

Praying the Prayer Vigil



Begin your Prayer Vigil by asking God to clear your mind of all outside distractions. Place your thoughts and spirit with the people you are asking God to bless.

Be silent for a few seconds and begin to feel God's presence with you.

Ask for the Spirit's blessing of the buildings, grounds, and all things used to bring those present to an awareness of God.

Pray for the Lay Director, if not by name, by duty. He or she must walk in God's Spirit to address any task that might arise.

Pray for the Assistant Lay Directors or Coaches that they may have the courage to sustain the purity of the event and not allow personalities to keep them from fulfilling their promises to God.

Pray that the Spiritual Director and the Assistant SDs be instruments of God's Spirit.

Pray for the Speakers that they remember whom they represent, that they lay down self and glorify God.

Pray for the talks, for the messages given and received, that all may hear according to need.

Pray for the Musicians, that their music may bring God's message and soothe troubled souls.

Pray for all the Pilgrims:

The ones who cannot leave their thoughts behind – The ones uneasy in the setting – The ones looking for magic, not miracles – The ones who are open and receiving – And for all the conditions known to God.

Pray for the Agape, Kitchen, and Logistics servants, and all who minister in unrecognized ways.

Pray for the fun and fellowship that will warm hearts and keep the focus on God.

Pray for the Table Leaders that they do not tire. Pray for their renewed strength.

Pray for all of the agape gifts, for the hands that made them, and for the blessing they bring.

Pray for the special times, such as Dying Moments, the chapel visits, and the closing service.

Pray for other Emmaus communities.

Lastly, give it all to our Lord and friend, asking for Jesus' blessing and presence with everyone connected to this Walk or Encounter – not only those mentioned but the families of participants and leaders and for the change for the church and community.

End by thanking God for the opportunity given to intercede on behalf of God's children.