

# SPONSORSHIP

## *The Decision Of Who To Sponsor*

### **GOOD CANDIDATES**

- \* Clergy & lay people who can bring new vision to their church and desire spiritual renewal in their own life.
- \* Active church members who are considered to be the backbone of their church.
- \* Less active church members who need their faith commitment renewed.
- \* Christians who desire to grow spiritually.
- \* Christians who will help Emmaus remain theologically sound, centered on essentials of our common faith in Jesus Christ.
- \* People whose participation will encourage others to participate in the Emmaus Walk.

### **SPONSORSHIP**

- \* THE GOAL of Emmaus is to bring spiritual revitalization to Christians & build up the Body of Christ in the local church.
- \* This goal is met through wise sponsorship that is purposeful & prayerful & provides an effective instrument for conveying God's Grace, while committed to Christian Discipleship of our faith in Jesus Christ.
- \* How Many PILGRIMS Can I Sponsor? Only one Pilgrim should be sponsored at a time. Meeting your duties as a sponsor is a full time commitment. When you are on a team, you should not be the primary sponsor for a Pilgrim.

### **POOR CANDIDATES**

- \* A person that has no relationship with Jesus Christ & His Church. (Non-Christian)
- \* A person in *the* midst of an emotional or personal crisis.
- \* A person who says no repeatedly after being presented the opportunity.
- \* A person whose theology is incompatible with traditional Christian theologies.
- \* A person that has no regular church home with any intent of settling on one. (Church hopper)
- \* A person who is only looking for another "spiritual high."
- \* A person who can't commit to the entire Walk.

## ***DUTIES OF THE SPONSOR***

### **BEFORE THE WALK**

- \* Pray for the person's openness to God's call.
- \* I Explain the Walk & the commitment of the weekend.
- \* Get Pilgrim's application to the Walk registrar. \*
- Collect a minimum of 12 agape Letters that are personal, uplifting & of significance to the Pilgrim.
- \* Maintain contact with the Pilgrim & their family to answer questions & concerns pertaining to the Walk.

### **DURING THE WALK**

- \* Continue to pray for the Pilgrim's openness to God on the weekend.
- \* Bring the Pilgrim to till' Walk along with snacks & drinks.
- \* Attend sponsor's hour.
- \* Attend the candlelight service.
- \* Attend the closing service.
- \* Keep in contact with the Pilgrim's family & provide updates of the weekend's progress.
- \* Take the Pilgrim home after till' walk is over.

### **AFTER THE WALK**

- \* Continue to pray for the Pilgrim's 4th days.
- \* Be available to discuss the Walk with the Pilgrim.
- \* Bring the Pilgrim to the first Gathering following their Walk.
- \* Help the Pilgrim become involved in a reunion group.
- \* Mentor till' Pilgrim on Sponsorship.
- \* Encourage their continual involvement in their local church & till' Emmaus Community.