

Wilmington Area Emmaus Community Newsletter

The Master's Card

*"Love the Lord your God with all
your heart and with all your soul
and with all your strength."
Deuteronomy 6:5*

By now you have probably seen the catchy television commercials for MasterCard. They start by identifying some things that people can buy with their MasterCard, then show a moment that is priceless and end by saying, "There are some things money can't buy. For everything else, there's MasterCard."

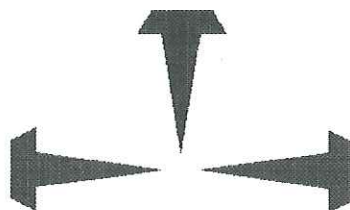
I'm not unlike those agencies promoting their favorite credit card. I'm here to advertise. You see, my life is a commercial for others to see. I'm a card carrying representative for the **MASTER'S CARD**. That's right, the **MASTER'S CARD**. Let me tell you about it!

There are no finance charges, no payments due. My bill has already been covered...it's a prepaid deal. I couldn't afford the price, so Jesus stepped in and paid it for me. My name is written on the card for all to see. It is accessible twenty-four hours a day from anywhere in the world. The **MASTER'S CARD** has so many

benefits, it's hard to list them all. Let me share some of them with you...you might want to apply for a personal card yourself.

Just for starters there is **UNLIMITED GRACE**. That's right, there is no preset limit to the amount of grace you receive from the **MASTER'S CARD**. Have you been looking for love in all the wrong places? Then look no further than the **MASTER'S CARD**. It offers the greatest rate on love that has ever been offered.

The **MASTER'S CARD** gives you access to many "members only" benefits. Want real joy despite the difficulties of life? Apply for the **MASTER'S CARD**. Looking for something you can always rely on in a jam? The **MASTER'S CARD** is



perfect for you. Another great thing about the **MASTER'S CARD** is that it never expires. Once you're a member, you're a member for life... eternal life, that is. Membership has its privileges, you know.

How do you receive the **MASTER'S CARD**? Dial 1-800-ROMANS 10:9-10.

*"That if you confess with your mouth,
'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your
heart that God raised him from the
dead, you will be saved. For it is with
your heart that you believe and are
justified, and it is with your mouth that
you confess and are saved."*

Jesus is standing by right now to take your call. Don't delay. This great offer won't last forever. Peace, joy and hope: **INVALUABLE!** Faith, contentment and assurance: **UNFATHOMABLE.** Salvation: **PRICELESS.** There are some things money can't buy. For those, there's the **MASTER'S CARD**. (Author unknown)

Dear Brothers and Sisters:
(cont. on page 2, **MASTER'S CARD**)

MASTER'S CARD (cont. from p.1)

Is our journey through life a walking advertisement for our Lord Jesus Christ? Mine has taken a few detours here lately. Does our attitude and talk need some adjustment? Ask Tom, mine definately does. Do the people with whom we come in contact see Jesus in us or do they see a flame that once burned brightly for our Lord slowly dimming? To tell you the truth, I am overdue for a heart to heart with God. If you are like me, you don't do very well when you neglect your daily maintenance with God. It is easy to rekindle the flame for Christ, when you take time to think about that marvelous gift of grace He has so unconditionally given us. So, as I re-read this wonderful little message from the Author Unknown, I don't know about you, but I want my life to proudly and loudly proclaim to others that I have been and always will be a card carrying representative for the "MASTER'S CARD."

In His Service,
Margaret

Single Parent Share Group

Anyone interested in a share group for single parents? Cheryl Jordan is looking for some positive answers to this question and is interested in starting one. Contact her at 937-783-4765 or cjordan@erinet.com.

BOARD MEETING NOTES

Board positions open for 2001 include: Treasurer, Logistics, Men's Sponsorship, Women's Good Shepherd, Newsletter and Music. Are you interested in serving your Emmaus community by serving on the Board? Do you know someone who has expressed interest in serving? Please contact Margaret Horst, Randy Riley or any other board member. Another suggestion is to contact one of the Board Members currently serving to find out more about serving on the Board. (See list on back cover)

October 10 Gathering: Reunion-Men's #30 (John Zeller, LD) "Chicken Night"- For our fellowship time, we will provide FRIED CHICKEN and the community members are asked to bring side dishes and dessert.

October 28 5:30pm (before Candlelight): "Picnic in the Park" - 3 shelter houses have been reserved in Wilmington Park (entrance across from Long John Silver's on SR 73). Bring your own meat...the community will provide charcoal for anyone who wants to grill. Bring other food to share. We will fellowship until time to head to the church for Candlelight.

November 9 - Board Retreat, 6pm, "End of Year." No board meeting at November Gathering.

November 14 - Gathering "Taco Night" More details next month. Our Chrysalis young people will be assisting with the Gathering. REUNION: Women's Walk #56, Sharyn Johnson, LD. Meet in Youth Lounge.

December 14 - CHRISTMAS GATHERING. Scott & Cyndi Amen will host the music portion. Abbreviated Joys and Concerns time.

Dear Lord,
So far today,
Lord, I've done all
right. I haven't lost
my

temper.
Haven't
been
greedy,



grumpy, nasty, selfish
or overindulgent.
I'm very thankful for
that. But in a few
minutes, Lord, I'm
going to get out of
bed. And from then
on, I'm probably
going to need a lot of
help.
Amen

Legend of the Sand Dollar

(also called Holy Ghost Shell)

The Sand Dollar is one of the most unusual of all marine life. The five slits on the edge represent the five wounds in the body of Christ. There is an Easter Lily design in the center on the top with the five-pointed star in its center. (Star of Bethlehem) On the back is an outline of the Poinsettia, the Christmas flower. When the shell is broken open, five small but perfect replicas of a Dove will be found...the Doves of Peace.

Pilgrims - Women's Walk #60

October 26-29, 2000

Live-In Team

Becky Allen	Mowrystown	Angela Walker
Pam Arnold	Lebanon	Kris Blosser
Brenda Barr	Germantown	Lori Byrom
Melissa Basham	Lebanon	Susan Ault
Eva Botts	Grove City	Mike Wallace
Mary Cartwright	Washington CH	Ruth Kellis
Fay Cline	Hillsboro	Angela Walker
Reana Combs	Waynesville	Debbie Kidwell
Gayle Creason	Hillsboro	Chuck & Susie Tabor
Shirley Creek	Hillsboro	Larry & Ruth Anne Walker
Shannon Dunn	Xenia	Pam & Mike Smith
Emilie Dunnagan	Hillsboro	June Bowman
Linda Falgner	Blanchester	Kay Carey
Jeannie Foster	Wilmington	Bob & Margaret Wilson
Becca Griffith	Hillsboro	Joy Gilmore
Linda Hamilton	Leesburg	Barbara Hodge
Kathy Huff	Leesburg	Jennie Weaver
Amy Jimison	Cincinnati	Janet Jimison
Brenda Landman	New Holland	Philip & Tina Funk
Lisa Leonard	Bethel	Joyce Kattine
Suzanne Mink	W Harrison, IN	Christie Yates
Bonnie Moore	Washington CH	Sue Maddux
Michelle Norris	Hillsboro	Sandra Edenfield
Pam Parks	Hillsboro	Glenna Leeth
Megan Parsons	Hillsboro	Nick & Debbie Mitchell
Wilma Quigley	Martinsville	Alyssa Alden
Julia Rodenbeck	Lebanon	Cathy Butler & B Wilmetti
Selene Scott	Cincinnati	George & Mary Lou Phillips
Amy Sexton	Leesburg	Mary Beth & Matthew Hodson
Melissa Slone	Xenia	Ernie & Margie Slone
Kathy Spangler	Midland	Mary Ann Allen
Mary Spring	Martinsville	Betty Starkey
Jane Taylor	Washington CH	Elaine Cockerill
Shawnee Thomas	Wilmington	Donald & Anna Louise Inlow
Rita Wetterhan	Wilmington	Pete & Barb Little
Beverly Williams	Blanchester	Lori Byrom
Kendra Young	Williamsburg	Mary Jane West
Patty Young	Hillsboro	Glenna Leeth

Cyndi Hefner - LD - Perseverance
 Jill Shank - ALD - Priorities
 Carol Holmes - ALD - Growth Thru Study
 Mary Ellen McCarty - ALD - Piety
 Janet Osborne - TL - Discipleship
 Barb Hameister - TL
 Marlene Rankin - TL - Body of Christ
 Judy Brumbaugh - TL - Fourth Days
 Lisa Haines - TL - Christian Action
 Karen Hoppes - TL - Priesthood
 Judy Schnatz - TL - Changing Our World
 Carolyn Cook - ATL
 Teresa Gosney - ATL
 Janet Jimison - ATL
 Joyce Kattine - ATL
 Gloria Lewis - ATL
 Patti Loftin - ATL
 Cindy Wood - ATL
 Rhonda Wheasler - MD
 Eileen Cline - AMD
 Shelly Foster - Board Rep
 Darrel Holmes - SD

What's your job on Women's Walk #60? You can work in the kitchen, or clean bathrooms. (Sign up at the October Gathering) You can create some table agape (64 pieces needed), or write individual agape. You can attend candlelight and closing. You can sign up for the 72 hour prayer vigil. You can Pray! Please get involved! We need you!



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calendar - OCTOBER 2000

Emmaus - Wilmington UMC

- 10 Board Meeting - 6:00pm
REUNION-Men's Walk #30 6:00pm
(John Zeller, LD)
Gathering - 7:00pm "Chicken Night"
(see details inside)
(Singing starts at 6:45pm)
Copy deadline for Nov. Newsletter
- 26-29 Women's Walk #60
- 28 "Picnic in the Park" (details inside)

When attending a gathering or closing, you may wish to bring food to share during the fellowship time following these two events.



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Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Paul wanted nothing from the Corinthian believers except their love, their friendship, and their loyalty to Christ. There was a church which he had planted, watered and nurtured.

The concept of love has been extolled, explained, preached, sung, adored, maligned and generally used and abused more than any other human concept. Often it connotes something soft, gushy, flimsy and ephemeral. And yet love is still the greatest thing in the world.

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." (1 Corinthians 13:13)

People hate, quarrel, fight, curse, and go to war because they do not love each other. Would there be fighting in northern Ireland if Catholics and Protestants loved each other? Would there be strife in the Holy Land if Jews and Arabs loved each other? To ask the question is to answer it.

Love is the greatest of all human qualities and it is an attribute of God himself. *"Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love."* (1 John 4:7-8) Love involves unselfish service to others; to show it gives evidence that you care. **Faith** is the foundation and context of God's message, **hope** is the attitude and focus; **love** is the action. Though we fail in every other virtue, let us strive not to fail in this one: let us love one another. (Adapted from Devotion and the Life Application Bible)

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