







## ROOSTER TALES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

**April 2022** 

### **Board Meeting** 10 a.m. Saturday, April 16 New Covenant UMC



No Gathering in April due to Easter, but there will probably be one in MAY!! Stay tuned for details!

## Upper Room Ministries Announces Two New Programs Village Encounter

Be part of the inaugural event! As we continue to provide opportunities for ongoing Christian spiritual formation, the Emmaus Ministries International Office invites all communities to partner with us for the launch of our newest online offering, Village Encounter.

Village Encounter provides a digital space for adults to experience God's grace in transformative ways. This new offering seeks to renew Christians in their faith and to further inspire, challenge, and equip them for Christian leadership. The online experience begins with an invitation to journey with the risen Lord and continues, through its six sessions, to move participants to deeper levels of commitment as disciples of Christ.

In addition to the six sessions, the participants will meet in small groups that encourage their personal Christian growth and spur on Christian action. Ultimately, as is the case with all other Emmaus Ministries "graduates," participants will have the opportunity to take part in the activities of their local Emmaus Ministries community.

In preparations for the inaugural event in May 2022, the International Office is developing a team of clergypersons and lay leaders who will partner in ministry with Village Encounter participants. We are grateful for the almost 50 volunteer team members!

Now we also would like to invite existing communities to be part of this ground-breaking experience by sponsoring participants at a cost of \$40 per person for the entire event. To register for the inaugural online experience go to the PCE website, <a href="https://www.pioneercountryemmaus.com">www.pioneercountryemmaus.com</a>.

The Emmaus Ministries Village Encounter schedule will be as follows:

- Orientation Evening of Thursday, May 5
- Session 1 Evening of Friday, May 6
- Session 2 Morning of Saturday, May 7
- Session 3 Evening of Friday, May 13
- Session 4 Morning Saturday, May 14
- Session 5 Evening of Friday, May 20

Session 6 - Morning of Saturday, May 21

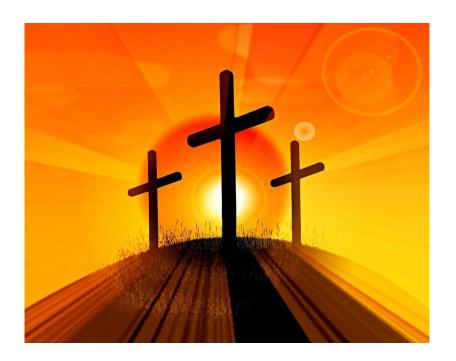
All sessions will average between three or four hours in length.



Day Four Restore is a new one-day retreat designed to refresh the spirit and renew the commitment of those who have attended an Emmaus Ministries event or that of another Fourth Day ministry. Day Four Restore will be held online and hosted by The Upper Room Emmaus Ministries office on April 9, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (CST). There will be a \$40 fee to participate.

Day Four Restore is designed to be held annually and its thematic content to be cycled in a three-year rotation. This one-day retreat supports the spiritual growth of church leaders and empowers those leaders to expand their ministries beyond the Fourth Day community.

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# He is Risen!!

As we prepare for the first Easter Celebration in our local churches for 3 years, I am overjoyed with the prospect of being able to worship the Risen Christ again. Yes, we have to go through Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday—both which can be somewhat traumatic and stressful for some Christians, but the joy of Easter Sunday overcomes everything.

I hope everyone has a most Blessed Easter this year. The church I attend is having a wonderful celebration and I am looking forward to being able to participate. Please continue to pray that we can once again meet in May for a Gathering and worship with the Emmaus Community. I know everyone misses their friends and having the opportunity to share in the Christian experience with them.

#### These officers are serving as "Acting" officers until such time as the Board of Directors meets to confirm their election as an officer.

The 2022 PCE BOARD current board of directors includes the following:

Jeffrey Bull - Community Lay Director Marvin Scheele - Past Community Lay Director

Richard Ross - Secretary

Jeanne Millican - Treasure Linda Rinehard - Newsletter

Darrell Cates - Spiritual Director Karen Mitchell - Registrar

Phil Christie - Facilities / Security Linda Johnston - Security

Monte Daughety - Kitchen / Snacks Dena Lewis - General Agape

Mary Nethercutt - Personal Agape

The primary commitment of the 2022 PCE Board of Directors is to do everything possible to conduct safe Gatherings Emmaus Walks and Chrysalis Flights as soon as the science driving the pandemic allows us to meet. In the meantime, **PLEASE CONSIDER** serving on the PCE Board of Directors. We need at least one person and ideally would like to have 3 to 4 more Board Members.

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