

The monthly newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

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## **Overview**

The Walk to Emmaus develops Christian disciples and leaders by inspiring, challenging, and equipping active adult church members for Christian action in their

homes, churches, workplaces, and communities. It also benefits less active members who are seeking to renew a relationship with God, grow spiritually, or discover firmer foundations for their lives.

Through The Walk to Emmaus, as they seek to become healthy and vital congregations, local churches have both a means of growing disciples and a tool for developing leaders for their disciple-making systems.

The program begins with a 72-hour short course in Christianity that is wrapped in prayer and signs of sacrificial service. It continues for the rest of participants' lives with follow-up groups that, along with the local church's robust offerings, contribute to participants' ongoing growth in grace.

# **Walks Postponed Until October**

Women's Walk #155 will be first, October 3-6, 2024 Kelley Essary will be the Lay Director.

Men's Walk #156 will be October 17-20, 2024 Rob Scholl will the Lay Director.

Walk site to be determined.

Please be in prayer for who you might sponsor and get their application in soon.

About The Prayer to the Holy Spirit

The original form of this prayer of the church dates back to the eleventh or twelfth century. In its earliest use, the prayer was used responsively. When the Walk to

Emmaus left the Catholic Cursillo, we retained the use of this prayer, even though we pray it as a unison prayer and not a responsive prayer.

Why do we pray the same prayer over and over on the walks?

During your weekend, you were invited to pray the "Prayer to the Holy Spirit" before each talk. That gave you the opportunity to really learn the prayer as it was said fourteen times. How many of you actually learned it? Really learning the prayer allows one to actually pray it rather than recite it.

Consider what we are asking God in this prayer.

Come Holy Spirit: fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in us the fire of your love.

We are calling upon God, by the Holy Spirit, to be in the hearts of all who believe and to awaken in them a burning desire to have the same love that is in Jesus.

Send fourth your Spirit, and we shall be created, and you will renew the face of the earth.

When God gives God's spirit to those who are seeking for true life, a re-creation takes place that begins to change people and the whole world.

O God, who by the light of the Holy spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful: grant that by the same Holy spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations.

We acknowledge that the great men and women of faith in past generations are a reminder that we can also become like them and live in true wisdom with God and each other, now and forever.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

This is all possible because God loved the world so much that His only Son was given, so that all who put their trust in Jesus as Lord and Savior will not perish but have life unending.

# Do you remember this?



## PIONEER COUNTRY MENS WALK #33 September 9 - 12, 1993

ROW #1

(sealed) JIM KEY, BILL BARTON, PAUL THOMPSON, PAT BUMPASS, CURT GOELLER, EUGENE EARSOM, JIM BREECE, BUDDY MOORE, VERNON SCOTT, EMERY MASON, RICHARD WHETSEL, BECKY WYMAN

## ROW #2

JOHN BECKMAN, OSCAR RAMMING, BILL SILVERS, JEFF CATRON, JEFF NEVEL, DON REEVES, PHIL CUNNINGHAM, LINDA BRINKWORTH, RICHARD BROWN, JULIE SITTON, RON HARSHAW, JEANIE TATE

### ROW #3

NEIL GLASS, ED DAVIS, MAX RUDD, GUS ALFONZO

TOM WECKEL, ROBERT GEIS, ROBERT EICHLING, JIM WYMAN

DON HUGGINS, ROGER PITT, MELVIN BURGESS, DALLAS GANDY, BOB STEWART, GENE MC CARTNEY, CURTIS NIGH, MARK SIMPSON, BILL KOHS, CHESTER WARWICK, JIM LECKIE

### ROW #6

JERRY PULTS, CRAIG BILODEAU, JOAN GALDIN, MIKE HOHLIER, ANDY TYER, CLINT SQUIRES, ROGER THOMPSON, STEVE STEVENS, BILL SCOTT, JOHN CROOCH, JOHN APPLEGATE, ROSS PLOURDE, DILLARD MOORE, DERRICK MORTON, TONY PELLEGRINI, DOUG ADLER. TONY WILKINS, ROGER RAY, RANDY CROWNOVER, MYRON BRADBURN

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