To be filled in by Registrar only:	Postmarked			
Is Spouse attending Walk?	Check #	Amount	Discount	

FOOTHILLS EMMAUS COMMUNITY "WALK TO EMMAUS"

This is only an application and r	notification of acceptance will be s	
PLEASE PRINT	Request for reservations: Sprin	g Fall
PLEASE FILL IN ALL BLANKS		 alk
Name:		
Name wished on name tag	Spouse's Name	
Address:	City	State 7in
E-Mail Address:	Oity	OtatoZip
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	No. of children
	o Is your spouse attending same wall	
If not, explain		
	ing	
Pastor's name	Pastor's signature	
	activities	
Present occupation	Employer	
. Years of formal education	Highest degree earned	
. In what community organizations are y	ou active?	
Has the "Walk to Emmaus" been explain. Have the follow-up activities been explain. State briefly why you wish to attend a	lained to you?	
Are you on a Doctor's prescribed diet?		
. Do you have a health problem or a phy	ysical handicap that may need to be co	nsidered? Explain
Can you sleep on the top bunk bed? Y	esNoExplain if, No.	
Are you hearing impaired?		
(Need this information for room, bed a	nd table assignments).	
Please give name, address and pho	ne number of nearest relative not living	ing with you.
PORTANT: Please enclose a pre-registration is deposit is not refundable except in case of MMUNITY.	emergency. Please make checks payable	to: FOOTHILLS EMMAUS
he balance will be due on or before the firs	st night of the walk. Inspirational books ar	nd pamphlets will be available
purchase during the Walk.		

FOOTHILLS EMMAUS COMMUNITY P.O. BOX 25024, ORCHARD PARK GREENVILLE, SC 29616

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TO BE FILLED OUT BY SPONSOR

REMEMBER: Emmaus is for the purpose of developing and strengthening church leaders.

PLEASE PRINT

PILGRIM'S NAM	E	
Sponsor's name		Address:
City	State	Address: Zip
E-Mail Address		
Telephone: Home _	Business	S
Denomination and C	nurch now attending	
Do you attend regula	arly? What activities v	within your church do you participate?
		alis/Crusillo Walk?
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Are you in a Reunion	n Group? How often do	you meet?
Do vou participate ir	the monthly Gathering	g of your Community regularly?
		on this walk?
How long have you	known vour candidate?	
Is your candidate ac	tively participating in a l	local congregation?
Explain	, , , ,	
Does vour candidate	understand that if mar	rried, it is preferred that both spouses attend the
		at attend, give reason
weekend Walk to Er	nmaus?	alth needed to participate adequately in the 72 hou
Is your candidate un	der any temporary emo	otional strain?
Why do you feel tha	t this person would be a	a good candidate?
	Guideline form and agre	Responsibilities and Obligations as outlined on the ee to support my candidate before, during, and
Sponsor's Signatu	re	

^{**} All deposits are non-refundable except in case of emergency. A \$25 deposit must accompany forms. If all blanks on both forms are not filled in, application will be returned. (They should be sent in together) No individual agape will be delivered to pilgrims. All fees need to be paid by Send Off Please.

SPONSOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS

When you have a prospective pilgrim in mind, follow these suggested steps, keeping in mind that the weekend is for those who are actively participating in a local congregation.

SPONSORING

- 1. **PRAY:** Before even talking with someone about the walk, pray for the Lord's guidance in who & when to sponsor. Pray for the person you are considering. Prayer should be focused on how this person can become a more vitally alive Christian in helping bring God's kingdom into his/her natural environment, rather than how to get this person to attend the weekend.
- 2. **APPOINTMENT:** Make an appointment to make the invitation. After sharing your own experience, make sure the person knows your invitation is to a more vitally alive relationship with Jesus Christ, not just to attend a weekend. Carefully explain each of the following: a) reunion groups b) monthly gatherings, C) renewed interest in serving one's own church, and d) scholarship program.
- 3. APPLICATION: Have Pilgrim fill out registration form in your presence, answering any question they may have. If married, both spouses must fill out a separate form. Be sure to get the \$25 deposit, and that the balance must be paid off by send off. Make checks payable to: Foothills Emmaus Community. Be sure all blanks on both sponsor & Pilgrim forms are filled in- if not application will be returned to be completed. You need not wait until the last minute!! Applications are welcome any time; if you wait too long, a waiting list situation may be in effect. The **DEADLINE** for walk applications are **two weeks prior to the men's walk.**
- 4. Only 10 single men and 10 single ladies will be accepted per walk. If the walk does not fill up, any single applicants who are not already on the list will be accepted 30 days prior to the men's walk. So get your applications in early!!!!
- 5. **AGAPE LETTERS:** Start mailing out request for agape letters and begin to collect them. Deliver them to the agape person prior to the weekend, at Send-off (very discreetly) or at Candlelight. **NO INDIVIDUAL ACTS OF AGAPE FOR ANY PILGRIMS- LETTERS ONLY!**
- 6. The Foothills Emmaus Community operates under a letter of agreement with the International Community. This agreement states that "husbands & wives should make an equal commitment to participate." This does not imply that Emmaus is primarily intended for married persons; single persons are welcome to participate as married couples. The rule does, however, reflect a concern & a hope about the effect of Emmaus on marriages & families.

Guidance from the Upper Room Handbook is as follows:

First, the equal participation rule guards against the Emmaus experience becoming a seperating influence in a marriage. Emmaus can be the occasion for commitments to new life directions which one's spouse may not understand or appreciate at the time. Disregard for the rule will certainly not result in marital tensions in every case. But the Emmaus movement should do all it can to strengthen marriages & to avoid practices which we know have the potential to affect a marriage adversely.

Second, Emmaus can indirectly strengthen the spiritual bond in a marriage & family. Married persons should be approached together & encouraged to make an equal commitment to participate.

Third, the equal commitment rule results in increased participation of many grateful husbands and wives (usually husbands) who probably would not have attended an Emmaus weekend otherwise, but did so in order to make it possible for their spouse to attend.

The equal commitment rule does **NOT** mean a wife can never go to Emmaus unless her husband has gone first. While it is always best to schedule husbands and wives to participate during the same set of weekends so they can share their experience and support one another, circumstances may arise when it is necessary and reasonable for husbands or wives to take their walks at different times or places.

It is important that the wisdom of the rule be honored in Emmaus communities. There is a place for reasonable exceptions, when there is no possibility of the participation of one spouse.

Each community must prayerfully decide how to handle these cases in grace and when to make exceptions in view of a person's and family's spiritual welfare. As general guidance, the Foothills board is advocating that the sponsor talk with husband and wife as a couple, assuring understanding of the above. Pray for and with the couple for God's guidance. Wait six months and see what prayer has done for the couple.

THE WEEKEND

- 1. **SEND-OFF:** It is *VERY IMPORTANT* that you personally bring your pilgrim to Send-off, help get them registered, see that the balance is paid, & get their luggage tagged. Attend sponsor's hour. If the pilgrim has a family, make sure you contact them several times to let them know the candidate is doing well, & see if there is anything you can do for them.
- **2. CANDLELIGHT:** This is often the highlight of the weekend, be there for **YOUR** pilgrim, and get the husband there for the wife.
- **3. CLOSING:** Be there ready to hug your new family member (offer to bring the husband to the wife's weekend) and invite them to the group dinner afterwards, if possible. For men, remind them what to tell their wives and what not to tell, and offer to help them keep the agape a secret.

FOURTH DAY

- 1. Contact your pilgrim on Monday, helping him/her digest the experience.
- 2. **REUNION GROUP:** Bring your pilgrim to follow-up. Help your pilgrim find a reunion group- yours or advise them of others you are aware of in your area. This is perhaps the most important aspect of remaining active in Emmaus.
- 3. **GATHERING:** Offer to bring your pilgrim to the gatherings for a few months & explain about bringing food.
- 4. **CHURCH:** Make sure the person goes back to his/her church with an enthusiastic supportive attitude.
- 5. **EMMAUS COMMUNITY:** Help the person understand how he/she can serve the community. Explain the various background committees. Then, after a period of active participation in the community & reunion group, they may be asked to serve on a team.
- 6. **SPONSORING:** Help them to remember that the community is committed to recruiting strong church leaders for the purpose of strengthening the local church It is not meant to cure all human ills.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A SPONSOR TO COMMIT TO FOLLOWING THESE STEPS! IF YOU CANNOT PERSONALLY FULFILL SOME OF THE STEPS, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE SOMEONE ELSE TO FILL IN!