



# ROOSTER TALES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

September 2016

## Sept. Gathering & Team Commissioning



*“Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.”*

*Luke 24:35(NRSV)*

The Pioneer Country Emmaus September Gathering will be held at St. Mark's UMC in Bethany on Saturday, September 17th. The Gathering will begin with a potluck dinner at 5:30 PM, followed by Praise and Worship at 7:00 PM, which will include Team Commissioning for Men's Walk #141 and Women's Walk #142. The Teams will be having their final training this Saturday and will be commissioned during the Gathering this Saturday evening!

St. Mark's UMC is located at 8140 NW 36th Street in Bethany, just west of N. Council Road on the south side of NW 36th Street.

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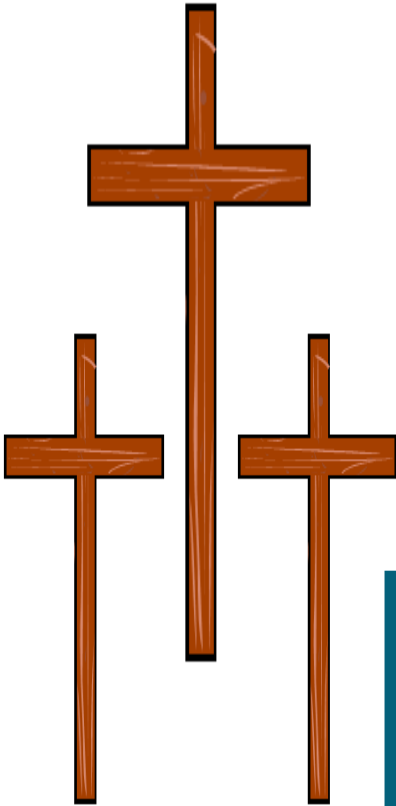
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# FALL WALKS

Fall Walks to be held at First UMC Downtown OKC



Men's Walk #141 will  
be held September 29  
- October 2nd, 2016

Rickie Conrady is the  
Lay Director

*Women's Walk #142 will be  
October 13—16, 2016*

*Mary Nethercutt is the Lay Director*

Training will be complete this Saturday and the teams will be commissioned. If you haven't already done so, please sign up for the Prayer Vigil on the PCE website.

We are still taking applications for Pilgrims! Contact Peety Luka if you need assistance.

## Former PCE Community member returns to lead Praise & Worship

Did you attend the August Gathering at Lost Creek UMC? If not, you missed out on a Praise & Worship session with one of our former Pioneer Country Emmaus Community members, **Adelina Longoria**, playing guitar and leading the music.

Adelina attended PCE Walk to Emmaus #114 at Mustang UMC in February of 2009. She has since moved to Virginia, but she was back in town for an event and was more than willing to lend her talents to us!

Adelina is research psychologist, educator, and craft-extraordinaire-- with a love for people. She enjoys listening to and connecting the perspectives of different people to help develop solutions to problems. Adelina currently resides in the Washington, DC area where she helps develop creative and human-centered solutions for improving the customer experience.

Adelina is a worship leader at Iglesia La Red, a Spanish-speaking church known for its distinct culture among Spanish-speaking churches in the DC metro area. In addition to music, Adelina has a passion for building the Church, and reaching the unchurched. As a result she advocates for taking notice of the evangelism opportunities outside your doorstep and thinking about how to make the Gospel accessible to people of all walks of life.

Thank you for being a blessing to us Adelina!



What a special Gathering we had last month at Lost Creek UMC. Praise be to God! We began with a delicious covered dish supper and ice cream social and a tour of Lost Creek's new Oak Park Retreat Center - well, it's new for us anyway. It's conveniently located and easy to find in down town Perkins, and when their renovation plans start happening, it will be an awesome setting for our Spring walks in March 2017. Then we drove over to Lost Creek for our worship service of beautiful music and testimonies from those who were on Honduras/Belize Walks #1. Yes, Walks #1. The ladies on that first walk weren't about to be considered Walk #2 just because their men had already walked the week before! So there was Men's Walk #1 and Women's Walk #1. What a blessing it was to hear about how God was there in each and every detail, making the "impossible" things happen in just the right way. Oh, how I wish I could have been there to witness all of this first-hand!

Thank you to all of those who were.

Now it's time to concentrate on our PCE upcoming Walks #141 and #142, beginning September 29 and October 13. We have the location - First UMC, OKC, and our teams are halfway through training. Now all we need is for you to give someone the "Gift of Sponsorship." In other words, we need Pilgrims!!! Applications are available at the bottom of our home web page at [pioneercountryemmaus.com](http://pioneercountryemmaus.com). It's time to let others experience Christ the same way we did on our original walks! If you have questions or help with the Sponsorship process, please call our Registrar, Peety Luka, or any member of our Board.

Blessings & De Colores!!  
Judie Ellis  
Past Community Lay Director



# Meet Your Board!!

Scott McMurry – Kitchen

Hello Everyone, my name is Scott McMurry and I, along with Fran Parkhill, am one of your Kitchen Board Representatives. There are two of us because when we shop for groceries for a walk, it takes two of us to push all that food out of the store! Ha! So the Kitchen rep's are responsible for gathering up the food and snacks that will be served during a walk, as well as being available during walks to help out in the kitchen as needed; grabbing those last minute items and such.

My original walk was Walk #123 at New Covenant UMC in Edmond. It was an amazing experience to say the least. But I will say that being involved in subsequent walks, either behind the scenes or in the conference room, has been even more amazing. Being in the servant role always gives me back more than I ever anticipate (I highly recommend it!). I was tremendously blessed this past summer with the opportunity to be part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Belize / Honduras Walk to Emmaus, held in the jungles of Belize. It is hard to explain just what a pile of seeds were sown there, and I think we will be hearing much more out of our Central American Sisters and Brothers in the future.

I work at OSU in the Department of Integrative Biology, where I teach a little and do research on various animal oriented things. I actually graduated from OSU a long time ago and then moved to Clemson University and then on to Texas Tech University before coming full circle to OSU in 2007. It is nice to be back in OK with my wife Cindy and our daughters Robin and Morgan. As a family, we go every summer with our church, Lost Creek UMC, to Corozal, Belize for a mission trip that includes a VBS for 400-500 kids, and of course to see our "adopted families" in Belize.

That is me in a nutshell and it is my pleasure and honor to serve in our Pioneer Country Emmaus Community.

De Colores!

# PIONEER COUNTRY EMMAUS

## BOARD QUESTIONNAIRE

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THE DECISION TO RUN FOR THE PIONEER COUNTRY EMMAUS BOARD. PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND RETURN THIS QUESTION-NAIRE TO A CURRENT BOARD MEMBER, OR MAIL IT TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Pioneer Country Emmaus

ATTN: Board Questionnaire

P.O. Box 272394

Oklahoma City, OK 73137-2394

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL WALK # \_\_\_\_\_ COMMUNITY \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF REUNION GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_

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WHY DO YOU WANT TO SERVE ON THE PCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

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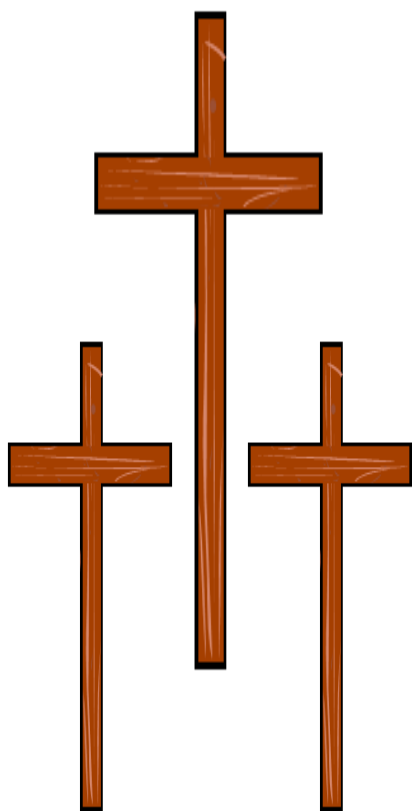
How about a good study or devotional that's worked for you?

Why not share them with the PCE community?

Email to:

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# CALENDAR

September 17, 2016

September Gathering

St. Mark's UMC

8140 NW 36th—Bethany

Our September Gathering will begin at 5:30 PM with a potluck dinner, which will be followed by Praise & Worship, and team commissioning for the upcoming Walks at 7:00 PM.

The Community is asked to bring food, desserts, and drinks. Childcare will be available, so RSVP with Debbie Rowland at 681-2135 or 802-8113.

Sept. 17, 2016

Walks #141/142 Team Training and Walk-thru for Fall Walks—9 a.m.  
First United Methodist Church  
131 NW 4th Street—OKC

Sept. 17, 2016

Board of Directors—4:00 p.m.  
St. Mark's UMC  
8140 NW 36th—Bethany

Sept. 17, 2016

September Gathering—5:30 p.m.  
Praise & Worship—7:00 p.m.  
St. Mark's UMC  
8140 NW 36th—Bethany

Sept. 29-Oct 2, 2016

PCE Men's Walk #141  
First United Methodist Church  
131 NW 4th Street—OKC

October 6, 2016

PCE Mens' Walk #141 Fourth Day  
First United Methodist Church  
131 NW 4th Street—OKC

October 13-16, 2016

PCE Womens' Walk #142  
First United Methodist Church  
131 NW 4th Street—OKC

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