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God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

1st John 4:16

In this month's edition, we have...

- *A parable regarding 'forgiveness' from Spiritual Director, Pastor Steve Buse.
- *A powerful testimony from Board Member, Secretary, Sherri Harding.
- *Upcoming Board Member Election Update from CLD, Butch Hooper.
- *Sweets for your sweethearts! A delicious dessert recipe from Jill Kamuf.
- *Upcoming 2021 Events – March 13 '21 Gathering & October '21 EDWE Walks.
- *A brief introduction on Robert Price. He is the guest speaker for the March Gathering.
- *Contact information for EDWE and Board Members.

A note from Pastor Steve Buse, Spiritual Director...

"The Duck & The Devil"

There was a little boy visiting his grandparents on their farm. He was given a slingshot to play with, out in the woods. He practiced in the woods, but he could never hit the target. Getting a little discouraged, he headed back for dinner. As he was walking back, he saw Grandma's pet duck.

Just out of impulse, he let the slingshot fly, hit the duck square in the head, and killed it. He was shocked and grieved. In a panic, he hid its dead body in the wood pile, only to see his sister watching! Sally had seen it all, but she said nothing.

After lunch the next day Grandma said, "Sally, let's wash the dishes." But Sally said, "Grandma, Johnny told me he wanted to help in the kitchen. Then she whispered to him, "Remember the duck?" So, Johnny did the dishes.

Later that day, Grandpa asked if the children wanted to go fishing and Grandma said, "I'm sorry but I need Sally to help make supper." Sally just smiled and said, "Well that's all right because Johnny told me he wanted to help." She whispered again, "Remember the duck?" So, Sally went fishing and Johnny stayed to help! After several days of Johnny doing both his chores and Sally's... he finally couldn't stand it any longer.

He came to Grandma and confessed that he had killed the duck. Grandma knelt down, gave him a hug, and said, "Sweetheart, I know. You see, I was standing at the window and I saw the whole thing, but because I love you, I forgave you. I was just wondering how long you would let Sally make a slave of you."

Whatever is in your past, whatever you have done... and the devil keeps throwing it up in your face (lying, cheating, debt, fear, bad habits, hatred, anger, bitterness, etc.), whatever it is.... You need to know that God was standing at the window and He saw the whole thing. He has seen your whole life; He wants you to know that He loves you and that you are forgiven.

He's just wondering how long you will let the devil make a slave of you. The great thing about God is that when you ask for forgiveness, He not only forgives you, but He forgets.... It is by God's grace and mercy that we are saved.

"O LORD, you have searched me and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways" (Psalm 139:1-3).

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. "The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. "So, if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." (John 8:34-36)

Sherri Harding – Secretary Board Officer Biography – Walk #49 – Table of Esther

- With upcoming Board Elections, EDWE wants you to become familiar with our Board & Members. -

I made the Evansville District Walk to Emmaus #49. I sat at the table of Esther. I am currently on the EDWE Board as the note taker – I mean secretary. I record the minutes of the board meetings. Nothing too hard or flashy. I was on the board a few years after I made EDWE 49. I was secretary then too. I write notes down during the meetings about various decisions we need to make and some of the discussion as well as the final vote. Then I type it up and send out to the other board members who help me get the minutes right. We approve them at the

next board meeting. Again, it isn't hard or flashy, but I do believe it – it meaning being on the EDWE board - is very important.

EDWE has been important to me. Because I made my Walk, I have grown in knowledge, confidence, humility, and willingness to do more for the Kingdom of God. The Walk to Emmaus is for building up the community of believers to grow God's church, to give people confidence in God to do what HE calls on us to do, to not worry if we do it wrong, knowing that God's plan cannot be thwarted. EDWE has helped me step out in ways that never would have happened for me if I had not had that wonderful weekend and the subsequent opportunities to work on teams and support weekends through servanthood and sponsorship. Walk to Emmaus is structured for progressively becoming stronger in faith and perfected in the image of Jesus. What can be better than that?

I read a book a few years ago called *If You Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat*. Most of us don't want to walk on water, but we do want to step out in faith. Walk to Emmaus helps us do just that! There are opportunities to make decisions for the EDWE community by being on the board or a subcommittee. There are opportunities to sponsor, opportunities to talk about God's goodness during a witness talk, opportunities to play music or sing at Gatherings or Walks, opportunities to pray, etc. There are a LOT of ways God uses each of us **IF** we allow Him to.

Won't you talk to me or another board member about how you can be involved? Let's strengthen this Walk to Emmaus community to do God's work in God's kingdom in is this part of Southern Indiana. DeColores!

Upcoming Election of New Board Members

As we are entering into a New Year, it is time to be thinking about the Election of new Board members. Maybe you have felt like God is leading you to serve on the Board or there is someone you would like to see on the Board. As my term is nearing to a close, I can tell you it can be a very rewarding experience and an educational one also.

So, if you are interested in serving or know of anyone that is please contact me or any Board member. Please pray about it. I will be following up in a few weeks with details on when and how we will be holding the Election.

Your Community Lay Director and Servant,

Butch Hooper

Angel Food Cake Dessert by Jill Kamuf.

Jill attended EDWE #36, Table of Mary, Mother of Jesus.

Ingredients:

Angel Food Cake

1 small box of vanilla instant pudding

1 small container sour cream

1 ½ cup milk

1 can cherry pie filling

Directions:

Cut the Angel Food Cake into small piece and place in the bottom of a 9 X 13 pan. Pour the cherry pie filling over the Angel Food Cake. Mix the pudding and milk together until thick. Then, add the sour cream and mix together. Pour the pudding, milk, and sour cream mix over the top of the cake. Chill for 12 hours.

Upcoming Events:

March 13, 2021 - Monthly Gathering

Social Time @ 5:30 / Gathering with Communion @ 6:00 pm CST

Witness Speaker - Robert Price

Location - Dale United Methodist Church, 1 W Elm St, Dale, IN 47523

Robert has recently recorded a Christian song that he wrote that should be on the radio in January. He also published a fictional book on Amazon debuting in March called "Second Coming - The Return", which is about Jesus' returning now. He is an Emmaus musician and will be working Walk # 94. I think we can get him to perform his song for us at the Gathering. Don't miss the opportunity to see and hear him in person. Bob was on Walk # 74. Let's see how many from the 74 Walk can attend and renew old friendships.

- Ron Fuhrman, EDWE Gathering Coordinator

2021 Evansville District Walk to Emmaus

Men's Walk #94 – October 14-17, 2021 - Shannon Gehlhausen – Weekend Lay Director

(812) 453-5496

Women's Walk #95 – October 21-24, 2021 - Kimberly Elzer – Weekend Lay Director

(812) 431-1005

Applications are available on edwe.com

We want to hear from you!

FaceBook - Evansville District Walk to Emmaus

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