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## Please note that the PO Box number for Pioneer Country Emmaus and Chrysalis has changed.

It may take awhile to change all of our forms such as applications. Please send any correspondence to:

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#### **UPCOMING DATES**

- March Gathering, March 21, 2020. St Matthew UMC, 300 North Air Depot, Midwest City OK.
- April Gathering, April 18, 2020. Location pending.
- May Gathering, May 16, 2020, Location pending.
- Men's Walk 153, June 4 thru 7, 2020, New Covenant.
- Women's Walk 154, June 11 thru 14, 2020, New Covenant.
- No gathering in June because we are having Walks.
- July Gathering, July 18, Location pending.
- August Gathering, August 15, Lost Creek UMC, Stillwater OK. This will be the annual Ice Cream Social.



Board meeting will begin at 3:30 PM for all current Emmaus Board Representatives.



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See all you lovely roosters and cluck hens real soon!!!

Pioneer Country
Emmaus March 2020
Gathering will be held
at St. Matthew United
Methodist Church,
Midwest City, OK,
73110.

Social time will include a pitch-in meal, starting at 5:30 PM. Worship will start at 6:30.

See page 3 for photo of location and for driving directions from some Oklahoma locations.



## St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 300 North Air Depot, Midwest City OK, 73110.

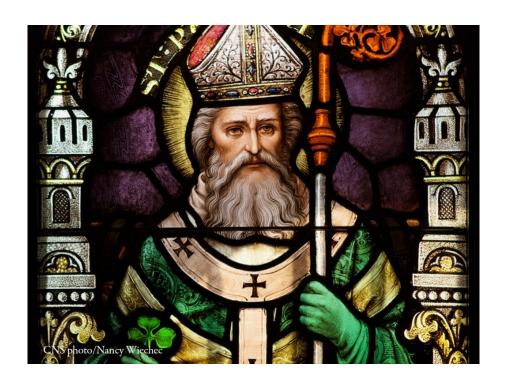
Our Pioneer Country Emmaus Gathering for January 2020, will be held at St Matthew UMC, 300 North Air Depot, Midwest City, OK.

**From Stillwater,** about 1 hour and 7 min (64.6 mi) via OK-33 W and I-35 S . Follow I35 South . Keep left at the fork to stay on I-35 S, follow signs for Okla. City/Dallas . Take exit 129 toward N.E 10th St . Merge onto NE Grand Blvd . Turn left onto NE 10th St . Turn right onto N Air Depot Blvd . Turn left at N Meadow Ln . Destination will be on the left , 300 N Air Depot, Midwest City, OK.

**From Enid,** about 1 hour and 35 min (100.7 mi) via US 412 E and I35 South. Take 412 East . Take the exit onto I-35 S/US-64 E toward Perry/Okla. City. Keep left at the fork to stay on I-35 S, follow signs for Okla. City/Dallas . Take exit 129 toward N.E 10th St . Merge onto NE Grand Blvd . Turn left onto NE 10th St . Turn right onto N Air Depot Blvd . Turn left at N Meadow Ln . Destination will be on the left , 300 N Air Depot, Midwest City, OK.

**From Moore,** about 20 min (15 mi) via I-35 N . Take I-35 N/I-40 E/US-62 E toward Wichita/Ft Smith. Keep left at the fork to continue on I-40 E/US-270 E, follow signs for Fort Smith. Take exit 155A toward Sunny Lane Rd/Del City. Merge onto I- 40 Srv Rd/Tinker Diagonal St. Turn left onto S Sunnylane Rd. Turn right onto Reno Ave. Turn left after Precision Tune Auto Care (on the right). Turn right. Destination will be on the right. 300 N Air Depot Blvd, Midwest City, OK 73110.

From Piedmont, about 40 min (34 mi) via I40 East. From Piedmont Rd North, turn left onto Northwest Expressway. Turn right onto N Morgan Rd. Merge onto John Kilpatrick Turnpike .Take the exit onto I-40 E Keep left at the fork to continue on I-40 E/US-270 E, follow signs for Fort Smith. Take exit 155A toward Sunny Lane Rd/Del City. Merge onto I-40 Srv Rd/Tinker Diagonal St. Turn left onto S Sunnylane Rd. Turn right onto Reno Ave. Turn left after Precision Tune Auto Care (on the right). Turn right. Destination will be on the right. 300 N Air Depot Blvd, Midwest City, OK 73110.



## Okay, So Who Is St. Patrick?

St. Patrick, as you may have guessed from the title preceding the name, is a Catholic saint who's near and dear to Ireland. While no one is 100 percent on the dates of his life (which is sweet, because it means you don't need to learn any), most scholars reckon that this guy was active as a missionary and clergyman in the latter half of the fifth century. Credited with converting Ireland to Christianity, he's widely recognized as the primary patron saint of Ireland. St. Patrick's Day celebrates the day of the man's death as well as Ireland in general. And, no, drinking copious amounts of booze is nowhere in St. Patrick's legacy.





Saint Patrick's Day, or the Feast of Saint Patrick, is a cultural and religious celebration held on 17 March, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick, the foremost patron saint of Ireland.

Date: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Observances: Attending mass or

service

<u>Significance:</u> Feast day of Saint Patrick, commemoration of the arrival of Christianity in Ireland

**Symbol:** Shamrock

Also called: Feast of Saint Patrick, Lá Fhéile Phádraig, Patrick's Day, (St) Paddy's Day, (St) Patty's Day (Mostly in America)







My name is Marvin Scheele, Pioneer Country Walk to Emmaus # 63, Table of John, New Covenant United Methodist Church, Edmond. I serve as the Assistant Community Lay Director. Last year I served as Secretary on the board.

This is my second stint on the Pioneer Country Emmaus Board of Directors. I served from 2007 through 2009 as registrar all three years. During that time my passion for the Walk to Emmaus grew tremendously. One of our accomplishments was to start Pioneer Country Chrysalis.

As a member of the community, I have served in every position both on conference room teams and support teams. Every position that is except for musician. I can't read music, I can't carry a tune and the only thing I play is the radio. I was Lay Director for Walk #117 and Lay Director for Chrysalis Flight #6. In 2016 I had the privilege of being a table leader for Honduras/Belize Walk #1.

For more years than I care to count, I was a computer programmer working on mainframe computers using that "dead" language, COBOL. I worked for several different companies, one of which took us from Liberty, MO to Memphis, TN and to Edmond, OK. At the end of November 2017, I retired from the Oklahoma Tax Commission. Now my programming skills are used to help maintain the Pioneer Country website. I also schedule everyone on the tech team at New Covenant and I serve on the conference Discipleship Ministry Team. So much for retirement.

One of the things I enjoy is woodworking and making Agape for the Walks and Flights. I make crosses from tree branches and other crosses with nails. If you have worked in the dining room lately, you may have seen the table decorations I've made. There are roosters, hens, and babe chicks. I've also made butterflies for Chrysalis.

I am also known as "Wilbur" from the skit that I and a partner do for entertainment at the Saturday night dinners. How that came about is a whole other story. I wrote the script, but it keeps changing. It changes a lot when Scott Schuerman (Elmer) can't remember his lines. Oh well, it is funnier that way.

In the past few years, we have seen participation in community events dwindle considerably. My prayer is that I can help revitalize Pioneer Country Emmaus. I invite everyone to once again get involved. Please come to the monthly Gatherings. We plan to do some different things at Gatherings this year.

Be a sponsor! Without sponsors we have no pilgrims. With no pilgrims, we have no Walks/Flights. Come work behind the scenes. It is a great place to make new friends and enjoy the fellowship of old friends. Also consider being one of the Walk managers. We always need managers for the kitchen, snacks, dining room, agape, etc. Maybe you can best serve by being a board member.

The next Gathering is coming up soon. See you there!

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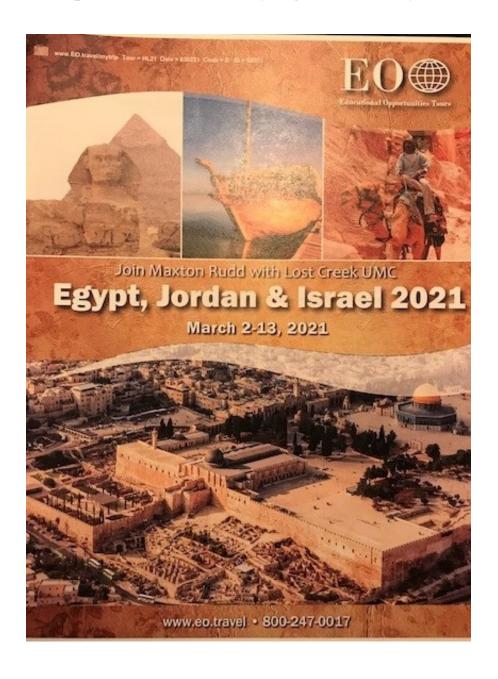
# My Fourth Days By Jeannie Millican Pioneer Country Emmaus Walk 86 Table of Martha New Wine Church

Seventeen years ago, I received a great gift. I received the love of God like I had never known before through servants of Jesus Christ. To me it was a glimpse of heaven so beautiful, I would not have been able to handle any more. After I went on the walk, I was encouraged to continue to stay active as a disciple. The Lord led me to be in a reunion group, dining room manager, agape manager, team assistant, sponsor, table leader, assistant table leader, assistant lay director, lay director and now Treasurer on the board of Emmaus. I was asked to give many talks. This was way out of my comfort zone and I did not want to talk in front of people. It was not my gift. However, each talk felt as if God was talking through me. I was forced to share pieces of myself, but it turned into a counseling session each time and God was my counselor. Throughout these seventeen years, my life and thoughts have changed, and I continually persevere to stay closer to the Lord Jesus Christ.

# Holy Land Trip

Max Rudd from Lost Creek UMC will be leading a group of travelers to the Holy Land March 2-13, 2021. If you are interested in joining, please contact him for more details.

\*\*Note from your editor, I went on a similar trip in March 2019, and I was never more blessed in my life. It still gives me goosebumps to know I walked in the steps of Jesus. So many sights, so many memories. \*\*





### **Plea for submissions:**

And now a note from your Pioneer Country Emmaus Newsletter Representative..... As the editor of our newsletter, Roostertales, it is pretty much up to me to fill these pages each month. Some months that is an easy task, and then there are months that are not quite as easy. It would make life a lot easier for me if I had a few others submitting a story here and there.

You can hand write your note and give it to me. I will gladly type it up and get it into the newsletter for you.

We all have a story to tell. Will you please tell yours? It doesn't have to be a long one. You don't need to be an expert writer—I will promise to proofread your submission. And let us be honest here, I'm no professional, and haven't had any complaints yet.... We Emmaus folks are kind and loving folks, not critical of others, right?





You can type your story on your own computer and send it to me. I can use it no matter if it's in a Word document, Docx format, or a PDF file. You can even just simply type it straight into an email if that's easier. Just get it done!

Thanks for listening, Linda Edmondson, Newsletter Editor

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