

2008 Walks

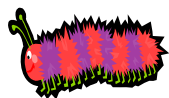
Women's 204  
October 9-12  
Marlene Addison

2009 Walks

Men's 205  
January 29-Feb. 1

Women's 206  
February 5-8

Women's 206A  
May 14-18



2008 Flights

Boy's # 63  
October 23-26  
Matt Jaquay

Girl's # 64  
November 27-30  
Jan Cranford



# Crowing Creations

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## The Blessing of Parents

Like most of us, I considered my parents immortal. They would always be here to go visit; they would be on the other end of the phone when I called to talk. I could ask questions, inquire about weird relatives and ponder if I actually did have any particular childhood vaccination.

My family is pretty close knit and I am extremely close to my parents. For the past twenty-five years I have resided in Indiana and have called Mama and Daddy at least once a day just to see how they were doing and see if they had a good day.

Starting just prior to Daddy's his first brain surgery two and a half years ago, I called multiple times during the day to make sure he was okay and to visit. That all changed June 11, 2008.

Daddy passed away.

The short story is he contracted a colon infection from a health care worker at the hospital where he was rehabilitating from his last brain surgery. That infection was what ultimately took his life. Not diabetes that he valiantly controlled for twenty-five years; an infection from the hospital. *Go figure.* He caught an infection at the very place that was supposed to *heal him.*

So now, I have time on my hands. Even though I am at work, I find myself reaching for the phone for my regular morning, lunchtime or supper-time calls to Daddy. I looked forward to hearing his voice and how he was doing. Even if he just told me what he had for breakfast or we chatted about the book he was reading, it was a chance to visit with him.

Now, he is gone.

I have found myself calling my parent's home just to hear his voice on their voice mail. I cannot believe that he is gone forever. I will never hear that voice, his laugh or be on the receiving end of that gigantic bear hug of his. I would snuggle my face in his chest, enjoy the hug and breathe in that Daddy smell.

The moral of this article, if there is one, is to not only love your parents but to appreciate them. Appreciate and celebrate them *while they are here with you.* Don't wait and be filled with guilt or regret after they are gone.

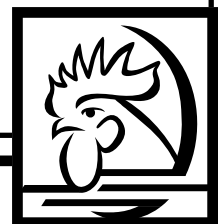
I now think of a million things that I wish I had said and done with Daddy. I feel guilty that I didn't take the time from what I considered my busy schedule to drive the eight hours to spend the weekend with him.

One of the last conversations that I had with him, he asked me if I was coming home. I said that I was, but it wouldn't be for a couple of weeks. If I had known that within that fourteen day span he would die, I would have wasted no time in getting down to Georgia to see him.

He loved me no matter what I did or said. And the two of us would fight like cats because we were so much alike. Once I told him I might not get to stay very long when I visited. He responded with telling me if he could only see me for a few minutes, then it would be worth it.

Don't wait. Love your parents. They are truly the most wonderful angels this side of heaven.

## Cricket



# Women's Walk to Emmaus 204

GSRC ~ October 9-12, 2008

Candlelight 8 p.m. 10/11, Closing 4 p.m. 10/12

## Pilgrims

Kathy	Beauchot
Jeanie	Bennett
Laura	Bitzel
Katie	Caldwell
Cindy	Dennison
Deb	Fields
Brenda	Galey
Margie	Gavin
Ashley	Gladin
Rhonda	Gladin
Dee	Hosler
Steph	Hostetler
Bonnie	Howey
Barb	Hunsberger
Jodie	Inskeep
Deb	Justice
Lori	Lybarger
Sarah	Martin
Lois	Miller
Tina	Moore
Linda	Phillips
Donna	Siders
Patlyn	Small
Carla	Smith
Madonna	Streavel
Keri	Wheadon
Robin	Wildermuth
Tracey	Zimmerman



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Jackie Dawson  
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Mary Harger  
Darrel and Doug Miller  
Andrew Moore  
Margaret Ridderheim  
Nancy DeVore  
Joe and Cindy Hall  
John and Marilyn Fry  
Rick and Joe Rife  
Cindy Packard  
Pastor Howard Wildermuth  
Myrna McCracken



## Friday

### Priority

Linda Hyndman

### Prevenient Grace

Rebecca Fisher

### Priesthood of All

#### Believers

Jo Crace

### Justifying Grace

Kathy Miller

### Life in Piety

Laura Weingold

## Saturday

### Growth Through

#### Study

Bernadean Howard

### Means of Grace

Jill Wright

### Christian Action

Terri Goodwin

### Obstacles to Grace

Cindy Osgood

### Discipleship

Marcia Sanders

## Sunday

### Changing Our World

Marci Leitch

### Sanctifying Grace

Ron Verlee

### Body of Christ

Jaci Worrick

### Perseverance

Marlene Addison

### Fourth Days

Marie Holt

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TEAM		TEAM		TEAM	
LD	Marlene Addison	ATL	Julie Riddle	KIT	Anne Shearer
ALD	Linda Hyndman	TL	Nancy Schwartz	HBTS	Ruth Knafel
ALD	Marie Holt	TL	Chris Paulus	BTS	Kathy Carr
ALD	Ann Burdick	TL	Terri Goodwin	BTS	Jo Barkley
ALD	Jacie Worrick	TL	Karen Sherbahn	BTS	Andrea Holt
BR		TL	Bernadean Howard	BTS	Susan Young
SD	Jill Wright	HMU	Jody Lowen		
Clgy	Kathy Miller	Music	Darlene Michel		
Clgy	Rebecca Fisher	HKIT	Malinda Palmer		
Clgy	Ron Verlee	KIT	Jesse Beard		
Clgy	Cindy Osgood	KIT	Mary McManama		
ATL	Susan Stetzel	KIT	Cindy Houser		
TL	Laura Weingold	KIT	Tara Van Houten		
ATL	Jo Crace	KIT	June Keiser		
ATL	Natalie Harker	KIT	Jan Davis		
ATL	Marcia Sanders	KIT	Cheryl Britt		

## 2008 NIEC Board

All board members shall chair, co-chair or participate in a committee for an area of responsibility

### Finance

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### Registration

Sue Lavengood

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Cindy Ramseyer

### Chrysalis

Bruce Burdick

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### Agape Committee

Dave Beamer

### Kitchen

Joe Tipton

# Prayer Power

## Chrysalis & Emmaus Prayer Chain

### Prayer Chain Contact:

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### Prayer Requests

Marie & Bob Quick's relative, Carley

Gran Roberts

*Our upcoming flights and walks*

*All unspoken concerns that are in each of our hearts and minds.*

### Sympathy

*Pastor Jim Armstrong passed on Sept. 21*



## Your Paper is Due in Two Weeks

*News about Registration*

Your Registration Committee wants to share a deadline that is important to you as you consider sponsoring pilgrims.

Starting with Walk 203 in October, the cut off date for all walks will be **two (2) weeks prior** to the start date of the walk. What does this mean to you? You will need to have all the paperwork into the Registrar's hands by 8:00pm on Thursday **two (2) weeks prior** to the walk. You may not register pilgrims via telephone, so forms must be mailed in time to reach the Registrar or must be hand delivered to her by 8:00pm on the Thursday **two (2) weeks before** to the walk.

Thank you for your attention to this detail. Hope you are already praying about who that special person is that God wants you to sponsor for an upcoming walk.

DeColores,

Sue Lavengood

Chair-Registration

Supplies/  
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Cindy Buster

Quarter  
Master/Mistress  
Jo Grace

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# Boy's Chrysalis Flight 63

GSRC ~ October 23-26, 2008

Candlelight 8 p.m. 10/25, Closing 4 p.m. 10/26

## Caterpillars

Corey Gladin  
 Cagney Gladin  
 David Marker  
 Thomas Ervin

## Sponsors

Cheryl & Shannon Britt  
 Cheryl & Shannon Britt  
 Theresa Rios  
 Alicyn Ervin



## Friday

### *Ideals*

*Matt Ritzenhaler*

**God Designed You**

*Clergy*

### **Faith**

*David Jaquay*

**God Loves You**

*Clergy*

### **Prodigal**

*Andy Ritter*

## Saturday

**Communication**

**Through Prayer**

*Seth Smith*

**Christian Growth**

**Through Study**

*Youth*

**God's Gift to You**

*Michael Jenkins*

### **Marriage**

*Mr. & Mrs. Symon*

*Olenczuk, Jr.*

**God Sustains You**

*Clergy*

## Sunday

**Christian Action**

*Youth*

### **Single Life**

*David Schlosser*

**God Empowers You**

*Clergy*

**Priesthood of All**

### **Believers**

*Matt Jaquay*

### **Next Steps**

*Gage Waltz*

**DeColores!**



## **TEAM TEAM TEAM**

LD	Matt Jaquay	Music	Michael Shockney	BTS	Trevor Verba
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YALD	Gage Waltz	HKIT	Bill Ramseyer	YBTS	Brad Plank
BR	Brian Longardner	KIT	Marvin Evans		
SD	Michael Jenkins	KIT	Gary Green		
Cigy	John Newman	KIT	Alan Palmer		
Cigy	Tom Daugherty	KIT	AJ Austin		
Cigy	Butch Troke	KIT	Fred Durden		
Cigy	Wes Brookshire	YKIT	Mitch Ulerick		
TL	Bill Schlosser	YKIT	Kyle Calhoun		
TL	David Schlosser	YKIT	Justin Newman		
TL	David Jaquay	PryChp	Curt Kent		
TL	Seth Smith	HBTS	Steve Blacklaw		
YTL	Matt Ritzenhaler	HBTS	Eric Hechtl		
YTL	Cory Cartwright	BTS	Pete Womer		
YTL	Lee Waltz				

## Thoughts from Sue....

Hi! Please allow me to introduce myself. I am Sue Lavengood and my Walk to Emmaus was Walk 134.

It has been almost 3 years since my Community sisters Ann Burdick and Randi Lincoln assured me that I would be a great fit for the NIEC board. Well, flattery got them what they asked for and I have been on the board since January 2006.

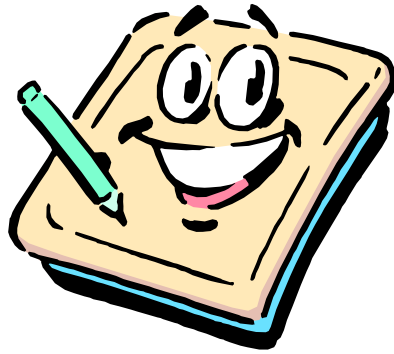
I have seen some good things and bad things. However, the most important thing I have seen is God is still blessing through the Walks to Emmaus and He is doing great work in the lives of pilgrims today, just like He was doing back in October of 2000 when I took my Walk.

After a year of learning all the guidelines set forth by The Upper Room, so we as a board and a Community would be able to honor our contract, I entered into my second year thinking I had a pretty good feel for things. **Ha Ha Ha!** I am laughing now but there was little I laughed about in 2007. We had several great pilgrims and teams and God smiled on each Walk. He revealed the scriptures and trained new leaders for our churches. Those were positive things; my hopes grew.

The entire Community seemed to realize we had bridges to cross but we first needed to build them. The materials arrived and were unloaded, and when we started to build the bridge, we realized we did not have enough volunteers to help us continue. We had several architects who gave us options on how we should build the bridge as well as how it was destroyed in the first place. We had several fundraisers who were able to contribute their spare change. We had plenty of protesters who wanted to build the new bridge with the old lumber because of its history. However, we just could not get the laborers to get started rebuilding, so we could cross over. There we were with a foundation but no structure.

I am an optimistic person, so I was certain that 2008, my final year on the board, we were going to move forward and that the 3 years I vested on the board would end with a renewal in the NIEC community. I was certain that the Community would burst forth in prayer, and start responsibly sponsoring those that God laid upon their hearts. I had no doubt, that we would have a waiting list for Pilgrims, anticipating what was in store for them on their Walk to Emmaus. I was convinced that once again we would all be working together, loving God's people and growing new leaders.

I do not like having to tell you that my optimism is starting to fade just a bit. In my eight years with NIEC, I have served on some awesome teams. I have met and watched wide-eyed pilgrims light up right before my eyes. I have seen God in everything from a perfectly timed rainbow, a colored hot air balloon to a pilgrim dropping to their knees,



reclaiming the love of God, and accepting the forgiveness, that we all learned about in the Grace talks.

Sadly, we as a board and a Community have had to cancel walks in 2008. We have missed opportunities to serve, to love, and to grow in Christ. There are three more walks scheduled for 2008 and just a handful of Board meetings left during my term. I would like to leave some type of positive reinforcement behind as I leave the Board so I am asking each of you, as members of the Emmaus Community to please place NIEC to the top of your prayer list. Spend time on your knees in your closet or at the altar searching your heart, your motives, your agenda. Do not stop praying, day after day until you have discerned what God wants for NIEC and what your part in that should be. 1Corinthians 13:13 "And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."

I love each of you with the love of the Lord and I have faith that you will pray concerning these matters. I hope you will be true to yourself and to your God.

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### *Chirps from Cricket.....*

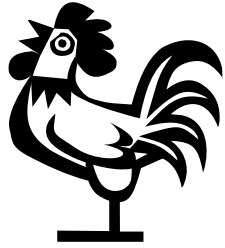
Yep, the postal service has struck again. Chances are you did not receive the September issue of *Crowing Creations* in time for Walk 203. And chances are very good you will not receive this issue in time to pray for Walk 204.



*We are not the problem!* There are gigantic challenges getting the USPS to deliver *Crowing Creations* in a timely fashion.

Rest assured, we are working on it. But we have not made a lot of headway. Pray that this situation is resolved quickly!

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*The Walk to  
Emmaus*

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