



HAYS PRAISE NEWS

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Earlier this summer, many of your Hays Praise leaders attended training sessions taught by representatives of the Upper Room and the Southwest Texas Conference. I'll be the first to admit that "*hearing it from the horse's mouth*" helped me better understand some of the "*rules*" we've been asked to follow.

I really enjoyed the information shared and after the training I attended, truly believe Hays Praise is doing an outstanding job. We are doing great in many areas of the Walk to Emmaus. We have one of the highest Walk attendance rates of any community in Texas. (Did you know that Texas has over 90 Emmaus communities — and the other 7 states in our region have 23 combined?)

However, one area we need to improve is the follow-up after the Walk. When our trainer said, "*Does your community focus most of its efforts on the Walks?*" my honest assessment was "*Yes we do.*" It really got me to thinking that while the Walks are a lot of fun, our purpose is to bring people closer in their Walk with Christ and send them back to "be on fire" in their local congregations!

The Walk to Emmaus does not end on Sunday, your 4th Days last forever. As a community we should take a more purposeful role in what happens after your Pilgrim's Walk. Are they in a Reunion Group? Do they come to local and community gatherings? Are they involved in aspects of their church?

Sometimes we all need a little reflection on how well we've done. That perspective helps us focus on the bigger picture of brings others to Christ.

Git 'er Done & DeColores!

John Hatch

Lay Director, Hays Praise Emmaus Community

PS. Speaking of getting the job done, I want to welcome 3 new members of the Emmaus Leadership Team. Pastor Eddie Valverde is the new Spiritual Director, taking over for the ever-exciting Mark Porterfield. Richard & Carla Merritt have taken the role of Agape Coordinator and Chris Wiehl is the new Prayer Vigil Coordinator. Thanks to Mark Korrina Jummer and Richard Weeks for your service to Hays

2006 Walk Schedule

Walk #1286 — March 9—12, 2006
Frank Hendley — Lay Director

Walk #1303 — May 11—14, 2006
Laurie Cromwell — Lay Director

Walk #1325 — October 5—8, 2006
Frank Morgan — Lay Director

Walk #1342 — December 7—10
Kay Welch — Lay Director

2005 Hays Praise Walks

Walk #1249 — September 22—25, 2005
Mackey Welch — Lay Director
Mark Porterfield — Spiritual Director
John Hilgers — Board Representative

Walk #1266—November 3—6, 2005
Kay Dabbs — Lay Director
Rick Diamond — Spiritual Director
Beverly McGaffey — Board Representative

(All Walks will be held at Camp Young Judea.)



Make your Newsletter donation (suggested \$10 a year)!

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Pray for Walk # 1249— Sept. 22—25

Lay Director: Mackey Welch

Pray for Walk #1266—November 3—6

Lay Director: Kay Dabbs

Walk 1249

Team Members

Mackey Welch
John Hilgers
Mark Porterfield
Larry Shores
Rob Clopton
Laura Merrill
Bill Nichols
Greg Barnes
Trevor Cutler
Kevin Tower
Kirk Brumley
Tom Mikulastik
Brian Gryta
Dick Howell
Dennis Krackau
Paul Christian
Joedy Gray
Ed White
Curtis Cathey
Garland Warren
Mike Manning
Doug Jumper
Mike McKeown
Troy Farnham
Frank Hendley

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Walk 1266

Team Members

Kay Dabbs
Beverly McGaffey
Sandy Brooks
Karrie Tower
Rhonda White
Treva Chadwell
Jeana Fulfer
Debbie Downing
Lori Foster
Gail Gibson
Jana Long
Lori Norton
Becky Osborne
Jan Phillips
Barbara Pickens
Trish Risley
Chris Wehl
Becky Weiser
Judy Yemington
Rick Diamond
Cheryl Broome
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**Please be in prayer for these servants.

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Info About Agape Requirements at Camp Young Judea

Each Walk, the outpouring of Agape for the Pilgrims and Team is amazing and so appreciated. Recently there has been some confusion about what Table Agape is allowed and not allowed in the conference room and dining room. The only “forbidden” food in the conference room is “meat” — any kind of summer sausage, salami, etc. However, the outside servants in the Agape room can always enjoy “meat” at any time. The cabins are neutral! Remember, individuals serving on the “Outside” team have to drive into Wimberley or Dripping Springs for meals — so you may want to consider providing a snack meal for them by working with the individual Outside Team contact.

With the recent changes in the number of pilgrims and team formation, we want to give you an update on Agape needs. For Pilgrims only, 36 items are needed. For pilgrims and team, the amount needed is 65 — to be on the safe side of a miscout. It would be very helpful to have a count of your items in a visible place.

In an attempt to comply with the Jewish Dietary Laws at Camp Young Judea, the following information is provided regarding Agape that can be placed in the dining room.

We have been provided with a list of “Kosher” products. Look closely at a kosher food label and you’ll see a small little sign like those pictured below on the front or back of the packages. This tells you that the food has been inspected by one of the many kosher certifying agencies in the United States. While the symbols appearing on this page are the most well-known because of their national presence and wide acceptance, there are many other smaller certifying agencies with approved products on a regional or local level. When the word “pareve” appears next to the symbol, this indicates that the product can be eaten with meat — or dairy-based foods. If the letter “D” appears next to the symbol it indicates that the item contains dairy products.



But what exactly does kosher, or its noun form — *kashrut* — mean? Kashrut comes from the Hebrew word for “fit.” According to Jewish law, certain foods have been deemed fit or correct to eat. These foods are considered kosher.

The following is a sample list of items that can be put out for either a **meat** or **dairy meal**, and can always be used in the dining room.

Starlite Mints	Double Bubble Bubble Gum — Concord Gum	Dum Dum Lollipops
Licorice	Jelly Belly Individual Flavor Jelly Beans	Boston Baked Beans
Starburst Fruit Twists	Starburst Original and Tropical Hard Candy	Astro Pops
Candy Canes	Twizzlers Cherry and Black Licorice Bit	
	Peppermint Candy Sticks and Pillows by Bob’s Candies	

The following is a sample list of items that can be put out only at a **dairy meal**, and can be used in the dining room — breakfast is always a dairy meal:

Almond Joy Milk Chocolate products	M&Ms
Hershey’s Milk Chocolate candy	Reese’s Pieces
Milk Duds	Sunkist Fruit Gems
Jolly Rancher Hard Candies	Whoppers Malted Milk
Mounds Chocolate Candy	

Please do not let these guidelines discourage you from making table agape items for the pilgrims and team members. Agape is ALWAYS welcome and will be used, and the Outside Team Coordinator may have to decide if it can be Table Agape or Pillow Agape! Snack agape in the Conference Room can be used at any time, since it isn’t part of the dining room.

Contact Rebecca Hatch at rebeccahatch@austin.rr.com for Newsletter information.

Community Prayer Concerns

The Community's many prayer requests and concerns continue to come in. What a blessing that we can add the strength of all the prayers of our Emmaus Community! Please continue to send your prayer requests to John Hilgers or your local Lay Director.

Please Offer Your Prayers & Continued Support for:

Jessie Graham, Family of Brianna Acuna, Darlene & Wayne Strube, Katie Grimme, Gene Dean, Pat Wold, Avis Watson, Tom Estes and family, Family of Jimmy Carty, Jr., Laura Mordecai (death of her grandmother), Vicki Castillo, Family of Robin Brown, Baby Gracie, Family of Mercedes Cervantes, Marge Foster, Gary Matthews, Connie Webb, Arlen Graff, Chelsey Herrera, Caleb Moore, Katie Warneke & family, Kevin Weast, Family of David Chism, Ruby, Lawrence Silva, Andrea White, Nathaniel Dahl, Jeanne Fulfer (death of her brother), Karen Willy, Sandy Allen, Susan, Family of Bill Bennett, Trish Weeks, Brenda Jo & Russ, Jim McGraw, Milisa Salinas & family, Denise Fitch, Ted Breihan, Mike Warnock & family, Charlotte Husky, Grady Southwell, Edwin Terry, Family of Mary Jean White, Aunt Dorothy, Sally, Sandy Miller, Family of Jennifer Roberts, Glenn & family, Family of Steve Decker, Jacob Brocktraup, Jack Jerome, Michelle Rozzell, Ivan, Mike Livingston, Bethany, Betty Rairdan, Yolanda & family, Jack Gordon, Preston Dobbs, Harley Levingston, Family of Virginia Fry, Dick Howell, Jana Long & family, Denise Whitney & family, Dora Cruz, Amy, Antonia, Dana Owens, Sharla & Shawna's dad, Melanie Reynolds, Tim, Robert Wyatt Sr. & family, Matt Jones, Mel Espirtu, Fred Corkran, Jerry Carlton, Barbara Pickens, Wally Barron, Garrett, Jerry Trammel, Christy Colebank, Lenice Clark, Cole, Claude & Lealice Dance, Family of Ed, Travis Charlton, David Dickinson, Jennifer Moseley, Family of Ryan Davies, Magan James & family, Jake Latham, Jacob Hivly & family, Family of Margaret White, Family of Zachary Jackson, Daniel Ingle, Rachel Smith, Tish & Jonathon, Don Tally & family, Dr. William Warren, Melanie & family

Prayer of Thanksgiving

New Members from Walk # 1227, Nate Echelberger—attending Walk, Mozambique Mission Team, Buda UMC Youth Mission & Spiritual Life Rally, Pastor's Lunch on June 22nd, Mission trip to Acuna, Journey Youth Retreat, Mission Trip to Uganda

Fall Schedule

Sept. 6	Buda UMC	Nov. 1	Riverbend Church
	Consecrate team of Walk #1249		Consecrate Team of Walk #1266
Sept. 22-25	Walk #1249—Camp CYJ	Nov. 3—6	Walk #1266 — Camp CYJ
Sept. 27	Walk #1249—Welcome Back	Nov. 8	Walk #1266 — Welcome Back
	Dripping Springs UMC		Buda UMC
Oct. 4	Local Gatherings	Dec. 6	Local Gatherings

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