



Texoma Emmaus Community

*The two then explained to them what had happened on the road, and how they
had recognized the Lord when he broke the bread. Luke 24:35*

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Upcoming Walks

Men's Walk #76

Lay Director: Marvin Smith
Sept. 29—Oct. 2, 2011

Women's Walk #77

Lay Director: TBA
March 1—4, 2012

Men's Walk #78

Lay Director: TBA
April 19—22, 2012

Women's Walk #79

Lay Director: TBA
August 9—12, 2012

A Message from the Chairperson Barry Eberberger

I want to welcome our newest community members from Walk 75! I listened to the pilgrims speak at their closing and again at their follow up. Very moving! Praise God for a successful and **full** walk!

While listening to the pilgrims of Walk 75, I was reminded of a very important fact that I want each member of our community to know. God is **alive**, well and seeks a personal relationship with each one of us. He made each one of us special and unique. He has love and time for each of us too!

As board chair, I have the opportunity to be aware of a lot of the things it takes to put together a successful walk. What I am wanting to share here is how amazing and faith affirming it is to see how God works with, through and yes even sometimes in spite of us.

I wish I could share every example of when I see God at work within our community. It is so very faith affirming! Several pilgrims recognized God was at work when they were on their walk. Also as to who was at their table or what was said in a talk. When do we notice Him? Is it the words in a song? In a discussion at a table? Maybe a personal witness in a talk? I get to see things like that over and over again. A golf cart breaks down and multiple others are offered up. A team member has to drop off a team. It happens almost on every walk. I do not think God causes the situation that made the team member have to drop off the team. I think where He is involved is in how that position then gets filled. The prayers, phone calls and the end results and this is where He does incredible things.

Meetings are taking place for our last walk of 2011. Lay Directors for 2012 are being prayed over and contacted. Nominations for the next board member ballot are also beginning. Please pray for each of these. Please pray that we find and sponsor the pilgrims God has in mind for our next walk. Pray for that team and the 4th day volunteers. Pray for the board members (now serving and yet to serve).

My prayer for our community is that we each see and hear our amazing God as He shares His grace and love with each of us. We serve an awesome God and He is with us each and every day of our life. What a mighty God we serve!! What a wonderful blessing that we all share.

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From the Communications Chair Cathy Pugh

Sponsorship is the most important part of the Walk to Emmaus. Without each of our sponsors, we would never have attended a Walk. As a good sponsor, you have responsibilities that need to be taken care of before, during and after the Walk. I wanted to go over these responsibilities with you. First, begin praying for God to put someone on your heart to go on the Walk. Once He has revealed who that is begin praying for that person. Talk to this individual about the experience of the Walk and how it has affected your life. Relate to them that the purpose of the Walk is to strengthen the local church and provide spiritual renewal. You then obtain a completed application from the individual and send to the Registrar at the address located on the application. Once you receive the acceptance e-mail from the registrar, you need to gather the Pilgrims agape letters to be presented to them on Sunday. The Registrar will provide a sample letter that you can use to explain to the Pilgrim's family and friends what the letter should say. It is very important that the letters are positive and encouraging. On Thursday, pick up your Pilgrim at their home and bring them to Lake Texoma for send-off. Be sure that you supply Agape food that your Pilgrim likes such as soda, chips, cookies, fruit, vegetables, etc. You **must** attend Sponsors hour once the Pilgrims have left for the conference room. Be sure and attend to the Pilgrim's family during the weekend. On Saturday attend Candlelight so that they can see you there. On Sunday attend closing and take your pilgrim home. Your responsibilities aren't done yet!!! You need to bring them to their Follow-up, their first Gathering, their first Candlelight and help them find a Reunion Group. The way you sponsor will set the example as to how the Pilgrim will sponsor someone else. Sponsorship is an act of love for God, for the Pilgrim, for the Community, and for the local church. It is a demonstration of agape love and is making oneself an instrument of God's Prevenient Grace. Please contact me with any questions you may have at 903-271-6050 or e-mail me at cpugh@cableone.net

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From the Vice Chair/Team Selection Dayle Roper

As I write this article, I am busy making phone calls for our upcoming board election and getting the **2012** Lay Directors in place. This is no easy task, but I have had the joy and honor to speak with so many of our friends in this community. It's always great to see God forming a Walk team, and forming the board every year. Many times things go down to the wire, and to sit back and watch God handle all of our needs

Board Members

If you would like to serve in an area, or have any questions, please contact any of the Board members.

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each & every time is simply amazing.

Please continue to support the Texoma Emmaus Community with your prayers, presence, pilgrims and gifts whenever you can. We are sending many beautiful people back into their local church, prepared to grow and make a difference for God's kingdom.

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From the 4th Day Chair Carolyn Cherry

Wow time flies and we are down to our last TEC Walk of 2011. It's time to get things going for Men's Walk #76 taking place from September 29th to October 2nd. Set-up will be at 2:30 PM on Sunday, September 25, 2011 starting at the conference room. The CHA leader for this team will be Gary Perkins. Gary and his team of Scott Hinsch, Doug Haun, Jerry Gill, Mike Walker, David Reynolds and Mike Dietz are ready and anxious to serve our awesome God by supporting the Inside Team and the Pilgrims on this Walk. For those of you who helped with set-up, send-off, sponsor's hour, candlelight and closing on Women's Walk #75, a huge **THANK YOU** for your willingness to serve along with me. Without you 4th day volunteers, the weekend mechanics simply wouldn't have happened so effortlessly. You made my job easier in so many ways. The Inside Team works and prepares for months to make sure the Pilgrims have a blessed weekend. As the 4th Day team, we do our part by supporting them in every way we can in a 7 day period, through prayer, physical labor, agape and so much more. Serving Him in this area is a true example of being the hands and feet of Christ to the Body.

Please watch for email-blast reminders of the many chances to serve in our Emmaus community as the next Walk quickly approaches. Please log into the database to volunteer to serve on the 4th Day team (if you have not already signed up at one of the prior events). While you are in the database, be sure to check your information and make sure it is correct. I would hate to miss you because your data is incorrect. Remember sponsorship is always your **first** and most important 4th day call to serve in the Emmaus community. Working as the 4th day team on set-up and take-down and other events of the weekend is so rewarding and begins your journey of Emmaus service. I am always looking for Chas to serve and I select these individuals from members in the community who have 4th day experience first.

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From the Music Chair Lynda Lewis

"Have You Seen Jesus My Lord" as you have shared in the singing on your Walk and at our gatherings? Do you have a need to "Sing, sing, sing and make music with the heavens?" If your answer to these questions is "Here I Am Lord" then we have a place for you to serve. We need musicians for every gathering and candlelight. All you need to do is contact me at [lyn^daclewis@yahoo.com](mailto:lyndaclewis@yahoo.com) and I would love to plug you in to serve! The three musicians that serve on each Walk Team are selected from the musicians in the community and if you would like to get your name out there, serving at gatherings and candlelight are great ways for the community to get to know you. I look forward to hearing from you and singing praises to our Savior with you!!

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**Men's Walk #76
Sept 29-Oct 2, 2011
Team Members**

Lay Director

Marvin Smith

Asst Lay Directors

Fred Lehmann

Paul Welborn

Jesse Farrer

Spiritual Director

Tom Lackey

Asst Spiritual Directors

Leon Veazy

Donny Haywood

Tom Flick

Kristi Smith

Table Leaders

John Orozco

Bill Shields

Jay Emerson

Doug Hunt

Mike Arthur

Jeffrey Smith

Asst Table Leaders

Dennis Bozeman

Allen Blacketer

Duane Marks

Damon Paxson

Gary Allison

Wayne Walters

Music

Steve Haid

Brian Boaen

Board Rep

Jerry Pedersen

**Men's Walk #76
Sept 29-Oct 2, 2011
Candlelight Saturday,
Closing Sunday,**

Pilgrims

Luke Baio

Randy Bearden

Dale Bryant

Thurman Dehorney

David Denning

Steve Elkins

Chris Ensminger

Beau Heistand

Dwayne Henderson

Ed Huges

Kris Montgomery

Mike Moss

Terry Noel

Daniel Pruett

Jerry Reynolds

Danny L Smith

Ken Smith

Fred Thompson

Bill Thornhill

Larry Ticknor

Bryan White

Robert Yost

Date scheduled for next Gathering:

November 12, 2011

FUMC Whitewright

**Welcome to our newest Texoma Emmaus
members from Women's Walk #75**

Whitney Alexander

Kathy Black

Teri Brooks

Kathy Burt

Cheryl Davis

Virginia English

Dawn Faddis

Vicky Franklin

Debbie Gauntt

Kim Greeley

Twila Harvey

Connie Henderson

Julie Henry

Bridget Hoenig

Tammy Hoggatt

Melinda Hunter

Dalphine Kelley

Louise Milloy

Laura Mitchell

Teri Montgomery

Fern Moore

Jackie Pointer

Ann Powell

Renee' Reed

Elodie Singer

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