



HAYS PRAISE NEWS

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We Are So Blessed!

We are so fortunate to have and share the Spirit that abides in the Hays Praise Emmaus Community. The commitment and dedication of so many of you have truly made our Community a very special place. God is so good and He is using so many people to help others and change lives every week.

We appreciate all the support and love that has and is being showered over our Team for the upcoming Walk #1092. And, I know I speak for every Lay Director who has come before me in saying a great big, "Thank You!" This is something that is way too big for one person to do and it couldn't be done without your love and continued support. Please pray for the Pilgrims and the Team of Walk #1092, as well as Walk #1113 in November. Because of your love, care, and commitment, Hays Praise is making a difference and helping to further the Kingdom of God.

DeColores,
John Hilgers
Hays Praise Emmaus Community Lay Director



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:

**Kelly Garner; Vera Griffin; Stacy and Jordan Bailey; Anita Glasgow
Calley Cooper; Jamie Immer's sister Shannon; Ken Saunders
Johanna Haley's mother, Lil Stallman; Steve Johnson
The family of Brandon Vick; The Saunder's family; Billy Reeves
Troy Huddleston; Steve & Wendy Griffith; Keith Herington's father
The family of Marilyn Reed; The family of Joseph Gambino
The family of Carol Vreeland; The family of Clyde Gillis
J. B. Dabbs, father of Mike Dabbs; Deb Brown's Aunt Lucy
Karen Bunker's Father and Family; Cheyenne Fiveash; Joan Deal
Pat Seiders; Marge Foster; Anna; Billy Reeves; Chance Richard Weihl
Bethany Smith; Jodie Mitchell McNeil; Clarice Norton; Lisa Lewis
Tommy Azapardi and family; Gary & Nancy Fowler and family
Michelle Durham; Gordon Young; Jerry Blevins; Sheila Yorke
Pray of Thanksgiving for Delany Gill, new daughter of the Sloan Gill's**

Pilgrims & Team of Walk # 1092



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

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

Pray for Walk # 1092, September 4 -7, 2003

Lay Director: John Hilgers

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:

Bob Allen
Ty Allert
Jack Blakley
Buster Brown
Jim Butt
Chris Carrier
Curtis Cathey
Paul Christian
Alvis Cooley
Bill Cooper
Dave Denton
Allen Dichard
Trevor Farnham
Troy Farnham
Brian Fitzgerald
Jerry Garnett
Scott Gruendler
Chris Gunter
Buck Haydon
Matthew Hilgers
Paul Hilgers
David Johnston
Vince Jones
Matthew Kenton
Charles Lamarr
Wayne Laviolette
Charlie Levingston
Joe Mathis
Jeff Muehl
Rodney Parrott
Sean Quinn
Jeff Reichard
Armando Rueda
Gordon Seablom
Richard Segina
Robert Sherrill
Chris Shrimplin
Tyrone Steele
Ted Tower
Eugene Triesch
Lou Turley
Jim Walden

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Doug Jumper
Gene Sueltenfuss
Larry Powell
Dennis Krackau
Garland Warren
Bill Glasgow
Joedy Gray
Frank Morgan
David Pickens
Mike Manning
John Weiser
Mike Dabbs
Larry Wiggins
Billy Morgan
Ed White
Craig Smith
David Hall
Lee Romero
Wayne Gibson
John Hatch
Todd Cearley
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Local Community News Reports



San Marcos

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I would like to thank you all for the support and enthusiasm in San Marcos and look forward in helping funneling all of it in the direction of serving. I need to thank Karim Aziz for his help and support in the transition of leadership. Karim's guidance, enthusiasm, action, and genuine love of the people he served was very evident. I hope to continue, with everyone's support, this positive goal. A reminder that Tuesday, September 2nd will be the next gathering at Dripping Springs United Methodist. The team will be consecrated and sent on to Walk \$1092 in Wimberley on the 4th thru 7th. Candle Light on Saturday night will be a great time for fellowship, worship, and support for the Pilgrims. Don't Miss it. Welcome Back will be at DSUMC on Tuesday the 9th. See You there.

De Colores
Dennis Krackau

Riverbend

The Spirit of Emmaus is growing rapidly here at Riverbend as the community grows almost every month. God is blessing us with new pilgrims, new lives impacted, and new ways to serve Him and our church. We just had two ladies attend a Walk in Boerne and we have 8 pilgrims and 7 men on the team for the Hays Praise Men's Walk 1092 in September. I cannot express my joy at being a part of such growth and seeing people's lives changed and their walks with Christ strengthened. I am almost overwhelmed by this growth, but what a blessed thing. The Walk to Emmaus could not have come at a better time in the life of Riverbend Church. My great thanks to John and Reba Hilgers for planting the seed in this fertile ground. Walk 1092 will be awesome and ladies Walk 1113 is already full and will obviously be the best ever. Praise God for the Emmaus Community.

De Colores
Mike Dabbs

Dripping Springs/Driftwood

We had a rather small gathering at the last local group meeting, but it was a real blessing for all who attended. I really was blessed when I shared my 4th day talk with the Emmaus brothers and sisters that were there. When we were finished almost everyone of them came and gave me a big hug. Wow, did I feel the Holy Spirit that night! I encourage all to attend the meetings. You never know what you may miss. Time to praise the Lord...Walk 1092 is almost here. Please make every effort to attend the Community Gathering at the Dripping Springs United Methodist Church. It will surely be a blessing to consecrate the Team, and last minute to-do list will be going around, I'm sure. I want to thank Judy Tennison for the encouragement she shared with us at the overnight team meeting. What a comfort John and the team must feel knowing that they will be so well taken care of. I know this will be "well attended" candlelight gathering, so think about getting there a little early to get a seat.

De Colores
Larry Wiggins

Buda/Kyle

Buda UMC was blessed with the opportunity to host the candlelight service for Chrysalis Flight #215. What a great sight to see so many of our young women heading down the pathway to God's Kingdom. We had a wonderful gathering in August as some of our brothers and sisters gave testimony on how they have been blessed by the support of their reunion groups. We all are in prayer for the team and pilgrims for walk #1092 and will be looking forward to the team consecration at our September community gathering in Dripping Springs.

De Colores
Liz Gray

Wimberley

We had a wonderful Gathering in our Local Community with 37 adults present and 10 or so kids in child care. Our musicians, Tim, Jeana, and Jill were great; and we heard an outstanding, heartfelt Fourth Day talk from Jim Venable. And as always, when Steven leads us in communion, it is a lesson in faith and service. All in all, it was an awesome evening to be in the House of God, enjoying good food and fellowship. Our prayers go out to the team and pilgrims on Walk #1092. The growing excitement in anticipation of the upcoming Walk is felt through the whole community. Oops, I forgot, "Don't anticipate." Well, anyway, we're still excited.

De Colores
Mike McNeil

Next Newsletter Deadline: October 10th... don't forget!

Remaining 2003
Emmaus Events and Schedule

September 2 – Community Gathering
Dripping Springs United Methodist Church
Consecration of Team for Walk # 1092

September 4 thru 7 — Walk # 1092
John Hilgers LD / Bill Nichols SD
Camp Young Judea

September 9 — Welcome Back
Dripping Springs United Methodist Church

October 5 – Local Gatherings

November 4 – Community Gathering
Buda United Methodist Church
Consecration of Team for Walk # 1113

November 6 thru 9 — Walk # 1113
Rebecca Hatch LD / Mark Porterfield SD
Camp Young Judea

November 11 — Welcome Back
Buda United Methodist Church

December 2 – Local Gatherings

For contemplation and prayerful
thought over the next week:

Come to me, all you who are
weary and burdened, and I
will give you rest. Take my
yoke upon you and learn
from me, for I am gentle and
humble in heart, and you will
find rest for your souls. For
my yoke is easy and my
burden is light.

Matthew 11:27 -30

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