

December
2021

Billings
Walk
To
Emmaus

W2E Times

Important Dates!

MEN's W2E, #80
April 21-24, 2022

WOMEN's W2E, #81
April 28-May 1, 2022

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Help Someone
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4th-Dayer

The Gift of Christ

Wow, it is hard to believe that Christmas is just a week away. It seems that life is so fast paced that advent begins and then Christmas is over. So, I have to wonder what we miss along the way? As Christians I like to believe that we continue to keep our focus on Christ, but, I have to admit I sometimes lose focus and get caught up in the hustle and bustle of life. I am guessing that some of you feel the same way. God gave us an amazing gift in Christ and as we near the celebration of His birth I pray that you allow yourself the time to remember that God has provided the greatest gift you can ever give or receive.

Over the last eighteen months a lot has happened in our world. Even in our local Walk community there have been many changes since the last walks were held. We have suffered great losses throughout the community. While those losses bring grief to our lives we have not lost the sense of community as we share one another's grief.

As we move toward a new year it is time to consider who in your life could benefit from basking in the presence of God while attending a Walk to Emmaus. Take a moment and reminisce about your first Walk weekend and how you experienced God's love and Grace in a new way. To this day the song Silent Night brings tears to my eyes. Not necessarily from the words of the song, but I relate the song to the candlelight walk and all those members of the community who attend to share God's love with each pilgrim. I have been involved in several weekends since 2003 and that candlelight walk is life changing.

I don't know what the new year will hold or what changes may be made to keep those attending the walk in April safe, but what I do know is God is still in control and we need to put our trust and faith in Him more and more each day.

As you celebrate Christmas with friends and family this year it is my prayer for all of us that we take time to focus on God to all who will accept. Forgive those in your circle who may not live to your expectations and be thankful they are there. If there is one thing we have learned in the past eighteen months is that life is precious and short and can change very unexpectedly. So, share the love that has been shared with you through Jesus the Christ.

Many Blessings to you all!

Jeff Day

Bible

Trivia

(Women & Rulers)

1. What King of Israel had Rizpah as his concubine?

Hint: 2 Samuel 21:11

2. Who plotted to have John the Baptist beheaded?

Hint: Matthew 14:3-8

3. What queen traveled a great distance to meet Solomon face-to-face?

Hint: 1 Kings 10:1-2

4. After Nabal died, who became David's wife?

Hint: 1 Samuel 25:39-42

5. Who was ousted as queen mother for making a false idol?

Hint: 2 Chronicles 15:16

6. Philip witnessed to an Ethiopian eunuch who was servant of what queen?

Hint: Acts 8:27

7. What daughter of Ahab tried to destroy the entire line of Judah?

Hint: 2 Chronicles 22:10

You Choose

One beautiful Sunday morning, the pastor announced to his congregation: "My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons...a \$100 sermon that lasts five minutes, a \$50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes, and a \$10 sermon that lasts a full hour. Now, we'll take the collection and see which one you have chosen."



Year-End Tax Deductions



As you consider your year-end giving, we ask that you consider a contribution to the Billings Walk to Emmaus so potential Pilgrims can share in the same life changing weekend that you enjoyed. Since we are a 501(c)(3) non-profit, all contributions are tax deductible. Donations can be mailed to:

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Spiritual Thoughts

He became a man so we could trust him.

He became a sacrifice so we could know him.

He defeated death so we would follow him.

Christ is seldom a reality unless He is first a necessity.

Believing makes no difference in this world...only following does.

Confession - An agreement with God about sin.

Healing never happens outside of intimacy with Christ.

Patience is doing what you should do while waiting on God to do what only He can do.

You can do more than pray after you have prayed; but you can never do more than pray until you have prayed.

Nothing is wrong with shaking the stone out of our shoe before continuing our walk.

Joyful Witness

Christians are called to be Jesus' witnesses (Acts 1:8). This doesn't mean we need great speaking ability or charisma in order to explain the good news of the Walk to Emmaus. A witness is simply someone who testifies to what they have experienced at the Walk and how it has changed their life. That's the similar thing that John did in the opening of his letter in 1 John 1:1-4. He shared his first-hand knowledge of having been with Jesus and how that made his joy complete.

If you've ever shared your experience at the Walk to Emmaus, you've probably experienced fullness of joy. But if your main concern is how you are viewed, there will be no elation. Instead of rejoicing in the opportunity, you'll likely be critiquing your explanation of the Walk.

Witnessing is not a matter of persuasiveness or verbal skill. Rather it's an overflow of your love for Jesus Christ and your desire for others to experience His presence at the Walk to Emmaus. **Who is your "one" this year you can invite to our April/May Walks?**

Pilgrim and Sponsorship Applications

Applications for Pilgrims and Sponsors can be found at <http://www.billingsemmaus.com/>.

On the home page, you will find links to the Pilgrim Application and the Sponsorship Application. Remember that you need to submit BOTH applications online.



For unto us a Child is born