

COVENANT TO SPONSOR EMMAUS PILGRIM(S)

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen local churches through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The aim of the Walk to Emmaus is to inspire, challenge and equip local members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces and communities.

If you are sponsoring be aware of certain things that are not to be taken lightly. It is a long-term commitment to the Emmaus Community and to the potential candidate. This commitment has many responsibilities which **you** must consider **before** asking a candidate if he/she is interested in a Walk. Please be in prayer before and as you share this amazing instrument of God's love with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

The local Emmaus Community signs a covenant agreement with the International Emmaus office. This agreement contains a statement regarding married couples that "married couples are encouraged to make an equal commitment to participate in the Walk to Emmaus". Emmaus does not want to become a wedge in any marriage and the Equal Commitment Rule helps to guard against this. The Walk can be a time for new commitments and directions in a marriage, and can allow Emmaus to be an aid in strengthening marriage and family bonds, and the spiritual bond in a marriage. **Both members of the couple should be approached at the same time** when the Walk to Emmaus is being presented and applications are being offered. There should be strong encouragement for the couple to make an equal commitment to participate. Experience has shown that the Equal Commitment Rule has resulted in the active participation in Emmaus and the local church of both husbands and wives who probably would not have attended a Walk. These persons made the commitment to attend because their spouse wanted to attend. While the initial motive may have been to support the spouse, most have found that Emmaus has been a vital ingredient in their own Christian Growth. There is nothing wrong if a couple must delay a walk to a later date so they can take advantage of the same set of walks.

Will you as Sponsor meet your obligations to:

- See that the candidate has the necessary information regarding time, place, cost, and expectations for the Walk?
- See that the completed Application and deposit is submitted prior to deadline?
- See that transportation is provided to and from the site?
- Arrange for any special care for family members and home so that your Pilgrim can attend a Walk weekend?
- Arrange financial support if cost is a problem for the candidate?
- Attend Sponsors' Hour on Thursday evening of the Walk? Support 72 Hour Prayer?
- Attend Candlelight?
- Attend Closing?
- Follow up after the walk to integrate your Pilgrim into the Community, in a Small Group Reunion and Gatherings?
- Continue in relationship with this person after the weekend?
- Attend Fourth Day Meeting with your Pilgrim following the Walk?

Sponsor's Name _____ Phone: _____

Address _____ Cell _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Email _____ Your Church _____

Where/When did you attend Walk? _____

Have you Sponsored before? Y/N___ Are you in Reunion Group? Y/N___

If yes, where & when does group meet? _____

Do you have room for others? _____

Candidate Information (completed by Sponsor)

Candidate Name: _____ M/W walk? _____

How is candidate active in their home church? _____

How long have you known them? _____ Your relationship with them? _____

Why do you feel they should attend the Walk? _____

Is Candidate physically able to participate in Walk activities? _____

A recent traumatic experience relative to family or emotional or spiritual issues may keep the candidate from giving themselves fully to the Emmaus experience. Do you know of any such distractions this candidate is experiencing such that they should postpone? _____

If you are sponsoring a married person, have you presented complete information in person to both partners and encouraged them to make an equal commitment to attend? Y/N___ If one spouse is not attending, what is the reason for not attending? _____

Note: The Emmaus Board reserves the right to review applications not complying with the Equal Commitment Rule.

The fee for the Weekend is \$100; a **non-refundable deposit of \$20** must accompany this application, with remainder of the fee due at Registration. The full \$100 fee may be sent at any time, payable to: Columbus IN Area Emmaus

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have any questions, you may contact the Spiritual Director of the Columbus Emmaus Community or a Board member.

Mail Application and deposit to:

CINDY MASSEY
COLUMBUS INDIANA AREA EMMAUS
3512 Arrowood Dr.
Columbus, In 47203
812-525-8954

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Columbus IN Area Emmaus Community Inc
Walk to Emmaus Application

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Candidate's Information

Name _____
(First & Last Name as you want it to appear on your Name Tag)

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Email _____

DOB _____ Occupation _____

Married ____ Single ____ Separated ____ Divorced ____ Widowed _____

Spouse Name (if applicable) _____

If married, has spouse attended Walk to Emmaus? _____

If yes, date of Walk & Community _____

If no, has he/she applied for Walk? Y __ N __ Why not? _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____

Day Phone _____ Eve Phone _____ Other _____

Denomination/Name/City of church you attend _____

Pastor's Name _____

Your Walk Sponsor _____ Relationship _____

Has your Sponsor discussed \$20 non-refundable deposit due with application? _____

Has Sponsor discussed \$80 due at Registration on Thursday of Walk? _____

Has Sponsor discussed that Walk begins Thurs eve & ends Sun eve? _____

Any other information you wish to share to help us know you better:

To help you have a safe and enjoyable Emmaus Walk, our team will need to know of any special medical or dietary needs you may have. This necessary information will help us better accommodate you at the Walk.

Do you have any Special Dietary needs?

Do you have any Medical Conditions that might limit your participation in the Walk?

Please list any medications you might need during the Walk (List name of med & time to be taken). Use additional pages if necessary.

Candidate's Signature _____ Date _____

(to be completed by Candidates pastor)

Printed Pastor's name _____ Phone _____

Church _____ City _____

NOTE to the Candidate's Pastor: *The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen local churches through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The aim of the Walk to Emmaus is to inspire, challenge and equip local members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces and communities.*

Please complete and check below that...

- The Candidate is an *active* participant of your congregation,**
- The Candidate is *not currently* facing any situations which might detract from their Walk experience,**
- And, you *will pray* for, encourage and support the Candidate on their Emmaus Walk.**

Candidate's Pastor's Signature _____ Date _____

If you have questions, please contact the Columbus Area Emmaus Community Spiritual Director. Their information may be found under the Emmaus Board Members section on the website: www.columbusareaemmaus.community.

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Date App Received _____ By _____

App Complete? _____

All Required Signatures? _____

Deposit Received; from Sponsor _____ from Candidate _____

Amt of Deposit \$ _____

Bal Due at Registration \$ _____

Amt Received at Registration \$ _____ Check # _____

Action Taken: Accepted for Walk # _____ On hold for future Walk _____

Notes: