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What a wonderful set of walks we've just had! We are so excited to welcome 55 new members into the Cross Point Emmaus Community. We had 30 men and 25 women attend the walks the fall of 2022 and are super excited to say WE HELD WALKS after so much preparation and postponement!!! Yay!! It was great to get to host you all and get to know you. Our Cross Point Emmaus community is grateful you took the time to come to the walks and we look forward to serving alongside you in the future. We also want to hear about your involvement in your local church AFTER the walks. Do you find yourself serving with more intentionality and joy? Do you feel God calling you to serve at your church in different ways? Are you excited about it? I hope so!! Let those you know from the last set of walks know about how you are doing. We care and want to continue to encourage you.

So, how is everyone doing on his/her Fourth Days? This question is for our WHOLE community!! We had a great Fourth Day meeting turnout and many reunion groups were formed that night. I am excited to say I am in a new reunion group local to my hometown and I am ready for this season in my life to meet on a regular basis and stay focused on the priorities I feel God is calling me to. If you are not in a group, let's find one for you. You can call myself, any person who worked on the last set of walks or any member of the Emmaus Board and we will do what we can to connect you with someone else who is looking for a reunion group. Don't let this opportunity pass you by. Make it a priority and get in a committed group!!

If you haven't signed up to work the next set of walks and you want to help and see what all goes on behind the scenes, NOW is the time to do so!! Conference room team selection will begin in November, you can be considered if you fill out an application AND have worked twice (two walks) on the Hands and Feet team. The Hands and Feet team is the place where our most recent walk attendees start!! All the applications are due by November 15th. The Hands and Feet Team members are called later (like maybe even after the first of the year), but applications are due at the same time.

On the Emmaus Board, I am responsible for the Prayer Room, sending and receiving Letter Agape from other communities, and the prayer vigil. The prayer vigil is already available online and will be present in pen and paper format at the Gatherings we have for community members to sign up. The new lay directors Scott Heller and Cheryl Heller will greatly appreciate your prayers now as they help to plan the walks and train the teams. In addition, they will appreciate your help in praying during the 72 hours of the walk. That's the period covered in the prayer vigil sign up.

A huge thank you to the team members who served alongside me during Walk #110. Each of you have a very special place in my heart and I know the journey to the walk and ON the walk was very special to each of you!! Thank you again!!

De Colores,
Melissa Grace
Past Lay Director Walk #110
Cross Point Emmaus Board, Letter Agape & Prayer Room

2023 Spring Walks

April 13-16 for the Men
April 20-23 for the Women

NOVEMBER GATHERING

Saturday, November 12, 2022

5:00pm

Ardmore First Methodist Church

Colvert Ministry Center

503 W. Broadway, Ardmore, OK 73401

Menu: Chili & Soup, Sides/Fixings, Desserts

Please bring an item for the potluck dinner and come to fellowship!

THANK YOU!

A huge thanks to all those who came out early, helped in between, and stayed late to help with set up and tear down. The job can be overwhelming if the set up and tear down representative is short on help. That was certainly NOT the case with Walks #109 and #110. It is great to be a part of Cross Point Emmaus and see the way that everyone gets that the walk is truly a team effort. The work of everyone who gave of themselves to work behind the scenes, did not go unnoticed and more importantly, did not go unseen by God.

Let's keep the momentum going for the spring walks and fill out those volunteer applications. Again, thank you so much.

De Colores,
Jay Grace
Cross Point Emmaus Board, Set Up/Tear Down

PLEASE VOLUNTEER NOW

Please be praying about serving for the next Walks. We need many volunteers to serve on both Walks' as Conference Team and Hands & Feet Team. If you would like to volunteer, please fill out a volunteer form online at crosspointpointemmaus.org. Scholarships are available, so apply if needed! **Deadline for applications is November 15th!!**

PRAYER FOR OTHER COMMUNITIES

El Shaddai Emmaus Chrysalis Flights, in West Central Indiana, occurring this month: girls on November 4-6 and boys on November 11-13.

First ever Emmaus in Malaysia!

Shalom and Good day! Hope and trust you are well and excited to also host upcoming Walks this year! West Malaysia Emmaus is going to have the following upcoming inaugural Walks in November 2022, and wish to ask for Wall Agape from all Communities.

Men's Walk WM # 1 – from 17th to 20th November 2022

Ladies' Walk WM # 2 – from 24th to 27th November 2022

Thank you for your kind assistance and may God bless you abundantly.

De Colores
Chun Hong Liau

SHALOM and Good day! Philippine Emmaus Walk is going to have the following upcoming Walks in November 2022 :

November 10-13, 19th MEN'S WALK

November 13-16, 20th WOMEN'S WALK

29 When Moses came down from Mount Sinai...his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. 30 When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses' [radiant face] they were afraid to come near him. 31 But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders...came back to him... 33 When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. 34 But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, 35 they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

(Exodus 34:29-35; NIV)

At our most recent Cross Point Emmaus Board meeting, one of our Board members mentioned how Moses' face shone brightly after being in the presence of the Lord. I thought of the Pilgrims of our most recent walks #109 and #110. I remember how brightly their faces shone after being in the presence of the Lord for 72 hours. I remember how a few days later at Fourth Day they were still on the mountain top. Still on cloud nine. Faces still shining from being in His presence. We had seen His Glory! But, I also remembered what the Apostle Paul said about Moses' radiant face in his second letter to the Corinthians.

[Moses] face shone out with the very glory of God—though the brightness was already fading away...[Moses] put a veil over his face so that the Israelites could not see the glory fade away.

(2 Corinthians 3:7, 13; TLB)

Over time, when separated from the presence of the Lord, the glory faded from Moses face. When Moses would speak to the people, he wore a veil so the people could not see that the radiance was fading. It had to have saddened Moses to see the glory fade. As the radiance began to fade, I figure Moses longed to be back in the Lord's presence, the source of the light, because there is no better place to be. It saddens me to think of the radiance fading. But it can happen if we don't remain in His presence. If the glory is fading from your face, remember the things you learned on your walk:

- Piety – give your heart to God in prayer and worship
- Study – give your heart and mind to God and grow in faith
- Action – give your heart, hands, and feet to God and others

Don't give up meeting together, worshipping together, studying together, praying together, singing together, rejoicing together. Don't give up.

But we Christians have no veil over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.

(2 Corinthians 3:18; TLB)

The good news is that Christ's glory never fades. His glory is eternal. And we get to live eternally in His presence. And we get to become like Him. But remember, eternity starts today. Live daily in His presence now!

De Colores,

Rev. Steve Littrell

Cross Point Emmaus Board, Community Spiritual Director

October's 4th Day





to all new members of the Cross Point Emmaus Community!!! We pray your Fourth Day has been an opportunity for you to share your Emmaus experience with others and be a bright, shining light of God's love and grace.

We are continuously updating our website. If your Reunion Group has room for another member or you would just like your Reunion Group's information on our website, please email your group contact information to info@crosspointemmaus.org or use the "contact tab" on our website.

If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments about our website, please also feel free to contact us in the above mentioned ways. Thank you!

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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