



## The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group Newsletter



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### **“If They Schedule it, We Will Ask”**

Regardless of whether we vote on keeping or canceling Men's Walk #1803, which is scheduled for September 10 – 13, 2015, I think we should take the following action:

I have thought of a new motto for us: “If they schedule it, we will ask.”

If every Emmaus member takes this motto to heart, we will never again have a Walk that has to be canceled. Putting this motto into practice in my church, we have started a resurgence in our Emmaus community. We have had women on the last three women's Walks and men on two of the last four men's Walks. The new life and love for Emmaus is becoming infectious at my church. We have people asking us how they can go on their Walk to Emmaus.

Have you been to a Closing or a Welcome Back recently? Have you heard what the new pilgrims are saying about Emmaus? Using our love for GOD, and being His hands and feet, we can build better churches and a better world.

I know I am making it about Emmaus, and Emmaus is a minuscule part of the big picture. After my weekend I felt compelled to give GOD something, I did not know what, but I knew He would lead me. This is why I am here begging you to ask someone to attend a Walk, or Emmaus will just fade away into nothingness. Please give this idea some thought and give it a try. I know it will work because I see it working in my church.

**DeColores!**  
**Mel Chambers**  
**Lay Director, GAE4DG**



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### Financial Statement as of 9/30/14

#### Bank Balance

**\$1,235.21**

(unencumbered funds)

#### Scholarship Fund

**\$1,830.80**

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

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**The WalkTalk deadline is  
the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

Please send your articles, information, community  
opportunities, 4th Day experiences/reflections to:

[Kellye@austinemmaus.org](mailto:Kellye@austinemmaus.org)

**60 attended the October Gathering at  
Hill Country Bible Church,  
with Johan Carl  
giving an amazing 4<sup>th</sup> Day talk!**

Check out the Gathering schedule on the last page!

## 2014 — 2015 Austin Sponsored Emmaus Walks

### **Women's Walk #1775    November 13 — 16, 2014    Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley**

Ronee Gilbert, Lay Director

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*Welcome Back, Nov. 18, 2014, 6:30, Hill Country Bible Church, 11880 Old 2243 West, Leander, 512-259-1900*

*Walk #1775 Agape Signup <http://www.mysignup.com/walk1775agape>*

### **Men's Walk #1778    February 19 — 22, 2015    Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley**

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ST Coordinator TBD

*Welcome Back, Feb. 24, 2015, 6:30, Westlake UMC, 1460 Redbud Trail, Austin, 512-327-1335*

*Walk #1778 Agape Signup <http://www.mysignup.com/walk1778agape>*

**Women's Walk #1789    April 23 — 26, 2015    LD, Debby Krueger; SD, Tina Carter; BR, Anne Rioux**

**Men's Walk #1803    Sept. 10 — 13, 2015    LD, SD, and BR to be determined**

**Women's Walk #1819    Nov. 12 — 15, 2015    LD, SD. And BR to be determined**

*All Walks are at Camp Young Judaea, Wimberley*



If you would like to be considered for the Conference Room Team for any Walk, please submit a Team Application. You can download one by going to this link below.

[http://www.austinemmaus.org/team\\_app.php](http://www.austinemmaus.org/team_app.php)

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**Greater Austin Emmaus 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Hill Country Bible Church, Leander**  
**Thursday, October 2, 2014**

The regular meeting of the GAE4DG Board was held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Hill Country Bible Church commencing at 6:24pm. The meeting was called to order by Mel Chambers and the opening prayer was given by Cheryl Broome. Present at the meeting were Mel Chambers, Lay Director; Chris McKemie, Assistant Lay Director; Debby Duplantis, Treasurer; Carl Fisher, Board Member for Walk Support; Rev. Cheryl Broome, Spiritual Director; LeeLeen Sundbeck, Board Member for Gathering Support; Jim Burgess, Board Member for Member Services. Ronee Gilbert, Lay Director for Women's Walk #1775 and Myles McKemie were present for the Board meeting.

**Minutes:** The Board approved the September minutes by email.

**Treasurer's Report:** Debby Duplantis presented the treasurer's report. It was accepted and approved by the Board.

**SWTC Board Representative's Report:** Tom Rioux was not in attendance and no report was given.

**Gathering Support:** LeeLeen Sundbeck reported that Parker Lane UMC will hold the Gathering for March 2015.

**Member Support:** Jim Burgess did not have anything new to report.

**Walk Support:** Carl Fisher reported all is proceeding well.

**Immediate Past Lay Director Report:** Anne Rioux was not in attendance and no report was given.

**Spiritual Director:** Rev. Cheryl Broome did not have anything new to report.

**Chrysalis Report:** Tim Deschner was not in attendance and no report was given.

**Walk #1775 Report:** Ronee Gilbert reported all is proceeding well. Myles McKemie has accepted to be the STC for this Walk and asked to talk to the community at the Gathering.

**Old Business:** The Board has received email responses from the community addressing the proposal to change to one Men's Walk and a discussion of this information was held. The Board will continue to gather information until the next Board meeting in November. At the November Board meeting, a vote will be taken.

Making a change in the schedule for the ALDs was discussed and it was agreed that no changes would be made.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm by Mel Chambers, and Mel gave the closing prayer.

*Minutes submitted by Chris McKemie, Assistant Lay Director*



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## Upcoming Women's Walk

**Women's Walk #1775  
November 13 – 16, 2014  
Camp Young Judaea**

**Please keep these team members and the prospective pilgrims in your prayers!**

Sue Abold – *Spiritual Director*

Sarah Bowles  
Tom Deviney  
Linda Elliott  
Diana Everett  
Gina Franklin

Ronee Gilbert – *Lay Director*

Roslynn Hopkins  
Jenn Hunter  
Joan King

Sarah Lancaster

Lynn Magee – *Board Rep.*

Tina McCallum  
Joanne Mercado  
Ruth Murphy  
Pamela Owens  
Steve Peyton  
Laura Saintey  
Audrey Spencer  
Debbie Spurlock  
Cheri Tummelson  
Becky Vinyard  
Jackie Walker  
Jean Way



### Upcoming Walk

**Women's Walk to Emmaus #1775  
November 13-16, 2014  
Camp Young Judaea**

**Lay Director, Ronee Gilbert  
Spiritual Director, Sue Abold  
Board Rep., Lynn Magee**

Please be in prayer for this Walk, and also about how you can help with agape needs.

*Agape Signup*

<http://www.mysignup.com/walk1775agape>

### Walk Reunions

The Greater Austin Emmaus 4th Day Group is sponsoring reunions for the following Walks at the November 6<sup>th</sup> Gathering at Wesley UMC:

**Men's Walk #184, 1/17/91, Mt. Wesley  
(LD Jim McComb)**

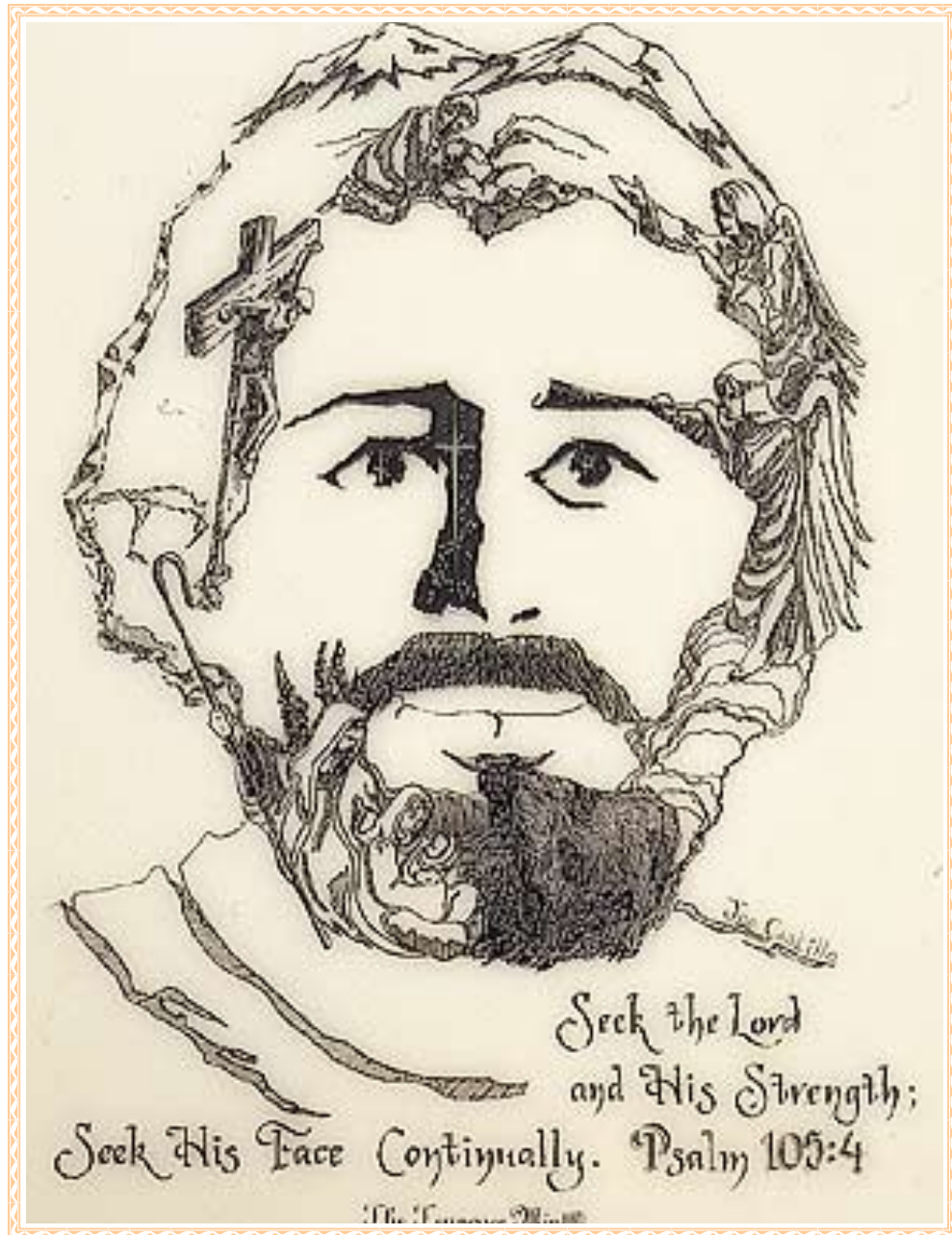
**Men's Walk #738, 5/20/99, CYJ  
(LD B.C. Knowlton)**

**Women's Walk #1435 5/1/08, Highland Lakes  
(LD Anne Rioux)**

**Men's Walk #1456 9/25/08, Highland Lakes  
(LD Randy Nettles)**

If you were a pilgrim or team member on one of these Walks, we hope to see you on November 6<sup>th</sup>!





### **Drawing of Jesus' Life**

The gentleman who drew this is Joe Castillo, who went to Asbury Theological Seminary. He did this during a chapel service. He told the Gospel story – each part of Jesus' life – and he was drawing the story as he *told* the story. The longer you look at this picture, the 'more' you see. Look at the lines the artist used to draw this picture of Christ...it is of scenes from Christ's life.

## **Upcoming Greater Austin Emmaus Gatherings**

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

### **2014/2015 Gatherings**

#### **November 6, 2014**

Thursday, November 6, 2014

Wesley UMC

1164 Bernard Street, Austin, 78702

4th Day Speaker Diana Everett

*Reunion for Walks #184, #738, #1435, #1456*

#### **March 5, 2015**

Thursday, March 5, 2015

Parker Lane UMC

2105 Parker Lane, Austin, 78741

4th Day Speaker TBA

*Reunion for Walks #226, #792, #1541*

#### **December 4, 2014**

Thursday, December 4, 2014

Oak Hill UMC

7815 Hwy 290 West, Austin, 78736

4th Day Speaker Frank Goodloe

*Reunion for Walks #193, #750, #1485*

#### **April 2, 2015**

Thursday, April 2, 2015

First UMC Pflugerville

500 East Pecan St., Pflugerville, 78660

4th Day Speaker TBA

*Women's Walk #1789 team commissioning*

*Reunion for Walks #237, #814, #1555*

#### **January 8, 2015**

Thursday, January 8, 2015

First UMC Cedar Park

600 West Park St., Cedar Park, 78613

4th Day Speaker TBA

*Reunion for Walks #209, #758, #1497*

**Childcare available at all Gatherings!**

#### **February 5, 2015**

Thursday, February 5, 2015

Westlake UMC

1460 Redbud Trail, Austin, 78746

4th Day Speaker TBA

*Men's Walk #1778 team commissioning*

*Reunion for Walks #218, #786, #1530*

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