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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On our Walk to Emmaus weekend, we learn that discipleship is a *lifestyle* of living our faith to the fullest in total response to Jesus Christ as our Savior. We *give our heart* to God in piety, *give our mind* to God in study, and *give our hands and feet* to God in Christian action.

Jesus knew His hour had come and displayed his love for the disciples in one final act of servanthood during the last supper—washing their feet. Though He was their Master and Teacher, Jesus lovingly took on the role of servant and taught us:

*So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.*

*Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them."*

John 13:14-16

As we give our hearts and minds to God, we are called to model Jesus' example--to be servants to others. Peter initially protested Jesus' actions. Like Peter, do we protest? Do our lives reflect Jesus' example or do we adhere to societal roles in our daily lives?

Take a moment to reflect on your own walk. Think about all the acts of servanthood that were lovingly offered to ensure you experienced "the best walk ever." As a community, do we offer those acts of service only during walks or are we serving others daily?

Friends, our Lord and Teacher, *our Savior with all authority of God*, loved and served His disciples to the very end.

Are we?

De Colores!

*Monica*

excerpts from "He Loved Them to the End"

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## MEN'S WALK #85-2018

*Calling all Community!*

*Visit our website*

*www.cremmaus.org*

*Sign up for the Prayer Vigil*

*for the*

*Men's Walk!*

### The Men's Walk is on!

**WHEN:** October 18 – 21, 2018

**WHERE:** Spiritual Renewal Center, Victoria

**REGISTRATION:** \$225

**HOW:** Pilgrim application is included with this newsletter and is also available on the website.

**LAY DIRECTOR:** Paul Gordon

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR:** Rev. Richard Young

**BOARD REP:** Mike Myers

See additional, important information about the Walk on the Checklist found on the next page!

### GATHERINGS:

August 17, 2018  
September 2018

FUMC-Port Lavaca  
NO GATHERING!

POTLUCK DINNERS BEGIN AT 6:30 PM!

## CHECKLIST FOR MEN'S WALK #85-2018

Since the Men's Walk is now scheduled for October, **there are two very important things that we need the community to do immediately:**

1. **Confirm agape list:** please check the agape list on our website to determine if you had previously signed up to provide agape for the Men's Walk in April. Click here to go to the agape list: <http://cremmaus.org/agape/agapelist.php>

Once you check that list, please send an email to Steve Bales at [skbales@tisd.net](mailto:skbales@tisd.net) and let him know whether you will be able to provide the agape for the Men's Walk on the new dates in October. As the Men's team reorganizes and moves full steam ahead for October, this step is important to confirm the agape that will be provided and determine what remains needed. Since the dates have changed, the board and Men's team want to prevent confusion and possible oversight of needed items.

2. The all-important **Prayer Vigil** for the Men's Walk will start from a clean slate. The previous sign-ups will not be carried over to October. Please sign up now for your preferred time slots!

## NOW LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO FILL THIS WALK!

Here's how **YOU** can help:

1. An informational **flyer** is included with this newsletter. Please print the flyer out and post it on your church bulletin board, include in your church newsletter and weekly bulletins, and distribute to friends and family!
2. The **Pilgrim application** is also included with this newsletter. Get it in the hands of your pastor, your co-workers, your friends, your Sunday School classes, and that person God keeps nudging you to ask!

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## *Do you receive the newsletter in your inbox?*

Sign up to receive the newsletter, Prayer Circle, and all the latest news on our website. Click on this link:

<http://cremmaus.org/sign-up-for-notifications>

Click the blue "**Sign me up!**" tab at the bottom left of this screen and let us know that you would like to sign up for the electronic notification of Emmaus events, needs and concerns!

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### *Info regarding KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY*

Men's Kairos @ Stevenson Unit, Cuero  
November 1-4, 2018

Women's Kairos @ Lockhart Unit, Lockhart  
October 11-14, 2018

More information and prayer chain signup for Women's Kairos at Lockhart Unit can be found at: <http://www.kairoslockhart.com/index.html>

Check out this link for General information and Calendar for Kairos activities in Texas:  
<https://www.kairostexas.org/index.html>

Jack Tudor shared at our July Gathering that financial support is always welcome and needed for this important ministry. Please reach out to Jack if you'd like to support Kairos!

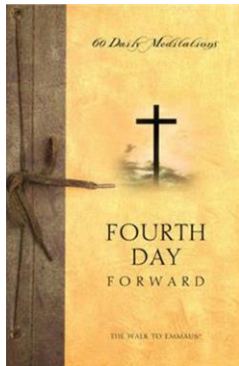
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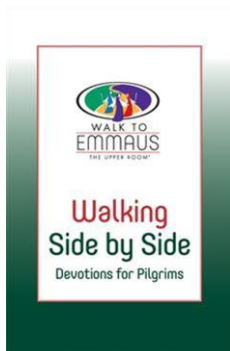
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## RESOURCES FOR YOUR FOURTH DAY



<https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/1047/fourth-day-forward.aspx>



<https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/880/walking-side-by-side.aspx>

## Next Board Meeting:

Monday, September 10, 2018

7:00 PM

Jackson Electric Coop  
8925 State Highway 111 South  
Ganado, TX 77962

*A successful Walk is one in which participants spend three days in the company of other pilgrims experiencing God's love and forgiveness and receiving encouragement to be more faithful disciples and to share that same love with others who need to hear the message of reconciliation.*

*"Day Four" by Robert Wood*

*Upper Room Books 2004*

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<i>Lay Director:</i>	<i>Mike Myers</i>	<i>Class of 2020:</i>
<i>Asst. Lay Director:</i>	<i>Jesse Avendano</i>	<i>Linda Alderson</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Steve Bales</i>	<i>Daniel &amp; Kelly Lockey</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Daniel &amp; Kelly Lockey</i>	<i>Rick Graff</i>
<i>Team Selection Chair:</i>	<i>Carolyn Gordon</i>	<i>Ron Langford</i>
<i>Immediate Past Lay Director:</i>	<i>Tyanne Rakowitz</i>	
<i>Community Spiritual Director:</i>	<i>Rev. Richard Young</i>	<i>Class of 2019:</i>
<i>Community Asst. Spiritual Directors:</i>	<i>Rev. Dan Zellmer</i>	<i>Steve Bales</i>
	<i>Rev. Paul Beard</i>	<i>Clint Mitchell</i>
<i>Prayer Vigils:</i>	<i>Bo Raz</i>	<i>Cheryl Worley</i>
<i>Agape Chair:</i>	<i>Cheryl Worley</i>	<i>Carolyn Gordon</i>
<i>Trailer:</i>	<i>Sharing the Love of Christ</i>	
	<i>Men's Reunion Group,</i>	
	<i>Port Lavaca</i>	
<i>Music:</i>	<i>Linda Alderson</i>	<i>Class of 2018:</i>
<i>Candlelight:</i>	<i>Mike Kinsey</i>	<i>Jesse Avendano</i>
<i>Reunion Groups:</i>	<i>Boz Raz</i>	<i>Kim Wood</i>
<i>Fundraising:</i>	<i>Jesse Avendano &amp;</i>	<i>Mike Myers</i>
	<i>Ron Langford</i>	
<i>Newsletter:</i>	<i>Monica Bard</i>	
<i>Website:</i>	<i>Bill Rakowitz</i>	
<i>Emmaus Registrar:</i>	<i>Kim Wood</i>	
<i>Community Trainers:</i>	<i>Neta &amp; Gerald Ripple</i>	
<i>2018 Women's Walk Lay Director:</i>	<i>Neta Ripple</i>	
<i>2018 Men's Walk Lay Director:</i>	<i>Paul Gordon</i>	



**PILGRIM APPLICATION**

- ALL PORTIONS AND PAYMENT IN FULL ARE REQUIRED BEFORE APPLICATION CAN BE PROCESSED
- THE PILGRIM, SPONSOR, AND PASTOR MUST COMPLETE AND SIGN THEIR RESPECTIVE SECTIONS
- PILGRIM CANDIDATES WITH INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE PLACED ON THE WAITING LIST AND THEIR PAPERWORK RETURNED UNTIL A COMPLETE APPLICATION, INCLUDING FULL PAYMENT, IS RECEIVED.
- RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR SPONSOR, SO THEY MAY FILL IN THEIR SECTION
- CONFIRM WITH YOUR REGISTRAR THAT YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND IS COMPLETE

**PLEASE CHECK WITH THE FOURTH DAY GROUP HOSTING THE WALK FOR PAYMENT AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION.**

**Walk#** 85-2018 **Date** Oct 18 - 21 **Cost \$** 225.00 **Location** SRC Victoria, TX

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name Tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Male  Female Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name & Address presently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you smoke?  Yes  No

Ordained Clergy?  Yes  No Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the Walk been fully explained to you?  Yes  No Has Post-Walk follow up been explained?  Yes  No

Name of local Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group for Post Walk gatherings that you will be attending (check with your sponsor if unclear what the name is): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any Special Dietary needs?  Yes\*  No

**If YES\* Please explain:** \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special health problems or physical needs?  Yes\*  No

**If YES\* Please explain:** \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION CANCELLATION/CHANGE/REFUND POLICY:**

All changes (changes in information, walk dates, cancellations or requests for a refund) in Walk Registration must be submitted to the Emmaus Office in writing (by email/fax/mail). Registration fees can be transferred in full to another event or pilgrim before the cancellation deadline. Full refunds must be issued to the payer of the registration fee minus a \$25 processing fee.

**Pilgrim Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail completed** Crossroads Emmaus Community – 208 Ave. F, El Campo TX 77437  
**Application Packet to:** Email: [REGISTRAR@CREMMAUS.org](mailto:REGISTRAR@CREMMAUS.org) Fax: (361) 771-4191  
**Make Check Payable to:** Crossroads Emmaus Community

**\*\*\*CLERGY INFORMATION\*\*\***

(See #2 Instructions)

Your Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Pastor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended Emmaus, Cursillo, Tres Dias or any other recognized 3-day Weekend?  Yes # \_\_\_\_\_  No

**\*\*\*SPONSORS INFORMATION\*\*\***

(See #3 Instructions)

Sponsorship is the most important job in Emmaus. The quality of sponsorship influences the pilgrim, the health of the Emmaus movement, and the Church in which the Pilgrim will serve. Thank you for your dedication and effort to promote the Emmaus vision of developing Christian leaders who will strengthen the local Church. It is important for the success of this Pilgrim's Walk for you to be a fully participating Sponsor. *If you cannot answer YES to all of the following, then please reconsider whether you are best suited to act as this applicant's Sponsor.*

Where did you attend your Emmaus/Cursillo (or other recognized 3-day experience)?

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Walk# \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No Are you in a reunion group? (If not active in a reunion or accountability group, please make every effort to join one soon. This is an essential part of the weekend experience.)

Yes  No Are you active in your local Church?

Yes  No Are you praying for your candidate?

Yes  No Will you personally bring your candidate to the Emmaus site on Thursday night?

Yes  No Will you care for the needs of your Candidates spouse? (Ex: Mow the lawn, help with emergency tasks, offer childcare, help the family get to church, etc.?)

Yes  No If the candidate is married, have you discussed the Walk with their spouse?

Yes  No Have you informed the candidate and spouse that they should expect to have no contact during the weekend, except in case of emergency?

Yes  No Has candidate suffered from a loss (death, divorce, etc.) this past year?

Yes  No Is the candidate emotionally ready to attend?

Yes  No Are you able and willing to assist the candidate to get into a reunion group?

Yes  No Have you explained the post-Walk follow-up meeting?

Yes  No Will you bring agape food & gifts?

Yes  No Can you fulfill Sponsor responsibilities if your candidate attends on short notice?

As Sponsor you are responsible to participate in these events. Please indicate the events you will attend?

Registration  Sponsor's Hour  Worship  
 Closing  Follow-up Meeting  First Gathering

**PLEASE PRINT:**  Please check if this is a new address

Sponsor's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this candidate? \_\_\_\_\_ Is this candidate active in their local Church? \_\_\_\_\_

If you were on the team would you be encouraged to have this person as a candidate? \_\_\_\_\_

What characteristics does the candidate demonstrate that exhibits his/her commitment to Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

To **your** knowledge, does this candidate have an addiction that would prevent full participation?  Yes  No

*\*\*\*If answered 'yes' to the last question, it is advisable to wait to sponsor this candidate until the issues are resolved.\*\*\**

**As a sponsor, I say YES to Christ. I will fulfill my responsibilities in such a way that His grace and love are revealed to this candidate through my Christian Action. My signature on this application indicates my commitment to the high calling of servanthood.**

Sponsor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF THE  
WALK TO EMMAUS PILGRIM APPLICATION**

Please take special note of the following questions on this Pilgrim Application. All information must be complete.

**INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

Because Emmaus is not intended to make disciples, but rather strengthen those who are already disciples, persons accepted for a Walk to Emmaus are expected to be ACTIVE members of a Christian congregation. **ALL EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY** must be approved in advance by the Community's Spiritual Director. Please make note of this before you submit your application; otherwise the packet may be returned.

Persons who are members of one congregation but are actively attending another congregation should reconcile the issue of where God is calling them to service and make a commitment to one community before applying for Walk to Emmaus. This enables the Pilgrim to participate FULLY in that community upon their return from the Walk to Emmaus.

**HAS THE WALK TO EMMAUS BEEN EXPLAINED TO YOU?** Make sure you are fully aware of what the Walk to Emmaus is all about. If you have questions, ask your Sponsor for more information. Your Sponsor should not sign this form until he/she has explained Emmaus and the events after the Walk weekend to you and, if applicable, your significant other.

**IF THE WALK IS CANCELLED OR PILGRIM CANNOT ATTEND...**the Sponsor, Pilgrim and/or Lay Director may (a) request a refund or (b) request for a transfer to a future Emmaus Walk. If the pilgrim is paid in full and the application is on file, you will not need to submit a new application. Requests for a transfer or a refund must be made in WRITING either through email, fax or regular mail to the Registrar. Refunds are issued to the original payer.

**INFORMATION ON SPECIAL NEEDS...** It is especially important to know if you have any special needs or challenges. It is rare that any such need cannot be met; however, we must know in advance to prepare for your full participation fully the Walk to Emmaus activities. Please let us know as far in advance as possible. **NONE OF THIS INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED EXCEPT TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR MEETING YOUR PHYSICAL, MEDICAL OR DIETARY NEEDS.**

**SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON THE FORM...** There are three (3) signatures that are REQUIRED for reservation. All three need to be present or the form will be returned for completion, which may result in a delay of your registration. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE **SPONSOR** TO SEE THAT ALL THREE SIGNATURES ARE PRESENT!

1. **YOUR SIGNATURE** – This is your free commitment to accept God's invitation to attend the Walk to Emmaus. Therefore, the form must be signed by you personally - not your sponsor, spouse, friend, or parent (they cannot make such a free commitment for you).
2. **YOUR PASTOR'S SIGNATURE** – This signature is the commitment of the clergy member of the congregation that you serve and worship in to work with you in developing your service to God after the Walk. The Clergy member does not have to have been on a walk him/herself; however, the Walk is not intended to bypass or usurp the authority of the pastor of your congregation in any way. If your pastor is opposed to your attending a Walk, it will be difficult for you to serve effectively in your church after your Walk and you may feel frustrated and discouraged. Your Sponsor or the Spiritual Director of the Fourth Day Group or of the Community may contact the clergy member if he/she is hesitant or uncertain. IT IS MEANINGLESS TO HAVE ANY MINISTER OTHER THAN YOUR OWN SIGN THIS FORM, SINCE THAT WOULD COMPLETELY DEFEAT THE PURPOSE OF THE PASTOR'S SIGNATURE.
3. **YOUR SPONSOR SIGNATURE** – This is your sponsor's commitment to both you and to the Emmaus Community - that he/she is willing to help you prepare for your walk, care for your family while you are away, and help you become more active in service after the Walk weekend. This signature emphasizes the great importance the Walk to Emmaus places on your sponsor.



**REGISTER NOW!**

**EXPERIENCE 72 HOURS OF RELAXATION,  
LEARNING, BONDING, AND  
LIFE-TRANSFORMATION.**

**MEN'S WALK TO EMMAUS #85-2018**

**OCTOBER 18 – 21, 2018**

**SPIRITUAL RENEWAL CENTER, VICTORIA**

**LAY DIRECTOR: PAUL GORDON**

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: REV. RICHARD YOUNG**

**BOARD REPRESENTATIVE: MIKE MYERS**

*Registration forms available on our Crossroads Emmaus website:*

**[www.cremmaus.org](http://www.cremmaus.org)**

Registration fee: \$225