



Cross Point Emmaus

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15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. 17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. ~ Colossians 3:15-18 NIV

As Thanksgiving is approaching, do you feel the joy of gratitude? This year has been a busy time with great burdens for so many of us. A year of busy-ness, though, doesn't always leave us with time to be thankful for our blessings and especially our struggles, but we are to be thankful in ALL things. I pray that as this year comes to an end, you will be intentional to make time for prayer and find gratitude in the valleys and mountain tops. Since my Walk, I find myself singing the "candlelight hymn," "Jesus. Jesus. Can I tell you how I feel? You have given me your Spirit. I love you so," quite often in times of heartache and joy. This song creates a heart of gratitude within me during all of life's ups and downs.

Walk 109 and 110 will soon be here and we still need YOU! Do you remember the words spoken to you, as the leader on your Walk placed your cross and lanyard around your neck? I remember. "Christ is counting on you." Those five words have remained etched into my heart since that day, 17 years ago. (Not to mention, it's bolded on the back of your cross. Ha!) Have you prayed about what God is counting on you to do, accomplish, or complete? I don't know what your exact calling is, but I believe we all have a common purpose – to do all things in the name of Jesus and to share the message of Jesus with others. While sharing your joy, please be in prayer about who God might be calling you to sponsor. Sponsorship is one of many important roles to Emmaus. The deadline for candidate (pilgrim) applications is April 1, 2020. It's never too early for someone to sign up and in the case of a cancellation, the paid deposit is reserved for a later Walk. So, let's be praying, sharing Jesus, and asking others to join our community.

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Kenna Johnson, Walk to Emmaus #46A

Registrar, Cross Point Emmaus Board



From the Lay Directors of Cross Point Emmaus Walks #109 & 110: We are super excited to have the volunteer applications turned in!! We want to include all those who want to help. Thank you for volunteering!! Please know WE NEED YOU!! God needs you! The Pilgrims need you!! The next step we'll have is the prayerful review of applications and team selection. Two meetings with the team selection committee are required. Once the team list is approved by the board, the Lay Directors will be able to start calling the volunteers who will be asked to serve in the Conference Room. We hope to be making these phone calls in December. As a general rule of thumb, Conference Room team members will have served on the Hands and Feet team at least twice. The Hands and Feet applications will be prayed over also and these team members for both the Men's and Women's walks can expect a call by February. The Hands and Feet team is very important to the mission of the Emmaus weekend. Do you remember all that delicious home-cooked food placed on the table in front of you? (Several someones cooked that!) Do you remember your cabin and bunk looking more like a hotel than when you left for the conference room? (Several someones straightened and cleaned the cabins and prayed for you before they left your cabin!) Do you remember the SNACKS? (Several someones made those, delivered them, dished them up and decorated tables of food that appeared out of nowhere!!) Do you remember when you returned to the conference room after a meal or a break and everything was neat and orderly on your table again? (Several someones cleaned, restocked the bathrooms, straightened the tables and got everything ready for the next set of meetings!!) Do you remember how the tables were arranged differently in the dining hall, were decorated and became more and more full of Agape? (Yep, you've guessed it....Several someones helped with this as well!!) AND FOR THE MOST PART ALL OF THESE 'SOMEONES' were hidden behind trees or basically invisible to you as pilgrims because the Hands and Feet team are to serve anonymously and 'in the background.' God knows what the Hands and Feet team are doing. The Hands and Feet team leaders and their crews are in charge of making sure all the duties are tended to so the pilgrims are able to ONLY focus on God and what He is saying and revealing to them. What an honor!! What a privilege to get to do this for one person...much less for 36 pilgrims on a walk. It is AMAZING!! Let's talk about trainings & commissioning: The Conference Room team members will have a series of four trainings beginning in late February. The final training will be held on Saturday, April 4th, and will include the training that afternoon for the Hands and Feet team. At the conclusion of the trainings, a Commissioning Service will be held in which team members will be prayed over and anointed with oil. The monthly time of fellowship and FOOD (pot luck brought by all of us) will be after training and prior to the Commissioning Service on April 4th. We look forward to working alongside all of you and seeing you at the next Gathering!! And one more thing, we can't have Walks without pilgrims so please be in prayer about sponsoring and/or sponsors!! The Walk dates are: Men's (#109) April 16-19, 2020. Women's (#110) April 23-26th, 2020.

God is counting on US and we are counting on Him,
Gary Heller & Melissa Grace



On the Road to Emmaus

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles^[a] 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

Emmaus Gathering



Sunday, Nov 17

3:00 – 5:00 pm

Colvert Ministry Center

Speakers: Shawna Carnahan
& Kenna Johnson

Bring your family and a snack dish.



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www.crosspointemmaus.org

2020 Spring Walks

*April 16-19, 2020 - Men

*April 23-26, 2020—Women

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

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