



# The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group Newsletter



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## De Colores!

## Welcome New Pilgrims Women's Walk #1644, February 2-5, 2012 Camp Young Judaea

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### Prayers Needed!

#### Romania will be having their FIRST Men's Walk to Emmaus and their FIRST Women's Walk to Emmaus in MARCH 2012.

The Romanian Emmaus community consists of 25 people and most of them will be serving on the teams for the first Walks. *We need more people praying!! Would you be willing to sign up for a 30-minute time-period for one or both of these Walks?*

As some of you may know, the first "Walk to Emmaus" events in Romania, Walk 1 is a men's walk and Walk 2 is a women's walk, will take place in the month of March. GAE4DG Kathy Shaw, current SWTX Lay Director, will be traveling to Romania to serve on those walks and taking agape from GAE4DG with her for the pilgrims of those walks. We have one more act of agape that we can give to those pilgrims and the teams serving on those walks, that is to sign up to pray for each of the walk.

Brothers and Sisters - we have an incredible opportunity to take part in a miracle coming to fruition. Twenty-four years ago the country of Romania was under the heavy fist of a particularly brutal Communist dictator. Today, they are getting ready to have their first-ever Walk to Emmaus events. And they desperately need our prayers.

Below is a link to an international prayer vigil web site. If you are willing to pray for one or both of the Romanian Walks in March, please go to that site and sign up. It's easy to do. Just so you know, there is an 8 hour time difference between Texas and Romania (the difference mentioned in the email below is for Georgia time) - at 12:00 noon here it is 8:00p there. However, this web site calculates for the time difference.

Web link:

<http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetComm.phtml>

If you click on this link, you can scroll down to "R", Romania Walk to Emmaus.

# Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group

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4th Day Group Website:  
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### **The Walk Talk Deadline is on the 20th of each month!**

Please send your articles, Community Opportunities, 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 gathering schedule on the last page!

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



## 2012 Austin Sponsored Walks

### Men's Walk # 1659      **May 3-6**

Bud Broeker, Lay Director  
Ray Kiser, Spiritual Director  
Gary Johnson, Board Rep.  
Myles McKemie, ST Coordinator

### Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley

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### Women's Walk # 1674      **Sept. 20-23**

LeeLeen Sundbeck, Lay Director  
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### Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley

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### Men's Walk # 1686      **Oct. 25-28**

Derly Tijerina, Lay Director  
Charlie Baskin, Spiritual Director  
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### Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley

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## Agape Signup Online

**The signup for Men's Walk to Emmaus #1659 is:** [www.mysignup.com/walk1659agape](http://www.mysignup.com/walk1659agape)

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.

### A Clean Heart Create In Me

C.S. Lewis (1898-1963) ranks as one of the greatest Christian apologists of the 20th century. He had a keen eye for deception and muddled thinking. When it came to spiritual matters, he took on not only the outright atheist, but the lukewarm and halfhearted Christian. Here are some excerpts from his works for our Lententide.

#### SOMETHING TO REPENT -- Psalm 51:1-2

Christianity tells people to repent and promises them forgiveness. It therefore has nothing (as far as I know) to say to people who do not know they have done anything to repent of and who do not feel that they need any forgiveness. It is after you realized that there is a real Moral Law and a Power behind the Law; and that you have broken that law and put yourself wrong with that Power -- it is after all this, and not a moment sooner, that Christianity begins to talk.

#### LOSS AND GAIN -- Luke 9:23-24

The principle runs through all life from top to bottom. Give up yourself, and you will find your real self. Lose your life and you will save it. Submit to death, death of your ambitions and favorite wishes every day and death of your whole body in the end: submit with every fiber of your being, and you find eternal life. Keep back nothing. Nothing that you have not given away will ever be really yours. Nothing in you that has not died will ever be raised from the dead. Look for yourself, and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin, and decay. But look for Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else thrown in.

Lord Jesus, help me to remember that I will lose nothing of value by putting you first and foremost in my life.

De Colores!

Gerard Kern

## Nominations for the 2012-2013 GAE4D Board

Nominations are being taken for potential candidates to fill the upcoming Board positions being vacated this year. If you are interested in serving or know someone that would make a great board member, please contact Gary Johnson for more information. Gary Johnson : [Gary@gae4dg.org](mailto:Gary@gae4dg.org)

### Church Bulletins BLOOPERS

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The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

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The morning sermon: Jesus Walks on the Water.

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The sermon tonight: Searching for Jesus.

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Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

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Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.

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Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

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Miss Charlene sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

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For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

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Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

### Candlelight Child Care Volunteers

Like children and want to help at Candlelight?

We are in need of people to provide child care during Candlelight. You will be paid \$40 for your time. The conference will pay for a background check. We can provide training at the May Gathering if needed.

Please call or email, Bob Callison if you are called to serve God in this way.

[bobbycallison@swbell.net](mailto:bobbycallison@swbell.net) or 512-345-4796

### GAE4DG BYLAW AMENDMENTS

GAE4DG passed the bylaw amendments proposed in February. The amendments are to add the treasurer as a voting member and to allow for ad hoc members of the board to assist as board reps on walks. These amendments will become final upon SW Conference approval. If there are any questions, please contact Sandy Brooks at [Sandy@gae4dg.org](mailto:Sandy@gae4dg.org)



My Lord God,

I have no idea where I am going, I do not see the road ahead of me, I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following Your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please You does in fact please You. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this You will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I trust You always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for You are ever with me, and You will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen

~Thomas Merton

## Upcoming Greater Austin Emmaus Gatherings

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

### 2012 Gatherings

#### March 2012

Thursday, March 1, 2012  
St. Mark UMC  
601 W. Braker Lane



#### April 2012

\*\*Thursday, April 12, 2012  
Lake Travis UMC  
1502 N. Ranch Road 620

#### May 2012

\*\*Thursday, May 10, 2012

### Gathering Dates

Please note the following changes on  
Gathering Dates:

**April 12, 2012**—moved to 2nd week to  
avoid conflict with Maundy Thursday

**May 10, 2012**—moved to 2nd week to  
avoid conflict with Walk 1659

#### Reminder:

Childcare Services are available  
at all Gatherings.

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