

ROOSTER TALES



The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

"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)

And now a word from.... Your Community Lay Director



It is both my honor and my privilege to serve Pioneer Country as Lay Director for this year. It was nearly 20 years ago that my husband, Max, and I went on our original walks--#33 and #34. I remember sitting at send-off trying to look invisible and blend in with the wall! There were no big revelations or life-changing moments at the walk for me, but it did set me on a path for my life that has made all the difference.

Through Emmaus, I've learned and put into practice anonymous servanthood. I've learned to better organize and plan through teams I've been on and led. I've become unafraid of speaking in public. Perhaps the best thing about Emmaus is that I've made the dearest friends and met some of the greatest Christian examples I've ever known through my years spent with "Emmaus folk."

As the Emmaus community has grown in our church, there have been so many examples of half-hearted, seldom-seen congregational members returning from a Walk to Emmaus and rising to new levels of leadership, ministry and service. Our church is known for the mission work we do, and much of the foundation for that work started with the Walk to Emmaus. Our church is healthier spiritually because so many have taken this walk.

If you're taking time to look at this newsletter and read this article, you are obviously someone who cares about the Walk to Emmaus. You are the obvious person to go and let your Sunday School class, your small group, or your whole church know about the opportunities Emmaus offers. Talk up the next set of walks. Come out and help behind the scenes. Find someone to sponsor. Bring someone who might be interested in going on the Walk to the next Gathering. Tell someone else what a difference The Walk to Emmaus has made in your life!

Everyone knows that February is known for expressing our love to those that we cherish most in our lives. Why not challenge ourselves to reach out and show some Agape love as well? A new church member, a neighbor, a co-worker, or maybe a dear friend or relative that we haven't had a chance to "catch up with" in a while. There's someone on your mind as you are reading this... make that Agape thought a reality! Enjoy the benefits that come with unconditional love.

Be in prayer for all of the upcoming pilgrims, and remember that applications for pilgrims and sponsors are available online at the community website, www.pioneercountryemmaus.com.

"What's In The Nest?"

It could be a joke, a poem, a quote, a recipe, a trivia question, or a favorite Bible fact... check out each month for something new!

This month's submission is a poem:

"Move Me"

Grow me up, God
Putting away childish ways
Thinking I am the center of everything
Slow me down, Lord
Calming my anxious heart
Resting upon the Rock of Ages
Stretch me out, Father
Encouraging me to expand my faith
Sharing the gifts you gave me
Mold me, shape me
Break me, reach me
That I may not be content
Until I am in your will
Amen

(Anonymous)

Please take time out of your busy schedule and log onto our community website, www.pioneercountryemmaus.com, and sign up on the Prayer Vigils for the upcoming Spring Walks. The Men's Walk # 125 is March 22 - 25, 2012. The Women's Walk # 126 is April 12-15, 2012. Please lift up the Conference Room and Support Teams in your prayers as they prepare to meet the Pilgrims that God has called to be on each weekend.

You remember how special it was to look at the Prayer Vigil that was posted in the Conference Room on Friday and to see **all** those names. There is **nothing** more powerful than to open up your hearts to others and be on your knees in fervent **prayer**.

Please continue to pray for a strong hedge of protection around every team member as they give of themselves to be God's willing vessel. Thank you for all you do for the Lord in his name for His people. "Prayer Changes Things."

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Pam Allen
Pioneer Country Emmaus
General Agape/Prayer Room

Team Commissioning will take place during the February gathering at St. Matthew's UMC. Please try to attend, as the teams for Men's Walk# 125 and Women's Walk #126 will be anointed by the community!

Kay Sullins, Board Representative in charge of music for Walks and Gatherings, would like to update the list of musicians. If you are interested and willing to help with music at either Walks and/or Gatherings, please either email her or call her with your name, phone number, and email address. Even if you think your information is current, please contact her so she knows you are still interested:

Kay Sullins, cell phone 412-2238 or email sullins.kay@att.net

Please send your Prayer Requests, Joys, and/or Concerns to Roostertales@gmail.com, so that your Emmaus Community can pray for you.

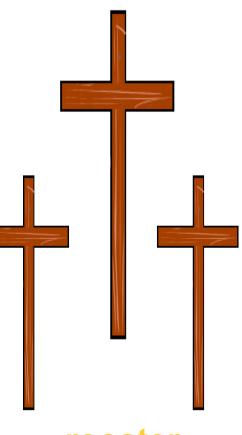
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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

Why not share them with the PCE community?

Just email it to:

roostertales@ gmail.com



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February 18, 2012

February Gathering

St. Matthews UMC 300 N. Air Depot Blvd, Midwest City, OK

Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 PM. The community is asked to bring snacks or drinks to share afterwards. Childcare is available, PLEASE RSVP with Debbie Rowland at 681-2135 or 802-8113 to make the necessary preparations for your child.

Gatherings are open to all so please invite a friend!

February 18, 2012

Team Training for Walks 125 & 126 Antioch Christian Church 3616 SW 119th, OKC, OK

Pioneer Country Board Meeting St. Matthews UMC, Midwest City, OK Meeting begins at 3:00 PM

March 10, 2012

Team Training and walk-thru for Walks 125 & 126 First United Methodist Church

700 E. State Hwy 152 - Mustang, OK

March 22 - 25, 2012

Men's Walk # 125

Mustang United Methodist Church 700 E. State Hwy 152 - Mustang OK

March 29, 2012

Men's 4th Day

Mustang United Methodist Church 700 E. State Hwy 152 - Mustang OK

April 12 - 15, 2012

Women's Walk # 126

Mustang United Methodist Church 700 E. State Hwy 152 - Mustang OK

April 19, 2012

Women's 4th Day

Mustang United Methodist Church 700 E. State Hwy 152 - Mustang OK

April 21, 2012

April Gathering Chapel Hill UMC 2717 W. Hefner Road - OKC, OK

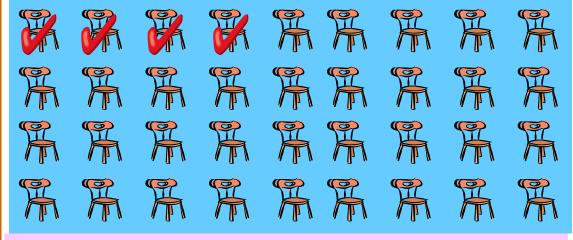
AVOID THE RUSH

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MEN'S WALK DATES - March 22 - 25, 2012

WOMEN'S WALK DATES - April 12 - 15, 2012

MEN'S WALK #125



WOMEN'S WALK #126



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