



## The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group Newsletter



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### Information for Camp Young Judaea

GAE4DG will hold the upcoming Men's Walk 1580, Women's Walk 1593, and the 2011 Walks at the Camp Young Judaea site. Some may have been on a Walk or worked a team at this site before and for others this may be a totally new site to experience. Camp Young Judaea (CYJ) is a Jewish camp located near Wimberley off FM 12. Map and Driving Directions are given below. Website is <http://www.cyjtxas.org/>

This is a very beautiful site with many amenities. The CYJ staff is very excited to have us come to their campus. CYJ has worked closely with GAE4DG and Hays Praise Emmaus to make us feel welcome and to setup the guidelines as needed. The Dining Hall / Conference Center is a designated Kosher building and our community must honor the Kosher Laws within this building. For the purposes of Emmaus use of the Dining Hall / Conference Center, we will simple **not** bring any food into the building and for no reason use the kitchen in this building. The agape room has a full size kitchen to be used for food agape (did I hear servant teams cheering?).

#### What does this mean for the community?

Candlelight and Closing are planned to be at the Conference Center. So we ask the community to simple do not bring any outside food or drink into the building. Communion elements will be provided at the site. GAE4DG also will be providing the snacks for candlelight childcare, if available, to ensure the Kosher status. All food agape must be dropped off at the designated agape room. Or simple ask a team member or board member if you have any question on the guidelines.

Our teams for the upcoming Walks will learn the logistics of the new site and receive the Kosher Guidelines. As we learn about this site with the next few Walks, lets simple give Thanks to the Lord for providing new opportunities for us to serve and sponsor new pilgrims. De Colores!

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 713-723-8354 (Houston office)

#### From Austin:

Take MOPAC (Loop 1) South to 290 West toward Johnson City. About 15 miles outside of Austin, at the Dripping Springs traffic light (immediately after Home Depot) turn left onto Ranch Road 12. After about 14 miles take a right at the Woodcreek Drive traffic light to enter The City of Woodcreek. Go down Woodcreek Drive and turn right at the stop sign onto Brookhollow. Then take the 3rd left onto Jack Miller Drive. Straight ahead you'll see the gate to camp! Welcome to CYJ!

# Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group

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Visit the Greater Austin Emmaus  
4th Day Group Website:  
<http://www.austinemmaus.org>



## The Walk Talk Deadline for October 2010 is Sept. 25th!

Please send your articles, 4th Day Stories,  
Group appreciation and reflections to  
Gina Franklin 12905 Irongate Ave., Austin, TX 78727;  
or email to [franklingdom@gmail.com](mailto:franklingdom@gmail.com)

## Were You There?

Have you been going to the monthly Gathering?  
**Why not?!?!?!?**

They are normally on the first Thursday of each month.  
Childcare is available at all Gatherings! Check out the  
schedule on page 6!

**We'll be looking for you!**

# Emmaus Walk 1580

Men's Walk #1580 will take place October 7-10, at Camp Young Judaea.

Please support this Walk with your prayers, your agape, and your presence at Candlelight and Closing. Please keep these team members in your prayers, and remember, there are many unseen and unsung community members working on the Servant Team!

## Team Members

Gary Johnson – <i>Lay Director</i>	Monte Marshall – <i>Spiritual Director</i>	Jack Foreman – <i>Board Rep.</i>			
Tim Able	Adrian Arriola	Clyde Barre	VJ Barre	Charlie Baskin	Keith Bible
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Mike Rhodes	Nancy Richter	John Robertson	Val Sansing	Debbie Ties	Rob Turk
John Vinson	Rusty Walker	Richard Wilkison	Sherry Wilkison	Dale Williams	



## Agape Signup Online

The signup for Men's Walk to Emmaus #1580 is: [www.mysignup.com/walk1580agape](http://www.mysignup.com/walk1580agape)

The signup for Women's Walk to Emmaus #1593 is: [www.mysignup.com/walk1593agape](http://www.mysignup.com/walk1593agape)

The general format at the web site is a list of instructions at the top of the page, followed by a grid of 6 columns with many rows for the items needed. The list of items is in alphabetical order. If you want to search for a particular item, you can enter <Control-F>, enter the name in the Find box, and press the Next button.

Approximately one week prior to the beginning of a Walk, a reminder e-mail will be sent to you for each item that you have promised to bring. The drop-off locations will be listed in the reminder e-mail.



## 2010 Austin Sponsored Walks

Men's Walk #1580	<b>October 7-10</b>	<b>Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley</b>
Gary Johnson, Lay Director		contact: <a href="mailto:gary.johnson360@yahoo.com">gary.johnson360@yahoo.com</a>
Monte Marshall, Spiritual Director		
Jack Foreman, Board Rep.		contact: <a href="mailto:jcforeman@sbcglobal.net">jcforeman@sbcglobal.net</a>
Sherry Wilkison, ST Coordinator		contact: <a href="mailto:rwilkison@austin.rr.com">rwilkison@austin.rr.com</a>
Women's Walk #1593	<b>November 18-21</b>	<b>Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley</b>
Diane Merwarth, Lay Director		contact: <a href="mailto:dianemerwarth@att.net">dianemerwarth@att.net</a>
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## GAE4DG Board Member Message:

Hi, Myles McKemie here for Gathering Support. As a new member on the Board I've been trying to get my feet on the ground a bit but starting to get things going in the right direction I believe. We currently have Gathering Host Churches through April of 2011. Anyone interested in having their church host a Gathering please let me know. My e-mail is myles.mckemie@ergon.com and I'll be glad to work with you to get things started. I'm also looking for a couple of you to serve with me on the Gathering Support Committee to help organize host Churches and locate 4th Day Speakers. While I'm talking about 4th Day Speakers, anyone interested in giving a 4th Day Talk please let me know and I'll get you worked in to the first available Gathering.

On another function of Gathering Support, "The Music" I want to let everyone know of our new Musical Directors for Gatherings, Nickie Hyde and Tom Carstarphen. They worked with the Covenant Group in August and the music was just unbelievably good. I thought Jon Nelson was back! Nickie & Tom are available to work with any host church to prepare music for our Gatherings and Candlelights. You can reach Nickie at [nickie.ji@yahoo.com](mailto:nickie.ji@yahoo.com)

Now, let's make every gathering special! Your presence should do the trick and how much more exciting for the music when we tear the roof off from the singing crowd praising our Lord, Christ Jesus.

De Colores  
Myles McKemie



Board Position and corresponding committees/roles under that position:

### Gathering Support

- Communion Steward
- Host Church Coordinator
- Music Leader Coordinator

### SWTX Walk/Flight Leadership Training Sessions

To register for an Emmaus Leadership Training Event please go to [www.swtxumc.org/emmaus](http://www.swtxumc.org/emmaus) or contact Emmaus Register at [Emmaus@umcswtx.org](mailto:Emmaus@umcswtx.org)

**Date:** October 2, 2010, First UMC, Corpus Christi TX

**Date:** November 13, 2010, Coker UMC, San Antonio TX

### Psalm 139 (NIV)

- 1 O LORD, you have searched me and you know me.
- 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.
- 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
- 4 Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD.
- 5 You hem me in—behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me.
- 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

## 2011 Austin Sponsored Walks

Women's Walk #1597    **February 10-13**  
Lori Foster, Lay Director  
Colleen Haley, Spiritual Director

**Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley**  
contact: [lfoster@austinnetworking.com](mailto:lfoster@austinnetworking.com)

Men's Walk #1607    **March 24-27**  
Rocky Wilcox, Lay Director  
Tina Carter, Spiritual Director

**Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley**  
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Women's Walk    **Sept. 22-25**  
Gina Franklin, Lay Director

**Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley**  
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Men's Walk    **October 20-23**  
Jack Foreman, Lay Director

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## Greater Austin Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group - Board of Directors Meeting

The Greater Austin Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group Board of Directors met on Thursday, August 5, 2010 at Covenant United Methodist Church. In attendance were: Gene McConnell – Lay Director; Myles McKemie – Gathering Support; Diane Merwarth – Walk Support; Pastor Cheryl Broome – Spiritual Director; Roxie Greenway – Treasurer; Sandy Brooks – Assistant Lay Director.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Gene McConnell, with an opening prayer by Sandy Brooks. The minutes of the previous Board Meeting were approved as read by a motion by Myles McKemie, seconded by Roxie Greenway.

The finance report was presented and was approved unanimously upon a motion by Gene McConnell with a second from Diane Merwarth.

Ending balance as of 7/31/10: \$5,173.21.

Gene McConnell reported that the SW Conference will be flexible on the presentation of “The Gift”. Gene also announced there will be Local Lay Director Training on August 28.

The Board addressed the handout provided by Roxie Greenway at the previous board meeting. Diane Merwarth reported that she is looking for help on walk weekend follow up calls.

Myles McKemie reported that the schedule for the gatherings was set through March. The September gathering will be at North West Hills UMC, the October gathering will be at Wesley UMC, the November gathering will be at Oak Hill UMC and the December gathering will be at The Rock. Myles also agreed to send out the current POC list to all board members.

The Board reviewed the Kosher guidelines provided by Bob Duplantis.

Myles McKemie reported that he was talking with a company to provide recruiting signs for each church in the Greater Austin Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Community. Myles will also report back to the board on Emmaus Sunday Details. SD Cheryl Broome will contact Austin district pastors to invite them to celebrate an Emmaus Sunday at least once a year. Roxie Greenway agreed to look into setting up an Austin Emmaus Facebook account.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 to attend the gathering. The closing prayer was given by Gene McConnell.

### HOW TO SPONSOR OTHERS

This is taken from DAY FOUR: The Pilgrim’s Continued Journey

1. Pray for the person’s openness to God’s call to discipleship, not for how to get him or her to go on a walk.
2. Make an appointment with the person or couple for the purpose of discussing their participation in Emmaus.
3. Extend an invitation. Invite them to attend for the sake of a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ, not just a weekend to go on. Share your faith; explain the basic elements of the walk, its purpose and follow up dimensions which help us live in grace for the rest of our lives. Have the attitude that you are giving them a wonderful gift rather than that they need to go.
4. Ask them to make a commitment by filling out the registration form. If the person is married, speak with both partners and encourage an equal commitment by both spouses.
5. Continue to pray, prepare agape letters, enlist the support of their pastor. Collect eight to twelve personal agape letters. Do not ask the team to deliver personal gifts during the weekend.
6. Support the Walk through your prayers during the 72 hour prayer vigil and your presence at the send off, sponsors hour, Candlelight, and Closing. Support the Pilgrim’s family by house sitting, babysitting, and watering plants, picking up the mail, feeding pets or just checking in with the spouse to see if any help is needed.
7. Encourage the Pilgrim in his or her Fourth day involvement. Give your friend an opportunity to talk through and appropriate the experience. Help them find a group. Or, be prepared to start a group with him or her for a period of time until they find others to be in the group. Take them to Gatherings as your guest for a couple of months.
8. Help the pilgrim reenter their Church and consider ways to act out new commitment and enthusiasm.
9. Inform the Pilgrim of how he or she can serve the Emmaus community and future walks.
10. Help the Pilgrim sponsor others.

Sponsorship is an act of love for God, for the Pilgrims, for the Emmaus Community, and for the church. It is a demonstration of agape love. It is making oneself an instrument of prevenient Grace.

It is recommended by the Upper Room and the SWTC Emmaus Registrar that recent Walk to Emmaus attendees wait 6 months before sponsoring their first Pilgrim. It is also recommended by the SWTC Emmaus Registrar that a Sponsor should sponsor no more than one to two pilgrims on a single Walk.

<http://www.swtxumc.org/emmaus/Sponsor's%20Corner/GUIDEFORSNORSORS.pdf>

## Upcoming Greater Austin Emmaus Gatherings

Singing at 7:00 p.m., Worship at 7:30 p.m., Agape Feast Following

### September 2010

Thursday, September 2, 2010  
Northwest Hills UMC  
7050 Village Center

### October 2010

Thursday, October 7, 2010  
Wesley UMC  
1160 San Bernard

### November 2010

Thursday, November 4, 2010  
Oak Hill UMC  
7815 W. Hwy 290

### December 2010

Thursday, December 2, 2010  
The Rock  
1901 W. New Hope  
Cedar Park

### Reminder:

Childcare Services are available  
at all Gatherings.

### Contact:

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### Upcoming 2011 Dates

Thursday, January 6, 2011  
Thursday, February 3, 2011  
Thursday, March 3, 2011  
Thursday, April 7, 2011  
Thursday, May 5, 2011

