

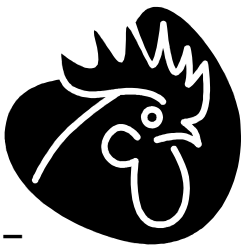


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Men's Walk #99
October 7th -10th, 2010
First UMC, Wichita
Lay Director Eric Strickler
Spiritual Director Harry
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Women's Walk #100

October 14th-17th, 2010
First UMC, Wichita
Lay Director Sidney Worf
Spiritual Director Lyn Linde



Just Rick –
Bread of Life Community
Spiritual Director

JUST let me share a few thoughts as I reflect on the spring walks and prepare for the walks in the fall. God continues to amaze me in the ways He meets people where they are and in a few short days begins to transform them into who He desires them to be. As the layers of heartache, pain, frustration, insecurity, and struggles with self worth give way to forgiveness, restoration, renewal, hope, and joy. I thank God for this instrument called The Walk to Emmaus that allows people to truly experience God's grace. As the Emmaus Community, you are familiar with the phrase, "the means of grace". The Walk to Emmaus is an incredible means of grace that touches all who participate, the pilgrims, the team, and all who work and pray behind the scenes, with God's most blessed unconditional love. I praise God for that which He will do in the fall at Wichita. I can't wait!

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From The Bread of Life

Walk to Emmaus

CRUMBS

A Word from Our Community Lay Director

Greetings to all. **Wow** - that seems a trite way to describe the last set of walks. I think **Praise the Lord** would be better. Both walks were awesome. I hope that you who are new pilgrims are having blessed fourth days. I know that those who helped behind the scenes and those who served on the team didn't serve for a thank you. They served because of the fire and passion for the mission of Emmaus that resides in their hearts. I want to thank you all for your service. **God is so good!!!!**

Well it is time to move on to the next season. In Ecclesiastes 3:1 we read "There is a time for everything and a season for every activity in heaven." Spring is upon us and that season brings new growth and in that growth we see the beauty of God's creation. The new life we see reminds us of our own renewal we have seen in our walk with Christ. Part of our responsibility is to share the love and fire we have with others including the lost and prospective pilgrims. You have a few months to get sponsorship training so you can sponsor pilgrims for the walks in October. These walks will be held at 1st UMC in Wichita on October 7th and 14th.

Remember what was said in last month's article, about preparing our fields for harvest? We need to plant seeds of hope and possibilities for pilgrims and prepare for harvest in the fall with full walks. Never underestimate the power of our awesome God who hears our prayers of petition. In Philippians 1:6 we read "That he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus". We who are veterans of this ministry called The Walk to Emmaus need to keep our fire burning and help those who are new to The Walk to Emmaus keep their fire burning brightly as well. Psalm 66:16 tells us "Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what He has done for me". We need to be a witness to others. Tell them your story and we all have a story. Get them excited about the walks. Remember to prepare the fields.

Enjoy this new season and live it with excitement. Be full of the life God has given you. "Live simply, love generously, serve faithfully, speak truthfully, pray daily, and leave everything else to God".

Donna Schrag
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...News from the Board...

Sponsorship:

Have Training Will Travel!!! If you need sponsorship training, contact me. I will come to your Community Gathering and conduct a class for you.

Mel Meyer, Walk #71, Table of Mathew

Snacks:

"Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat? or, what shall we drink?" Matthew -6:31. Don and I asked for food donations at sendoff on Thursday for the snack room as we had limited quantities. In a short time, food started coming from everywhere as well as volunteers to help. Thanks to all who heard our plea. We had all the food and drinks that we needed for the weekend. God bless everyone for making our 1st experience as snack co-chairs a great one. Thank you all especially Don for truly blessing me. We look forward to Wichita in October.

Judi McKinney, Walk# 70, Table of Sarah
Don Janssen, Walk #22, Table of Mark

Kitchen:

We had a great set of walks in February and March. All the wonderful help we had in Garden City made my first time in charge go smoothly. Thank you all very much. We are looking forward to the next set of walks in Wichita. Keep the pilgrims in prayer.

Patty Huffman Walk #78 Table of Rebecca

Crumbs:

Do you have a pilgrim story you would like to see in the crumbs? Send it to us at my e-mail and we'll try to get it in the next issue.

Jim Jarboe Walk # 69 Table of Luke jjarb@pld.com

The Staff of the Crumbs offer our most sincere apology for omitting the following names of Pilgrims from Walks # 95 and # 96.

We welcome them to our Bread of Life Walk to Emmaus Community.

Walk # 95

Brad Hemphill Commerce, OK
Caid Adams Haysville
Jerry Hill Wichita
Jeremiah Lange Marion
Larry Beck Salina
Rob Bolton Lyons
Raymond Fertig Ellinwood
Derek Stout Haysville
Don McMillan Viola
Robert Beck Ellinwood
Matthew O'Hearn Wichita

Walk #96

Lisa Baker Ellinwood
Pat Donelson Cunningham
Terra Baily Medicine Lodge
Dani Lange Marion
Pam Beck Ellinwood
Sandy Stout Haysville
Judy Beck Salina
Jenny Hill Wichita
Jan Tucker Wichita
Heidi Bolton Lyons
Jane Fertig Ellinwood
Adena Stapleton Kansas City
Anita McMillan Clearwater
Amy Leslie Wichita

Welcome pilgrims from Walk # 97 and # 98 to the Bread of Life Walk to Emmaus Community. We all hope that your fourth days have been blessed.

The following are excerpts from the Lakin Methodist Life newsletter.

Emmaus Thoughts

The Lakin Emmaus Community sponsored twelve people to participate in the Walk to Emmaus this spring. There were three men and nine women. Following are comments from some of the attendees:

Earl Berlier: The Walk to Emmaus gave me the opportunity to bond with a great group of fellow Christians. It will put God into your life, every day, all day long.

Shannon McCormick: During our lifetime we all reach milestones that mark a point in time that is unforgettable. The Walk was certainly one of those moments in time for me.

Tom White: For me the Walk to Emmaus was a very memorable learning and renewing experience. The reminder that our faith is not a destination but a continuing journey, and examples of God's encompassing love were humbling and appreciated.

Peggy Calkins: I am so blessed to have had the opportunity to go on the Emmaus walk. This is definitely at the top of my list of the **Best** things I have ever done. I Pray I draw closer to God each day and continue to lean on Him, grow with Him and let Him lead me, in spite of what life throws at me.

Verda Dietz: How does one put into a few words all the wonderful experiences involved in the Walk to Emmaus? The most important thing I learned on this journey to Emmaus was that, in spite of the drastic change in my life, God's love still surrounds me. He truly does have me carved in the palm of his hand and plans for me to have a future of hope.

Lisa Grant: My Walk to Emmaus was a call to action. We're not in the Christian reserves. Playing Christian by going to church for one hour a month doesn't make me a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes me an auto mechanic. Jesus suffered and died for me and I can show my appreciation by using my talents to serve and praise him.

Patsy Jenks: Today I look back on my Walk to Emmaus still so clear in my mind, and one word cries out "**WOW**"--what a journey! God does work in mysterious ways, to show us our way. I know because when I felt all was lost to me, He has shown me I can go on. My friends knew what I needed and gave me "the gift" that will last forever, the Walk to Emmaus.

Kelly McCormick: My walk to Emmaus was like Spring. It was an awakening of my faith, a new beginning. I came away from the Walk with the most incredible feeling of love, acceptance, and renewal for my life and faith. I found out that the world didn't crumble without me for 72 hours. I thank all those who gave so much to make the Walk happen.

Darla White: God works through us in ways we don't realize. His love is... everywhere! My walk helped to open my eyes and my heart and make me feel worthy of his love!

Mary Lou Williams: My walk to Emmaus was truly amazing! There was lots of fun involved- sleep deprivation-and not enough showers but we all smelled the same, so it was OK. The food was good--the speakers were good--what was there not to like? By the way, can anybody tell me what time it is?

Men's Walk # 97

Charlie Williams, Garden City	Bob Baker, Ellinwood
Earl Berlier, Lakin	Russell Komlofske, Holcomb
Tom White, Lakin	Milton Gillespie, Hugoton
Kelley Burch, Leoti	Richard Bowman, Ellinwood
Frank Harper, Sedgwick	Chuck Allen, Garden City
Brian Stout, Ellinwood	Brad Glendening, Halstead
Paul Joseph, Garden City	Curtis Kreutzer, Leoti
Denton Berry, Scott City	Todd Patton, Scott City
Jeff Johns, Sedgwick	Gene Langdon, Leoti
Shannon McCormick, Lakin	Don Johnson, Garden City
Danny Alexander, Satanta	Steve Miller, Burdett
Will Thomas, Leoti	Randy Rogers, Scott City
Mathew Thykkuttathil, Garden City	

Women's Walk #98

Bev Glass, Garden City	Mary Lou Williams, Lakin
Karen Berry, Scott City	Renita Braddock, Garden City
Ang Murphy, Cunningham	Ann Wiles, Marienthal
Jane Johnson, Garden City	Lisa Grant, Lakin
Traci Tankersley, Leoti	Kristen Stout, Ellinwood
Candi Mason, Syracuse	Carolyn Leopold, Garden City
Kelley McCormick, Lakin	Shelly Mann, Deerfield
Stacy Rogers, Scott City	Ann Martin, Garden City
Zelda Milner, Ellinwood	Tessy Thykkuttathil, Garden City
Lanna Kreutzer, Leoti	Patsy Jenks, Lakin
Darla White, Lakin	Aimee Burch, Leoti
Rose Rockwell, Lewis	Alice Glendening, Halstead
Paula Rouse, New Strawn	Linda Hickok, Belle Plain
Margaret Miller, Burdett	Anna Reid, Kingman
Diane Hill, Ellinwood	Nancy Hayden, Rose Hill
Doris Langdon, Leoti	Peggy Calkins, Lakin
Verda Dietz, Lakin	Ruth Easton, Lakin
Michelle Komlofske, Holcomb	Marci Patton, Scott City
Barbara Allen, Garden City	Denease Johns, Sedgwick
Sharon Thomas, Paradise	Jeanette Weininger, Garden City



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Ark City/Walnut Valley Community - Contact Sylvia McAlister, 620-442-7685 or mmcalister1@cox.net - (3rd Sat.) - agape at 5:30, potluck, gather at 6:00 pm.
Cunningham - Contact Bill Stapleton, 620.324.5328 or wasj@gbta.net
Douglas - Spirit & Truth Community - 3rd Monday 6:30 pm, 316-746-2913, Journey Christian Fellowship, 311 S. Hwy 77. firstchurch99@yahoo.com.
Edwards County - Kinsley UMC or Lewis UMC - (3rd Thurs.) - Alternates between Kinsley & Lewis; meet at 7:00 pm Call 620.659.2273
Garden City - 1st UMC (located at Main & Kansas Avenue) - (3rd Sat.) - Meet at 7:00 pm. upstairs on the east end of the hallway, room 214. Email the Harders at dbbre@odsgc.net for more info.
Great Bend - Trinity UMC - (1st Tues.) - meet 6 pm for worship followed by fellowship meal at 7pm
Haysville - Contact Pamela Turkle, 316.524.3771
Haviland - Haviland Friends Church - currently not active, Contact Logan Vandenhook, 620.862.5617
Hutchinson - times and locations vary, Contact Barbara Gray, 620.664.6560 or baelgray@sbcglobal.net
Lakin - Lakin UMC - (3rd Wed.) - meet at 8 pm; bring snacks, Contact Jim Jarboe@620-355-6204
Larned - (3rd Mon.) - meet at 6 pm for worship followed by fellowship. Contact: Karen Skelton, 620.285.2909
Leoti - (twice a month) - 1st and 3rd Sundays at 6:30 pm, Leoti UMC
Marion County - Valley UMC - Contact Bob or Anita Brookens, 620.382.3556 or Gary or Jo Ella Hett, 620.382.3887
Quirira Community- Alden -Ellinwood- 2nd Thursday 7:00 pm, alternating locations. Contact Pam Beck at 620-564-3720
Salina/Lindsborg - Trinity UMC, 901 E. Neal - (2nd Sun.) - meet from 4 pm to 6 pm; contact Pastor Bill
Topeka/Sonflower Emmaus Community - (2nd Sat.) - Location varies; for further info. Contact sonfloweremmaus@cox.net
Wichita Community - No gatherings currently scheduled
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