Arizona Walk to Emmaus Newsletter

Rooster Tales



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Gathering Schedule

The next gathering will be our 4th Day Dinner Gathering after Women's Walk #258!

See page 2 for more info.

Open Board Positions

We still need to fill some Board Positions:

Gathering Chair - Main responsibility is organizing regular gatherings, among other things.

Three Day Chair - Responsible for stocking the Emmaus trailer and making sure it is ready for Walks, among other things.

For more information, please reach out to a Board Member or email azemmauscomm@gmail.com.

NEWS FROM EMMAUS MINISTRIES

International Virtual Gathering - On Friday, April 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Central Time, we will be hosting our annual online international gathering via Zoom. We hope you will not only attend but also invite everyone in your local Emmaus community to be present.

This will be like no other gathering you have ever witnessed, bringing together music and speakers who are active in communities around the world, and having the opportunity to share in a mini-Reunion Group experience with people from cultures around the globe. Registration is available here. Please save the date and spread the word.

PRAY FOR OUR GLOBAL EMMAUS COMMUNITY

"Thank you, Lord, for an increasing number of scheduled Walks, Flights, and Encounters, as well as for the many communities around the world that are literally rising from the ashes.

May you grant your blessings upon the November 17th opening events in West Malaysia. Amen."



A Note from our Treasurer

The Arizona Walk to Emmaus is moving ahead with walks. Over the pandemic we have used our savings to keep up with expenses. The savings account needs to grow again. We have had some unexpected expenses, renting a refrigerated trailer for the Women's Walk in Gilbert being one. If you feel God leading you to donate, there are several options: Check with your bank or Credit Union to see if there is a fee with any of the options.

1) Zelle: after logging in to your bank account online, go to Zelle, you would look for AZ Walk to Emmaus. When it asks for email use: treasurer.azwalk2emmaus@gmail.com
Do not use a phone number.

Currently it says Peoria, AZ, which is fine.

2) If your bank or credit union has bill pay, you can pay online from your bank account and have them send a check to:

AZ Walk to Emmaus PO Box 86309 Phoenix, AZ 85080-6309

This can be one time or a monthly donation.

3) You can mail a check to:

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If you have questions please call or email me.

Thank you to all who have continued to support Walk to Emmaus.

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Upcoming Gatherings

There are currently no gatherings scheduled except for the 4th Day Dinner Gathering which will be held on November 5 at First UMC of Gilbert. Come out and help us celebrate our 18 newest Emmaus members after Women's Walk #258! Training will be held at 3:30pm in Room 130 and a potluck for the pilgrims and the Emmaus community will begin at 6:30pm in the Activity Center. Worship service to follow. Hope to see you there!

De Colores!

A Note from our Board Director

November is always a time that we sit back and count our blessings. A calm before the chaos of the Christmas season. It is a time to revisit what it is we feel thankful for in our lives. Our families, our health, our jobs, our salvation. Every day that we wake and open our eyes is a day to feel thankful for the life we have been given.

A couple of weeks ago, my pastor said something that resonated with me. "I want to enter your gates with more than thanks" are the words Pastor Greg Hintz shared with us. I feel so amazingly blessed to be forgiven and filled with God's grace. Thanks just doesn't seem to be enough to feel toward our Lord and Savior.

Every morning, one of the first sights my eyes fix on is the banner from Walk #253 from when I was the Lay Director. It reminds me of how blessed I am and how thankful I am to be a child of God. I start each day feeling thankful; so this time of year is just another time for me to pause and give thanks. I hope everyone is able to do the same.

With Walk #253 in mind, I want to bring attention to our Brother in Christ, Pastor Mel Brewster. Mel was the Head Spiritual Director on that Walk, and he was amazing. Gentle, kind, spirit filled. He brought calm and wisdom to a Team that was three years in the making. As the Walk grew near, he was not in the best of health, but he wanted to honor his commitment. He stepped down as the Head Spiritual Director, but still joined as much as possible on that Walk. That was the kind of man Pastor Mel was.

I was so sad to hear of the passing of Pastor Mel. While we always rejoice that he is now in God's presence, it is still a loss to those of us here. Please give a prayer of thanks for his life, and a prayer of peace for his family.

May you all be richly blessed this Thanksgiving season.

DeColores!

Anne Marie Davee

More information will be coming regarding a service for Mel Brewster.

Future Emmaus Walks

There will be no spring walks in Phoenix this coming year, but we are working on and hoping to have summer walks in the Flagstaff area! Stay tuned for more information!



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