



July 2020 an encouragement to Celebrate the Freedom we have as followers of Jesus Christ

Jesus tells us in John 8:32, "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." In John 14:6, Jesus stated clearly, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by me." Walking as Jesus walked, including in our Walks to Emmaus, we remember the freedom we have from sin, from oppression, from the ties of this world. Freedom to serve, to worship, to offer hope to those in the valley of decision. "Multitudes, multitudes, in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision", Joel 2:14. We have access to the good news from Jesus. "And behold, 'I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last'. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city", Revelation 22:12-14.



While listening to Christian radio, a commentator said, "the 4th of July is a Christian holiday". The words of the Declaration of Independence remind us our country was founded on Christian principles. We are the Land of the Free because of the Brave. Reading through our national anthem, we sense the price of this freedom. Please take some time to pray for America and "let the peace of God rule in your hearts . . . and be thankful," Colossians 3:15.

The Upper Room has many resources to access for encouragement to those who have been on a Walk to Emmaus. Here is the link [Walk to Emmaus - The Upper Room](#)