

Rainbow Bend

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Pilgrims Needed

Men's walk # 1558 is in need of pilgrims. The date we need 20 by is the 15th of April. As of this printing we have 14 pilgrims. Please get your men signed up and don't wait. We don't want to cancel another walk.

Your Editor

Kairos Needs Help

Kairos Prison Ministry is running seriously in the "red." We are raising the fees and the lodging costs to team members and still have a significant shortfall. It costs almost \$20,000 to put on a weekend in prison and provide lodging to the team. Food is a major expense and crucial to our ministry. Be aware that many of the team members are re-tired and living on minimal incomes. Asking them to pay several hundred dollars to be on a team is a placing a hardship on them, although they are trying to do it.

Men whose lives were shaped by their weekend are now participating on the Kairos 29 team. They are now living outside prison successfully as participating Christians in area communities. The Kairos experience is powerful and changes lives. I told the guys at McConnell about our financial need and suggested that it might be helpful for the Rainbow Bend community to hear from them. I got the attached letter (shown below) as a response from Norris Clark at McConnell.

Please pray about this and if you feel you can help, send your contribution to my home address below.

Bernie Sullivan
237 Rosebud

Dear Rainbow Bend Community

Greetings and continued blessings from our Creator I send to you from the McConnell Prison in Beeville, Texas. I have been incarcerated nearly two decades. Twenty years is an awful long time to spend behind bars. And for people like me who have no next of kin or immediate family, doing time can become especially trying on the soul.

At times during my incarceration it would have seemed easier to just give up on life. When a person has convinced themselves that no one in the world cares life's value diminishes significantly. Contrary to popular belief it's not the duration of the sentence that weighs most heavily on us, but it's the feeling of being abandoned that takes the biggest toll on the convicted. And for the most it is also a myth that soon after a person enters prison they want to become "Instant Christians"

I've been down here long enough to see the effects of your hard earned tax dollars at trying to rehabilitative and "correct" the errant behaviors the plague your communities. I've earned my G.E.D., Associate degree and a couple of vocations thanks to your tax dollars. But none of it meant nothing if I hadn't learned the value of compassion.

You see it's simply not enough to give a convict an education if he does not value compassion and love. I've seen it too many times, the really smart convicts always give that they're headed in the right direction. But if the heart has not been healed through the love that Christ has directed each of us to give, then the convict will not value compassion when he or she returns to your community.

Texas has eliminated many of the programs that were designed to bring rehabilitation to us prisoners. There are very few progress left. Prison has become an environment of almost total apathy. That is why we need and value any and every effort your community gives to us. Your love and support is what gives us faith, and shows us the love of Christ is real, and that there is such thing a compassion.

Sincerely
Norris Clark

LADIES – SAVE THE DATE!

Bestselling author, Beth Moore speaks via live simulcast

Saturday, April 24 at Asbury United Methodist Church

Ladies, save the date and tell your friends that Beth Moore is coming back to Corpus Christi via a nationwide live simulcast event!

In conjunction with Church Communion Network (CCN), Asbury United Methodist Church is pleased to present **Beth Moore, So Long Insecurity**, on **Saturday, April 24**. The event is scheduled for 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Founder of Living Proof Ministry, **Beth Moore** is known to women of all ages, races and denominations for her Bible studies, conference teaching and numerous best-selling books, including *Breaking Free, Believing God and Get Out of That Pit*.

In this powerful one-day event based on her latest book, *So Long Insecurity: You've been a Bad Friend to Us*, Beth reveals a transparent, almost-autobiographical look at the common sources of female insecurity.

Beth brings a message for all women: believers and seekers alike. In her straight-talking yet fun loving style, Beth will strike a chord with women of all ages, showing them how to face their fears, rediscover their God-given dignity, and develop a new and stronger sense of self.

So Long Security with Beth Moore is a 5 ½ hour, one day event you won't want to miss. It's an opportunity to hear a new message from Beth, connect with friends, and experience a fresh encounter with God.

The live simulcast is Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and include lunch and can be purchased online with Pay Pal at www.asburycc.org, or at Asbury Church, 7501 S. Staples at Yorktown. For additional information, please contact Asbury Church at 361-992-7501.

Music Training

For all Emmaus musicians

You may have already heard that changes in the guidelines for the Walks have occurred. We are convening a short training session (approximately one hour) to update everyone about the 23rd changes that affect music teams and review guidelines that are already in place. Attendance is mandatory for anyone who wishes to be a Music Director in the future. The meeting will take place on:

Sunday, April 25, 2010

3:00 p.m.

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

3151 Reid Drive (please enter on Robinson Street side)

Please RSVP by phone (854-4418) or email (jbailey1@grandecom.net) by Friday, April 23rd

Miscellaneous items:

1. Sponsors are encouraged to read steps on Sponsoring a pilgrim, see <http://www.coastalbendemmaus.org/SPONSORSHIP.htm>
2. Pilgrim application can be found at <http://www.coastalbendemmaus.org/schedule.htm>
3. Scholarships are available on a first come basis
4. Signup for Prayer Vigil at CoastalBendEmmaus.org website
5. Contact Judi Storms if you are interested in serving on an Emmaus team: judistorms@gmail.com or (361) 960-2238

Corpus Christi Women's JTD # 82

April 22-25, 2010
Loretta Pressly LD



"Whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and praiseworthy; think on these things and God's peace will be with you always." Philippians 4:8-9

What a beautiful world we live in where people can come together to share their love of the Lord. In Paul's letter to the Philippians, he gives us instructions on how to live a peaceful life. I have come to think of this weekend's verse as the "Thou Shall" commandment. The team of the Journey to Damascus #82 is following that commandment, they have come together and what a glorious team it is. I thank the Lord for the treasures he has given to all of us in the Damascus, Emmaus, Cursillo, Chrysalis, Kairos, and Siloam communities, a community of one: God's Community. Thank you all for your support of agape, letters and service for the pilgrims and team. Thank you Lord for the opportunity to serve you faithfully as we guide the pilgrims into an even closer relationship with you, Amen. I ask that the community pray for the pilgrims and team, and I pray that you will be present at Candlelight and show the pilgrims that God's desire for us is peace. What a beautiful world we live in where people can come together to share their love of the Lord. In Paul's letter to the Philippians, he gives us instructions on how to live a peaceful life. I have come to think of this weekend's verse as the "Thou Shall" commandment. The team of the Journey to Damascus #82 is following that commandment, they have come together and what a glorious team it is. I thank the Lord for the treasures he has given to all of us in the Damascus, Emmaus, Cursillo, Chrysalis, Kairos, and Siloam communities, a community of one: God's Community. Thank you all for your support of agape, letters and service for the pilgrims and team. Thank you Lord for the opportunity to serve you faithfully as we guide the pilgrims into an even closer relationship with you, Amen. I ask that the community pray for the pilgrims and team, and I pray that you will be present at Candlelight and show the pilgrims that God's desire for us is peace.

God Bless and DeColores.
Loretta Pressly, LD

Journey #82 Team:

Fr. Tom Goodwin SD
Sr. Angela Murdaugh ASD
Rev. Billy Storms ASD
Chp Cherie Hopkins ASD
Sr. Kathleen Higgins ASD in Training
Caren Childers Bd Rep
Loretta Pressly LD
Donna Grove ALD
Yolanda Hominick ALD
Carolyn Schanen ALD
Donna DeGaish LD in Training

Table Leaders:

Shonnie Conley
Cheryl Deal
Bridget Flores
Alma Gonzales
Angeline Hickman

Cathy Hurst
Sherri McMillin
Helen Orsak
Nancy Schnelle
Nancy Schanen

Margie Svetlik
Judi Storms

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Sharon Reeves, Co-Music Director
Jeannie White, Co-Music Director
Elsie Gaertner,
Phyllis Stubbs

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Tama Boggan, Co-Head Angel
Agnes Flores, Co-Head Angel
Anna Adrian
Sue Becquet
Darlene Beers
Debbie Burnett

Cheryl Calvez
Estela Chapa
Mary Elizabeth Evans
Linda Gallagher
Veronica Gutierrez
Natalie Holder
Frances Matheny
Barbara Moretich
Lisa Newel
Denise O'Neill
Dora Paiz
Susan Patterson
Angelica Ramirez
Martha Ruiz
Michelle Williams

Pilgrims

Anna Aguilera
Nubia Arce
Jennifer Cardenas
Tricia Bunch
Lupe Feregrino
Christine Garza
Valarie Glover
Vanessa Gomez
Rachel Good
Lois Hernandez
Victoria Lehman
Jennifer Miller
Gloria Mungia
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Talk Schedule

Friday, April 23

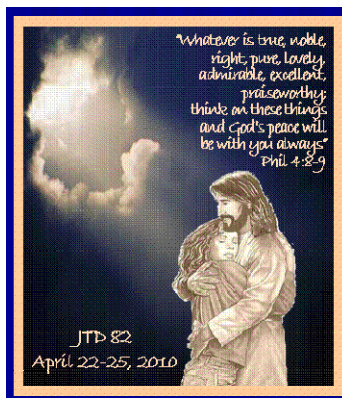
Priorities 8:20 AM Helen Orsak
Grace 10:30 AM Rev. Billy Storms
Priesthood Of All Believers 1:10 PM Bridget Flores
Faith 2:30 PM Chp. Cherie Hopkins
Life in Piety 6:50 PM Carolyn Schanen

Saturday, April 24

Growth Through Study 8:20 AM Martha Ruiz
Sacraments 9:40 AM Fr. Tom Goodwin
Christian Action 1:30 PM Donna Grove
Obstacles To Grace 3:00 PM Sis. Angela Murdaugh
Discipleship 6:30 PM Judi Storms
Love And Unity 8:00 PM Larry Patterson

Sunday, April 25

Changing Our World 9:15 AM Yolanda Hominick
Body Of Christ 10:15 AM Margie Svetlik
Perseverance/4th Day 11:15 AM Loretta Pressly



Community Schedule

Thursday, April 22, 2010
Sponsor's Hour 6:30 PM
Saturday, April 24, 2010
Candlelight 8:00 PM
Sunday, April 25, 2010
Closing 2:00 PM



Men's WTE # 1558

April 29-May 2, 2010

Ed Schetzlsle LD



**"My Grace is sufficient for you, for my strength is made perfect in weakness."
2 Corinthians 12:9**

Men's Walk #1558 is a chance for renewal for all that will accept the invitation. Weakness can usher humility into our lives, and with humility realization that we were never really in control, but we may also realize that God is. It is by His Grace and strength that this team functions, and I for one, am very thankful for that. An incredible group of servants of the Lord have been assembled for this Walk. We all thank you for your support. Team #1558 will be praying for the people who make up these communities that are part of the Body of Christ, and invite all to accept the invitation to be a part.

WTE #1558 Team

Ed Schetzlsle LD
Billy Storms SD
Gloria Lear ASD
Randy Layh ASD
Allen Mosiman ASD
John Valles ASD
Bill Beck ALD
Rodney Hart ALD
Rick Rogers ALD
Mitch Luna Monitor
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Ernest Cole
Jonathon Coyle
Kevin Culp
John-Paul Hamm
Gary Haxton
Gary Hudson
Freddie Martinez
Freddie Martinez Jr.
Jess McKinney

Pilgrims

Doyle Bearden
Daniel Davis
Duane Dodson
Gume De La Rosa
Marciano De La Torre
Reynaldo Garza
Willie Harrington
Larry Kemp
Richard Lewis
Chad Mixon
James Roots
Michael Ross
Stephen Stebbins
Austin Tower

Community Schedule

Sponsors Hour
Thursday April 29th, 2010 6:30 pm
Candle Light Services
Saturday May 1st, 2010 8:00 pm
Closing
Sunday May 2nd, 2010 3:00 pm





Houston Women's JTD # 83

April 29-May 2, 2010

Pam Peters LD



"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Psalm 119:105

We are so excited to serv the Lord; spread His Word; and shine His light! We have been truly blessed with an awesome Team and Spiritual direction. We have shared laughter, tears, and made new friends- and we are so excited to be sharing our love for Christ with the Pilgrims. The Holy Spirit is lighting the way for all the Pilgrims who will be attending this Journey weekend. We pray that they grow more in his love and be guided by his Word in all their 4th Days. We are so thankful for all the prayers, love and support of the Damascus, Emmaus, Cursillo, and Acts communities. We ask that you continue to pray for the Team and Pilgrims that Christ's light will shine on them and we look forward to seeing you all at Candlelight and Closing. We are so excited to serve the Lord; spread His Word; and shine His light! We have been truly blessed with an awesome Team and Spiritual direction. We have shared laughter, tears, and made new friends- and we are so excited to be sharing our love for Christ with the Pilgrims. The Holy Spirit is lighting the way for all the Pilgrims who will be attending this Journey weekend. We pray that they grow more in his love and be guided by his Word in all their 4th Days. We are so thankful for all the prayers, love and support of the Damascus, Emmaus, Cursillo, and Acts communities. We ask that you continue to pray for the Team and Pilgrims that Christ's light will shine on them and we look forward to seeing you all at Candlelight and Closing.

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Pam Peters LD

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Future Events



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