



The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group Newsletter



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Emmaus Walk # 1659

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

Bud Broeker, Lay Director	Ray Kiser, Spiritual Director	Gary Johnson, Board Rep.			
Charlie Baskin	Ricky Beale	Keith Bible	Clif Blanchard	Cary Boddeker	Tina Carter
Melvin Chambers	Charles Chupco	Tom Coburn	Barry Day	Paul Draper	Carl Fisher
Edward Garcia	Ryan Jensen	Charlie Lancaster	Ken McCannon	Jon Nelson	
Randy Nettles	Dennis Perryman	Harold Sundbeck	Rob Turk	Rocky Wilcox	

Reminders for Emmaus Walk 1659

Sponsor Hour: 7:00 pm, Thursday, May 3rd

Candlelight: 7:30 pm, Saturday, May 5th

Closing: 3:30 pm, Sunday, May 6th

[Directions to Camp Young Judaea](http://www.cyjtxas.org/clientuploads/PDF/directions%20to%20CYJ.pdf)

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Chrysalis News

Time to Start Planning for Chrysalis!!

The Chrysalis Community is sponsoring two Flights this summer:

July 12-14, 2012: Girl's Flight # 357 at First UMC, Seguin, TX

Jackie Condra, Lay Director, Suzanne Issacs, Spiritual Director

Wendy Boatwright, Board Rep.; Cost: 85.00

July 22-24, 2012: Boy's Flight # 360 at Cathedral Oaks, Weimer, TX

Bill Holladay, Lay Director, James Amerson, Spiritual Director

Jim Luton, Board Rep.; Cost: 185.00



Both flights are expected to fill completely, so please enroll as soon as you are able. Registration forms are posted on the SWTX Conference and Greater Austin Emmaus Community websites, or you may contact one of the Lay Directors or any member of the Chrysalis Next Steps Group. Scholarships are available!

We still need team members to serve on the boy's flight this summer. Please notify Bill Holladay if you feel led to serve. His email is billh@tisd.net

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 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

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

contact: bbroeker@austin.rr.com

contact: Gary@gae4dg.org

contact: Myles@gae4dg.org

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

LeeLeen Sundbeck, Lay Director
Tom Deviney, Spiritual Director
Roxie Greenway, Board Rep.

Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley

contact: leeleen21@gmail.com

contact: Roxie@gae4dg.org

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

Derly Tijerina, Lay Director
Charlie Baskin, Spiritual Director
Gene McConnell, Board Rep.

Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley

contact: derly@pobox.com

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Agape Signup Online

The signup for Men's Walk to Emmaus #1659 is: 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.

News Too Good Not to Share

So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean (Mark 9:10).

The disciples' question becomes our question, whose answer has consequences for us and for the world. Is this rising from the dead -- the life of Jesus Christ, God's own life, busting out of sin and death's captivity into the world -- to renew its freedom, its hope and love? Imagine the power in the promise of this rising from the dead.

Because Christ is risen from the dead into the resurrected life, you can embrace life's complexities and uncertainties with a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Such faith, said Martin Luther, frees us without compulsion to gladly serve everyone, to suffer everything out of love and praise of God.

Because Christ is risen we need not fear death, for nothing in all creation will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Because Christ is risen, there is a word of promise for those who live in fear and feel unworthy. You are "no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone" (Ephesians 2).

The risen Christ shows up wherever the word is proclaimed, bread and wine shared, and baptismal waters poured. Through faith we become the body of the risen Christ for the life of the world. We strive for a deeper understanding of what the death and resurrection of Christ means for the world. Doing so puts us where God wants us to be: in the thick of life.

Every morning you awaken with the mark of Jesus' death on your forehead and the promise of Christ's resurrection on your lips. The news is too good to keep to ourselves. **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

De Colores!

Gerard Kern

Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group - Board of Directors Meeting

The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group Board of Directors met on Thursday, January 5, 2012, at First United Methodist Church. In attendance were: Sandy Brooks-Lay Director; Reverend Cheryl Broome-Spiritual Director; Gary Johnson-Assistant Lay Director; Gene McConnell-Immediate Past Lay Director; Roxie Greenway-4th Day Representative; Bobby Callison-Walk Support; Bob Duplantis-Member Services; Anne Rioux-Treasurer; Tom Rioux-Food/Gift Agape Coordinator and Kathy Robbins-Chrysalis.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 by Sandy Brooks. Cheryl Broome gave the opening prayer.

Gary Johnson presented the minutes to the December Board Meeting. Roxie made a motion to accept and Bobby seconded. The minutes were adopted.

Anne Rioux presented the Treasurer's Report. Bobby moved that the report be adopted and Gary Johnson seconded. The Treasurer's report was adopted.

Sandy led a discussion of the changes to the bylaws that would be handed out at the Gathering that night and also stated that for those members of the community that do not receive a copy, the draft amended bylaws would be on the AE4DG website for the month of January and that the community can make suggested amendments up until the February gathering when the bylaws as amended, will be adopted. Sandy asked Gary to provide an update on the issue of an amendment to the bylaws related to wording referencing the AE4DG as a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit association. Gary provided an update that this would be ready by the next meeting and that there were a few options on how this could be referenced in the bylaws.

Bob provided an update for Myles, that the next Gathering would be at Cedar Park UMC on February 9 which would be a one week delay because the women's walk beginning on February 2.

Roxie discussed the ongoing concern with mass communications to the community, the web host and the costs involved. She will be in discussion with Bud Broeker to determine how to best approach this from a cost standpoint.

Gene McConnell discussed the marketing for the upcoming women's and men's walks. Gene brought posters and post cards for use tonight and for use at the various churches. Members of the different congregations would be able to pick up supplies tonight at the gathering.

Kathy Robbins, Chrysalis Representative, noted some possible challenges in obtaining locations for the Chrysalis Flights for next summer. She will provide a report on her progress at the next Board meeting in February.

Gary Johnson discussed the Nominations Committee and his efforts to have one in place by mid-January. Although the October *Walk Talk* covered this issue and asked for those interested in serving on the Nominations Committee to contact him, he had received no responses. He will present the proposed members of the Nominations Committee to the Board for their approval at the next Board meeting.

Cheryl provided the closing prayer and the meeting adjourned at 7:05. There were 278 in attendance at the Gathering.

Submitted by Gary Johnson

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 or 512-345-4796

Upcoming Greater Austin Emmaus Gatherings

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

2012 Gatherings

April 2012

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



May 2012

**Thursday, May 10, 2012

Reminder:
Childcare Services are available
at all Gatherings.

Contact:
Board Member for Gathering Support
Myles McKemie
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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