



ROOSTER TALES



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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 Fourth Day Representative

I walked through the doors of this little church on the SE side of Oklahoma City in the darkest time of my life, the year 2002. My mother was worried about her baby and wanted someone to talk to me, so Pastor Byrd took time, he listened and gave advice and there started my Christian walk. I had gone to a Lutheran church as a child, had First Communion there, and then we left the church. I was hungry and in desperate need of the unconditional love and forgiveness that only our Father can give. I was ready for something to fill the darkness. Pastor and other leaders of the church fed that hunger and I began learning, serving, and growing. I was absorbing everything and anything I could about this Father.

A dear sweet leader of the church wanted to sponsor my husband and I to go to this Walk to Emmaus. Time came for walks my husband backed out, but I went scared and with anticipation but I was hungry, I needed tools, I needed something, I needed change. I was very timid and shy (believe it or not.) I remember dropping off my babies at my parents and my daddy, which I adore, kissed me, hugged me, and whispered to me that he didn't want to lose me to a cult. That really made my anxiety go through the roof. I walked through the doors of First Church and my life changed, the love that was shown, the tools given the community, and the love of my Heavenly Father transformed me and rocked my world as I knew it.

I remember at Closing, the shy timid Christy got up and was the first pilgrim to speak, I was changed forever. I went back and found my passion for children. I became a children's Sunday School teacher and helped with VBS. My husband saw the change in me and went on his Walk, and we became Youth Directors. The love of a Pastor, the love of a community, the love of my Heavenly Father took that shy, 0 confidence, 0 self esteem girl that her dad kissed goodbye, to a Child of God, His hands and feet, I love serving for my Lord, I love being His hands and feet.

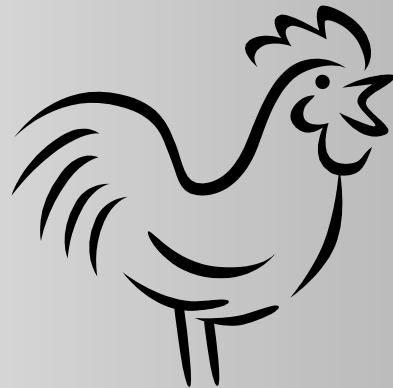
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I am a Jewel in the rough, a work in progress always growing in my Walk. I still have to deal with the darkness that surrounds my life but I have tools, I have a community, and I have my reunion group that can lift me up, help me grow as a Christian, and remember that Agape Love Christ gives us.

Thank you for allowing me to share my walk and serve as your 4th day Board Rep.

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Christy Jackson
Pioneer Country Walk to Emmaus
Fourth Day Board Representative



“What’s In The Nest?”

Back to school... It’s getting close to that time again. Preparing and organizing. Some things are easier to get rid of than others. One magazine article that I read suggests to create a “keepsake box” for children to teach organization. Let them decide what to keep or give up, depending on the space provided.

As adults, we may have a “God Box,” visible or invisible, to help us organize certain situations in life. We have tendencies to fill, empty, and even re-fill what we took out.

Psalm 147:5 - Great is our Lord and mighty in power; His understanding has no limit.

Psalm 117:2 - For great is His love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

What a comforting thought to know that there are no limits to His love and understanding of us!

A final thought...

Wasn’t it smart of God to rig life in such a way that none of us can do it well without His help?

Meet the Butterflies from Pioneer Country Chrysalis Boys Flight #2



Left to Right

Row 1: Tony Caro, Cyvil B. Burks, Kyle Israel, Tim Bourne, Marvin Scheele, Keith Cressman

Row 2: Austin Miller, Nic Ramirez, Michael Moody, Josh Hayen, Samuel Lillie

Row 3: Jesse Johnston, Austin Hurston, Jacob Anglin, Cole Martin, Donovan Miller

Row 4: Ian Mitchell, Jim Hinds, Quinn Matthes, Wesley McCutcheon

Row 5: Kyle Farnham, Jonah Grisham, Mick Caro, Dodie Collett

Row 6: Susan Cox, Kerry Cox

Meet the Butterflies from Pioneer Country Chrysalis Girls Flight #3



Left to Right

Row 1: Mike Rasmussen, Kendra Hunt, Gail Hunt, Alexandra McLendon, Chelsea Hunt

Row 2: Erin Mitchell, Halee Garner, Torii Bicondova, Chandler Epely, Brecken Cromwell, Mary McHugh, Kayla Casula, Kalyn Dealy

Row 3: Ashley Houchin, Averey Brace, Sarah Szcinski, Melanie DeGidts, Emily Kilby

Row 4: Brandy Dismuke, Elizabeth Douglass, Celia Caro, Sarabeth Hinds

Row 5: Makenzie Crook, Thomasena Allen, Mariah Seitz, Selena Gilliam, Allie Garza, Amy Ferguson

Row 6: Nancy Hughes, Cathy Sullivan, Maddie Parker

Row 7: Diane Scheele, Sally Kilby, Lesa Wilson, Lynn Miller, Lydia Cressman

Row 8: Susan Cox, Kerry Cox, Jennifer Stier, Betty Flowers

**!!!! IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT !!!!**



On Saturday, May 19, 2012, your Pioneer Country Emmaus Board of Directors approved some changes that will be effective with the October 2012 Walks.

After much discussion and all things considered, and using the guidelines of the Upper Room Emmaus Model, it was decided that **all future Walks will require a minimum of 20 registrants two weeks prior to the Walk date. If 20 completed applications are not in the hands of the Board by that two week prior date, that Walk will be postponed until the next scheduled Walk.**

It is our desire to not postpone any Walks, and towards that end, we ask these things of our Community:

- Begin now obtaining applications from those you wish to sponsor.
- Be sure that the completed application and sponsor information is in the hands of a board member or in our Post Office Box no later than September 20 for Men's Walk #127 and October 4 for Women's Walk #128.
- Pray for 36 Pilgrims on each Walk.
- Pray for the Teams as they continue to prepare for the Walks.

AND Pray for our Community that they will heed the call to sponsorship!

Blessings & De Colores,

Your Pioneer Country Emmaus Board

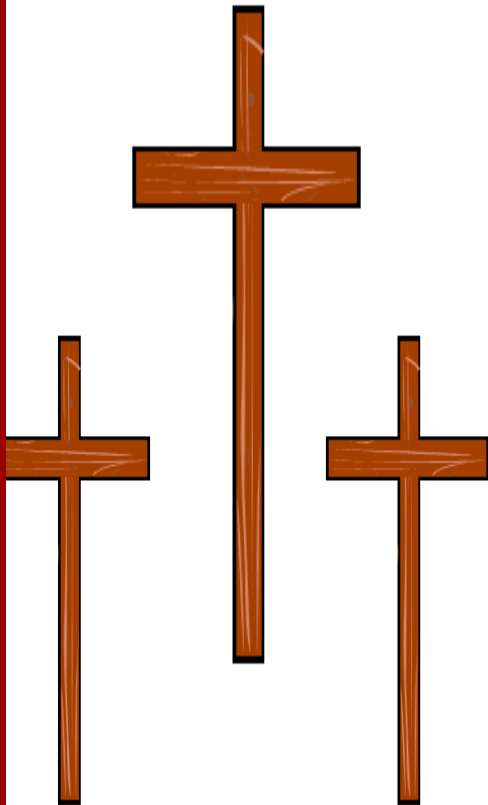
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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 :

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CALENDAR



July 21, 2012

July Gathering

St. Mark's UMC
8140 NW 36th Street, Bethany, OK

Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 PM. The community is asked to bring snacks or drinks to share afterwards. Child-care 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!

- July 21, 2012** Board Meeting - 3:00 PM
St. Mark's UMC
8140 NW 36th Street - Bethany, OK
- July 21, 2012** July Gathering - 7:00 PM
St. Mark's UMC
8140 NW 36th Street - Bethany, OK
- August 4, 2012** Initial Team Training & Orientation for Men's Walk #127 and Women's Walk #128 at Church of the Servant in OKC
- August 18, 2012** Team Training for Men's Walk #127 and Women's Walk #128 at Lost Creek UMC in Stillwater
- August 18, 2012** August Gathering - 5:30 PM
Lost Creek UMC
8002 S. Washington - Stillwater, OK
- September 8, 2012** Team Training for Men's Walk #127 and Women's Walk #128 at Church of the Servant in OKC
- September 15, 2012** September Gathering - 7:00 PM
Church of the Good Shepherd UMC
10928 SW 15th - Yukon, OK
- September 22, 2012** Final Team Training and Walk-Thru for Men's Walk #127 and Women's Walk #128 at First Church in downtown OKC

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