

### **Pilgrim Packet**

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#### Who should go to Emmaus?

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- Are members of a local church
- Have a desire to strengthen their spiritual lives
- May have unanswered questions about their faith

#### How do I Sign Up?

First, you will need to be **sponsored** by someone who has already attended a Walk. Don't have a sponsor? Talk to anyone who has attended a walk, your Pastor, or the local contact listed below:

Then, complete a **printed or online application** and turn it in to your Sponsor with your **\$200 Walk Fee**. Online applications can be filled in and printed at **www.etemmaus.com/applications** 



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**Do I need a Sponsor?** Yes, you will need to be sponsored by someone who has already attended a Walk. Don't have a sponsor? Contact anyone who has attended a walk, or your Pastor.

Where is it held? Waters Edge Encampment in Crockett, Texas Your sponsor will transport you there and back!

What is the cost? For Walks—just \$200, due at the time your application is submitted.

What are lodging and eating arrangements? The cost of the Walk includes your lodging and food. Both of the areas are in a community setting; however, social distancing accommodations will be made as the space allows.

## A JOURNEY WITH CHRIST

The Gospel of Luke relates the story of two disciples of Jesus who were going along the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus. As these two friends were walking together, they shared their hearts' deepest concerns about the death of Jesus. An unknown person joined them and explained the scriptures as they walked. Toward the end of the day's travel, they urged the stranger to eat with them. As the stranger took bread, blessed, broke, and shared it with them, their eyes were opened and they recognized the risen Christ. Then they rushed back to Jerusalem to share the good news with others. (Luke 24:13-35)

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# WHAT HAPPENS ON THE EMMAUS WEEKEND?

You will enjoy three days of singing, learning, laughing, worshiping, reflecting, praying, and participating in small groups. Discussions center around fifteen talks given by laity and clergy. These talks present the theme of God's grace, how that grace comes alive in the Christian community, and how it expresses itself in the world. You'll also discover how grace is real in your life, how you live a life of grace, and how you bring grace to others. You will have the opportunity to participate in the daily celebration of Holy Communion and to understand more fully the body of Christ.



### WHAT HAPPENS AFTERWARD?

You are invited to have a closer walk with Christ for the rest of your life. Those who attend a Walk to Emmaus are encouraged to:

- expand their own spiritual lives through worship, study, and active participation in their local church;
- become more active disciples of Christ in service to the world.

To nurture this process of discipleship, the Emmaus movement offers specific opportunities. First, groups of four to six people meet weekly to reflect on their spiritual journey and encourage one another in accountable discipleship. Second, there are monthly community gatherings where Emmaus participants meet for fellowship, worship, and