

BIG COUNTRY EMMAUS COMMUNITY

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local Church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders.

CANDIDATE APPLICATION

- Please **print** the answers to all questions. Incomplete applications will be returned for additional information.
- Return the application with you and your Pastor's signature to your Sponsor. Your sponsor will submit the application to the Registrar.

Full Name _____ Name for Nametag: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Birthdate _____ Male/Female _____

Phone #: _____ Smoker? _____ Marital Status _____ No. of children _____

Occupation _____ Emergency Contact Name & Phone: _____

_____ Insurance Company & Policy # _____

Please list all allergies, medications, medical problems, diet restrictions, handicaps or other information that may affect your wellbeing at this event.

Has the Walk been explained to You? _____ Can you attend on 2 – 3 day notice? _____

Date of the Walk you prefer to attend: _____ Church you regularly attend _____

It is my desire to attend a Walk to Emmaus three-day event sponsored by **Big Country Emmaus Community** (BCEC). I have been informed of the facilities where the event will be held, the possible delay in receiving emergency medical treatment due to the remoteness of the facility, and of the physical requirements of the Walk to Emmaus, and hereby certify that I am physically and mentally able to participate in such event.

I hereby release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify BCEC, its officers, directors, employees, and agents, and all individuals associated with or participating in the activities of BCEC, together with their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, of and from all debt, demand, obligation, claim, liability, suit or cause of action whatsoever for property damage, personal injury or death which may be incurred or suffered by me arising, directly or indirectly, from my participation in any activity of any Walk to Emmaus event, regardless of whether the property damage, personal injury, death debt, demand, obligation, claim, liability, suit or cause of action arises from, or is the result of, the negligence of any person or organization identified or referred to in this release. I understand that BCEC is relying upon this release in accepting my application to participate in a Walk to Emmaus event.

In the event of an emergency, and my emergency contact cannot be reached by telephone, the Emmaus staff has my permission to gain the services of licensed medical professionals to provide the care deemed necessary, including anesthesia, for my wellbeing, the cost of which I shall be responsible.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

To be completed by your Pastor:

Name of Church _____ Phone _____

Pastor's Printed Name _____ **Pastor's Signature** _____

Pastor's email _____

FOR REGISTRAR'S USE: Date rec'd _____ Amt Pd _____ Cash/Check _____ Walk # _____ Scholarship _____ Waiting List _____

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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED & WILL CAUSE A DELAY IN YOUR CANDIDATE BEING PLACED ON A WALK LIST. Full payment of \$185.00 payable to BCEC must accompany the Candidate application. Postdated checks will not be accepted. Mail to: **Big Country Emmaus/Registrar, Box 5080, Abilene, TX 79608.**

Sponsor's Name _____ Candidate's Name _____

Sponsor's Full address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Community where you attended your Walk? _____ Walk # _____

When/where does your reunion group meet? _____

Why did you Sponsor this person for a Walk? _____

Describe the Candidate's spiritual needs for this Walk _____

Does the Candidate have the Spiritual, Physical and Mental Health needed for a Walk? _____

Describe the Candidate's personality, spiritual growth and specific physical needs to assist in seating and room assignments

To Your knowledge, does this Candidate have an addiction that would prevent full participation _____

Names of any friends or family also on this same Walk _____

RESPONSIBILITIES & THINGS FOR SPONSOR TO REMEMBER • Candidate MUST be active in their local church. • The candidate should not be preoccupied by other situations or emotional strains that will prevent him or her from giving full attention to the message and experience of the Walk to Emmaus. • Be sure to have explained the Emmaus weekend, including follow-up activities, to the candidate and answer any questions they might have. Remember, there is nothing secret about the Walk to Emmaus. Sponsorship is the most important job in Emmaus. The quality of sponsorship influences the Pilgrim, the health of the Emmaus movement, and the Church being affected by Emmaus. Thank you for your dedication and effort to promote the Emmaus vision of developing Christian leaders who will strengthen the local church. If you cannot answer YES to ALL of the following, then please reconsider whether you are best suited to act as this candidate's sponsor. • As the sponsor, you must ensure that arrangements have been made for your candidate to get to the Walk. You should take the candidate to the site personally. • Pray for the candidate and sign up for the prayer vigil. • Be prepared to assist in caring for the needs of your candidate's family over the weekend. Example: Mow the lawn, offer childcare, help with transportation, provide a meal, etc. • Bring Agape, letters, food, drink, etc. for the weekend. • It is your responsibility to participate in all Emmaus functions scheduled during the weekend including sponsor's hour, candlelight, and closing. • Bring your candidate to the Community Gathering, Afterglow/Pancake Breakfast. • Assist candidate in finding a Reunion Group

I have read and understand the Sponsor's Responsibilities

Signature & Date _____

SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS If you need to apply for a scholarship, please include a minimum of \$92.50 AND a written request for scholarship funds. The following THREE questions MUST be answered: (1) Reason for financial need; (2) have you asked your reunion group for financial assistance (3) have you asked your church for financial assistance?

Sponsorship Responsibilities

- Prayer! Prayer for discernment for whom God wants you to Sponsor.
- Prayer! As you approach a potential Pilgrim and after giving them the application
- Prayer! Once the application is submitted and as the Lord begins to prepare their hearts for the week-end
- Prayer! Sign up for the Prayer vigil
- Submit the application with the \$185.00 Walk Fee, assuring that the Pilgrim, their Pastor and you have all 3 signed the application prior to submission
- Request personal Agape Letters from friends, family, co-workers
- Explain to your Pilgrim some of the aspects of the Walk, what they can expect
- Remind your Pilgrim periodically about the Walk week-end dates
- Prepare at least two pieces of agape. 82 for the full team, 65 for just the conference room attendees; also provide at least a 12-pack of their favorite beverage
- A few days before the Walk, contact your Pilgrim regarding what to bring and not bring with them to the Walk
- Take your Pilgrim to dinner *prior to* delivering them to the Walk site between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m., stay until send-off – 7:00 p.m., after send-off – attend Sponsor's hour to pray over their lanyard and pay for their nametag (\$6.00)
- Attend Candlelight – 7:30 p.m. for the Worship/Prayer service
- Attend Closing – 4:00 p.m. and return your Babe Chick home
- Pray! As your Pilgrim begins their Fourth Days.
- Take your Babe Chick to their 1st Fourth Day event – Men's Pancake Breakfast or Women's Afterglow
- Take your Babe Chick to Babe Chick Orientation and Community

For more in-depth Sponsorship instructions, please request a Sponsorship booklet.