



From The Bread of Life Walk to Emmaus

CRUMBS

Words from the Community Lay Director

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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior! I hope all of you had a blessed Christmas season and that 2015 is off to a good start. We are now in the middle of winter/spring season as temperatures go from zero to 80 degrees and back again.

The next set of walks will be here before we know it. The men's walk #117 is March 12 – 15 and the women's walk #118 is March 19-22 in Garden City, KS at the First United Methodist Church, 1106 N. Main. Pilgrims of walks #115 and #116, you are no longer pilgrims but are the newest members of our community and we welcome you! This is your chance to see what goes on behind the scenes and what it takes to put on a walk. Come for a few hours, a day, or the whole weekend, you will be blessed just as those who worked behind the scenes on your walk were. Just come to the kitchen or the agape room and you will have a great time.

We can't have a walk without Pilgrims and we can't have Pilgrims without sponsors. So find someone in your church, community, or family who could benefit from The Walk to Emmaus and invite them to go. If you have never sponsored anyone on a walk before, seek out your local reunion group for training. Training only takes a few minutes and is necessary to ensure your pilgrim has a great experience. Sponsors, remember that it takes a lot more to be a sponsor than just dropping your pilgrim off at the church. You are their contact with the outside world in case of an emergency. You need to make sure they have plenty of letters and that your pilgrim has lots of support during candle light and closing. A sponsor should spend time working behind the scenes helping with the walk so everything runs smoothly and your pilgrim has a great Emmaus experience.

And now may "The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26

John Huffman

Men's Walk #117
March 12 – 15, 2015
Garden City FUMC

Women's Walk #118
March 19 - 22, 2015
Garden City FUMC

**Applications and
sponsorship
information available
on the Bread of Life
community website.**

Emmaus Board Notes:

Good news! We have new board members for the next three year term! Please join us in welcoming:

Emily Ansel--Deerfield, KS

Jim Fetty--Scott City, KS

Jenny Maier--Garden City, KS

Bob Sheetz-Rock, KS

Nikki Willis--Halstead, KS

Due to the recent changes on the Board, this issue of the Crumbs will be slightly smaller in information, however, once everyone settles in, articles will follow. Looking forward to seeing you all in March in Garden City!

From the Kitchen ...

Come and join the fun of working behind the scenes of the walks this spring. The kitchen always has openings for the community to come and serve. Join the blessing!



Got Agape?

The spring walks are quickly approaching and agape is needed. If your community is preparing agape to send, please send 70 pieces for the men's walk and 70 pieces for the women's walk.

Remember, you are always welcome to come serve in the agape room during the walks!

Registrar

Happy New Year! I pray this year has found your walk with Jesus to be greater and stronger than ever. I am excited to serve as registrar again this year and look forward to helping sponsors get pilgrims registered for the upcoming walks..... And those walks are quickly approaching.

The Men's Walk is scheduled for March 12th-15th and the Women's Walk is set for March 19th-22nd in Garden City at the First United Methodist Church.

If you haven't had sponsorship training yet, please contact myself or another board member and we will help you prepare for the sponsorship of a pilgrim in Garden City.

We are continually grateful to the sponsors of all pilgrims and for taking the responsibility to serve. There are many jobs behind the scenes and we so appreciate the willingness of everyone who is available to help.

Please check the website for access to applications and sponsorship forms. The website is www.breadoflifecommunity.com. They can be mailed directly to me at my home address which is on the sponsorship form. You may also contact me by email or phone with any questions.

Be blessed!

Michelle Komlofske

From the Snack Crew ...

As we move into the springtime, it reminds us that the Spring Walks are not far behind. That makes us think about snacks! We always need homemade cookies, brownies, fresh fruit and vegetables (cleaned and ready to serve, if possible). If your pilgrim has a special favorite, please let us know. REMEMBER! for Send-Off we will need two large trays of sandwiches ready to put on the tables for each walk. We pray we have a large crowd to help send Pilgrims off!

DeColores!

Karen Oliver

Come, Holy Spirit

Please turn to page 48 in your Worship Guide and join me in the Prayer to the Holy Spirit... I hope to bring a smile as you read that line - I hope to help you remember your Walk - I hope to prompt you to be in conversation with Our Lord. With that opening prayer, we implore Our Lord to move - to act - to kindle the fire of His Love in the hearts of His faithful. We declare our own belief that His Spirit absolutely converts the questioning mind; And in so doing, He brings a change - a renewal - to this earth. The prayer goes on to remind ourselves of His great power to guide His followers, and we ask to be included in that long list of faithful men and women of action.

We've all recited that prayer, and we know through the words of Jesus, told in Matthew 18:19, that when "two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven." Many have prayed that the people of the Bread of Life Community be moved to act in support of the Board of Directors and many have prayed that the upcoming Walks be staffed by a willing and spirit-filled conference room team. I believe Our Lord has heard our many prayers. We have had fantastic people raise their hands and step forward to help in each of these matters.

Do not deny the Lord's attempts to act on you - He is responding to your very own plea to be guided by His hand - Our next "need" is for Pilgrims - reach out and make contact - ask your reunion group to help you. Remember that the Board members are a great resource, too! Christ is Counting on You! You've prayed to be guided - don't just ask - listen! Come, Holy Spirit - The Glory is Yours. We give you thanks for all the gifts you have bestowed upon us. Amen.

De Colores,

Nate Matt

Walk Activities

The action takes place in Garden City this spring! Thursday March 12th and again on the 19th, starting at 6:30 P.M., we will be sending off the pilgrims in style. Whether you are sponsoring a pilgrim or not, you are invited to attend sponsors hour immediately following send-off.

Saturday night we will be looking for members to join us in the Cluck Chorus. We will meet in the kitchen about 4:30 to have a short practice. I am still looking for a pianist both nights. Community gathers Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. for snacks and moves to the sanctuary around 8 to prepare for the pilgrims. We will gather for closing in the sanctuary Sundays at 3:00. I hope to see you at any or all of the walk activities on both weekends to help support the pilgrims of walks # 117 and # 118.

De Colores, John Huffman



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Monthly Gatherings of the Emmaus Community

Ark City/Walnut Valley Community – contact Sylvia McAlister, 620-442-7685 or rmcalister1@cox.net. Potluck, gather at 6:00 p.m.

Cunningham – contact Kathy Albers at kalbers49@cox.net or 620-298-2725

Douglass – Spirit & Truth Community – 4th Monday 6:30 p.m., 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 and Lewis; meet at 7:00 p.m. 620-659-2273

Garden City – 1st UMC Main and Kansas Avenue. 3rd Sat. – Meet at 7:00 p.m. upstairs room 214.

Norton – 1st UMC 3rd Saturday at 6:00 p.m., contact Pastor Lyn Lind.

Halstead – 1st Saturday Contact Bryce Beckett 316-259-6861

Haysville – After Services 3rd Sunday Contact Sandy Stout at swstout@cox.net

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 p.m. Bring snacks. Contact Jim Jarboe @ 620-355-6204

Larned – 4th Mon. 6 p.m. at the Larned United Methodist Church. Fellowship to follow. Contact Rev. Bethann Black (620) 285-3183 or at revbethann@cox.net

Leoti – 3rd Sunday at 6:00 p.m., Leoti UMC. Contact Shad Mehl at mehibox@fairpoint.net

Marion County – Valley UMC – contact Bob or Anita Brookens, 620-382-3556 or Gary or Jo Ella Hett, 620-382-3887

Quivira Community – Alden-Ellinwood – 2nd Thursday 7:00 p.m., alternating locations. Contact Pam Beck at 620-564-3720

Salina/Lindsborg – Trinity UMC, 901 E. Neal – 2nd Sun. Meet from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Contact Pastor Bill

Topeka/Sonflower Emmaus Community – 2nd Sat. Location varies; for further info, contact sonfloweremmaus@cox.net

Wichita Reflection Reunion Group – Meets at the Copper Oven every other Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Contact Pat Johnson pjohn3382@cox.net

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