



ROOSTER TALES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

February 2023

FEBRUARY 2023 Gathering

Remember, there is no Gathering this month due to the Women's Walk. Please plan to attend the Candelight Service on Saturday, February 18 at New Covenant.

Snacks will be served at 7:00 p.m, Worship is at 8:00 p.m. Candlelight Service will held after we complete our worship service.

"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)

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A Blast from the Past

I recently came across a notebook full of Emmaus Newsletters from 1993 to 2004. I thought you all might enjoy something from some of those Newsletters. This good is from August 2000. Do you remember this, or were you a part of it?

Marvin Scheele

OG&E Failed Us

Due to strong winds and storms, Asbury UMC, the site of Walk 68B, suffered two power outages during the Walk. The first occurred from 3-8 a.m. on Friday, and the second last from 5:00 a.m. Saturday until 3:00 p.m. Sunday! Praise God for gas stoves and people who are able to cook in the dark, and for the T.A.s that can find candles, flashlights and battery operated candles to illuminate our paths! The weekend added new meaning to the phrase, "in the spirit of cooperation and charity...." Both abounded!

I am convinced that God dicated the duration of the power outage to illustrate so graphically that He is our light in the darkness, and that we are to "run to the light" as one speaker put it. Storms were a common theme throughout the talks-one speaker even shared having been struck by lightning as a defining moment which caused her to see the Body of Christ in action. Although power in the area surrounding Asbury returned earlier, the electricity at the church was not restored until the final talk had been given!

Walk 68B pilgrims and team learned to focus on God and depend on Him in times of darkness. As one pilgrim stated at closing "OG&E failed us, but the power of God did not!"

All of you are invited to our Holy Land Pilgrimage!

Please, share the following information with your communities.

Are you getting ready for The Upper Room Emmaus Ministries Holy Land Pilgrimage? Join us from November 28th to December 7th, 2023. It is open to leaders and members of Emmaus Ministries communities around the world, their family members and friends.

During the ten-day event, pilgrims will:

- · join in daily reading and reflection on carefully selected passages of scripture;
- · share with speakers from the Christian, Jewish and Muslim religions who will bring their various faiths and cultures together for interaction and understanding of present-day realities,
- be invited to sit with a grassroots movement of understanding, nonviolence, and transformation among Palestinians and Israelis.
- · continue to experience God's grace in new ways,
- · be increasingly sensitive to situations of injustice in their respective communities, and
- · reflect on ways in which, as followers of Christ, they might contribute to the building of a more just society.

Do not miss this opportunity to "retrace" the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus taken by the two discouraged followers of Christ. Come with us to explore on how, as a result of their encounter with the risen Lord, these two persons rushed back to Jerusalem to be fully part of what was to become a transformative community.

Presentations on the importance of this pilgrimage and ways to make it meaningful will be available to all participants before and after the trip.

Please click on the <u>downloadable brochure</u> to access the full itinerary and additional information. Payment plans are available.

De Colores!

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Rev. Lilia Ramirez

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Pioneer Country Walk to Emmaus

Prayer Vigil

It's not too late to sign up for the Prayer Vigil for the Women's Walk which starts next Thursday. If you log into the Pioneer Country website and go to the Prayer Vigil tab, this is what you will see!



Prayer Room Schedule

Friday, Feb. 17

Priority – 8:40 a.m. – Cathy Childers Prevenient Grace – 10:45 a.m. – Trevor Smith Priesthood of All Believers – 1:15 p.m. – Janet Jarvis Justifying Grace – 2:35 p.m. – Adam Shahan Life of Piety – 6:05 p.m. – Mickey Miller

Saturday, Feb. 18

Grow Through Study – 8:15 a.m. – Cindy McMurry Means of Grace – 9:45 a.m. – Max Rudd Christian Action – 2:30 p.m. – Heather Spiva Obstacles to Grace – 4:00 p.m. – Diana Pruitt Discipleship – 6:30 p.m. – Bethany Shipley

Sunday, Feb. 19

Changing Our World – 8:05 a.m. – Cara Nelson Sanctifying Grace – 9:10 a.m. – Danny Wayman Body of Christ – 10:30 a.m. – Jill Blevins Perseverance – 12:30 p.m. – Katrina Jarvis Fourth Day – 1:30 p.m. – Fran Parkhill

Pray for the Team Members

Lay Director Katrina Jarvis

Spiritual Director Max Ruud

Asst. Spiritual Directors Adam Shahan, Trevor Smith, Diana Pruitt,

Danny Wayman

Asst. Lay Directors Cathy Childers, Janet Jarvis, Fran Parkhill

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Susan Ledgerwood, Susie Dealy, Kalyn Dealy Roark

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Mickey Miller, Cara Nelson, Jill Blevins

Team Assistants Gretchen Kidd, Brenda Vaughn, Lindsay Burress

Myranda Burress

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Ellen Long

Prayer Room Patsy Rains, Buddy Moore, Evelyn McCaslin,

Sue Kennedy

Kitchen Managers Bryan West, Randy Jarvis, Ken Edmondson

Dining Room Managers David Allen, Pam Allen

Snack Managers Diane Scheele, JoAnn Simpson-Miller

Agape Managers Mary Nethercutt, Nina Lipe

Upper Room Website

There is a wealth of information that can be found at the Upper Room website. Check it out!



 $While \ they \ were \ talking \ and \ discussing, Jesus \ himself \ came \ near \ and \ walked \ with \ them. - Luke \ 24:15$

Overview

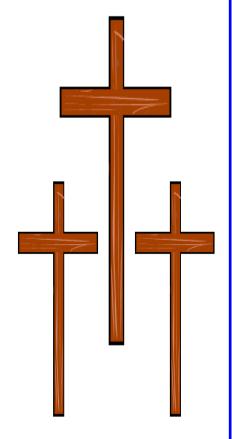
The Walk to Emmaus develops Christian disciples and leaders by inspiring, challenging, and equipping active adult church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces, and communities. It also benefits less active members who are seeking to renew a relationship with God, grow spiritually, 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.

Sign up for Emmaus eNews

SPRING WALKS



Women's Walk February 16-19, 2022

New Covenant UMC, Edmond, OK

Women's Lay Director—Katrina Jarvis

REMEMBER! Sponsor Kits and the Emmaus Pilgrim Kit can be found on the PCE Website. Just scroll to the bottom of the Home Page. More Walks will be held this year, and Pilgrims are needed—especially Men!! Give the gift to someone so they might be helped in their walk with Christ!

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CALENDAR

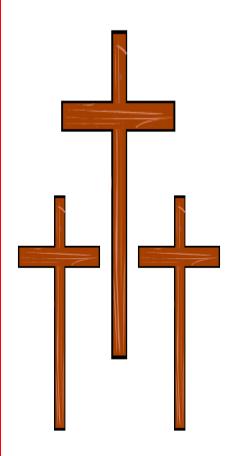
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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

Why not share them with the PCE community?

Email to:

Pcemmausnewsletter @gmail.com



February 18, 2023

Candlelight Service

New Covenant UMC

Edmond, **OK**

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