

Rainbow Bend

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New JTD President

I am honored and humbled by the opportunity to serve as the President of the JTD Board for 2006-2007. This past year has been one of transition and change, and this will continue for the near future. The formation of John Paul II high school has been a blessing for our community, but it has also presented many challenges for our ministry. I applaud your perseverance in dealing with these challenges, and I encourage your continued patience. Please be assured that the Journey, Walk, and Chrysalis leaderships are diligently working on options and alternatives for future retreat sites to insure we all have a workable facility that meets our needs. Please pray for our success.

On another front, we are very blessed to have so many people interested in serving on JTD teams, but we have only a limited number of positions available. Team formation begins six months prior to a weekend, and our goal is always 1/3 new, 1/3 moderately experienced, and 1/3 very experienced team members. The Board is also enforcing our rule that team members can only serve on one team a year so as to give the greatest number of people an opportunity to serve. Please be understanding when this rule is enforced. Anyone wanting to serve on a 2007 JTD team should complete a team application and mail it to the particular lay director. In addition, I would encourage you to consider assisting our weekends in other meaningful ways such as volunteering to work the Agape Feast, assisting with parking or helping set-up for Candlelight and Closing. The Lay Directors always need additional assistance.

I would like to thank our Past President, Waynette Jarrell, for her leadership and her tireless efforts as President. I look forward to working with the Journey, Walk, and Chrysalis communities this next year, and I thank you for your loving support. Should you have any comments or suggestions, then I encourage you to contact me at j2damascus@yahoo.com.

Thank you & God bless, David Walsh

The Kairos Experience From the eyes of a first timer

I am honored to say I was a member of Jim Schuardt's team on Kairos walk #22. When I first heard about the Kairos Prison Ministry I was very reluctant to serve. The very thought of it took me far from my comfort zone. I rattled off several excuses before I committed to the weekend. Thank God, I gave into the pressure. I have never felt the presence of the spirit of Christ as much as when I entered the McConnell unit in Beeville. The closer I came to the "men in white" the more powerful the feeling became. My anxiety about being in a Prison was completely taken away and I have never been so filled with the love of Christ in my life. I have yet to completely understand what God did for me through my Kairos experience. My spiritual journey was deepened beyond my wildest expectations. I have tried to describe it in a nutshell for my brothers and sisters in the Emmaus, Damascus, and Chrysalis community. Simply put, it was the overwhelming feeling of love I feel at every Saturday night candlelight service multiplied by 100 and sustained for 4 days. Simply incredible! I finally realized that if one wants to be close to Christ, one must go to where Christ would go, the prison, yes friends, that is a place you will experience Christ on the faces of the "men in white" like you may have never seen before. I strongly encourage anyone who has given this ministry a thought to do yourself the favor of a lifetime and walk hand in hand with Christ on the next Kairos weekend.

DeColores, Steve Moody

New Emmaus Community LD

The Coastal Bend Emmaus Board is happy to welcome three new directors. Serving in the Class of 2009 are Joe Christian, Lennae Holder, Jim Schuchardt. Thank you for stepping out to serve.

You have possibly heard some of the rumors about the facilities at Bishop Gracida. The Emmaus, Chrysalis, and Journey to Damascus Communities have been given permission to hold walks at Bishop Gracida through July 2007. We must be off the premises by August 1, 2007.

Other locations and alternatives have been looked at, and at the time of the publication of this newsletter nothing has been finalized. Although it appears our best alternative is to make arrangements and return to Bishop Drury on Lantana Road. This was the previous location walks were held prior to Bishop Gracida. There are still numerous details to work out, but I am sure if God wants this to happen it will.

This year has been especially challenging and inconvenient for many with all the changes that are going on at Bishop Gracida. But, what a glorious opportunity for God's word to be taught at a new John Paul High School.

Please pray for the new John Paul High School and also look to the positive of the change in our lives, God will provide. As soon as we have something final and official we will let the community know.

This will be a very busy summer for us all, 4 Chrysalis Flights/Journeys, 2 Emmaus Walks, and 1 Journey to Damascus. Please participate as much as you possibly can. Candlelight's are always uplifting, a renewal of the spirit, full of praise, and seeing old and new friends. But, the over flow of blessings come at the closings and hearing the testimonies. Come and be filled!!!

You can pretend to care, But you can't pretend to be there!

De Colores, Gary Hudson





Girl's Chrysalis Flight # 256

June 8—11, 2006



Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting but a woman who fears the Lord shall be praised.

Proverbs 31:30

I am so honored to have been chosen as the Lay Director for this Flight. I am blessed with a wonderful team of girls who I know will bless the butterflies in so many ways! I want to thank everyone who has prayed and will be praying for us this upcoming weekend and I want to ask that the community support us this weekend by being at our candlelight and closing ceremonies. As a pilgrim long ago on my own walk, my eyes were opened to the amazing work that God does. Through this experience as Lay Director, I have been blown away by the goodness of God and how he has guided me and held my hand through this entire process. My prayers for this weekend are that our beautiful butterfly's hearts are touched by the Holy Spirit and that their commitment to Christ be strengthened so that they may spread their wings and fly. Thank you again for

TEAM

Lay Director: Amy Atkinson; **Youth Lay Director:** Bethany Burnett

Asst. LDs: Lacy Harrelson, Sherri Exum

Spiritual Director: Rev. Pam Zelner **Clergy:** Gwen Becka, Desiree Youngblood, Billy Storms, MaryEllen Johnson

Music Team: Melanie Brown, Terri-Lynn Schofield, Deb Cartright, Marila Harmon, Elizabeth Mathis, Mallory Cluiss

Board Rep: Janice Deonarine **Prayer Chapel:** Debbie Burnett **Marriage Spouse:** Jeff Atkinson

Table Leaders: Abby Royce, Jann Kullman, Cheryl Atkinson, Julie Brown, Christina Weaver, Kathy Miller

Assistant Table Leaders: Lauren Peltier, Erin Chandler, Katy Bridges, Allison Stewart, Samantha Strauss, Bethany Rogers

Adult Angels: Letty Perez, Jeannie Cluiss, Peggy Spooner, Gina Benavides, Rita Evans, Rebecca Wyatt, Faye Wilson

Youth Angels: Chelsea Van Blarcum, Jena Mooney, Jessica Garza, Carley Perkins, Laura Pike, Daniella Benavides, Laura Garcia, Brittany Hilliard, Kimberly Garza, Sara Vara, Amanda Kummer, Kirsty Krejci, Brooke Harmon, DeVonne Kureska, Kelli Grant

Prayer Chapel

Friday, June 9, 2006

11:00 am	Samantha Strauss	Ideals
1:00 pm	Billy Storms	God Designed You
2:10 pm	Jann Kullman	Faith
6:45 pm	Desiree Youngblood	God Loves You
9:10 pm	Erin Chandler	Prodigal



Saturday, June 10, 2006

9:45 am	Julie Brown	Prayer
11:00 am	Bethany Rogers	Growth through Study
1:00 pm	Rev. Pam Zelner	God's Gift to You
6:00 pm	Jeff & Cheryl Atkinson	Marriage
8:15 pm	Rev. MaryEllen Johnson	God Sustains You

Sunday, June 11, 2006

8:50 am	Katy Bridges	Christian Action
9:45 am	Abby Royce	Single Life
10:45 am	Rev. Gwen Becka	God Empower's You
12:10 pm	Amy Atkinson	Priesthood of all Believers
1:00 pm	Bethany Burnett	Next Steps



Community Schedule

Thursday June 8

Sponsors Hour

6:30

Saturday June 10

Candlelight & Communion

8:00

Sunday June 11

Closing

3:20



Men's Walk to Emmaus # 1307

June 15—18, 2006



"I was sought by those who did not ask for me...I was found by those who did not seek me." [Isaiah 65:1 NKJ]

I've recently come to the conclusion that Lay Directors aren't necessary. I read somewhere not too long ago that, "We've put so much emphasis on what we do that we have obscured the other side of the picture: God is sovereign." That means that God is in control. And indeed, Lay Directors-to-be, you too will become aware of the fact that (when all is said and done) it is God who calls...it is God who chooses...just as it is God who saves and God who sanctifies...it is also God who takes the unworthy...the unqualified...the incompetent...the unlikely...and transforms them into instruments He can use. Why? Because we are all He has to work with! We, the Team of Emmaus Walk #1307, ask for your continued prayers as we make the final turn and head down the homestretch. But most of all, we ask that you be in prayer for the Pilgrims and their families who are making the sacrifice of being apart on Fathers' Day weekend. There's a reason why, of course. God called.

In Him and for His Glory...Ed Gorny, Lay Director



PILGRIMS

Clyde Bryan
Charles Bryant
Scott Bucy
Kevin Culp
Russell Duggins
C.L. Foster
Charles Hughes
William Leach
Don Lowrance
Paul Matula
John Schetzle
Scott Sherman
Brandt Smith
Scott St. Onge
Bill Vest
Richard Weber
Olin E. Welch, III
Jimmy West
Donald Yocum

TEAM

Lay Director: Ed Gorny
Spiritual Director: Rev. Harry Williams
ALDs: Bill Hatfield, Ed Schetzle, Tom Dobson
Clergy: Arnold Moreno, Ralph Willis, Billy Storms, Fr. Eddie Garcia
Board Rep: David Cheek
Music Team: Bobby Hill, Brian O'Callahan
Table Leaders: Bobby Brooks, Julian Collier, Ellison Crider, Richard Ingraham, Walter Jarrin, Jerry Seams
Asst. Table Leaders: Dik Johnson, Kelly Jones, Bob McKinley, Tony Reyes, Lowell Thomas, Jon Weisz
CHAs: Gary Hudson, Wayne Morris, Mike Jones, Danny Atkinson, David Desenberg, Rey Escalante, Scott Hammond, Nathan Jimenez, Kyle Kauffmann, Cammy Morris, Richard Sanchez, Bart Shirley, Michael Van Winkle

Community Schedule

Thursday
June 15, 2006
6:30

Sponsors Hour

Saturday
June 17, 2006
8:00

Candlelight & Communion

Sunday
June 18, 2006
3:00

Closing



Friday, June 16, 2006

8:50 am	Bill Hatfield	Priorities
10:15 am	Arnold Moreno	Prevenient Grace
1:10 pm	Walter Jarrin	Priesthood of All Believers
2:35 pm	Ralph Willis	Justifying Grace
6:25 pm	Bobby Brooks	Life in Piety

Saturday, June 17, 2006

8:10 am	Jon Weisz	Growth through Study
9:50 am	Harry Williams	Means of Grace
3:00 pm	Tony Reyes	Christian Action
4:10 pm	Eddie Garcia	Obstacles to Grace
6:45 pm	Lowell Thomas	Discipleship

Sunday, June 18, 2006

8:25 am	Dik Johnson	Changing Our World
9:15 am	Billy Storms	Sanctifying Grace
10:45 am	Kelly Jones	Body of Christ
11:35 am	Ed Gorny	Perseverance
1:15 pm	Ed Schetzle	Fourth Day



Boy's Chrysalis Flight 265
June 29 - July 2, 2006



"I lay down and slept and woke in safety, for the Lord watches over me" - Ps 3:5

Pray that the team of Flight 265 glorifies God's love to each and every candidate He sends us. Please support the candidates at Candle light and Closing. Fly With Christ, David Smith, LD

Adult Lay Director: David Smith **Youth Lay Director:** James BoggsBoggs
Spiritual Director: Rev. John Elford
ALD's: Robert Alexander, Ed Gorny, Keith Tinnell
Clergy: Fr. Eddie Garcia, Rev. Chuck Miller, Rev. Grover Pinson, Rev. Billy Storms
Board Rep.: Mike Boggs
Music: Ed Becka, Shelby Jordon, Norm Thomas, Brenda Thomas
Adult Table Leaders: Danny Dobson, Charlie Heflin, Mac McCullen, Brian Werkhoven
Youth Table Leaders: Jonathan Boggs, James Doty, Rowdy Nunez, Reid O'Brien, Tim Wilson
Adult Gophers: Mitch Luna, Gary Besancon, Kenny DuBeau, Sammy Farias, Phillip Freeman, Erin Hoelsher, David Hoffstadt, Wayne Melton, Monty Nichols, Jon Reinhard, Joe Werkhoven
Youth Gopher: Michael Cloutier, Aaron Creech, Lawrence Gaertner, Jonathon Hooper, Dan Leyendecker, Austin Liberato, Adam Sallee, Russell Squires

Prayer Chapel

FRIDAY June 30			
11:35 am	Ideals	Reid O'Brien	
1:45 pm	God Designed You	Rev. Grover Pinson	
2:55 pm	Faith	Brian Werkhoven	
6:40 pm	God Loves You	Rev. Chuch Miller	
9:15 pm	Prodigal Son	James Doty	
SATURDAY July 1			
9:15 am	Communication Through Prayer	Charlie Heflin	
10:30 am	Christian Growth	Tim Wilson	
1:00 pm	God's Gift to You	Rev. Billy Storms	
6:05 pm	Marriage	Norm and Brenda Thomas	
8:20	God Sustains You	John Elford	
SUNDAY July 2			
8:35 am	Christian Action	Jonathan Boggs	
9:30 am	Single Life	Ed Gorny	
10.30 am	God Empowers You	Fr. Eddie Garcia	
11:30 am	Priesthood	David Smith	
1:10 pm	Next Steps	James Boggs	

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Thursday June 29
Sponsors Hour
6:30
Saturday July 1
Candlelight & Communion
8:00
Sunday July 2
Closing
3:20



Friday Night Corpus Christi

Friday June 23rd at 7:30 PM

Host Church: Bay Area Fellowship

Devotional Speaker

**Michael Brown,
First United Methodist Church**

Worship Leader

**Steve Coronado,
Jr. Solid Rock**

Corporate Prayer

**Bil Cornelius,
Bay Area Fellowship,**

Emcee

Scotty Evans

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Jim Kollaja - Member

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Simon Purnell - Member

Charlene Ranley - Member

Tracey Simpson - Member

ATTENTION

Teams are starting to meet for Chrysalis and Journey Flights. These Emmaus type weekends are for teenagers and young adults. If at least 12 aren't signed up 14 days before the flight is scheduled, the event will be canceled. This year for the first time the boys college age will be separated from the high school age flight. The cost is \$145.00 and scholarships are available. The applications are available for the following flights on the web sites listed below. Please get your applications in ASAP.

Girls High School Flight # 256 June 8 – 11

Boys High School Flight # 265 June 29 - July 2

Chrysalis Applications for 14-18 year olds

(after freshman year of high school)

<http://www.swtxumc.org/emmaus/ChrysalisRegistration06.pdf>

Girls College flight # J-22 July 6 - 9 (18 - 25 years old)

Boys College flight # J- 23 August 10 - 13 (18 - 25 years old)

Chrysalis Journey Application (18 - 25 years old)

<http://www.swtxumc.org/emmaus/chrysalisjourneyapp.pdf>

SIGN UP TODAY !

THANKYOU

Journey to Damascus #43 was a beautiful Holy Spirit filled Weekend, the team wants to THANK the entire community for their prayers, plentiful Agape, and attendance at Candlelight. The Holy Spirit lit a fire in each man's heart this past weekend in no short order because of all of you that gave of yourselves to the success of this weekend. I am constantly amazed at the power of the love that comes forth from the Body of Christ during a weekend, combined with the Holy Spirit and how lives are changed. I have been involved in many Candle light processions and I must say I never cried as much as I did during this trip around the circle of love created by the Body of Christ. "Out of love, place yourselves at one another's service." Gal 5:13 Thank you for doing just as the Bible teaches us. "Let us not grow weary of doing good; if we do not relax our efforts, in due time we shall reap our harvest." Gal 6:9.

May the Peace and Grace of our Savior Jesus Christ reign in your hearts,

Curtis Cantwell Lay Director JTD #43

Future Events



Girl's Chrysalis Journey # J-22
July 6 -July 9, 2006
Judy Weber & Risha Dulip, LD's

Women's Journey to Damascus # 44
July 13 -16, 2006
Mary Kay Dzuik, LD

Women's Walk to Emmaus # 1312
July 20-23, 2006
Carol Scott, LD

Boy's Chrysalis Journey # J-23
August 10-13, 2006
Mark Nicosia & Peter Borhauer, LD's

MEMO

If you have an article or information you would like published in the Rainbow Bend newsletter, please submit it to the editor by the 20th of the month prior to the edition in which you want it included.

All articles must be approved by the editor before inclusion. The items must be ecumenical, of interest to the community at large and not for personal gain.

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