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From The Bread of Life Walk to Emmaus

CRUMBS

Don't Wait!

**Plan Now to Sponsor a
pilgrim for the fall walks in
Wichita!**

Online Applications:

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Upcoming Fall Walks to Emmaus

Men's Walk #95

Oct. 15th-18th

First UMC, Wichita

Lay Director Mark Sanson

Women's Walk #96

Oct. 22nd - 25th

First UMC, Wichita

Lay Director Diana Stapleton



Upcoming Spring Walks to Emmaus

Men's Walk #97

Feb. 25th-28th

First UMC, Garden City

Women's Walk #98

March 4th-7th

First UMC, Garden City



A Word From Our Community Lay Director

Greetings,

First I would like to say welcome to the new pilgrims of walks number 93 and 94. It was wonderful to see your shining faces at candlelight and at closing. I thank you for sharing your experience with us. If you feel led you may submit an article about your experience on the Walk to Emmaus, to share with the entire Bread of Life Community by sending it to the Crumbs editor Beth Strickler.

“The Beauty of the Walk to Emmaus is that it continues on the fourth day, as disciples bring renewal and leadership to their congregations. The goal of Emmaus is to make disciples, to renew congregations, and to make the world more Christian.” Pilgrims return to the church and bring with them their excitement and enthusiasm and a renewal of their spiritual journey.

“It is like the water cycle, which continues to renew the land. The rain falls, filters down to streams and rivers that lead to the ocean, and replenishes the earth. It is then drawn back into the atmosphere where the water is released again in rain. The relationship between the Walk to Emmaus and the church is a blessed cycle of renewal.” The church, through Emmaus, quenches the pilgrims’ thirst for spiritual depth; pilgrims, in turn, return to the church to help meet its needs for spiritual renewal. Each is a blessing to the other.” This was an excerpt from Coming Down from the Mountain.

To the new pilgrims from Walks 93 & 94, you have been blessed by agape love. It is now up to you what you do with that gift. Will you take it home and keep it to yourself? Or will you share it with others in your church? It’s up to you. You have been rained upon, filtered back to your streams and rivers to help renew your churches. Will you stay in your stream or river? Or will you send the rain for someone else by being a co-sponsor with your sponsor?

I hope to see all of you during the October walks in Wichita. There is always food to cook, snacks to prepare and serve, agape gifts to make, and we hope you all will spend time in the prayer room. Come to the Emmaus Fair on August 29th from 1-4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Wichita, and check out the many opportunities to serve. Who knows, you might be the next “chicken”!

DeColores,
Deb Hartman
Community Lay Director
Walk #48, Table of Sarah



Deadline for applications is October 1 for fall walks in Wichita and will be processed on a first come, first served basis. Applications will be dated when received by the Registrar.

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Just Rick...

I find it interesting that the “Walk” to Emmaus is not always considered to be a “walk.” For some it is a run. For some it is a crawl. For some it is drop and roll, likened to a boot camp. Yet for all, it is intended to be advancement in spiritual growth, no matter the pace, no matter the uphill climb or the downhill coast.

Think about it - the first night of making a new best friend, receiving instructions to keep quiet, taking off your watch, being told just enough to keep you guessing, many want to “walk” right out of the building (right Nick?). Then there are talks, skits, songs, times for worship, snacks, and more snacks. But pretty soon, all begins to make sense. All begins to reach to the very depths of the soul. And the realization that God loves you and others love you often becomes overwhelming. Yes, walking right into the arms of Jesus. It’s awesome isn’t it?

My wife and I like to go for walks. Walking indicates a movement from somewhere to somewhere else. That’s what the hope is for all who attend the Walk to Emmaus. That you will move from where you are to a strong personal relationship with God through His Son Jesus Christ.

I hope that was the case for each and every one of you, especially for you new pilgrims. I encourage and challenge each of you to keep walking (which may include crawling, running, even times when you drop and roll). As you do so, I pray that God’s love will draw you ever closer to Him and to one another.

De Colores!
Rev. Rick Just



Welcome New Bread of Life Members!

Walk #94

Jan Carrasco
Jane Embree
Garee Geist
Tresea Schnittker
Darlene Knutson
Carolyn Hunter
Jennifer Smith
Lisa Beckwith
June Janzen
Janet Whittington
Donna Newsom
Eleanor Taylor
Vicki Patrick
Ruth Thrasher
Laurel Thomas
Lisa Powell
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Walk #93

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Duane Nuzum
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Kurt Powell
John Young
Scott Fessler

Chrysalis Flights #34

Micah Williams
Tyler Dowty
Kylee Martin
Lauren Wedel
Kaycee Speiser
Crista McKee
Mitzi Paul
Stephanie Nelson
Tiffany Cox
Kayla Graff
Bethany Juergens
Valerie Peterson
Kristal Duft
Jesi Tilsworth

Chrysalis Flights #34

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Jeremiah Nuzum
Taylor Garrett
Brent Powell
Brennen Holcomb
Dennis Kreutzer
Daniel Jensen
Tyler Ward
Rory Reed
Jesse West
Daniel West,
Collin Wittig
Dalton Walker
Drew Smith
Waco Kile
Justin Stackhouse
Gabriel (Tap) Tasker
Jarek Brill
Joshua Franklin
Kaleb Franklin
Jared Bashaw
Patrick Maitwe

GREETINGS from SPONSORSHIP Chair . . .

Have you completed your sponsorship training? If not, no problem. Be at our Emmaus Fair on Saturday, August 29 and we will have a training class at 1:30 p.m. If you can't make it then, contact me and we can work something out to get you training.

Mel Meyer, Walk 71, Table of Matthew
620.324.5812 / sfcmlm86@gbta.net





Emmaus Fair – Sat., August 29, 1 - 4 PM

Come enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship with your Emmaus Community. The Emmaus fair will be at **First United Methodist Church, 330 N. Broadway St., in Wichita (park on the east side of the building) from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m..** Each work area of the walk will be represented with informative displays, signup lists, and activities to get you excited about what God is doing on the walks and in our fourth days. We will have agape ideas and a "make it" agape table as well. **Special Activities Include:** 1:30 Sponsorship Training, 2:00 PowerPoint Presentation Tips, 2:30 Cluck Chorus Practice (all invited), 3:00 Emmaus Community Gathering with worship, singing and an opportunity to pray over the team members of the fall walks.

What can you do? Wear your cross lanyard and name tag. (Lost yours? Order a new one at the fair!) **We'd like each community and reunion group to bring a snack to share.** Please come enjoy the day with your Emmaus Family. We might even have a chicken or two!!

...Calling All Servants...

Snacks: Thank you all for furnishing such wonderful goodies for the snacks that were presented at Haviland. I am looking forward to being at 1st United Methodist Church in Wichita in October. If any of you want to furnish snacks for that walk, please notify me by email or phone. It would help me tremendously if you would let me know what you want to bring before the week of the walk as that is when I will do my shopping. Again, thank you so much, your efforts are appreciated by me, but most of all the pilgrims and team. Please come and help in the snack kitchen, we would appreciate your time. It is a lot of fun preparing for the pilgrims and getting things ready. We have fun and fellowship serving others. De Colores, Donna Schrag, dschrag1@cox.net / 316.640.7522



From The Kitchen Dude: I just want to thank everyone who was a part of the Haviland walks either through your personal attention or the prayers that you raised up during each weekend. It was greatly appreciated and I look forward to seeing you all in October for another set of glorious walks.

Barry L. Park, Walk 77, Table of Paul



A Fourth Day Testimony

I wanted to thank you for everything you did for me on the walk. God used each and every person, on a daily basis, to speak to, convict, comfort and encourage me. I experienced the Love of God fresh and new. I still don't know the complete work that He did, it will take every day of my life to see the completed work that He began or nurtured on that weekend. I do know though, like you, God was at work in many ways and through many different people. I know we came into the presence of a LOVING God that weekend.

One more thing I know is certain, No one can come into the presence of God and walk away the same. When we come into the presence of a Righteous God our sin is reflected through His Love so we experience His Grace and Mercy. We are drawn to Him to love Him and serve Him. I will never be the same as I was when I stepped on that campus on Thursday evening. Thank God for that. He loves us so much (For God so Loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life) to allow us to stay in the same place. He desires that we grow in knowledge of His love, transforming our lives to the image of Christ, living in love with Him, reflecting the image of Christ to a hurting and dying world. I pray that you experience God's unfailing Love every day for the rest of the days that God blesses you with here on this earth.

For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus. ~Philippians 1: 6

Things have been moving along as each day comes and goes. I have been in a constant state of reflection. God is doing wonderful things and I was blessed to have the opportunity to attend both the candle light service and send off service. What a time!! It was really good to see most of you and I am amazed how God took me back and I was able to re-experience my first candle light and send off. It was a great blessing beyond words. I am looking forward to opportunity to serve, prayerfully in October, on a walk.

I believe God is giving me many opportunities to reflect His Love to others. I am investigating some possible ministry opportunities with youth in a small but growing church. I am investigating Youthville and the possibility of school or all the above if it works out. Again I thank each of you for your obedience to God and am grateful for how that obedience has affected my life. You are all very special to God and to me.

I want to close with Paul's word in Philippians 1: 9-11 "And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God."

De Colores... (aren't they magnificent?)

Your Brother in Christ,

Scott W. Walls, scott.walls@sbcglobal.net

Walk #94, Table of Mark



Monthly Gatherings of the Emmaus Community



The Bread of Life Walk to Emmaus

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Cunningham - Contact Bill Stapleton, 620.324.5328 or wasj@gbta.net
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 p.m. upstairs on the east end of the hallway, room 214. Email the Harders at adbre@odsqcn.net for more info.

Great Bend - Trinity UMC - (1st Tues.) - meet 6 pm for worship followed by fellowship meal at 7pm

Haysville - Contact Pamela Turtle, 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: Leigh Anne Steller, 620.285.6694 or Karen Skelton, 620.285.2909

Leoti - (twice a month) - 1st and 3rd Sundays at 6:30 p.m., Leoti UMC

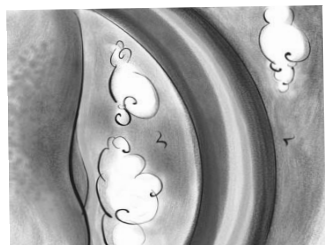
Marion County - Valley UMC - Contact Bob or Anita Brookens, 620.382.3556 or Gary or Jo Ella Hett, 620.382.3887

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 - Upcoming Fourth Day Event to be announced.

Fourth Days



We are wanting to update our list of active reunion groups within the Bread of Life Community. Please send your information (time, place, day and contact person) to Gloria King at gking602@aol.com or call at 620-665-8999 and leave a message. This will help us when we get requests about reunion groups and we can let them know where the groups are meeting.

Gloria King

DeColores,

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