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TheWalk to Emmaus and KRBC

by John Kirn

Did you notice that this past fall's Faith in Action material suggested folks consider participating in Stephens Ministry, Cursillo, or a Walk to Emmaus, as a follow-up and a way to renew one's faith?

The Walk to Emmaus is not new to Karl Road Baptist. Its arrival came in response to prayer. A group of people in a Sunday school class in 1989 began meeting to pray for spiritual renewal of their church, their Sunday school and themselves.

Through the 1990s, more than 120 of KRBC people experienced the Walk to Emmaus and a few became seriously involved in the Reynoldsburg Emmaus Community, which sponsors the faith renewing event. Some have served on the Emmaus board and assumed other support roles.

So what is the Walk to Emmaus? According to the Reynoldsburg Emmaus Community website, "Emmaus renews discipleship. It is a three-day experience that takes a New Testament look at Christianity as a lifestyle. It is a highly structured weekend designed to strengthen and renew the faith of Christian people, and through them their families, congregations and the world in which they live. Emmaus is a combined effort of laity and clergy with a focus on renewing the church."

Who should attend an Emmaus Walk? Emmaus is an ecumenical ministry and Christians of all denominations are invited and welcome. The program is for the development of Christian leaders who:

- Wish to strengthen their spiritual lives.
- May have unanswered questions about prayer, study and sharing their faith.
- Are willing to dedicate their everyday lives to God in an ongoing manner.
- Have positions of responsibility in the church and the world.



I would also add that the Walk to Emmaus is not for everyone. Sensitivity, discernment and prayer should be used by those considering going on a Walk.

At 6:00 p.m. on February 21, Karl Road Baptist will host a "gathering" - the term the Emmaus community uses for monthly meeting of the community. Everyone who has been on a Walk to Emmaus is invited. It is also an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in going on a Walk to learn more and to connect with someone who would sponsor them. Desserts will be served.

Is the Lord planning a Walk to Emmaus in your future? I hope to see you there. For more information on the Walk to Emmaus, contact John and Carol Kirn at (614) 436-4629 or visit www.rumc.org/emmaus

Servants of the Lord

By Laure Bowen

Cathy O'Reilly is an unsung hero of Karl Road Baptist Church. She has labored as a Sunday School teacher for the 1st and 2nd graders for almost 35 years. Each year, Cathy brings her gifts of fun, focus, dedication and continuity to a new round of first graders and a returning class of seasoned second graders. It all starts with the long awaited day – Promotion Sunday – when a kindergartner moves to first grade. Each child's name is called and each is given a brand new Bible. For many children it is their first "real" Bible and it is given to them so they can begin reading the Word for themselves. Some appear excited or maybe scared while the congregation looks on proudly and a few tears may be shed at this significant milestone.



Cathy O'Reilly

As important as Promotion Sunday is, it is nothing compared to what these children learn over the next two years under Cathy's loving guidance. They sing (and learn) the Books of the Bible and the Ten Commandments. She teaches them the Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the Bible and the Pledge to the Christian Flag. In addition, they learn to use the Bible, discovering chapter and verse, and then memorize many scriptures. Cathy's students diligently complete a workbook every quarter and if some students are anything like my daughter, they take home any missed work and do it as homework because "Miss Cathy said so." (A little treasure chest is involved as well.) In addition to everything they are taught, they are loved.

As a parent, I have been zealous about Cathy teaching my kids. I wanted them to experience having such a dedicated and caring teacher. On more than one Sunday when my husband and I have been tasked with substituting for Miss Cathy, it is clear that there is no substitute for her. She performs magic for us and for our children every week. KRBC member Phil MacLean agreed. He said of Cathy's remarkable service, "I have always been impressed with Cathy's genuine care for the children and her ability to get a group of 6- to 7-year-olds to sit still, pay attention, and learn so much in two short years." He added, "Cathy O'Reilly is a bedrock of our Christian Ed department." Phil ought to know, he was her student long before she was his daughter's teacher.

Cathy is continuing the legacy she received from many longtime teachers. She talked fondly of the talented and creative women she has had the opportunity to work with and learn from over the years. Some even taught her when she was in the primary department! According to Cathy, "You can't write an article about me teaching in the primary department without including Ann Cochran's name." Cathy said she remembers bringing her young children along as she spent afternoons working with her mentor, Mrs. Hearst, who was the wife of one of the associate pastors. She credited Mrs. Hearst with impressing upon her how critical the primary years are to the spiritual development of children and how significant the commitment and continuity of teaching both first and second hours can be. Cathy added that she was also inspired by Reverend Bowser.

When the opportunity arose, it was a fellow church teacher who encouraged Cathy to take a job teaching special needs children. It was another who cautioned, "I hope you don't get too busy teaching kids there to teach kids here at church." Evidently she hasn't and for that we are all grateful. Cathy relishes the opportunity to exercise her spiritual gift of teaching. She loves teaching both first and second hours because she can provide continuity for the kids. She knows who has heard what and when; she can be flexible and she can review as needed. And those hours benefit her as well, she said. "Being with kids renews my spirit."

My Toni Doll

By Grace Hurley

Editor's Note: KRBC member Grace Hurley shares a story that can be an analogy for how something that initially appears to have little value can ultimately reveal itself as valuable. This was a common theme in Jesus' ministry. We just celebrated His own lowly birth in a manger in Bethlehem, yet he was the Son of God. In our earthly forms we may feel like we have little value and we may not initially see the inherent value in others, but it is there just waiting to be revealed. "...The LORD does not look at the things human beings look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

Several years ago my husband Jim and I received from good friends a gift subscription to *Reminisce*, a magazine featuring "the good ol' days" theme. We have continued this subscription since and enjoy the many interesting stories, pictures, recipes and memories from the '20s, '30s, '40s, and '50s.

In summer 2006, I sent a short story with a picture to *Reminisce* to see if the editors would include it in an issue of the magazine.



The subject was my Toni doll that I received from my parents for Christmas in 1951. At the time it was a well-known doll, as it was named for the Toni home permanent company. Women used Toni home permanents instead of visiting a beauty salon.

Upon opening the gift, I was surprised because I was 14 at the time and much too old to play with dolls. My parents explained they had won the doll in a local grocery store raffle. I understood then why I was the new owner. After enjoying the doll for a short time, I put it in the top of my closet for safe keeping. Unbeknownst to me, my mother kept the doll in its original condition for years and she

International Friendships, Inc.: A Partnership Reaching the World!

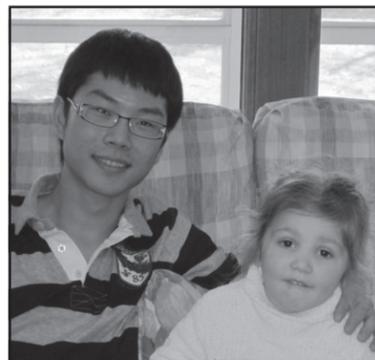
By Michelle Prindle,
on behalf of the Mission Projects and Giving Team

For several years, KRBC has been reaching nations with the gospel through partnership with the ministry of International Friendships, Inc. (IFI) IFI is an evangelical, nondenominational missions organization dedicated to befriending, evangelizing, and discipling international students at Ohio State University. Its mission is to serve and partner with international students so that Christ can be made known among the nations!

Students from all over the world study at OSU and are in need of practical assistance as they transition to life in America. Step into their shoes for a moment...you are alone, tired from your travels, missing your family, weary from a stark change in cultural norms; yet you are eager to learn new things, meet new people, improve your English language skills, and succeed. IFI staff and volunteers extend the love of Jesus to these precious people God has sent, some whom will be our brothers and sisters in Christ one day.

Not only do we have the privilege of partnering with this organization through giving, we also have the opportunity to partner as volunteers. Dick Shaw shared his experience:

"I have been a faithful supporter of IFI in picking up foreign students at the airport. I met Shinn, a Korean student, several years ago and we are still friends. I recently met his mother, and she is very grateful to God for my friendship with her son. Shinn has indicated that he is very close to accepting Jesus as his Savior (my words), and I have continued to provide information and encouragement to him. A couple of years ago, IFI provided me with the opportunity to develop a relationship with Rong Bin. We have become very good friends and have maintained our relationship. He knows my family and seems very comfortable with us even though he is not a believer. We have had many serious discussions about becoming a Christian. This year, IFI provided me with the opportunity to meet and develop a friendship with Ge Tu. What a fun fellow he is! We have had many serious discussions about what it means to be a Christian. I tell you about these fellows not for my own credit, but to tell you how much I appreciate what IFI does. These fellows are very good friends even though none of them have become Christians yet. God seems to give me the words to say in our conversations. I want them to become Christians so much not as my 'trophies', but because I want to spend eternity with them. Sensing God's presence when I am with them has made my faith very fresh and wonderful. All this to say that I should connect more with IFI because of the ways I have benefited from what they do."



Ge Tu with Dick's granddaughter



Students are impacted greatly and God is glorified when we demonstrate love personally. And as Dick shared, we are blessed as well. There are numerous opportunities for you, your family, and even your small group to love students and contribute to the ministry of IFI. Please come to our upcoming IFI volunteer training on February 21st after church. Even if you are unsure about volunteering, please join us to hear more about what God is doing through this ministry and how you can pray more specifically.

DID YOU KNOW?

\$1,200 will be given to IFI in 2010 from our mission budget
Over 4,000 international students study at OSU from 119 different countries
Over 500 international students participated in IFI events since September 2009
7 international students received Christ during contact with IFI staff/volunteers this fall
Several KRBC members have volunteered with IFI in a variety of ways

A sampling of volunteer activities...

- Friendship partner
- English conversation partner
- Airport Pick-up
- Temporary housing
- Bible study leader/helper
- Food for potlucks/Bible studies
- Holiday host
- Office volunteer
- Building maintenance/improvement
- Special events

Check out the IFI Partner website
www.ifipartners.org

Upcoming IFI Volunteer Training

Sunday, February 21, 2010
KRBC Youth Room
Following our worship service
Lunch & childcare provided
Register - Welcome Center/Bulletin Insert
Questions? Call Michelle 614-975-3039



Thank you to Pastor Breusch for his call and Pastor Glenn for his visits while I was in the hospital.
Len & Lois Artis

Many thanks for all your loving expressions of sympathy for the passing of Louise Broadhurst. The wonderful memorial service for all who lost loved ones this year was a blessing.
DeLille Family

Thank you for all your prayers, cards and calls for us in the loss of Elon's only child James Lee Botts. Elon & Eva Botts

Thank you to all who prayed for me during my recent lung surgery as well as the pastoral staff for their hospital visits. Also the church family for their care and concern-cards, gift certificates and support are very much appreciated.
Diane Burns

Thank you so much for the beautiful planter, thoughts and prayers during our time of loss when Mom went home to be with Jesus.
Spadafora Family

Wanted you all to know how grateful I am for the outpouring of love and support you showed me during my recent hospitalization. It meant so much to me. Pat Young

Thank you for all the church has done for us. The ham and food items were certainly appreciated, but the financial help was so appreciated beyond words. Gregory & Luann Coffey

Thank the 1st through 8th grade carolers that came to sing at Villa Angela. It really brightened our season.
Sue Altschul

Thank you so much for the beautiful planter for my Dad's (Bill Behmer) funeral. He loved coming to KRBC.
Etheyl Behmer

The Branches class received many thank you notes from those who received Christmas baskets - too many to print. Here are some excerpts: "Such a special way to be re-membered." "So enjoyed the visit." (With the person who delivered the basket.) "Delicious food - even the bananas at perfect ripeness." "Crocheted Christmas tree will be a lasting momento of love." "We especially note your care in choosing the contents." "The basket had so many nice presents and wonderful holiday wishes from so many people." "So many useful items." "What a lovely ministry, I'll never forget how much it meant." "My most favorite thing was you taking time to write special greetings to me."

Sue Altschul
Len & Lois Artis
Helen Levi
Pastor Bill & Dorothy Bowser
Joe & Elizabeth Butler

Leona Davis
Bob & Gladys Ernst
Corene Grube
Edyth Lewis
Maggie Roberts
Pat Young



Don't try to go through separation or divorce alone. Link up with a DivorceCare recovery support group. It's a place where you'll find caring people who understand the issues you face. Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in room 115.

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Cooking with Wayne
Begins February 3 in room 306
Preparing Quick Meals
Cost for class to be determined.

Freed Up Financial Living with Glenn Myres
Begins February 17 in chapel
Cost for workbook \$20 - Scholarships available - Couples share a workbook.



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gave it to me when I later moved from the family home. Many years later I still had the doll in its original box and condition. I had it appraised a few years ago and was happy to learn it has become a valued collector's item. In fact, the doll had increased in value because it was in its original packaging.

Because of this history and the doll's collectible value, I sent *Reminisce* the picture and short write-up. As the months passed, I did not hear from the magazine so I thought the editors did not plan to publish it. Then last fall, I was surprised to find a large envelope in the mail from the magazine. It was stamped "Photos—Do Not Bend." Inside I found two copies of a recent magazine, my photograph and a letter explaining my story was being published on "page 50." It was such a nice surprise and a good outcome to sharing a story about a 50-plus-years-old Toni doll.



February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	2 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 11:30-2p Fidelity/Chapel 5:00p ASC 7:00p Rope Holders 7:00p Divorce Care/115 7:30p Worthington Group	3 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	4 9:00a BSF 7:00p Whisler Group 7:00p Ministry Council	5 9:00a MDO 9:30a-3p Census Testing	6 3:00p Organ Practice
7 Communion 7-9a Subs/Kitchen 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship Prelude 10:30a Worship 1:15-5p Violin Recital -FH/Sanc 6:00p Fish Bowl	8 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	9 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 12:00p No Prime Timers 5:00p ASC 7:00p Rope Holders, LRP 7:00p Divorce Care/115 7:30p Worthington Group	10 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	11 9:00a BSF 12:45p BSF Seminar til 2:45p 7:00p Whisler Group	12 9:00a MDO 5:00p Stockade Sleepover Race	13 8:00a Men's Breakfast 3:00p Organ Practice 12:00p Stockade Race Over
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My First Mission Trip

by Kari Lashley

What could be better than a mission trip with Dr. Pete & Judy Obregon...going on one with them and your spouse!

Preparing for the trip I thought of all the things that we might encounter...pit toilets, bunkhouse sleeping, no hot water, maybe even no showers, unusual foods, bugs and the unknown of what I might be doing while in Honduras. I enjoy camping so most of these things were not big issues for me. I prayed for strength and endurance, for flexibility to go and do what was necessary and to keep a smile on my face. Before our departure we had some good news. Our accommodations had been upgraded. We would have running water and air conditioning.

In Honduras we were greeted by local MMI staffers and some nice warm weather. Later that day we met up with the rest of the team for introductions and mission instructions. We were divided into 2 teams - a surgical team and a medical team. Each morning we loaded onto the bus and headed to the hospital where the surgical team, led by Dr. Pete, was dropped off. The rest of the team would head to our village locations. The surgical team did mostly hernia



**Making Alka-Seltzer
Rockets**

and gal bladder surgeries. The medical team worked in 3 villages over the course of 5 days. Each day we saw over 150 patients. There were 6 different stations that needed workers: the intake area, doctors area, pharmacy, dental area, vision testing area and general health area where instructions were given on how to wash hands, sterilize water, take their medications, and the gospel story was told by a MMI staffer. The girls from our GEM II group prepared health instruction cards that were distributed along with the medicines. Jeff and I were assigned to the pharmacy. Each day Jeff would take some time to interact with some of the children. He shared a couple puzzles with them that the Stockade boys prepared for our trip, and Alka-Seltzer rockets.

How did God use me on this trip? For me that is hard to say I stayed in the pharmacy mostly but maybe the sharing of my experience will encourage someone else to take a mission trip. Would I go again? Definitely YES! What did I bring home from this experience? The knowledge that God's protection and provision is everywhere and in everything. He watched over us and kept us safe and comfortable while away from our home and he provided duties that were different than what I thought we'd be doing, but not out of our capabilities.

Jeff & I would like to thank everyone who lifted us up in prayer before and during our trip.