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EMMAUS & CHRYSALIS
"Then their eyes were opened" - Luke 24:31



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Merry Christmas

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

ELECTIONS SUSPENDED

- Gatherings are on hold due to Covid 19 restrictions.
- Men's Walk tentatively set for July 2021. Location pending.
- Women's Walk tentatively set for July 2021. Location pending.



Love that never ends

AGAPE

Hey Friends!

Do you know how you could repay some of that extravagant agape love you received when you were a Pilgrim on your Walk to Emmaus????

You could come serve as a board member !!!

Your Pioneer Country Emmaus Community needs more board members. Right now, we are so short-staffed that we are having to pull double and even triple duty.

Your board is a working board, I know you've heard this before. What does that mean? It means that the Walks require a lot of time and effort to be successful. And that work load is distributed as evenly as possible. Many hands make light work. But no matter how few hands, the job still must get done.

What are you waiting for? Come be of help, volunteer to assist your Working Emmaus Board!

DeColores, Linda Edmondson, Newsletter Ed.



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FROM YOUR PERSONAL AGAPE REP

Happy early December Emmaus community. My name is Mary Nethercutt and I am your Personal Agape board member. My original walk was #82 in February of 2003. I've been very active in our community ever since my walk, with this being my third time to serve on your board. I attend First UMC in downtown Oklahoma City, which is where I first heard of the Walk to Emmaus. I had no idea what this life-changing event was. I just knew I wanted to attend after overhearing my pastor's wife say it was the best gift she ever gave herself. I so miss our gatherings where we can fellowship in Christian love, and look forward to 2021 where God willing that will be possible. I extend each of you Christmas blessings and a safe and joyful 2021.

From your Past CLD

A Season of Gratitude. “Let us continue to hold firmly to the hope that we confess without wavering, for the one who made the promise is faithful.”

Hebrews 10:23

Greetings Pioneer Country! I hope this finds you well. I know for most of us, Thanksgiving and Christmas look just a little different this year. I continue to look for the gifts from God this Quarantine Christmas. So, this morning as I ponder Advent and scripture, I am full of hope and gratitude. This season, the hustle and bustle of preparation for one day has been removed. No parties, endless cooking, house cleaning, etc. I can focus on the true reason for the Christmas celebration. I also want to express gratitude to those who support this community. This year Ken Edmondson and Nina Lipe roll of the board. I am so thankful for their tireless leadership and support this year. Please reach out to them with a thank you for their service. Please continue to support this community with your prayers. If you need prayer, please reach out through email or Facebook. It has been a pleasure to serve as your Lay Director this year. I wish you all Peace and Blessing and a very Merry Christmas.

Susan Good, Past Community Lay Director

From your CLD

Hi! I am Marvin Scheele, Pioneer Country Walk to Emmaus #63, table of John, New Covenant UMC. I am honored to be your 2021 Community Lay Director.

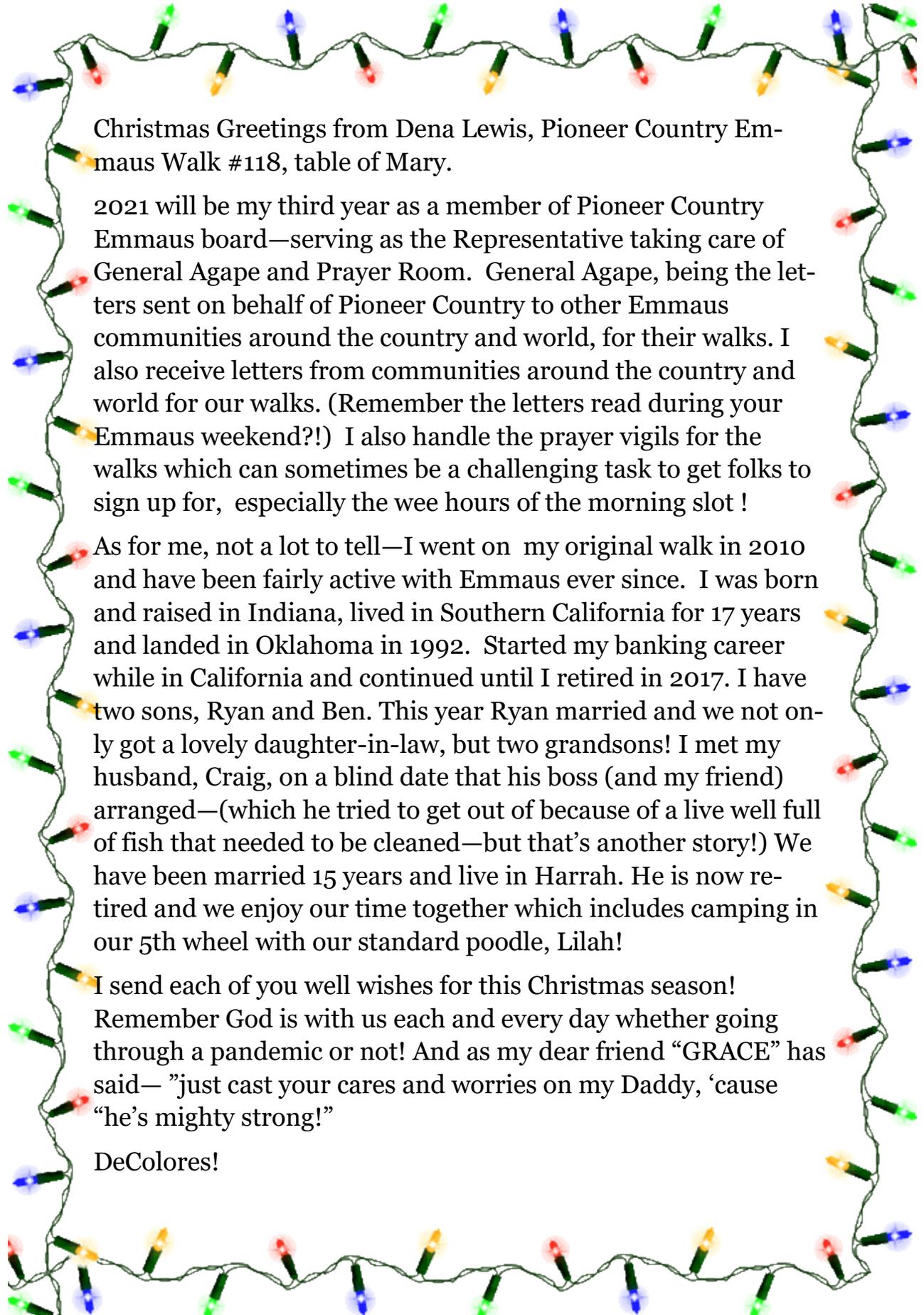
Please join me in thanking Susan Good for her leadership as CLD for 2020. She has done a fantastic job despite the pandemic. Susan has faithfully served Pioneer Country for many years. We look forward to her serving in the years ahead.

Due to the pandemic, it has not been a particularly good year. It is hard to believe, but our last gathering was in February and we have not had any walks this year. We will continue to consult the doctors in our Emmaus community to evaluate the situation and let you know as soon as we can begin to have gatherings again. Please continue to pray for those that have been affected by Covid-19.

There are two things that we need for successful walks. Most important is sponsors. Without sponsors, we have no Pilgrims. Without Pilgrims we have no Walks. With no Walks there will no longer be an Emmaus community. What would our churches/cities look like without an Emmaus community? If you have a friend that you think would benefit from going on a Walk, start praying for them and talking to them now. Then they will be ready to go when we start having Walks again. If you need help as to how to sponsor someone, please contact me or any board member. I would love to see full Walks when we start having them again, whenever that might be.

Secondly, we need a full board of directors. Unfortunately, we need five good people to fill our board. We are a working board. That means each member has specific duties to perform for each walk and throughout the year. If you would like to serve on the board or want to know more about what the board does, contact me or any board member. Board members normally serve a three-year term beginning in December of each year. With your help and the help of God, we can have a great year. I am looking forward to it. May you and your family have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

DeColores, Marvin Scheele



Christmas Greetings from Dena Lewis, Pioneer Country Emmaus Walk #118, table of Mary.

2021 will be my third year as a member of Pioneer Country Emmaus board—serving as the Representative taking care of General Agape and Prayer Room. General Agape, being the letters sent on behalf of Pioneer Country to other Emmaus communities around the country and world, for their walks. I also receive letters from communities around the country and world for our walks. (Remember the letters read during your Emmaus weekend?!) I also handle the prayer vigils for the walks which can sometimes be a challenging task to get folks to sign up for, especially the wee hours of the morning slot !

As for me, not a lot to tell—I went on my original walk in 2010 and have been fairly active with Emmaus ever since. I was born and raised in Indiana, lived in Southern California for 17 years and landed in Oklahoma in 1992. Started my banking career while in California and continued until I retired in 2017. I have two sons, Ryan and Ben. This year Ryan married and we not only got a lovely daughter-in-law, but two grandsons! I met my husband, Craig, on a blind date that his boss (and my friend) arranged—(which he tried to get out of because of a live well full of fish that needed to be cleaned—but that’s another story!) We have been married 15 years and live in Harrah. He is now retired and we enjoy our time together which includes camping in our 5th wheel with our standard poodle, Lilah!

I send each of you well wishes for this Christmas season! Remember God is with us each and every day whether going through a pandemic or not! And as my dear friend “GRACE” has said— ”just cast your cares and worries on my Daddy, ‘cause “he’s mighty strong!”

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**Remember the Reason
for the Season**





Your Pioneer Country Emmaus Board has continued to conduct business, in a safe Socially Distant way. We have been meeting in various electronic ways, via emails, texts, phone calls, and zoom meetings. We are still a working board, and we are striving to meet the needs of our community, in spite of the difficulties presented by the Covid lockdown/ slowdown situation.

Sure hope to see all you lovely roosters and cluck hens real soon!!!



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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