64
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BOARD NEWS

There was no quorum at the May board meeting.

The election for the new vice-chair was postponed until the **June** board meeting.

Plans are under way for the Emmaus picnic to be held at Camp Nikao on July 15th. Watch the newsletter for more details.



PRAYER TIME

Daniel 9:17 O our God ... hear your servant's prayer

- *COUNTRY--LEADERS—WORLD--CHURCHES
- *NICARAGUAN COMMUNITY
- *EMMAUS & CHRYSALIS FAMILIES
- *EMMAUS LAY DIRECTORS (FALL)
 - DARRELL ADAMS (MENS WALK #100)
 - BETTY BISHOP (WOMEN'S WALK 101)
- *CHRYSALIS 38 DIRECTORS
 - CHASTITY YATES (GIRLS)
 - MATT HESS (BOYS)
- *EMMAUS 100 & 101 TEAM MEMBERS
- *CHRYSALIS 38 TEAM MEMBERS
- *R.E.C. -INMATES THAT JUST COMPLETED THE R.E.C. WEEKEND

SPECIAL NOTICE

We will be taking up a special offering in June to cover the \$600 it cost us recently to send 6 women from Nicaragua to Costa Rica for an Emmaus Weekend.

INSPIRATIONS FROM THE EDITOR

Malachi 3:3 says: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver."

This verse puzzled some women in a Bible study and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God. One of the women offered to find out the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible Study.

That week, the woman called a silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything about the reason for her interest beyond her curiosity about the process of refining silver. As she watched the silversmith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest so as to burn away all the impurities.

The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot; then she thought again about the verse that says: "He sits as a refiner and purifier of silver."

She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined. The man answered that yes, he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left a moment too long in the flames, it would be destroyed.

The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?"

He smiled at her and answered, "Oh, that's easy-- when I see my image in it".

If today you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has his eye on you and will keep watching you until He sees His image in you.

ELIZABETHTOWN EMMAUS CALENDAR

June 3 6:00 p.m. – Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. – Gathering

July 1 6:00 p.m. – Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. – Gathering

July 15 EMMAUS PICNIC


August 5 6:00 p.m. – Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. – Gathering

Sept 2 6:00 p.m. – Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. – Gathering

Sept 30 – Oct 2 Chrysalis #38

October 7 6:00 p.m. – Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. -- Gathering

2006 WALKS

CHRYSALIS #38– FALL (SEPT 30 – OCT 2)

LAY DIRECTORS

- MATT HESS (BOYS)
- CHASTITY YATES (GIRLS)

MEN'S WALK #100 FALL – OCT 12-15

LAY DIRECTOR: DARRELL ADAMS

WOMEN'S WALK FALL – OCT 19-22

LAY DIRECTOR: BETTY BISHOP

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