

April
2021

Billings
Walk
To
Emmaus

W2E Times



We are
Socially Distant
but
Spiritually Close

Important Dates!

Fall Kick-Off
September 18, 2021
3:00 p.m.
Riverfront Park

MEN's W2E, #80
January 13-16, 2022

WOMEN's W2E, #81
January 20-23, 2022

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Our Hearts Were Opened

Led by the Holy Spirit, the Billings Walk to Emmaus is alive and well. Your Board of Directors has been zoom meeting regularly to make sure this ministry continues to thrive as it comes out of this pandemic. We have just recently met in person to take care of our commitment to keep this vital ministry thriving.

35 years ago, my husband and I attended the Billings Walk to Emmaus at the same location most of you have—at the First United Methodist Church. Even after all these years, the ministry is still near and dear to us. Our hearts were opened to Jesus and we are forever grateful. We have been blessed by not only what God has given us through His grace, but we also were given a strong, faith-based Christian community that surrounds us yet to this day. It is very likely the same for you, too.

After this unusual and isolating year, we have all endured, I think we are all reassessing and reevaluating what is important in life. Relationships being at the top! Relationships with each other but the utmost is with Jesus. I'm thinking that after our reevaluations,

we may very likely find that the Walk to Emmaus is one of those events that rises to the top.

With that said, this is to encourage you to begin thinking and praying now about who you might want to sponsor for our upcoming 2022 Billings Walk to Emmaus. If much of the rest of the community is thinking likewise, we may fill up quickly because the message of the grace of Jesus found at the Walk to Emmaus shines! The Walk to Emmaus is a great place to convey that love. As many pilgrims have said, "The Walk to Emmaus is Jesus with skin on." We as a board are so happy to resume planning for the upcoming weekends. The dates are:
Men: January 13-16, 2022
Women: January 20-23, 2022

We have material available to help you introduce and share the Walk Weekend with your family and friends. You can contact Larry Atkins at 406-647-2809 or stoneboat@hotmail.com for our history and testimonial brochures. May you continue to feel God's presence in your life.

Nadeen Kovanda

SPIRITUAL THOUGHTS

Forgiveness is not about keeping score. It's about losing count.

God is in the process of *changing* what we desire far more than He is in the process of *giving* what we desire.

Children may close their ears to advice, but they keep their eyes open to examples.

God has an "after this" for you.

When you judge others, you do not define them, you define yourself.

God can mend a broken heart, but you must give Him all the pieces.

If God had a refrigerator your picture would be on it.



What Is God Like?

Whenever anyone asks me how I can be so certain what God is like, I am reminded of the story of the little boy who was out flying a kite. It was a fine day for kite flying, the wind was brisk and large billowy clouds were blowing across the sky. The kite went up and up until it was entirely hidden by the clouds. "What are you doing?" a man asked the little boy. "I'm flying a kite," he replied. "Flying a kite, are you?" the man said, "How can you be sure? You can't see your kite." "No," said the boy, "I can't see it, but every little while I feel a tug, so I know for sure that it's there!"

Don't take anyone else's word for God. Find Him for yourself, and then you too will know by the wonderful, warm tug on your heartstrings that He is there *for sure*.



Grandpa's Face

A little girl was sitting next to her grandfather as he read her a bedtime story. From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up and touch his wrinkled cheek. She touched her own cheek after she touched his. After a little while of thinking she asked, "Grandpa, did God make you.? He looked at her and said, "Yes, sweetheart, God make me a long time ago." She paused for a few seconds and then asked, "Grandpa, did God make me too?" He replied, "Yes, indeed pumpkin, God made you just a little while ago." Feeling their respective faces again, she whispered to him, "God's getting better at it, isn't he?"