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**"Pray without ceasing."
(1 Thessalonians 5:17)**

My mother was a true prayer warrior. Through her faith and steadfast trust in God, she showed me that God truly does answer prayer. Her example impressed upon me the importance of continual prayer in every season.

As we move forward and do some things a little differently than we have in the past, I ask that you please keep the Board in your prayers. We deeply cherish your support and look forward to continuing to work and worship alongside each of you,

De Colores

Terry Pierson

Community Lay Director

Gathering/Commissioning
Saturday, MARCH 28th
4:30PM

Pathway Church
1680 E Main St
Davis, OK 73030



Dear Community,

Nick Morris will be serving as our men's walk Lay Director (#119) and Kelly Shannon as the women's walk (#120) Lay Director. They have been working hard putting together the conference room teams. Our team trainings will be starting soon. It is this teams' responsibility first and foremost to be in prayer for the walks and each training session. Not only is it an honor to serve on the conference room team, but it is also a time for spiritual growth as the body of Christ. Many close friendships have been forged in the time spent in these training rooms and time serving on the walks. When we show love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control to one another the pilgrims will see it too. I encourage each team member to be present at each training. The sacrifice you give of yourself, and time will surely be used for God's glory. Let Him work through you on Walk #119 and #120!

The hands and feet team is just as important to the walk as the conference room team. It takes all of us serving in our capacities to help make the Emmaus Walk a life changing experience for others. We do our part..... Holy Spirit does His part. If you would like to serve on our hands and feet team, please complete an application on our website crosspointemmaus.org or print a form, complete and mail to me (address is located on the form).

Please keep our teams in prayer as we prepare for the upcoming walks.

DeColores!

Cheryl Heller

Asst Lay Director/Team Selection Chair



Nick Morris, Cross Point Walk to Emmaus #79, Table of Luke. I would like to introduce myself as the Men's Lay Director for Walk #119. We just had our first training, and we are all excited to see what this walk has in store not only for the pilgrims but for all those serving. Every year that I have had the privilege to serve on a walk, God has shown himself to me in many ways. You see, my problem is that I am a busy man. I am busy with work, my children's activities, meetings, honey-dos, and so much more. I have a problem sitting still and listening. This is something I am praying about and working on. That's why I love serving on the walk in whatever capacity. It forces me to stop and listen, to fellowship with like minded men, to see us work through our struggles and grow in Christ together.

I have chosen the verse Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God." for the men's walk. This verse is one of the first verses I was told to look up when I first became a Christian. And over the past 16 years, I have to continuously remind myself. Being a pilgrim on the walk is an amazing one-time experience. Being involved is where the magic happens. So, if you are reading this, that means you have been on the walk. Please get involved and experience what God has in store for you. Then pray about sponsoring someone to be a pilgrim and have God meet them where they are.

De Colores

Nick Morris

Hi Emmaus Friends!

It's hard to believe that the inside team training has begun on Walks #119 and #120. The Lord moved people to submit applications and I'm trusting His guidance in placement of volunteers for both the inside and outside teams. After my Walk #56 in 2004, I worked as a Cabin Angel, and I was amazed at all of the work done behind the scenes! Both the inside and outside teams are very intent on praying for the pilgrims and doing everything possible to make the walks special for the pilgrims. Prayer, communion, and cooperation is such a big part of being on an Emmaus team. Please consider volunteering for the outside team. Applications can be submitted online at Crosspointemmaus.org.

He will truly bless you in your servanthood.

De Colores!

Kelly Shannon,

Lay Director for Women's Walk #120



SNACK AGAPE NEEDED

As the next walks are quickly approaching, we need to begin thinking about snack agape. These snacks are such a blessing to the pilgrims! You may sign up online or at trainings or gatherings. Please be sure to include your phone number so we can remind you! Thank you for your generosity! The link is listed below.

Jackie Matthews
Snack Agape

[Forms/Signups](#)



Join us for a workday at Crosspoint Camp as we care for and improve our shared space!

Saturday, March 14TH

🕒 Start Time: 9:00 AM

✂ Projects Include:

- Painting the cross
- Adding material and replacing the pathway timbers from the conference room to the dining hall

🕒 Work Credit:

A 6.5-hour workday earns one night credit stay at Crosspoint Camp.

2026 Spring Walks

Thursday Night Send-Off @ 7:00pm

Men's - April 9 Women's - April 16

Saturday Night Candlelight @ 8:00pm

Men's - April 11, Women's - April 18

Sunday Closing @ 4:00pm

Men's - April 12, Women's - April 19

Agape Love

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described as the highest form of love, by its selfless, unconditional and giving nature.

Sharing Table Agape is a beautiful way to bless our pilgrims and show Christ's love in action! Please start thinking now about your Table Agape for walks #119 & #120. Need ideas? The Cross Point Emmaus website has a list of 100 creative suggestions! We ask for 70 pieces per Walk to ensure every pilgrim receives a gift of Agape Love.

Any questions contact Jennifer Little at littleargey@gmail.com or 214-504-4459

DeColores!

Jennifer Little



Meet the Board Member:

Name: Jennifer Little

Role: Table Agape

Walk #: Walk #102 Table of Mary

Church: Generations – Ardmore



What inspired me to say yes to serving on the Emmaus board: I wanted to serve on the board to get to know people in the Emmaus Community better. I also wanted to learn the rules of serving on walks and the cost breakdown of it all.

My Emmaus Experience (one sentence):

Life Changing

Favorite Verse or Faith Quote: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me – Phil 4:13

Coffee or Tea? Sweet or unsweet ☕

Hate Tea, Love any kind of coffee, mostly black coffee with a little cream

Favorite Comfort Food:

Mashed potatoes

Dream Skill or Hobby:

Drawing or painting

The part of the Walk to Emmaus that means the most to me. Getting to know all kinds of different people and knowing they all love Jesus
One way the community can pray for me as I serve.

Pray that I can develop my first talk on Piety and that it all comes together like it should

Favorite Hymn or Worship Song:

Amazing Grace & How Great Thou Art

Something You Might Not Know About Me:

I grew up in a Pentecostal home and have been a Christian all my life.

God Is Teaching Me:

To have more patience and grace towards people

Clergy Corner:

It began in the heart of God



Luke 24: 32

They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?”

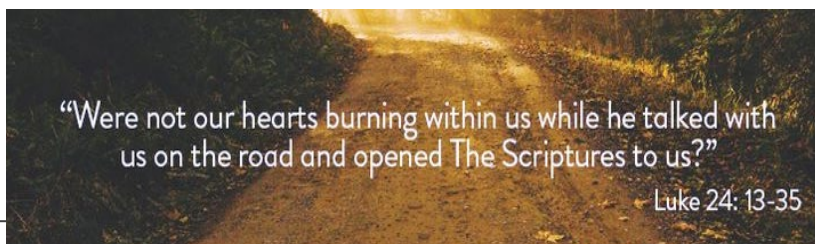
Nothing about our Walk began on Thursday night, it began in the heart of God, who has always been pursuing us. God had been preparing us for that very moment, but something shifted, maybe quietly, maybe dramatically, but it changed the way we recognized Jesus.

For many of us, the Walk to Emmaus was like the two disciples on the Emmaus road. They didn’t realize it at first, but their hearts were already burning long before their eyes were opened. God was moving long before our walk, He was arranging conversations, stirring hunger, protecting us, and drawing us toward Himself and we relaxed and trusted God.

As we approach the upcoming walks God has already been working in the pilgrims’ lives and like us the pilgrims are experiencing everyday life, that often keeps us from recognizing Jesus. We’ve seen, we’ve heard, but the things of life often blur our faith, but we have our reunion groups to support us, to gather around us, but most pilgrims do not. God is preparing pilgrims at this moment, and each pilgrim needs you to come alongside them in prayer, that they be strengthened and that their hearts be burning as God is preparing them.

De Colores!

Rev Bob Wright



“Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened The Scriptures to us?”

Luke 24: 13-35

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

PAYPAL DONATIONS

Do you know that you can donate monetarily to our Community through PayPal? You may use this feature to pay team and candidate fees or donate for any designated purpose (snack agape, scholarship fund, general fund, etc). You may also choose to setup reoccurring donations. Visit our website and click on "Donate," or login to your own PayPal account and send your donation to "info@crosspointemmaus.org." Please specify what the donation or payment is intended for, in comments/purpose. You may also scan this QR Code to donate on a mobile device.



MEET THE BOARD MEMBER:

Name: Gina Tickel

Role: Treasurer

Walk: Walk 108 Table of Sarah

Church: 1st Methodist, Ardmore



Why I Serve:

I've seen first hand what God has done through Emmaus.

My Emmaus Experience (one sentence):

God called me home.

Favorite Verse or Faith Quote:

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Coffee or Tea?

Vanilla Iced Coffee

Favorite Comfort Food:

Patty Tickel's lasagna

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

Professional landscape and wildlife photography

What Emmaus Means to Me:

The Walk to Emmaus means going home to me! Just a small taste of heaven!

One way the community can pray for me as I serve:

To be the good steward God calls me to be.

Favorite Hymn or Worship Song:

Sanctuary - gets me every time

Something You Might Not Know About Me:

I like intense strategy board games. Anything from Train to Catan.

God Is Teaching Me:

God is teaching me when to rest and when to work



Support the peeps (ok Pilgrims) . . .

Whether it was last week or a decade or more ago, we all remember how special our Emmaus Walk was.

- **Pray!** - today, tomorrow, every day before, during & after the Walks.

- **Work Agape** - It's not just work; it is a whole lot of fun too.

Now is your opportunity to pay it forward and help make the next Walks just as special for this new group of precious Pilgrims.

- **Sponsor** - God picks who he wants at each Walk; your job is to just ask.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples . . ."

- **Attend** - Come to Sponsors' Hour, Candlelight and/or Closing, you'll be so blessed & happy you did.

- **Unload, Setup & Packup** - Nobody really likes these jobs but many hands make light work!

John 13:34-35

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 21: 2nd Training - 9 Am

Generations Church (Ardmore)

March 7th: 3rd Training Day @ 9AM

Asbury Methodist Church (Ardmore)

March 28th : 4th Training Day - 9AM

Hands and Feet Training - 3PM

Commissioning - 4:30PM (Meal served after)

Pathway Methodist Church Davis, OK



Come Holy Spirit . . . fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Meet the Board Member:

Name: Bill McAngus

Role: Literature & Supply

Walk: Walk 89 – Table of Thomas

Church: Wynnewood Methodist Church



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

I have seen the blessings that the pilgrims and the helpers have had during their walk and wanted to help make the next walks just a special.

My Emmaus Experience (one sentence):

The moving of the Holy Spirit along with the love and grace shown to me.

Favorite Verse or Faith Quote:

Isaiah 6:8 Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

Coffee or Tea? Sweet or unsweet

Coffee black in the morning the unsweet tea the rest of the day.

Favorite Comfort Food:

Bacon

Dream Skill or Hobby:

If I could instantly master one skill or hobby, it would be... Be a Carpenter

What Emmaus Means to Me: The part of the Walk to Emmaus that means the most to me.

That I have an extended family.

Prayer Request: Prayers for the Walk 119 & 120, pilgrims and hands & feet teams.

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

Prayers to keep me focused and continue listening to the spirit as it guides me (us).

Favorite Hymn or Worship Song: O Come to the Alter

Something You Might Not Know About Me: I host a Pinewood Derby workshop for Cub Scouts.

God Is Teaching Me: To be still and listen for His directions.



WE NEED PILGRIMS!!

CANDIDATE & SPONSOR APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Please begin praying about pilgrims you would like to sponsor for the upcoming walks! Applications for pilgrims and their sponsors are due **March 15, 2026**. Total cost for a pilgrim is \$260 with a \$130 deposit to be included with the application. Board scholarships are available to those who need them. Scholarship forms are available and can be downloaded on the Cross Point Emmaus Community website. Please submit this form along with the candidate application.

These are the obligations of a person who is sponsoring a pilgrim:

- Submit a completed "Candidate Application" for your pilgrim
- Be certain the candidate has completed and has signed the application
- Be certain the signature of the candidate's pastor is on the "Candidate Application"
- Complete and sign the "Sponsor Sheet"
- Remember to sign your name as sponsor on the sponsor sheet
- Include a deposit in the amount of \$130 [check or cash]. (The balance is due at the walk registration)
- If a scholarship is needed, the form must be included with the application when it is needed. Scholarships are on a first come, first served basis.
- All checks should be made out to Cross Point Emmaus.

As a sponsor, you are responsible for obtaining and submitting all of the above requirements to the registrar or a board member who can submit it to the registrar.

An application that does not include all of these documents with all signatures will not be considered complete and therefore will not be considered.

The candidate should not submit the documents to the registrar; this is the responsibility of the candidate's sponsor.

If you have any questions, please contact any board member or Bebe Lodes, Registrar, bslodes@gmail.com.

"We say this all the time: the walks run on prayer!"

Sign Up for the Prayer Vigil online!

www.crosspointemmaus.org

SET UP AND TEAR DOWN VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to assist Randy Hendershot with setting up and/ or tearing down the Tabernacles for the Walks, please contact him. The camp has a few employees, but it takes the community's help to get the gathering buildings prepared for each Walk. The more volunteers, the faster it goes!

Share Your Emmaus Fourth Day Story

People need to hear stories about individuals who—because of their experience at an Emmaus Ministries event—have been renewed in their commitment to the Christian faith and ministry through their local church or another organization. Here are some ideas to help share your 4th day experience.

- When and where was your Emmaus Ministries event? (Please include the name of your community/walk #.)
- Please share the way the event impacted your life.
- Share about your journey on the Fourth Day.
- Growth in Piety – how you are further opening yourself to God (spiritual practices)?
- Growth through Study – what you have been reading/studying recently that has contributed to your ongoing spiritual formation in significant ways?
- Growth through Christian Action – What ministry (ministries) you are involved with and how it is (they are) impacting your world?
- Tell us about your hope for the future.

Please email your 4th Day Story 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!

January Gathering: Midway FWB Church — Jan 10th 2026



Note: If you have anything to add to the next Newsletter, send your copy or photos to info@crosspointemmaus.org.

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On the Road to Emmaus

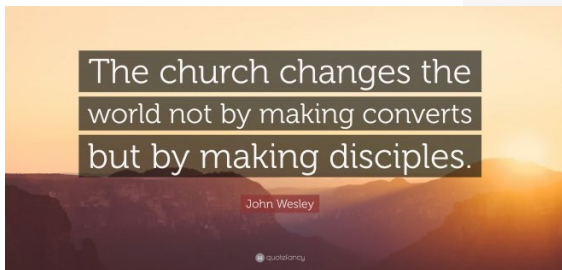
13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16 but they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