

Hays Praise Newsletter

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Emmaus Leadership Training

Are you a future Lay Director? Spiritual Director? Interested in learning more about the Emmaus Walk process? Hays Praise is hosting a Walk/Flight Leadership Training.

Manchaca UMC Register umcdata.com
8:00 am – 3 pm Event Code: WFLT
February 20, 2010 Cost: \$0 (Books optional)

Leaders: Bob Spickelmier (Emmaus LD)
Rev. Bill Duke (Spiritual Director) and
Cheryl Brockman (Chrysalis LD)

Purpose: Training Lay Directors, Board Reps and Spiritual Directors for Leadership

teams for Emmaus/Chrysalis. The Walk/Flight Leadership Training is required for all incoming Lay Directors and Board Reps and Spiritual Directors. Lay Directors and Board Reps need to attend training within 15 months of serving; Spiritual Directors need to attend training at least once every three years. However training is open to anyone interested in learning. This is a great time for the Lay Directors, Board Reps, and Spiritual Directors to develop effective Communication and Leadership skills. The outside support coordinators are invited to attend as well.

Training will be conducted by the SWTX Conf Emmaus/Chrysalis Lay Directors and Spiritual Director or their appointees.



What to bring: purple books, cross, name tag. Director Manuals for the LD, SD and Board Rep. If you don't have your leadership books you may pre-order now or purchase at the training.

Talk to your HP board rep for more info!

Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."

Have you ever been a bit discouraged when events did not go the way you thought they would? Maybe you thought you were following the guidance of God, truly answering His call to you. You might have been confirmed in answering this call to action by the words and encouragement of others. You found Bible passages that were consistent with what you have felt called to do. You stepped out, following the leading of the Holy Spirit and ran smack into a metaphorical wall! How could this be? You

begin to think that maybe you got it wrong; maybe God did not call you after all. Surely if God called you to this task then God would make it all work out and clear all obstacles from your path. I must admit that sometimes I think that way and I measure the call of God to events in my life and in the world around me.

It is then that the Holy Spirit reminds me that God has a plan greater than my mere human understanding. The Lord has not called me to be

successful but to be faithful. I am called to proclaim the Gospel of God's love as shown in Jesus Christ. I am called to be an example of that love even when I feel like things aren't working out the way I think they should; especially then. I am to trust in faith that God has the 'Big Picture' and we mere mortals do not. We should take heart in this, my Brothers and Sisters and stand firm in our faith; offering praise and thanksgiving for the grace of our Lord in the face of all circumstances.

Colossians 2: 6-7 "Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving." Bless you, Rip



Fundraiser Report

Reminders...

Look for BBQ and auction in early Spring. So begin gathering auction items.



Second Hays Praise Scholarship Golf Tournament April 17, 2010 at Woodcreek's Quicksand Golf Course in Wimberley Texas.



Details coming but mark your calendar. Need players and Hole Sponsors.

Upcoming Walks

All at Camp Young Judaea in Wimberley

Walk 1562 Chris Dunkin May 6 – 9, 2010
Walk 1574 Mike Long August 19 – 22, 2010
Walk 1596 Amy Pena November 4 – 7, 2010

Walk Report

Walk 1562
May 6-9, 2010

Chris Dunkin
Camp Young Judaea

Walk 1562 had our first team meeting January 16! The talks were great and the team is excited about the upcoming walk. We did get approval from SWTX Conference for the walk to be at Camp Young Judaea on May 6-9 and the fee will be \$200.00. Scholarships are available so please let me know if you have a pilgrim that needs one. Please get your pilgrims signed up!!!

Red square	Lay Director Buda/Kyle	Kathy Welch	512-312-0224
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Yellow square	Manchaca	Lisa Crowder	512-350-3579
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Lay Director's Report

Isaiah 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said "Here I am, send me!"

What a wonderful scripture. And Dave Hall, answered when he saw the that Hays Praise needed a website. Several years ago, Dave set up and maintained our website for us. He did all this without any help, support or financial assistance. He never complained, he just stood up and said, "Here I am, send me!" On behalf of Hays Praise I wanted

to say Thank you, Dave, for all your unselfish love and support you have given Hays Praise over so many years. We understand the need for you to have to move on and you will be missed! Hopefully we will see you at the Candlelights! May God continue to bless you in all you do.

I would like to also thank all the other volunteers that answered the call and stood up and said, "Here I am, send me!" Past and present Board members, local community leaders, prayer vigil

coordinators, newsletter coordinator, the list goes on and on..... Without the help of volunteer like you we could not keep going on like we do. Thank you to everyone!

Kathy Welch
Hays Praise Community Lay Director

Community Reports

Dripping Springs/Driftwood Thank you for coming to the consecration and Welcome Back for Walk 1538. What a great turn out! Our local meeting will be February 2 and our Fourth Day Speaker is Ginger Carroll. Starting at 6:30 with a pot luck and fellowship at 7 PM. Please join us as we welcome back our new pilgrims. *Your Sister in Christ, Lisa*

San Marcos We are excited about our new pilgrims from Walk 1538; they are Ben Brady, Rudy Pittman, Robert Rodriguez and Patsy Greiner's son Justin Greiner. We welcome them to our local community Tuesday at First Lutheran Church with pot luck beginning at

6:30pm. Our fourth day speaker will be Peter Baen. *God's Blessings, Mike Rhodes*

Wimberley is hosting an **Open Gathering** this month. We invite you to join us on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 6:30pm for food, fellowship and worship. Our February meeting will be a special gathering to welcome those potential folks that are interested in hearing more about Walk to Emmaus. Come hear an incredible Fourth Day witness on the love of our Savior Jesus Christ as we welcome Mike Long as our speaker. Tim Fulfer will lead the music team and Emmaus love will flow. We hope to see everyone there. *In Him, Lisa*

Memorial Donations

"I thank God everytime I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy."
Philippians 1:3-4

Often when we lose a loved one, we seek ways to feel close to that person or for ways to honor their memory. An "Emmaus Memorial Scholarship" is a meaningful way to celebrate the memory of a loved one who cared about the Lord. What better way to celebrate their life by giving someone the chance to become closer to God. Celebrate a memory by giving hope through our Lord Jesus Christ to others. Memorial Donations will be recognized in the Hays Praise Newsletter upon donor's request.

Walk 1538



**Pilgrims
of
Walk
1538**

Welcome to the Emmaus Family

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