

The Greater Austin Emmaus Community Newsletter



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CALL AND RESPONSE

God is Good...All the Time...All the Time...God is Good!!! With these words we offer our praise to God and we remind each other that no matter what our circumstances that God is with us. God is With Us. What a comfort to know that He is with us. As members of this Emmaus Community, we also carry the reminder that God is counting on us. The crosses we received on our Pilgrim Walks carry that message as a constant reminder that when we call, He responds, and when He calls, we respond.

After having to cancel our last Men's Walk, I'm happy to report that our first Walk this year, Men's Walk #141, is taking place March 30-April 2. The team is ready, the Pilgrims are ready. However, as you know a Walk cannot begin until all the Prayer Vigil time slots are filled, and at this time we still need to fill the Prayer Vigil slots. I urge you to please go to our website www.austinemmaus.org. Click on Upcoming Walks and go to Prayer Vigils and sign up.

Our upcoming Women's Walk #142, to be held October 12-15, has pilgrims signed up and I anticipate it will be a full Walk. The team is formed and they have begun their meetings. So, if you are interested in sponsoring a pilgrim, please go to www.austinemmaus.org and follow the directions to find the Sponsor forms.

Just a reminder that we are looking to fill several positions on the Board. We have openings for someone to fill the positions of Treasurer, Walk Support, and Music Coordinator for our Gatherings. If you would like to be more involved in assisting our Community, please contact any Board Member for information on how you can serve.

Just another reminder that our April Gathering will be at Bethany UMC, located at 10010 Anderson Mill Road. The pot luck dinner begins at 6:00 with the music starting at 7:15 PM. This month's Reunions will be for the following Walks:

Walk #1189 (11/4/2004, Highland Lakes, LD Barbara Horan)
Walk #1821 (2/18/2016, Camp Young Judaea, LD Harold Sundbeck)

I look forward to seeing all of you at our next Gathering. Come and reconnect with old friends, make some new friends, and bring a friend, since visitors are always welcome. Join with us as we continue the journey we all began on our Pilgrim Walk. Also, be sure to wear your Cross on the 1st Sunday of each month to bring awareness of the Walk to Emmaus to your church family.

May God continue to bless you, and remember, Christ is Counting on You!

De Colores! Harold Sundbeck Lay Director



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Visit the Greater Austin Emmaus Community Website at

http://www.austinemmaus.org



The Walk Talk deadline is the 20th of each month.

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

WalkTalkEditor@austinemmaus.org

Approximately 86 attended the March 2nd Gathering at First UMC Pflugerville, and Emily Schroeder gave an inspiring Fourth Day talk.

Check out the Gathering schedule on the last page. They are normally the first Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted. Childcare available.

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2017 Austin Community Sponsored Emmaus Walk

Women's Walk #142 October 12 — 15, 2017 CYJ, Wimberley

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Welcome Back for Pilgrims of Men's Walk #141
Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Northwest Hills UMC
7050 Village Center Dr.
Austin, TX 78731

This will be a time for pilgrims to once again meet with their fellow Walk Pilgrims, teams, sponsors, and members of the GAEC. It will also be a time for them to learn a bit more about being involved in Walk to Emmaus, as well as have a time of fellowship.

WELCOME BACK!!

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Walk Reunions

The GAEC sponsors Walk reunions at each Gathering. At the April 6th Gathering at Bethany UMC, the following Walks will be recognized:

Women's Walk #1189, 11/4/2004, Highland Lakes (Lay Director, Barbara Horan) Men's Walk #1821, 2/18/2016, Camp Young Judaea (Lay Director, Harold Sundbeck)

Below and on the next page are the original pilgrim/team photos of these Walks. See anyone you recognize? If you were a pilgrim or team member on one of these Walks, come to the April 6th Gathering at Bethany UMC to be reunited!





Women's Walk #1189 November 4, 2004 Highland Lakes

LD, Barbara Horan SD, Sarah Bentley BR, Susie Goodson



Men's Walk #1821 February 18, 2016 Camp Young Judaea

LD, Harold Sundbeck SD, Charlie Baskin BR, Keith Bible

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Welcome New Pilgrims of Men's Walk #141!

THE BEST WALK EVER!

Daniel Aguilar **Brett Crouch** William Dale Dykes **Grady Elliott** Dennis Engdahl Kevin Gray Luther Johnson Nathan Jones **Daviss King** Stuart King Don Kuykendall Colin MacDonald Roberto Martinez Bruce McGraw August (Jim) Mitchon John Molina Juan Montez Patrick Myers William Nelson Harold Pate Alvaro Rodriguez **Brian Smith** Reese Turner Vincent Uherek Peter Vasquez Jimmy Whittle Leonard Woods Jon Wukasch



The WalkTalk Needs YOU!

The *WalkTalk* needs your help to keep it informative, interesting and enjoyable to read. Please send your . . .

- ⇒ Emmaus information
- ⇒ Chrysalis information
- ⇒ Kairos information
- ⇒ any upcoming events
- \Rightarrow articles
- ⇒ personal reflections
- \Rightarrow 4th Day experiences
- ⇒ GAEC service opportunities/needs
- ⇒ Walk info
- ⇒ team info
- ⇒ Gathering info

. . . . you get the idea! Anything you think the community needs to know, would be helpful to know, or would enjoy reading.

Send your news to WalkTalkEditor@austinemmaus.org

GAEC Board Openings

We are still looking to fill several positions on the Board. We have openings for a Treasurer and for Walk Support. We are also looking for a Music Coordinator for our monthly Gatherings. If you would like to be more involved in assisting our Community, please contact any Board Member for information on how you can serve.



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Upcoming Greater Austin Emmaus Gatherings

Potluck at 6:00 p.m. Worship at 7:15 p.m.

2017 Gatherings

April 6, 2017

Thursday, April 6, 2017
Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p
Bethany UMC
10010 Anderson Mill Rd., Austin, 78750
4th Day Speaker TBD
Reunion for Walks #1189, #1821

May 4, 2017

Thursday, May 4, 2017
Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p
Wesley UMC
1164 San Bernard St., Austin, 78702
4th Day Speaker TBD
Reunion for Walks #1247, #1839

June 1, 2017

Thursday, June 1, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p St. Mark UMC 601 West Braker Lane, Austin, 78753 4th Day Speaker TBD

July 6, 2017

Thursday, July 6, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p Cedar Creek UMC 5630 FM 536, Cedar Creek, 78612 4th Day Speaker TBD

August 3, 2017

Thursday, August 3, 2017
Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p
Northwest Hills UMC
7050 Village Center Drive, Austin, 78731
4th Day Speaker TBD

September 7, 2017

Thursday, September 7, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p Manor UMC 510 Burnet St. North, Manor, 78653 4th Day Speaker TBD

October 5, 2017

Thursday, October 5, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p Covenant UMC 4410 Duval Road, Austin, 78727 4th Day Speaker TBD

November 2, 2017

Thursday, November 2, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p Location TBD 4th Day Speaker TBD

December 7, 2017

Thursday, December 7, 2017 Potluck Dinner at 6p, worship at 7:15p Location TBD 4th Day Speaker TBD

Childcare Provided Contact Silvia Villarreal-Rocco

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