

Rooster Tales



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Happy Fall, y'all! Whether you are watching leaves turn color in the high country, or feeling the fresh snap of a cool morning on the desert, I hope you are enjoying God's abundant gifts in nature and in your life!

We on the board are looking forward to the formation of teams and preparation for walks in February and July, but we have done all we can. The success or even existence of these walks is now in the hands of the community. Decide who you will sponsor, and get their applications turned in ASAP.

The new applications are on the website; contact anyone on the board if you have trouble finding them. While you're on the website, click on the Database tab and update your information, especially if you want to be called to serve.

Remember, "God can pour on the blessings in astonishing ways so that you're ready for anything and everything, more than just ready to do what needs to be done. (The Message: 2 Corinthians 9:8) May His blessings pour abundantly on you!

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Barbara Fike-Community Lay Director



Your Emmaus Board is excited to announce upcoming Walks for 2024

Lakeview UMC, Sun City

Men's Walk 259 2/15/24
Lay Director Ed Taylor

Women's Walk 260 2/29/24
Lay Director Joyce Trevolt

Trinity Heights UMC, Flagstaff

Men's Walk 261 7/18/24
Lay Director TBD

Women's Walk 262 7/25/24
Lay Director Julie Vileg

Go to azemmaus.org for new applications and deadlines.

Some Thoughts About Grouping...

I have been grouping weekly since my going on Walk #86 in the 90's. Although, I don't remember who gave the grouping talk on my walk-I do remember how it affected me. I realized that if I didn't group, I would be leaving the Emmaus experience as just another Christian Retreat. I knew Emmaus was a life-changing event and I wanted to continue this incredible experience. When my sponsor picked me up, I told her I needed to do this "grouping thing" and she and I began grouping. We added other wonderful Emmaus sisters to our group as well.

A few years later I moved to Las Vegas. I knew I needed to find another group. I went to a gathering, and I asked around for where I might find an Emmaus Pastor in a Methodist Church. I knew I found my new church home when I attended my first service at Trinity Methodist Church and Pastor Michael Downing (now retired). He used part of the Prayer to the Holy Spirit in one of the prayers that first service I went to. I quickly found a wonderful new group of sisters after asking the Pastor Downing who had attended Emmaus in the congregation.

I moved back to Arizona in 2005 and rejoined some of my former grouping sisters. Our group has evolved over time with some members leaving and some members joining. Although groups sometimes change members, the discipline and accountability of the group remains.

The bond that is created with this intimate group is amazing. I know I can text or call my group at any time for prayer support. We can freely share anything in our group-whatever is shared in group, we know we have a trusting bond to keep our discussions only within our group. My grouping sisters help/advise/encourage me in my daily discipline of prayer, study, and action.

I encourage anyone reading this that is not currently grouping to start. My grouping time is my favorite activity of the week.

Rebecca Williams-Communications Chair



Here is the link to the Upper Room site where the flyers can be purchased. They come 50 in a bundle. Individuals can order them and they only pay for the shipping.

Maximum per order is 4 bundles <https://store.upperroom.org/product/emmaus-brochures>

Happy Veterans Day!

"Thank You"

...to our Veterans for their Service to our Country.





Walk to
Emmaus
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Upcoming Gatherings

**Anyone who has attended the Walk to Emmaus and,
all with an interest in the Walk to Emmaus are Welcome**

Dove of the Desert United Methodis Church

7201 W. Beardsley , Glendale

Friday-December 1

6:30 Fellowship, 7:00 Service

Please Join us and get excited for the upcoming walks at Lakeview UMC



Updates From the Treasurer

Thank you to all who have donated to Arizona walk to Emmaus. We probably need another \$1500.00 before the end of the year besides walk fees to make sure we can pay our Insurance bills (community and truck) in January, This is to keep a balance without paying a monthly fee. Walk fees will take care of walk expenses. If you have questions for me email or text is best.

The PO Box is: Arizona Walk to Emmaus, PO Box 86309, Phoenix, AZ 85080-6309.

If you have questions about how to donate through Zelle, email me treasurer.azwalk2emmaus@gmail.com.

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