

Dear Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities.

I have been asked to explain our new calendar for the year 2003. We have six Weekends planned for this upcoming year, due to the postponements of the Young Men's and Young Women's Journeys. They will take place? and February 21-23, respectively. We do not have churches yet, but the Teams are in place, so please pray about whom the Lord would have YOU sponsor. Remember that the Young Men's and Young Women's are for ages 18-24 and out of high school.

The High School Flights, for ages 15-18 and sophomores through seniors, will continue in March this year, as usual, but we will begin to switch the High School and Young People's Weekends around in the fall to give the 18-24 age group a better opportunity to attend the next spring. So High School weekends will be March 7-9, March 28-30, October 24-26, and November 7-9, 2003. Note that the March Flights are 3 weeks apart instead of the usual 2. We the Board hope to be able to serve more Young People with this switch, and it has the added bonus of giving the High Schoolers, who usually fill Flights quite easily, another chance to attend a Flight while still in High School.

To put it another way:

Young Men's Journey ~, 2003 Young Women's Journey ~ Feb. 21-23, 2003 High School Girls Flight ~ March 7-9, 2003 High School Boys Flight ~ March 28-30, 2003 High School Girls Flight ~ Oct. 24-26, 2003 High School Boys Flight ~ Nov. 7-9, 2003

Young Women's Journey ~ Spring 2004 Young Men's Journey ~ Spring 2004 High School Girls Flight ~ Fall 2004 High School Boys Flight ~ Fall 2004

Please take this opportunity to mark your calendars and to prepare to sponsor those the Lord lays on your heart.

In His grace, Carolyn Wyman ACLD Flight of Hope Chrysalis Board of Mid-Michigan

#### EMMAUS 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As you plan your summer, please consider including the Walk to Emmaus 25th Anniversary Celebration. It will take place July 24-27, 2003 in Nashville, Tennessee. Dynamic spiritual leaders from around the world will speak, and there will be 4 Worship Tracks: Making a World of Difference – In Our Emmaus Communities; In Our Lives; In Our Churches; In Our World. Admission at the door will be \$275, but substantial discounts are available for early registration. Registration received by June 1 will be \$225; if received by April 1, \$175. A group of 12 or more will be able to register early for \$150. Let's see if we can get 12 people together to register before April 1. If we do, later registrants will be allowed to join the group at the same price. Information will be available at Gatherings.

### **GATHERINGS!**

Hi! My name is Carrie Bloom. I took my walk in Kalamazoo in 1988 and sat at the table of Elizabeth. I am your Gathering Coordinator. Gatherings are typically from 4:30 P.M.. to 7:00 P.M. Fellowship time is from 4:30 to 5:00. From 5 to 6 is the Pot Luck with announcement time. Please bring a dish to pass and your own tableware. Worship and devotions are from 6 to 7. Child Care will be provided.

We would like to add some board games and puzzles that would appeal to children, ages 9 to 12, to add to our "box of tricks." Please consider giving your Emmaus Community a Christmas present.

Details are still being worked out for the January gathering, but it will be at Trinity United Methodist Church Saturday January 11 at the usual time. When you mark your new calendar, please be sure to mark the second Saturday of each month for the Emmaus gathering.

Remember God loves you and so do I.

Carrie Bloom

# NEW SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

Two pastors have agreed to become Assistant Community Spiritual Directors along with Rev. Janet Sweet-Richardson. They are Rev. Rebecca Morrison of Potterville United Methodist Church, and Rev. William Haggard of Lansing Mount Hope United Methodist Church.

We welcome you, Becky and Bill, and thank God for your willingness to help our Community in this way.

## **REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

Registration is always open. We currently have two registered for the Men's Walk, March 13-16, 2003 at Central

Free U.M.C. in Lansing and seven for the Women's Walk, April 3-6, 2003 at Eaton Rapids U.M.C. If any one needs registration forms they can call Karen Weller, Registrar at 989-875-4202 or e-mail kweller@edzone.net. We can also e-mail forms to those who have Adobe Acrobat reader. There will be "Sponsorship Training" at most gatherings for those who would like to take it.

## **FOURTH DAY CONTEST WINNERS**

The second place winners of the Fourth Day Contest have won the opportunity to serve a prime rib dinner prepared by Mike Chappell to the first place winners. Not coincidentally, they also get to eat. Members of the second place group include: Marjory



Rairigh, Gretchen Slater, Orpha Desgranges, Lee Martz, Kathy Smith, Jan Doyle, and Wilma Townsend. The first place Fourth Day group consists of Holly Richardson and Barb Moss. A quick mathematical analysis will indicate that they will be well served. It is certain to be a time of wonderful food and fellowship.

The dinner was to have taken place December 1, but had to be rescheduled. It is safe to predict that somewhere in the vicinity of 9 people are looking forward to the rescheduling of this festive event.