



# HAYS PRAISE NEWS

March/April 2004

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## The Year is Off and Running!

Thanks for all the support and love I've received since becoming Lay Director for this wonderful Hays Praise Emmaus Community. With the help of God (and this community) we will continue to accomplish the great things God has in store through our activities and this very special Body of Christ.

I have some mighty big shoes to try to fill with the departure of my friend, John Hilgers, as Lay Director. He saw our community through a time of great growth and for that we are all grateful. God has exciting things in store for us as we continue on through 2004.

I know we were all blessed as Joedy Gray and his team guided and completed Men's Walk #1132. I look forward to welcoming all those pilgrims into our fold at our upcoming Hays Praise Community meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 6th in San Marcos. Please be sure to encourage these newest members of the Hays Praise Community to attend this meeting.

Please continue to pray for Korrina Jumper and her team as they prepare for Walk #1150. This Walk will be held May 6-9 at Camp Young Judea. We will consecrate her team on Tuesday, May 4th at Dripping Springs, UMC. Please also be in prayer to for Russell Ehrlich and Liz Gray as they continue to prepare for their upcoming Walks.

Apologies to all for the lateness of this newsletter — no excuses to offer — life keeps us all busy and time flies by more quickly than we like. I look forward to seeing everyone on April 6th.

Blessings,  
John Hatch  
Lay Director, Hays Praise Emmaus Community

### Spring 2004 Emmaus Events and Schedule

**April 6 – Community Gathering**  
1st United Methodist Church—San Marcos

**May 4—Community Gathering**  
Team Consecration—Dripping Springs UMC

**May 6—9—Women's Walk #1150**  
Korrina Jumper—LD/Sheri Stice—SD

**May 11—Welcome Back Walk #1150**  
Dripping Springs—UMC

**June 1 – Local Gatherings**

### 2004 Hays Praise Walks

**Walk# 1150 — May 05/06-05/09**  
Korrina Jumper — Lay Director

**Walk# 1168 — Sept. 09/09-09/ 12**  
Russell Ehrlich — Lay Director

**Walk# 1190 — Nov. 11/11-11/ 14**  
Liz Gray — Lay Director

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



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

Send to: Gene Sueltenfuss, P.O. Box 1921, San Marcos, TX. 78667

### Pray for Walk # 1150, May 6—9

#### Lay Director: Korrina Jumper

Below is a list of the Pilgrims and Team members.  
Please keep them all in your prayers, as they prepare  
for this special time.

#### Pilgrims:

Sandra Allen  
 Merry Albert  
 Valerie Barnard  
 Teresa Blakley  
 Terri Brigham  
 Connie Brown  
 Karen Brown  
 Leslie Brown  
 Michelle Brown  
 Stephanie Brown  
 Lucinda Doyle  
 Katherine Fitzgerald  
 Sandra Freeman  
 Lyn Anne Garnett  
 Laura Gausman  
 Angie Geiter  
 Paula Greenfield  
 Julie Grevelle  
 Phyllis Harwell  
 Blakely Hilgers  
 Sara Hilgers  
 Nancy Howell  
 Kimberley Johnson  
 Sabrina Jumper  
 Nancy Junk  
 Melanie Martin  
 Tammy Mierow  
 Cheryl Moczgamba  
 Dina Montgomery  
 Amber Lee Overall  
 Sherrie Parks  
 Lauren Rhodes  
 Linda Roe  
 Wendy Segina  
 Susan Sharp  
 Traci Smith  
 Vicky Smith  
 DorRae Stevens  
 Valeri Tate  
 Avis Watson  
 Clarinda Zavala  
 Cindy Zellars

#### Team Members:

Korrina Jumper – LD  
 Liz Gray—LDIT  
 Becky Brock—Board  
 Rep  
 Kay Dabbs  
 Chris Dunkin  
 Reba Hilgers  
 Karrie Tower  
 Kathy Welch  
 Barbara Aziz  
 Elise Brooks  
 Sandy Brooks  
 Carol Cutler  
 Gail Gibson  
 Mary Livingston  
 Eva Long  
 Jana Long  
 Molly Moloney  
 Nancy Morgan  
 Chris Weihl  
 Wanda Summers  
 Linda Wentz  
 Judith Yemington  
**Clergy:**  
 Sheri Stice – SD  
 Cheryl Broome  
 Bob Gardner  
 Jean Karm  
 Bill Nichols  
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 Kristine Ehrlich  
 Hilary Kaufmann Smith  
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## Kairos & Reunion Group News



### Kairos

*Matthew 25:36.....I was in prison and you came to visit me.*

The Kairos Prison Ministry is one of the ministries the Hays Praise Emmaus Community supports. Over 10 members of Hays Praise were on the team of a 3-day Kairos Weekend at the maximum security Hughes Unit in Gatesville on March 18—21. Other members of our community have supported Kairos Weekends at Hughes and the Hilltop Women's Unit and the Mountain View Women's Unit in Gatesville, by baking cookies, praying, writing letters, making posters and place mats, and financial donations.

Kairos is a very powerful ministry that creates and sustains a Christian Community behind the walls of a prison and causes many Brothers and Sisters in White to develop a close relationship with Jesus Christ.

Proof of the effectiveness of Kairos is shown by data indicating the rate of recidivism for Kairos graduates is about 2/3 less than the rate for the general prison population. You can participate in several ways:

- Pray — we have a 24-hour prayer vigil while a Kairos weekend is underway. You are asked to sign up for 30-minute time slots.
- Provide financial support — It takes \$125 to pay for the cost of one resident to attend Kairos, and individuals or groups are asked to provide sponsorships, although any amount is accepted.
- Donate money to pay for cookies. It takes over 4,000 dozen cookies to put on a Kairos weekend at Hughes. Dripping Springs folks recently baked 400 dozen cookies for this past Kairos Weekend.
- Write letters of encouragement to Hughes residents. Often this is the only mail residents receive. Letters from children are often the most moving letters for residents. Contact Larry or Paula Alwin (512.894.0493) for guidelines regarding letters.
- Make posters and placemats. Again, placemats and posters made by children can have a big effect on the inmates.

Please contact Larry or Paula Alwin if you are interested in participating in this ministry in any way or if you have any questions. Thanks for your interest and God Bless.

DeColores! Larry & Paula Alwin

### Reunion Group News

Currently, we are trying to call all reunion groups and update meeting times and dates. Thanks to those of you that have responded graciously to this task! You could save us time and phone tag time by checking your information. Go to <http://hayspraise.org> webpage and click on the appropriate reunion group category. If your group information is incorrect or you would like to make changes to or add your group, please call Athena Reiche 512.754.7243 or Penny Slavik 512.396.1685. Grace and Peace to you as you walk each day with our Lord.

DeColores! Athena Reiche

### Hays Praise Community News

I've heard wonderful things about the local meetings that were held in our communities in January and March. In February we experienced the many blessings surrounding Joedy Gray's Walk. The Team Consecration held in Dripping Springs was well attended and everyone was blessed as we consecrated the team for Walk #1132.

Candlelight was as awesome as ever as we listened to wonderful music led by Eric Brown and heard a moving lesson from Rev. Sweet. And, as always the pilgrims, team and community were humbled by the wonderful moments of Candlelight. Welcome Back was exciting as we welcomed the newest members into our Hays Praise Community. We look forward to the April meeting in San Marcos and anxiously anticipate all the wonderful moments I know will surround the Women's Walk coming in May!

De Colores, Rebecca Hatch

### Newsletter

Dear Brothers & Sisters In Christ:

I guess I could make excuses....but I really have none, except that life gets in the way for this busy wife and mother of 3 active children. I sincerely apologize for the lack of communication via newsletter since the first of the year. When my husband John agreed to take on the Lay Director responsibilities I didn't think it would be difficult to handle the newsletter task when asked, but have found it difficult to uphold these responsibilities. So, if anyone feels called to accept this task I would be extremely thankful. Please feel free to contact me at 512.268.3004 or [rebecchatch@austin.rr.com](mailto:rebecchatch@austin.rr.com).

DeColores! Rebecca Hatch

***Next Newsletter Deadline: May 1st —Don't forget!***

**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:**

**Sandy Allen's Aunt Spud; Polly; Kay Dabbs and family (death of her mother); Kellye Hancock's father; Rena Farris; Windy Miller; Sharon Evans; Jason Hoke; Josie McCartney & family; Harlan Burgess & family; Kathy Fitzsimmons; Britany Wiggins; Brenda Langford; Pat & Donna Abbot (death of her mother); Clark Daniel, Sr.; Bill Barber; Harry Grim; Family of Jaxxon Salinas; Kappy Allen; Malay family (loss of her grandmother and his father); Karen DeHorn; Keith Bishop; Darcy Hamburg; Ernest Levingston; Cheryl Johnson Watson & family; Tommy Gianotti and his family; Sandy Allen; Trish Weeks & family; Caleb Moore; William Powell; family of Dave Thompson; Jan Brainard; family of Jay Edwin; Mary Jane Pohl;**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Safe arrival of the Copeland twins—Nile & Noah  
Pray for strength and health after and early birth and other difficulties  
Birth of Christy's granddaughter—Jenna Grace  
Prayer of gratitude for Pat Nowlin's musical talents and how they are being used.  
Please continue to pray for these little ones as they recover from an early arrival.  
Successful eye surgery for Hilary Kauffman Smith**

**Pilgrims & Team of Walk # 1150**

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