

# 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 Board Representative for Facilities!



Have you ever wondered what the name Emmaus meant?

The name Emmaus is a Biblical baby name. In Biblical, the meaning of the name Emmaus is "People despised or obscure." This is not someone you would want to know, but let's go further. People with this name have a deep inner desire to serve humanity and to give to others by sharing money, knowledge, experience, or creative and artistic ability. People with this name tend to be passionate, intuitive, romantic, and to have magnetic personalities.

They are usually humanitarian, broadminded, and generous, and tend to follow professions where they can serve humanity. Because they are so affective and giving, they are often imposed upon. They are romantic and easily fall in love, but may be easily hurt and are sometimes quick-tempered.

Now think back... does this describe someone who was on your Walk? Probably so, but in the end they are all children of God and will serve the purpose that God put them on earth for.

Here is another way to look at Emmaus. It is much more than a name of a town or a person:

E is for Elate, you make others happy.

M is for Mighty, your inner strength.

M is for Mild, your mild and gentle way.

A is for Amenable, for your easy going nature

U is for Useful, always to others.

S is for Strength, there when needed.

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Delbert Simmons, Facilities

## Pioneer Country Emmaus Spring 2013 Walks



## Men's Walk # 129

Larry Autrey
Jack Bryant
Michael Burkett
Tim Clausing
Brian Eric Courtney
Matt Culbertson
Jon Derouen
Doug Eckert
Mark Fields
Jason Fisher
Jerry Gill
Allen Grey

Charlie Himes
Kip Kirkhuff
Ebb Quartey
Ben Riggs
Lance Rounsaville
Brett Ruston
Steve Striebeck
Adam Stroud
Tim Toth
Charles Waters
Bryan Woods
Chris Wright

## Pioneer Country Emmaus Spring 2013 Walks



## Women's Walk # 130

Lynn Beam
Pat Bowens
Sandee Boyd
Candy Cavaness
Jane Clausing
Jessica Fields
Sara Fisher
Janina Graves
Anna Guest
Jana Huff
Beverly Kirkhuff
Jaquita Martin

Jil Meacham-Culbertson
Tina Meinkoth
Carrie Mildren
Evelyn Peoples
Patti Pickhard
Amanda Rauh
Jamie Ruston
Carol Toth
Lori Williams
Paula Wolff
Janice Woods

### THE GIFT: A Program Started by The Upper Room

THE GIFT is a program initiated by the Walk to Emmaus/Chrysalis movements to ensure that many from all over the world can enjoy the fruits of this beautiful ministry. The Gift is a financial program that allows the international communities as well as the emerging new communities to tap into the generosity of pilgrims and butterflies that the Lord has so richly blessed. Here are some facts that you may not know:

- The Chrysalis and Walk to Emmaus movements are interdenominational, interracial and **international**.
- The Emmaus movement began in 1978 and the Chrysalis movement began in 1984.
- More than one million Christians have experienced a Chrysalis or Walk to Emmaus weekend.
- The 600 Emmaus and Chrysalis communities are in 38 countries and 12 countries respectively.
- Our resources have been translated into 13 languages on 6 continents.
- We do not receive any funds or money from the United Methodist Church or any church denomination.
- Internationally, we need funds to assist emerging communities that do not have the resources to secure facilities, provide scholarships, train and teach team participants and conduct weekends.
- In the United States, we want to bring our Leadership Development Program resources into the 21st century through the use of technology that will empower leaders in each Community.
- All money that is given to THE GIFT stays within the International Emmaus and Chrysalis movement. None of the money is used for salaries or expenses.

Total given in 2010: \$23,884.00 Total given in 2011: \$15,678.00 Total given in 2012: \$24,604.87

Pioneer Country Emmaus is one of the many organizations that collect money each year and donates to THE GIFT. Donations are taken up at each of the Men's and Women's Fourth Day meetings following a Walk, and a donation is also collected each year at the last meeting of the Pioneer Country Board of Directors.

On Thursday, April 11th, \$672.00 was donated from the participants of the Fourth Day meeting from Pioneer Country Emmaus Men's Walk #129! \$605.00 was donated during the Fall 2012 Fourth Day meetings, and \$235.00 was donated at the Board of Director's meeting on December 1st, 2012.

Information about THE GIFT is available on the Upper Room Website at the following address: <a href="http://emmaus.upperroom.org/leaders/gift">http://emmaus.upperroom.org/leaders/gift</a>

## **Changes to the Pioneer Country Board**

As with most volunteer organizations, the Pioneer Country Board has a vacancy or two to fill from time to time. Here are the most recent changes to the Board:

**Mark Bye** has agreed to return part time as Treasurer to replace the position vacated by **Pete Fischer**, who has resigned for personal reasons. Mark will be working with **Bonnie Bower**, who will be Treasurer next year.

**Peety Luka** has been appointed as Registrar for the remainder of the year.

**Ron Luka** has been appointed as Facilities / Security for the remainder of the year.

**Rev. David Johnson** is our new Community Spiritual Director, and **Rev. Max Rudd** will be passing the position of Assistant Community Spiritual Director to **Rev. Tony Zahn**.

Thank you to all of you who have agreed to serve on the Pioneer Country Emmaus Board!

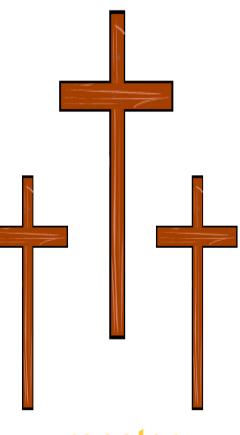
#### Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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



## May 18, 2013

## May Gathering

**Quayle UMC** 5001 N. Everest Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK

Begins with pot luck dinner at 5:30 PM with praise and worship following at 7:00 PM. 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!

April 25, 2013	Women's 4th Day
	Ridgecrest UMC

3629 NW 25th Street - OKC

May 18, 2013 May Gathering **Quayle UMC** 

5001 N. Everest Avenue - OKC

June 12-15, 2013 **Chrysalis combined Boys Flight #4** and Girls Flight #5 at McFarlin UMC in Norman, OK

June 14, 2013

June 15, 2013

June 15, 2013

July 20, 2013

August 17, 2013

Send-off for Chrysalis Flights 4 & 5 June 12, 2013

McFarlin UMC

419 S. University Blvd - Norman

**Candlelight for Chrysalis Flights** 

McFarlin UMC

419 S. University Blvd - Norman

**Closing for Chrysalis Flights** 

McFarlin UMC

419 S. University Blvd - Norman

**June Gathering** 

St. Andrews UMC

2727 SW 119th Street - OKC

**July Gathering** 

Church of the Good Shepherd 10928 SW 15th Street - Yukon

**August Gathering** 

Lost Creek UMC

8002 S. Washington - Stillwater

## **COUNTRY EMMAUS 2013 BOARD OF DIRECT**

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### **David Johnson**

Community Spiritual Director

#### Tony Zahn

**Assistant Community** Spiritual Director

#### Diann Rudd

Past Community Lay Director

#### Pam Allen

General Agape/Prayer Room

#### Catrina Bourne

Chrysalis Representative

#### **Bonnie Bower**

Treasurer

#### Mark Bye

Treasurer

#### **Christy Jackson**

Fourth Day

#### **Peety Luka**

Registrar

#### Ron Luka

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#### **Debbie Rowland**

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