



From The Bread Of Life Walk to Emmaus

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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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... from your Community Lay Director ...

As I assume the awesome responsibility and privilege of being Community Lay Director, many things have been going through my mind. I think back to my Walk in the Spring of 2003, Walk 68. I was in a whirlwind of circumstances and nearing the low point of my life. God used my Walk to show me AGAPE, what I needed most - unconditional love. And as I ascended from that low point in the 4th days that followed, the Bread of Life Community gave me a place to find the joy of anonymous servanthood, many friendships, and a deeper understanding of God's grace. I would not be who I am or where I am today without Emmaus.

I inherited a bag full of heavy notebooks as board chairman. The notebooks are full of our history - all the way back to 1986 when the Bread of Life was in its formative stages. While reading this history, it helped me recognize once again that this thing called Emmaus has changed and impacted countless lives! There are probably hundreds of stories similar to mine. We serve an amazing God.

As our Community begins 2007, we can look forward to our Spring Walks at Wheat State Camp in Augusta, and our Fall Walks in Garden City. There are many areas you can serve behind the scenes during a walk. I invite you to come and find one you love!

Our Community also has two big challenges. The first is that we need pilgrims! Our walks are never filled to capacity. What a waste! That space could be taken up by someone who needs to hear exactly what God has for them here at Emmaus! Please look around your life - at home, at church, at work - surely there is someone you know who would benefit from receiving the gift of attending a Walk. The second challenge lies with the Wichita Community gatherings. They have moved beyond being on life support, they are on death row. As a Community, we cannot survive without these monthly gatherings. We need each other! The gatherings are the life blood that sustains the time between Walks. Ron Duphorne (a new board member with a long history in Emmaus) has accepted the task of the Fourth Days position, which is responsible for gatherings. If you have ideas or input, I know he will be glad to talk with you. When you read about the gathering - put it on your calendar! Make it a priority to be there! (With that in mind, mark your calendars for February 10th when we'll meet again at Aldersgate UMC.)

As we reflect on our past history and look forward together, let's put GOD FIRST and follow HIS leading, and watch the Bread of Life community grow in 2007!

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... monthly gatherings ...

Location	Date/Time	Comments
Alden – Alden UMC	4th Thursday	Meet at 6:00pm
Ark City – Walnut Valley Community – Winfield Grace UMC	3rd Saturday	Gather at 6:00pm to do agape, then have a potluck, and finish with worship and communion. For more info contact: Judy Grant at judy@thegrantclan.org
Cunningham		Contact Bill Stapleton, 620-324-5328 or wasj@gbta.net
Edwards County – Kinsley UMC or Lewis UMC	3rd Thursday	Alternates between Kinsley and Lewis; meet at 7:00pm. Call 620-659-2233 or 620-659-2273 for more information.
Garden City – First UMC	1st Saturday	Meet at 7:00pm; contact Sidney Worf, 620-275-0543
Great Bend – Trinity UMC, 5700 Broadway	1st Tuesday	Meet 6:00pm worship followed by fellowship meal at 7:00pm
Haviland – Haviland Friends Church	4th Sunday	Meet 6:00pm for fellowship meal followed by worship and praise; contact Everett Jantz, 620-862-5258
Hutchinson – South Hutchinson Mennonite Church, 808 S. Poplar	3rd Monday	Meet 7:00pm for finger foods and fellowship (activity center); 7:30pm for gathering and communion in Sanctuary; contact Connie Warrington, 620-960-8001; or email to connie49@sbcglobal.net
Lakin – Lakin UMC	3rd Wed.	Meet at 8:00pm; bring snacks
Larned – FUMC, 201 N. Main	3rd Monday	Meet 6:00pm for Worship followed by 7:00pm carry-in supper
Marion County – Valley UMC		Contact either Bob and Anita Bob Brookens at 620-382-3556, or Gary and JoElla Hett at 620-382-3887.
Salina/Lindsborg – Trinity UMC, 901 E. Neal	2nd Sunday	Meet from 4:00pm to 6:00pm; contact Pastor Bill
Topeka/Sonflower Emmaus Community	2nd Saturday	Location varies; for further information contact sonfloweremmaus@cox.net
Wichita Community	2nd Saturday	Aldersgate UMC; 5:30pm for service; 6:30pm for fellowship and snacks.

... servanthood opportunities ...

AGAPE: Hello, brothers and sisters in Christ! It is only a few weeks until we have the opportunity to serve behind the scenes and create an environment for the Holy Spirit to do His work with the pilgrims called to these Walks. God has a purpose for each of us in this time and place, also. I hope you find you're called to be at Wheat State Camp for the two Walks or a portion of them. I look forward to getting to know you, and the Agape Room is a good place to do that! (I believe we will be in the mezzanine area of the Main Lodge at the Camp.) We always have lots to do, so please know each of you is invited and welcome to participate! A lot of help is appreciated as we clear and reset the tables after each meal. The rainbow will be built on Saturday, so expert (or not so expert) balloon "tie-ers" are especially needed. All through the weekend we have placemats to color, and bags for the pilgrim's letters to decorate. The Agape room is sometimes a good place to "sit a spell" if you've been busy in the kitchen. Someone is usually around from right after breakfast until after the last talk of the day. If your reunion group or community is making agape, please bring 65 pieces, and in the spirit of anonymity we ask that no individual names be on the pieces. Also remember to pick up any left over agape before Closing of the Women's Walk. (Because of limited storage we are unable to store left over agape from Walk to Walk.) Anyone interested in being a part of the Agape committee may contact me through the email address or phone number shown in the column to the left. Peace and joy to you! DeColores! Marsha Jarboe, Walk 72, Table of Esther

... servanthood opportunities, continued ...

BOOK TABLE: We are in need of more "gently used" Christian books for the Book Table on the upcoming Walks. You can bring them to the registration area at the beginning of each Walk weekend. Thanks for all donations! DeColores, Leigh Anne Stelter, Walk 52, Table of Naomi

ENTERTAINMENT: What's a Walk without a chicken chorus? We need YOU to come and be a part of the chorus and the "when I went on my Emmaus walk" song. If you are interested, please come to the Main Lodge on Saturday at 4:45pm for rehearsal. (Believe it or not, we really DO rehearse the songs!) Also, if anyone would like to play piano for the entertainment, please let me know before the walk weekends, so I can plan accordingly. Please let me know by e-mail, tlachman@yahoo.com, or phone 316-619-8834. Thank you! Tony Lachman, Walk 73, Table of Matthew

FACILITIES: Since we will be at a new facility for the Spring Walks, we're once again treading upon unfamiliar ground as far as setup is concerned. Here's the plan: we will meet at First UMC Wichita on Thursday, March 8, between 8:00 and 9:00am to load everything from the Cage into the truck and then head out to Wheat State Camp to unload and get things set up. (Good news - we won't have air mattresses to blow up since everyone will be sleeping on bunks in the cabins.) I'm going to estimate a half-day's work involved to get everything accomplished if we have plenty of help. We will also need help on Sunday to reverse the process. (There is a possibility we may be able to leave things in place for the Women's Walk, but we don't know at this time. If we are able to do that, we wouldn't need help until Sunday, March 18 for the return trip. We will know more at Sendoff for the Men's Walk.) Please grab a buddy and plan to lend a hand – and please let me know in advance if you're going to be there so I know what to plan for. We're also needing volunteers to come before Sendoff and Closing to help guide folks into the Camp from the main road. You can reach me at bwingert@cox.net or 316-833-6996 if you'd like to be of service in either – or both of – these ways. Thank you in advance for your help! Brad Wingert, Walk 73, Table of James

PILGRIM APPLICATIONS: Deadline for Spring Walk applications is February 28, 2007. When mailing your applications, please don't forget those sponsor forms as it could delay processing of the applications. If you have any questions regarding either of the forms, please give me a call at 620-664-6560 or contact me via email at baelgray@sbcglobal.net. (Don't forget – the forms are available on our website.) DeColores! Barbara Gray, Walk 64, Table of Martha

PRAYER ROOM: The prayer room will be open during the 72 hours of the Walk. The prayer warriors usually gather 30 minutes before each talk to lift up the speaker, the pilgrims, and the team. (There will be a schedule of the talks posted in the kitchen, if you need info regarding the talks.) We will PRAY the entire time the speaker is in the conference room. When the speaker is finished with his or her talk, he or she will return to the prayer room, and we will continue to PRAY for the speaker, for the team, and most importantly PRAY that the pilgrims will hear with their hearts the message that God has just delivered to them. Please come PRAY with us. Your presence and your prayers will bless the pilgrims, and you will be blessed beyond measure. It's a God thing! Barb Jarboe, Walk 70, Table of Mary

SNACKS: Hello, I am Sidney Worf, the newest Snacks person along with seasoned professional, Melanie Beckett. We are looking forward to the Walks at Wheat State Camp in March. If you are in a reunion group – or part of a community – or just an individual – we need your help. We need sandwich trays for Sendoff, as well as meat and cheese trays, fruit trays, and veggie trays along with cookies or other desserts. We would like to know if you can help and who you are. Please email Melanie at mbbeckett@sbcglobal.net or me at sworf@cox.net. Sendoff will be in the Main Lodge at 7:00 pm, but we set up by 6:00pm. If you are bringing meat or cheese or something that needs to be sliced, please have it to the Main Lodge by 5:30 pm so we will have time to prepare it. We will also need goodies for the rest of the weekend as well. Since there are two of us, and a lot of you, we are praying that you or your group will come forward and help in true Emmaus Tradition. DeColores! Sidney Worf, Walk 28, Table of Naomi and Melanie Beckett, Walk 72, Table of Mary

SPONSORSHIP: I am the new Sponsorship Coordinator for the Bread of Life Community and I can help with your sponsorship training – please let me know what I can do to help! Group training times can be scheduled as a part of your gathering if so desired. Presentations may be scheduled by contacting me at judy@thegrantclan.org. If you would like an individualized training packet to complete at home, please mail a request to me at 1210 N. C St., Arkansas City, KS 67005, along with a \$5.00 donation to Bread of Life to cover the costs of materials and postage. Upcoming scheduled training is on March 17, 6:30 pm (prior to Candlelight of Women's Walk) at Wheat State Camp. DeColores! Judy Grant, Walk 50, Table of Sarah

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... walk activities - wheat state camp ...

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Follow US-400 E / US-54 E (past downtown Wichita) to Santa Fe Lake Road. Turn Left on Santa Fe Lake Road and go north approximately a mile and a half. Watch for the Wheat State Camp sign on the left hand sign of the road; turn left and follow the road into the Camp.

The community activities will mostly be held in the **Main Lodge**, which is located in the center of the Camp. Exceptions to this will be the Prayer Room and Saturday night entertainment rehearsal; those locations are being determined at this time. If you are unable to be at Sendoff for announcements, go to the Kitchen or Agape Room (the mezzanine above the Main Lodge) and anyone there will be able to direct you to these other locations. This information will also be on our website, www.breadoflifecommunity.com.

Sendoff: Thursday 7:00pm

Sponsor's Hour (immediately following Sendoff on Thursday)

BAWK! BAWK!! Rehearsal: Saturday 4:45pm

Community Gathering: Saturday 7:00pm

Worship/Candlelight: Saturday approx. 8:00pm

Closing: Sunday 3:55pm

Childcare for Sendoff, Candlelight and Closing: please contact Pam McCutcheon for reservations

Cabins and RV hookups (opposite the pilgrim and team cabins) are available for out of town community members who wish to stay for the weekend. Cabins are \$16/night/person. RV hookups for a nominal fee.