

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 Gatherings!



I went on my Walk to Emmaus #78 in 2002. I don't remember the particulars, but I remember how I felt when I got up in church later and told about my experience and did the "happy dance." I see the love and pure joy that people who work behind the scenes have on their faces and in their heart, just to be able to see that same love, mercy, and grace on the new Pilgrims' faces on Sunday afternoon.

I have such a passion for Emmaus, because I know, through Christ, how people are changed; to go back to their own churches with that same love and joy that they have

just experienced. My devotional time is due to my Walk to Emmaus. I keep all of my devotion books in a basket so they are readily available, and I learned a new phrase from one of them that said, "You thrill me Lord." He should thrill each of us!

I am the board representative for Gatherings. I get the church, clergy, childcare, and the communion elements for the monthly gatherings, which are the third Saturday of each month, except for months where there is a Walk, and there is no gathering in December. I started serving in Emmaus because someone did it for me, but now I serve as it has become a part of me.

If you are looking for a way to serve, work behind the scenes at a Walk! To help our community continue to run smoothly, fill out an application to run for a position on the Pioneer Country Emmaus board this fall! Do you remember your Walk and how you felt when you got home? Do you still have that joy that only God can give? What has the Walk to Emmaus meant to you and what are you going to do about it?

De Colores,

Debbie Rowland, Gatherings

Sponsorship Training Continues...

Our March Gathering will be Saturday, March 16th at Chapel Hill UMC in Oklahoma City at 7:00 PM. Don Ellis will continue the Sponsorship Training that was begun in January and February. This time, Don will be emphasizing "What's Next" in the Sponsorship process. Come and hear Don train us on how to be good sponsors. Pray about who you think would benefit from attending the Walk and get those applications in, as the deadlines are fast approaching!

Kay Sullins, Pioneer Country Emmaus Board Secretary

Here are your Table of Servants for Walk's 129 & 130

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Dining Room Manager:	Bob Nance	David Allen	
Snack Manager:	Brian & Becka Ellis	Nellyne Hanlin	
Agape Managers:	Debbie Conrady Rickie Conrady	Nina Boyle	

Prayer Room Schedule

Men's Walk #129 - April 4-7, 2013 Women's Walk #130 - April 18-21, 2013

Friday

<u>Talk</u>	<u>Time</u>	Men's Walk	Women's Walk
Priority	8:40 AM	Jim Hinckley	Maurie Cole
Prevenient Grace	10:45 AM	Mike Chaffin	Beverly Powell
Priesthood of All Believers	1:15 PM	Alan Childers	Jill Blevins
Justifying Grace	2:35 PM	Travis Hopper	Faye Perry
Life in Piety	6:05 PM	Kyle Farnham	Anna Stephens

Saturday

<u>Talk</u>	Time	Men's Walk	Women's Walk
Grow through Study	8:15 AM	Dave Carmichael	Fran Parkhill
Means of Grace	9:45 AM	Steve Brant	Diana Pruitt
Christian Action	2:30 PM	Dan Short	Carol McCain
Obstacles to Grace	4:00 PM	Ron Perceful	Karen Styers
Discipleship	6:30 PM	Steve Snider	Diane Scheele

Sunday

Talk	<u>Time</u>	Men's Walk	Women's Walk
Changing our World	8:05 AM	Tom Ellis	Jeannie Millican
Sanctifying Grace	9:10 AM	Charles King	Felicia Hensley
Body of Christ	10:30 AM	Ken Edmondson	Kelley Essary
Perseverance	12:30 PM	Don Reynolds	Lynda Estes
Fourth Day	1:30 PM	Ron Luka	Mary Nethercutt

Don't forget to go online to the community website www.pioneercountryemmaus.com and sign up for the prayer vigils for the walks!

Just in time for Easter, here is a recipe for... RESURRECTION COOKIES

Read the entire recipe before beginning...

Try to do together Saturday night before Easter Sunday.

Ingredients:

1 cup whole pecans3 egg whites1 cup sugar1 tsp vinegarPinch of salt

In addition to the ingredients above, you will need the following:

A wooden spoon A Bible A zipper baggie Tape

Preheat oven to 300 degrees

Place pecans in zipper baggie and let children beat them with the wooden spoon to break them into small pieces. Explain that after Jesus was arrested, he was beaten by the Roman soldiers. **READ JOHN 19:1-3**

Let children smell the vinegar. Put 1 tsp. into mixing bowl. Explain that when Jesus was thirsty on the cross, He was given vinegar to drink. **READ JOHN 19:28-30**

Add egg whites to the vinegar. Eggs represent life. Explain that Jesus gave His life to give us life. **READ JOHN 10:10-11**

Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and brush the rest into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' followers, and the bitterness of our own sin. **READ LUKE 23:27**

So far the ingredients are not very appetizing. Add 1 cup sugar. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know Him and belong to Him. **READ PSALM 34:8 AND JOHN 3:16**

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Beat with a mixer on high speed for 11-15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed. Explain that the color white represents purity in God's eyes of those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus. **READ ISAIAH 1:18 AND JOHN 3:1-3**

Fold in broken nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto waxed paper-covered cookie sheet. Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. **READ MATTHEW 27:65-66**

Put cookie sheet in the oven. Close the door and turn the oven OFF. Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed.

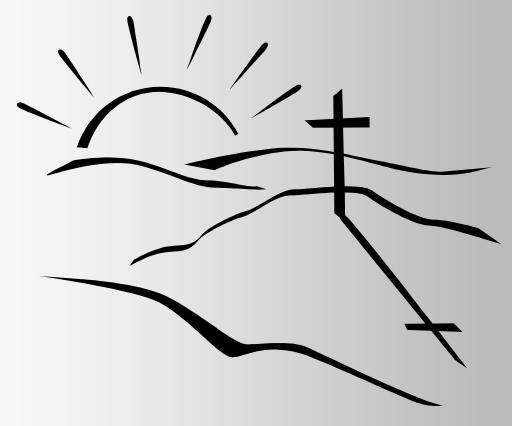
READ MATTHEW 27:65-66

GO TO BED!!!

Explain that they may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight. Jesus' followers were in despair when the tomb was sealed. **READ JOHN 16:20, 22**

On Resurrection morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie! Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! On the first Resurrection Day, Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty.

READ MATTHEW 28:1-9



HE HAS RISEN! HALLELUJAH!

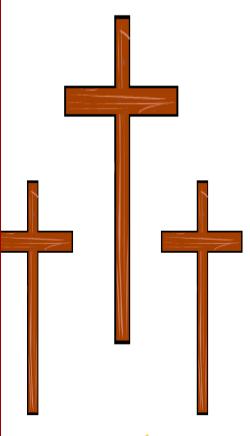
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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





March 16, 2013

March Gathering

Chapel Hill UMC 2717 W. Hefner Road, Oklahoma City, OK

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

March 16, 2013 PCE Board Meeting Chapel Hill UMC

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2717 W. Hefner Road - OKC

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March 21, 2013 DEADLINE FOR PILGRIM APPLICATIONS FOR MEN'S

WALK #129!

March 23, 2013 Team Training and walk-thru for

Walks 129 & 130 Ridgecrest UMC

Training begins at 8:00 AM

April 4, 2013 DEADLINE FOR PILGRIM
APPLICATIONS FOR WOMEN'S

WALK #130!

April 4-7, 2013 Men's Walk #129

April 11, 2013

April 25, 2013

April 18-21, 2013

Ridgecrest UMC

3629 NW 25th Street - OKC

Men's Fourth Day

Ridgecrest UMC

3629 NW 25th Street - OKC

Women's Walk #130

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Women's 4th Day

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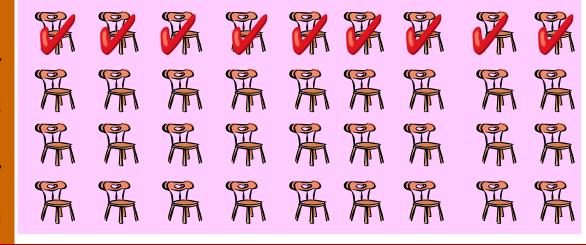
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MEN'S WALK #129



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