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Greetings Everyone!

Welcome new members of the Crosspoint family!

I am looking forward to worshipping with you at our next gathering! Come expecting a blessing! Let's also start praying on where God wants to place us at the next set of walks!

DeColores!

Terry Pierson

Lay Director



Dear Community,

"We praise you, God; we praise you, for your Name is near; people tell of your wonderful deeds." Psalms 75:1 NIV I love going to the Fourth Day meeting after the walks to hear testimonies of our new community members and members who worked their first walk! We hear of hope, renewed minds and spirits, and revelations of a new focus on life. It all describes praise and gratitude of drawing closer to the one whose Name is above all names. Thank you, Father God!

It is not too early to start praying about working on walks #121 and #122. You can submit your volunteer form on our website (crosspointemmaus.org) or print and mail one to me (address on form). Every time I have served on an Emmaus walk, I leave the camp tired but also uplifted because of experiencing and seeing the goodness of God at work. I learn something new about God's nature every time! And it is GOOD. If you just went on a walk or went many years ago, consider signing up to serve on the next walks.... be prepared to be blessed

DeColores

Cheryl Heller, Asst Community Lay Director/

Team Selection Chair

May Gathering

When: *May 16th, 11Am – 1PM*

Where: *Generations Church – Ardmore, OK*

Reconnect, worship, and fellowship –

Bring a food dish to share!

Men's Walk #121
April 8–11 2027
Women's Walk #122
April 15–18 2027

Serving on an Emmaus Walk:
 Have you felt the nudge to serve on an upcoming Emmaus Walk? Now is the time to say “yes.” Serving on a team is a powerful way to give back, grow in your own faith, and be part of what God is doing in the lives of others.

Applications to serve are available online at crosspointemmaus.org, and can be completed and submitted directly through the website, making the process simple and accessible.

The cost to serve on a Walk is **\$260**, which helps cover meals, materials, and the overall weekend experience. We never want cost to be a barrier, so **scholarship applications for half the cost are also available on the website** for those who need assistance, if funds are available.

Whether you've served before or are considering it for the first time, your willingness to step in makes a difference. Prayerfully consider joining a team and being the hands and feet of Christ for the next Walk.

Applications are due September 1st, 2026. If not submitting electronically, they can be given to any Board Member or mailed to Cheryl Heller:

517 Smoking Oaks Dr Ardmore, Ok 73401

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You may never know how *one act of service* changes someone's *forever.*

WE ARE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS.
 CALLED TO SERVE. BLESSED TO BE PART OF THE JOURNEY.

WE WELCOME. You belong here.
WE SERVE. You are loved.
WE WALK TOGETHER. You are not alone.
WE SHARE HOPE. You are changed.



Dear Cross Point Emmaus Community,

I am excited and humbled that I have been called to serve as the next Women's Lay Director for the Crosspoint Emmaus Walk #122. As we all look forward to this upcoming walk, I am both honored and grateful for the trust from this community.



As we begin preparations for Walk #122, I invite you to join me in prayer for our team, our pilgrims, and for the Holy Spirit to move powerfully among us.

Whether you serve on the conference room team, the hands and feet team, or support us through agape and prayer, your involvement is important.

My own Emmaus journey began on Walk #96 Table of Mary. I have served on the inside teams and the outside teams in snack agape and table agape. Being involved on the outside teams and observing what all goes into making a walk successful, I was amazed at all the work done behind the scenes.

I encourage everyone in our community to consider how you might serve during Walk #122. Whether through volunteering, providing agape, or simply lifting us up in prayer, your contribution matters. If you feel called to sponsor a pilgrim, please prayerfully consider who God might be placing on your heart. Applications and more information are available on our website.

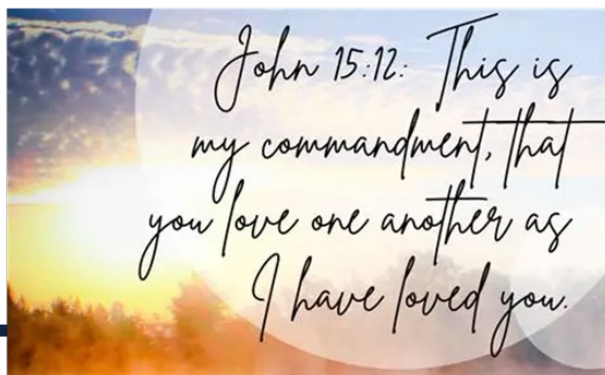
As we move forward, let us do so with open hearts, ready to be blessed by God's love and grace. I am excited to see how God will work through each of us to bless the pilgrims and one another. Let us continue to support, encourage, and pray for one another as we prepare for Walk #122.

Thank you for the privilege of serving our Lord as your next Lay Director. I look forward to walking this journey with you all.

De Colores!

Deni Richards

Lay Director, Emmaus Walk #122



Meet the Board Member

Name: Bebe Lodes

Role: Registrar

Walk: #80

Church: FMC Ardmore

What inspired me to say yes on the Emmaus board.

Because of Covid the walks struggled to restart. I hoped to help rebuild them to the successful walks we had in the past.

My Emmaus Experience (one sentence):

My eyes were opened to the grace and mercy of Jesus.

Favorite Verse or Faith Quote: I have two favorites: Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is. His good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:2 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways submit to Him and He will make your path straight Proverbs 3:5-6

Coffee or Tea? Sweet or unsweet ☕ Coffee—sweet cream creamer and whipped cream

Favorite Comfort Food: Fried chicken

If I could instantly master one skill or hobby, it would be... Art—
painting—quilting—creating

What Emmaus Means to Me: Showing and sharing the love of Jesus with others.

One way the community can pray for me as I serve. Please pray that the eyes and ears of my heart are open to God's will every day.

Favorite Hymn or Worship Song: I have a new favorite every day! Today it is Awake my Soul.

Something You Might Not Know About Me: Music is my favorite way to worship.

God Is Teaching Me: To be patient and trust in His timing



Thank You, Emmaus Community

Thank you to everyone who donated to Table Agape for the recent Walks. Your generosity more than filled the tables—it shared love, encouragement, and care with every pilgrim and team member.

Please know, it truly makes a difference.

As we look ahead, it's never too early to start thinking and planning for the next set of Walks. Picking up a few items here and there or planning ahead as a group can go a long way in helping us continue this beautiful act of agape.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ.

De Colores,
Jenifer Little

Table Agape



Clergy Corner:



De Colores, dear friends.

You may or may not know this about me, but the Walk to Emmaus is one of my absolute favorite things. I love the energy. I love the open, outward pouring of love on the people of God. I love the community. There is absolutely nothing I don't love about the walks.

Well, maybe one thing. I don't like that they end. I don't like leaving camp after the Emmaus weekend. I have this overwhelming feeling of "back to the grind," or "welcome back to the real world!" I get that feeling because as we all know, life outside of the Emmaus walk is different. It's not because I'm not energetic for Jesus. It's not because I want to leave Emmaus "at camp." It's certainly not because I love God less away from Cross Point, but because as we all know, it's just different.

So what am I to do with this? How do I bring the experience of Emmaus into everyday life? I believe the first step is reminding ourselves that it starts with us. We can't rely on the world to show us the passion for Jesus that we felt at Emmaus. Instead, we have to show that passion to the world. We can't hope that others will

show love like we experienced at Emmaus. Rather, we have to be the starting point for loving others with a passion that comes from Christ.

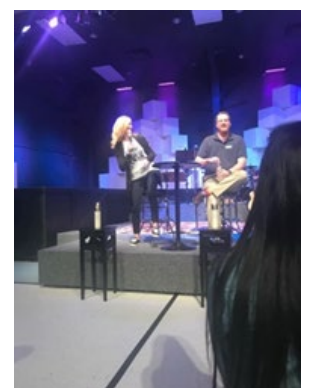
It starts with us. Matthew 20 describes it this way:

It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your [willing and humble] slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many [paying the price to set them free from the penalty of sin]. (Matthew 20: 26-28 AMP)

Leadership is about action, not titles. It begins with service to others. It shows itself through leading by example. It empowers and lifts others to success. It requires humility and consistency in all things. I pray you find within you the ability to lead others to Jesus and experience his saving grace.

DeColores!

Pastor Steve



Sponsoring a Pilgrim

Sponsoring a pilgrim is one of the most impactful ways to invest in someone's faith journey. It begins with prayer, asking God to place the right person on your heart, and continues as you walk alongside them before, during, and after their Emmaus experience.

When inviting someone, share your experience, answer questions honestly, and give them space to pray about it. Be sure they have **approval from their pastor**, as Emmaus is designed for those already active in their church and ready to grow deeper in their walk with Christ.

The cost for a pilgrim is **\$260**, but a sponsorship application can be submitted with an initial **\$130 payment**, with the remaining balance due at the time of the Walk. Applications can be found online at crosspointemmaus.org, and are due **March 15, 2027**. Completed forms can be turned in to any board member or to: **Bebe Lodes - Registrar**
blodes@gmail.com.

At its heart, the Walk to Emmaus is about **building up the Church**—equipping believers to return to their local congregations renewed, encouraged, and ready to serve. Sponsorship is a vital part of that mission, helping raise up strong disciples who will impact their churches and communities.


Thank you for prayerfully considering who God may be calling you to sponsor.

And he gave the apostles,
the prophets, the evangelists,
the shepherds and teachers,
to equip the saints
for the work of ministry,
*for building up
the body of Christ.*

Ephesians 4:11-12



Stay informed about reminders, prayer needs, and Walk updates via Text.

 Text "EMMAUS"
to (580) 407-4778

Complete the quick connect card and stay connected.

Did you know you can support the Cross Point Emmaus Community through PayPal? Donations may be made for team fees, candidate fees, snack agape, scholarship funds, the general fund, or any designated purpose.

You can also set up recurring donations if you would like to support the community on an ongoing basis.

To give, visit our website and click "Donate," or log in to your PayPal account and send donations to info@crosspointemmaus.org.

Please include the purpose of your donation or payment in the notes/comments section.

You may also scan the QR code below to donate directly from your mobile device



Scan. Pay. Go.

I CAN DO ALL THINGS
THROUGH
Christ
WHO GIVES ME
STRENGTH!

PHILIPPIANS 4:13

Meet the Board

Name – *Gwen Scott*

Role – *Prayer Room*

Walk # *110*

Church –
FMC Ardmore



What inspired me to say yes to serving on the Emmaus board?

To be a part of something bigger than myself

My Emmaus Experience (one sentence):

An opportunity to renew my faith in the Lord

Favorite Verse or Faith Quote:

I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.

Coffee or Tea? Sweet or

unsweet ☕ *Coffee- half n half or whole milk & honey (or sugar)*

Favorite Comfort Food:

Mac & cheese or chicken-fried steak

If I could instantly master one skill or hobby, it would be... *Selling*

What Emmaus Means to Me:

It means allowing others to partake in the love of GOD

One way the community can pray for me as I serve. *Obedience*

Favorite Hymn or Worship Song:

Amazing Grace & Alleluia

Something You Might Not Know About

Me: *I have an addiction with tape. Yes tape.*

God Is Teaching Me:

To walk boldly in my faith.

New Way to Find a Reunion Group

We're excited to share a new resource now available on our website to help you get connected to a reunion group!

At crosspointemmaus.org, you'll now find a place where you can **join a reunion group** or **list your existing group** if your group is open to welcoming new members. These are located on the home page under **"Connect With A Reunion Group"**.

Our recent 4th Day Gathering had such an incredible turnout, and it reminded us how important it is for everyone to have a place to stay connected and continue growing. Reunion groups are a vital part of the Emmaus journey, offering encouragement, accountability, and community beyond the Walk weekend.

We want to make sure **everyone has the opportunity to be part of a reunion group**, no matter where you are. Some groups meet in person, while others connect through Zoom, making it easier than ever to find the right fit for your schedule and location.

If your group has room to add one or more members, we encourage you to share your information on the website. And if you're looking for a group, this new tool is a great place to start.

If you have any questions or need help getting connected, feel free to reach out!

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Share Your Emmaus 4th Day Story

Your story could encourage someone else in their walk with Christ!

We would love to hear how God has continued to work in your life through your Emmaus experience and your 4th Day journey. You do not have to be a writer, just share from the heart.

Some things you may want to include:

- Where and when was your Walk?
- How did Emmaus impact your life?
- How have you grown in Piety, Study, and Christian Action?
- What ministries are you involved in now?
- What hopes do you have for your future 4th Day journey?

Submit your story via email or fill out the questionnaire using the provided QR Code/link, [4th Day](#) (Google Form) info@crosspointemmaus.org



4th Day Gathering



Clergy Corner....

Community clergy, would you like to write a paragraph, or two or three, to share with the Cross Point Emmaus Community? It can be on any topic of your choice. Just send your musings to:
info@crosspointemmaus.org



STAY CONNECTED!

Did you know we have a Facebook **Group**? It's a great place to stay connected, share encouragement, and keep up with what's happening in our Emmaus community. Join us on Facebook at **Cross Point Walk To Emmaus Community** and be part of the conversation!

Note: If you have photos or anything to add to the next Newsletter, please send them to:

info@crosspointemmaus.org

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On the Road to Emmaus

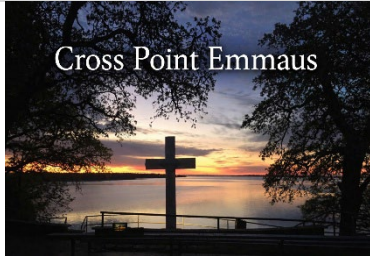
13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16 but they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

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28 As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. 29 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. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 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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**Make a friend.
Be a friend.
Bring a friend
to Christ.**

