



# Cross Point Emmaus

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## *Note from Men's Spring Walk Lay Director Joe Rison*

Hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful summer! As we enter into fall I want to encourage you to prayerfully consider your participation in next Springs walks 107 & 108 March 28-31 and April 4-7.. Patty Tickel and I were deeply humbled to be named as the Lay Directors and we want our community to know how much we need our brothers and sisters to successfully accomplish the mission before us all. First and foremost we need PILGRIMS. If all reunion groups would make this a PRIORITY we should fill our Walks again( Men are you listening?)..I hope we can organize small teams that would be willing to share at local churches. Many have sponsored dozens of pilgrims over the years and may feel that the waters are fished out but remember what Jesus told the disciples when they struggled for a catch; put your nets out in deeper water! We all know folks that would benefit so much by a Walk To Emmaus experience. I went on walk 3 in 1992 ( God bless you Dan Patman ) as a husband and father to 3 young children. I was scared and not sure what I was getting into but it was so powerful. The team was all outsiders that volunteered to help start our community and I still remember their faces and testimonies .. I returned home different but I spent the next week debating with myself if I could walk through the doorway that these men had shown me. The Holy Spirit gave me the strength to say yes and it's the best decision ever! It didn't turn me into the perfect spouse or Father ( ask my wife) but it gave me a compass to live by. It changed my priorities and it enabled me to persevere when the storms of life hit knowing that Our Heavenly Father never leaves or forsakes us. I know you have your own powerful testimony to share and I encourage you to share with others whenever possible; it glorifies The Father...Please pray for the community, consider sponsoring, and fill out a volunteer form and work on these walks if possible. Like I said; we need our brothers and sisters!

De Colores!!!



## *Serving on a Team*

It has been 15 years since I attended my Walk to Emmaus and became a part of the Cross Point Emmaus Community. One of my immediate focuses after my walk was to sponsor men and women, so they could experience the same Agape Love that I did. I didn't give much thought to volunteering to serve, until I took my first male pilgrim to Send-Off on Thursday night and found out how short-handed the kitchen team was for that walk. So I came back on Friday morning at 6:00 a.m. to help out in the kitchen and stayed for the entire weekend. What a great experience that was! The love and fellowship that I found while serving on that team brought me back time and again! I think I have served on over 20 walks since I first started, at just about every position except Music Team and Snack Agape! I strongly encourage and invite each of you to complete a Volunteer Application and become a part of the teams for the Spring 2019 Walks. Your weekend experience will be very rewarding and you will truly see a lot of "Servant's Hearts". The Team Selection Committee, along with Joe Rison and Patty Tickel, our Spring Walk Lay Directors, will be meeting soon to put together the teams and they need you!!

Tem Barrett, Assistant Community Lay Director

## *Join the monthly gathering*

### *Toni Hignight*

One of the best ways to stay connected with your Cross Point Emmaus community is to attend monthly gatherings. The location changes each month. But what doesn't change is the fact that it is a great opportunity to refresh and renew your Emmaus experience. It is the best way I know to stay connected with old friends and make new ones.

Gatherings offer powerful praise, worship and the celebration of Holy Communion. Gatherers will hear a "Fourth Day" talk, given by a community member who will share the ways in which the Lord has worked in their lives since their own Emmaus Walk. And of course there will be food and fellowship.

Emmaus gatherings are "open" and everyone is welcome to attend, whether they've been to an Emmaus weekend or not! It is a great way to introduce friends and family members who may be interested in attending a Walk.

Our September gathering will be at Cross Point Camp. That in itself makes it special. September 8th is the date. 1:00 p.m. is the time. We are planning on doing a little organizing in some storage spaces. You can bring your agape projects to work on. You may bring your whole family. So pack up the kids, invite your friends, join us for this Emmaus gathering. And oh yes. There will be food. But remember, unlike on your walk you will bring snacks to share. Hope to see everyone there.



**Fees For Camp Walk fees are as follows:**  
**Team fee, \$175**  
**Pilgrim fee, \$190 (\$95 deposit)**  
**These fees cover lodging, meals, insurance,**  
**literature, and some Walk supplies.**



## *Cross Point Emmaus 2018*

### *Board*

Community Lay Director - Shawna Carnahan (2020)  
 Community Spiritual Dir. - Rev. David Mingus  
 Community Asst. Lay Dir. - Tem Barrett (2020)  
 Secretary - Shawna Harrison (2019)  
 Treasurer - Cherri Bradley (2019)  
 Kitchen / Snack - Deni Richards (2019)  
 Letter Agape / Prayer Room - Toni Hignight (2019)  
 Candlelight / Sponsor's Hour - Janice Sharp (2021)  
 Setup / Tear Down - James Young (2020)  
 Literature / Supplies - Bill Carlisle (2020)  
 Fourth Day - Randal Richards (2020)  
 Gatherings - Sharen Hale (2019)  
 Newsletter / Music - Sonya Morris (2021)  
 Table Agape - Martha Wilson (2021)  
 Registration - Ray Marshall (2021)  
 AV Tech - Colt Healey (2021)

When company is coming, we all find a place to hide the clutter! Under the bed, in the closets... Over a period of time, the clutter becomes just another "thing" we will get to. As a member of Cross Point Emmaus, I've been so blessed over the last many years to have been the guest at Cross Point Camp. Normally, I don't see in the "closets" but as I come back time after time, I tend to leave more of myself there and most of you do too!

September 8, 2018 is a family day at Cross Point Emmaus, located at Cross Point Camp at Lake Texhoma. That day, we will have opportunity to spend as a family doing family things. Cleaning out closets is just one of them! The agenda for the day is a suggested one that I hope you will take time to be a part of.

**Arrival and check in at Tabernacle: 1:00pm and the following options are available to work on....**

\*Down stairs by Agape Room, the Dungeon needs cleaned and organized \*Clean and wax dining hall floors \*Dining Hall windows cleaned \* Painting interior Cabin 6/Lawton \*Storage Building inventoried \*Paint benches \* Set concrete pads under a/c at Healey Cabin \* Insulation installed in Tabernacle \* Shingles on Madill \*Cabin Clean and organize two closets in the Tabernacle (supplies will be provided for all jobs)

During this time, children are welcomed to come and help as well as utilize the camp play ground at your own risk. No one will be supervising. No child care provided.

The board members will be grilling hamburgers at 4pm and you are asked to bring sides and desserts. Worship and communion to follow beginning at 5pm.

Let's make our home ready for our guests coming this Spring!

*De Colores! - Sharen Hale*

## *Spring Walks*

**March 28-31, 2019 for the Men**

**April 4-7, 2019 for the Women**

*If our walks become overflowing with candidates we will revisit opening up a second walk in the same year.*

**Are you musically talented and want to share your God given talent with your Emmaus Community? We need volunteers to help lead the music at our monthly gatherings. If you are interested please call or text Sonya Morris at 580-504-6596.**



## **Check Your Email and Contact Information**

We at the **Newsletter** get several emails and mailed newsletters back every month. It is a shame to miss this marvelous literary masterpiece, but nearly as bad to miss out on the valuable information



contain within.

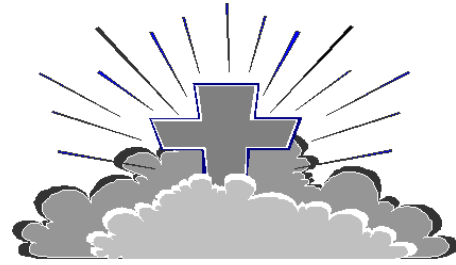
People change email servers and move and forget to have mail forwarded or (even worse) neglect to inform their friends of their new addresses. The **Newsletter** is not offended by this (but we could work ourselves up to it), however your "real" friends do miss

you and want to keep in touch.

Take some time to visit the website and check your contact information (tap the "click here" on the opening page to view or update.



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## On the Road to Emmaus

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

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<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

—Luke 24: 13-16, 28-32

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[crosspointemmaus.org](http://crosspointemmaus.org)

## Contact Information

Note: If you have anything to add to the next quarterly Newsletter, send your copy or photos to Sonya Morris at [snmorris81@yahoo.com](mailto:snmorris81@yahoo.com) or mail to: 330 Hope Ave, Ardmore, OK 73401. Please be mindful of space considerations, relevancy, and credit as necessary. No copyrighted works can be included without permissions. All submissions will be subject to editing as to length and content.

Most members of the Cross Point Emmaus community receive Newsletters and information by email. If you do not have an email address, then we send the Newsletter by U.S. mail. If you receive the Newsletter by regular mail but also have an email address, then please let us know by sending a note to: [info@crosspointemmaus.org](mailto:info@crosspointemmaus.org)

Also, please ask your Emmaus friends if they receive the Newsletter? We do not want to accidentally omit anyone.

## Volunteer

*Emmaus Walks cannot continue unless you get involved. We can still use anyone who would like to help. If you want to work on the walks please fill out a volunteer sheet online and join the walk teams.*

## Sponsorship

**Please be praying about who you want to sponsor for the upcoming Spring Walks. Emmaus Walks cannot continue unless you get involved with sponsorship.**