



From The Bread Of Life Walk to Emmaus

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... from your Community Lay Director ...

The focus of Emmaus is God as known in Jesus Christ and how that finds expression in the local church. The objective of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip local church members for Christian action in their home, churches, and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled life to be lived and shared with others.

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Can you believe it? The spring walks for 2007 are behind us now. Having the walks at Wheatstate Camp was a new and positive experience for our community. God provided us with the perfect warm weather (thank you!). I loved waking up each morning and hearing the birds singing as I walked the paths of the camp. I hope you, too, enjoyed the wonderful surroundings. But of course, the joy of Emmaus can happen in ANY setting, that's the beauty of it!

Did you share the blessings of hearing the testimonies at either of the closings? I am always humbled at how God knows just what each pilgrim needs when they come. Some need agape, some need direction, some need affirmation, and some just need to know HIM more. And He always comes through! But God also works in the lives of those who serve behind the scenes! I received an email from a wonderful Emmaus servant who has had some health struggles, and after working in the kitchen during the women's weekend, she had this to say - "I was trying to sleep Sunday night, but kept rejoicing at all the love I was shown, it finally hit me! DUH! This was Emmaus and that is what we do! We love people with the love of God until they finally get it!" Amen, sister, and thank you for putting in to words what we all understand with our hearts!

On behalf of the Board, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who served in any capacity during the walks. I hope you saw Jesus as you were His hands and feet. Please pray for our community and be faithful in attending your reunion groups and community gatherings. Save the dates of October 18-21 & October 25-28 and see what God has in store for us there!

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Men's Walk 87, October 18-21, 2007, Garden City, KS

Lay Director: Steve Mayo

Women's Walk 88, October 25-28, 2007, Garden City, KS

Lay Director: Karren Skelton

... Welcome Pilgrims ...

It is with great pleasure that we welcome these men and women of Walks 85 & 86 into the Bread of Life Emmaus Community!

The Men of Walk 85 (pilgrim, home church, sponsor)

Michael Carney, Wichita, Aldersgate UMC, Mike Gaddie
Dwight Hersh, Halstead, Halstead Meth, Melanie Beckett
Chris Hutchison, Lakin, Lakin UMC, Robert Riedl
Robert Koenemann, Wichita, West Haysville Baptist, Dan & Jill Moratto
Dennis Kuder, Kinsley, Kinsley & Lewis UMC, Bob McKinney
Doug Lind, Marion, Eastmoor UMC, John Dvorak
Byron Moeder, Clearwater, Clearwater UMC, Gordon & Maxine Mikesell
Wade Reichmann, Maize, Asbury UMC, Chris McNiel
Craig Schmitz, Wichita, Aldersgate UMC, Mike Gaddie
Gary Unger, Burden, Tisdale UMC, Allen Rush
David, Yenni, Lindsborg, Trinity UMC, Pastor David Smith
Charles Kreitlow, Wichita, Grace Fellowship, Kirk Hayden

The Women of Walk 86 (pilgrim, home church, sponsor)

Kathy Adkins, Haysville, Asbury UMC, Pam McCutcheon
Linda Alderman, Sterling, Mary Alice Hertzler
Lisa Ash, Wichita, St Mark UMC, Renee Jones
Barbara Black, Winfield, First UMC, Phyllis Kumorowski
Bethann Black, Florence, Florence UMC, Kevin Fruechting
Robin Bock, Belpre, Lewis UMC, Diana Amon
Eva Lee Butin, Halstead, Halstead UMC, Bryce & Melanie Beckett
Kimberly Byard, Hutchinson, Westside Baptist, Victor Curtis - co spon -
Francine Davis
Ruth Clark, Haysville, Haysville UMC, Jon & Pamela Turkle
Nancy Davis, Garden City, Cornerstone Church, Marsha Jarboe
Ami Dorsey, Cunningham, UMC, Bill & Diana Stapleton
Helen Hersh, Halstead, Halstead UMC, Bryce & Melanie Beckett
Kara Hinton, Florence, Florence UMC, Leslie & Linda Allison
Helen Holcomb, Cunningham, Cunningham UMCC, Diana Stapleton
Wanda Hughes, Wichita, St Mark UMC, Renee Jones
Heather Hutchison, Lakin, Lakin UMC, Kay Riedl & Sundi Puckett
Joyce Jackson, Haysville, Haysville UMC, Betty Roeser
Helen Koenemann, Wichita, West Haysville Baptist, Dan & Jill Moratto
Laree Kreitlow, Wichita, Grace Fellowship, Laura Hayden
Deanna Kuder, Kinsley, Kinsley UMC, Judi McKinney
Ginny Lind, Marion, Eastmoor UMC, Carol Dvorak
Oleta McKinney, Towanda, Towanda UMC, Betty Corbin
Raquel Moeder, Clearwater, Clearwater UMC, Gordon & Maxine Mikesell
Alice Reimer, Satanta, Pleasant Prairie Church of God, Angela Reimer
Ellen Schraeder, Halstead, Presbyterian, Kim Wedel & Melanie Beckett
Carol Sinclair, Wicahita, Unity Church, DeloresDodge

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Dana Smith, Udall, Udall UMC, Sandra Groene
Carlene Swearingin, Haysville UMC, Pamela Turkle & Betty Roeser
Dana Taylor, Wichita, East Heights UMC, Donna Goltry
Glenda Thornhill, Cunningham, UMC, Diana Stapleton & Rosanna Sullivan
Betty Turkle, Haysville, Haysville UMC, Jon & Pamela Turkle
Cynthia Unger, Burden, Tisdale UMC, Allen Rush
Carrie Vahsholtz, Pratt, Pratt First UMC, Courtney Eck

Let's also remember the men and women who heard God's call and answered, "Yes Lord". These are the Mens and Womens Team Members for walks 85 and 86:

Men; Del Rinehart, Mike Puckett, Chris McNeil, Bob Riedl, Mel Meyer, Jeff Herzet, Roger Mericle, Alan Rush, Nick Nickelson, Jim Jarboe, Carl Warner, Steve Mead, Alan Harr, Stuart Reed, Mark Sanson, Dan Moratto, Gene McIntosh

Women; Mary Duft, Barbara Gray, Kristy Gaddie, Francine Davis, Janell Mead, Peg Sanson, Nancy Harris, Susan Higbee, Jane Curtis, Pam McCutcheon, Joleen Ross, GiGi Dudeck, Donna Schrag, Lynne Keesling, Diana Stapleton, Nancy Reeves, Bill Salmon, Bill Dyar, Lyn Linde, Nancy Proffitt, Jill Moratto, Allison Reed, Rhonda Clark, Leigh Anne Stelter, Judi McKinney

... Servanthood Opportunities ...

Agape - Thank you all so much for all the agape you made or brought to the spring walks! You are so creative and I am always blessed when I see the gifts! Thank you to those who helped with the table setting and cleaning, balloon tying, rainbow building, agape letter writing, praying over the pilgrims' agape letters, decorating letter bags, making agape, getting to know you conversations, and all the other things that went on in the agape area. You touched my heart!!! If you are thinking about the fall walks already, we need 65 pieces and in the spirit of anonymity we ask that no individual names be listed. You may list your church or your reunion group or your community, if you like. When reflecting on the walks, one thing that came to me was the agape of the walk itself. Who do you know that would like to be loved with a Walk to Emmaus? It is not too soon to begin praying about who you might be lead to sponsor for the walks in October. When I remember my walk in the fall of 2003, one of the blessings that comes to mind is that my sponsors wanted to share their experience on the walk with me. We all know the walk is different for each of us but the spirit of the experience is the same whether in Kansas or Australia or England. Think of all the brothers and sisters you have met as you worked behind the scenes or those who shared your table. Doesn't your heart just burn all over again to remember how your eyes were opened when He broke bread with you on your walk to Emmaus? With whom would you share that walk? Blessings to each of you! DeColores! Marsha Jarboe, Walk #72, Table of Esther.

Snacks - Melanie Beckett and I want to thank everyone who helped with snacks at the men's and women's walks at Wheat State Camp. We had a wonderful help with preparing the snacks and we had a lot of donations of food for the pilgrims to munch on. As always we could not have done it with out your help. Thank you for showing Christ's love and being Christ in action. Hope to see you at the fall walk in Garden City. DeColores! Sidney Worf, walk 28 table of Naomi.

Facilities - I would for sure like to thank the guys from the "Panera Bread" reunion group for all there help loading and unloading the trailer at Fist Church. Would like to thank Nancy Reeves' church for donating the round tables for both weekends. Stuart Reed for getting the sound system from Barklay College. Also like to thank everyone else who helped during the walk weekends parking cars, setting up tables, etc. Where ever there was a need people jumped right in and helped. Mark Sanson.

Kitchen - I really appreciate all those who helped in the kitchen on the Men and Women's walks. I hope you all had some fun and good fellowship as well as a good feeling of giving during your time in the kitchen. I know that I did. I look forward to seeing everyone in Garden City this October and hope that those of you who were unable to help this spring, will be able to help in the kitchen at the fall walks. We really do have a good time.
Decolores, Barry L. Park, Walk 77, Table of Paul

Fourth Days - The Wichita Gatherings will be at Aldersgate United Methodist Church on Saturday May 5 and Saturday June 9 at 6:30 P.M. following the Aldersgate Saturday evening 5:30 Worship service. Plan to attend the worship service which features live music and good fellowship, then stay for the gathering. Ron Duphorne

Prayer Room - Prayer Room and 72-Hour Prayer Vigil

Love the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to obey his commands, to hold fast to him, and to serve him with all your heart and all your soul. ~ Joshua 22:14

WELCOME, PILGRIMS, to the Bread of Life Emmaus Community. May your walk with God be guided by that verse. While you were on the walk you heard, as a pilgrim, you were prayed for, even before we knew you were coming on the walk. During the walks a team of servants prayed diligently in our little "Prayer House in the Woods". I'd like to thank everyone who stepped in and took over the prayer room when I was called home due to a family emergency. Special thanks and heartfelt gratitude go to each one of you. Because we serve anonymously, I won't list you by name, but please know how much you blessed the pilgrims, the community, and me by serving so beautifully in the prayer room. I heard there were lots of "God bumps" moments, much spiritual leakage from the eyes, marathon prayers offered, and many hearts touched. Praise God! Whether you helped in the prayer room, participated in the 72 hour prayer vigil, or simply prayed when you felt led, may you be blessed by your offering to the Lord! Barb Jarboe, Table of Mary, Walk #70

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