

Community: July 17, 2008  
First Baptist Church  
Pavilion  
205 W. 8th  
Plainview, TX

# LIVING WATER

July, 2008

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## WORDS FROM YOUR LAY DIRECTOR

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS,  
I have several things I would like to share with you this month.

First I am pleased to announce that Kyle Brock has agreed to become our community Spiritual Director beginning July 1, 2008. Please be in payer for Kyle as he leads us. Thank you to Roger Foote for leading us this past year, what a great job!

Your Living Water board has voted to try lowering the cost to sponsor to \$100. We are hoping that this will encourage more active sponsorship and help to build our community. One thing we all need to keep in mind however, is that this is well below the actual cost to the community for someone to go on a walk so we will need to all pitch in financially. Our hope is that the community will see this as a chance to “share” in sponsorship.

We still need men for walk #59. About two years ago, a great friend of ours from Houston stopped by my house. He had been at a funeral in Amarillo. We visited for some time then we asked him if he would be interested in going on a walk to Emmaus. He agreed to go in January of 2007. Professionally, his life was great but he had really been struggling personally since 2001. During the walk, he committed to make some big changes to his life. Last Saturday, Cindy and I went to Houston to share in a time of prayer with him and some of his closest friends. God has blessed him with a new home and he wanted to have a special time of thanksgiving and prayer for it. He told about how YOUR agape love allowed him to see God’s love for him and gave him the courage to fight and change his life. Who do you know that needs some encouragement? What are you going to do about it?

We will do send-off a little different starting with walk #59. The Emmaus manual gives us guidelines as to how send-off should be done. This change will help us adhere to the Emmaus model more closely.

I pray you will sense how desperately our community needs your involvement and we will see you at the walk activities and the July community meeting which will be at First Baptist in Plainview under the pavilion.

May God richly use our community to bring you and those with whom you share it, a peace that passes all understanding.

Serving an awesome God,

De Colores!  
STEVE OLSON

## Community Gathering -- July 17--

First Baptist Church  
Pavilion  
205 W. 8th  
Plainview, TX

Board 5:30 PM  
Sponsor’s Training 6:00 PM  
Meal 6:30 PM  
Worship 7:30 PM

Guests are welcome and a nursery is provided.  
Bring your favorite dishes. Wear your name tag. Bring your worship book. Come to share in the fun and fellowship!  
LIVING WATER BOARD : 5:30 PM.  
SPONSOR’S TRAINING will be held at 6:00 PM with Elaine Barrett as leader. The Board invites and urges all new community members and others who have never sponsored a pilgrim, and anyone who has not been through a recent training class to participate. The class will last for 30 minutes. Being a sponsor is one of the most important roles of the Walk To Emmaus. Several areas must be covered in order for the pilgrim to have an exciting and successful walk. Worship begins at 7:30 with praise songs, and closes with communion.

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY GATHERINGS

July 17	First Baptist Church 205 W. 8th Plainview
August 21	First Methodist Lockney

Call Sue Johnson at 889-3331 to list your church on the schedule.



# LIVING WATER MEN'S WALK #59 JULY 24-27



## Pilgrims for Walk #59

Randy Burton  
Donnie Stone

Ty Nixon  
John Wakabi

Thad Reid  
Paul Walker

This list needs to change. Please send applications in ASAP or contact  
Darral Bryant 806-928-1344 or 806-771-5271

We don't want this walk to be cancelled.

### Team

Gary Koelder- Lay Director Max Browning--Spiritual Director

Russell Flick	T. Coe Branch	Neal Burnett
Kenny Chance	Darral Barrett	Greg Borchardt
Mark Mull	Gary Durham	Heath McKinney
Michael Clawson	Paul Waller	Dennis Gooch
Jim Tirey	Lenny Gilroy	David Howell
Johnny Valles	J.D. Templeton	Dennis Hartly
Michael Cox	LaVerne Wilson	LaVerne Wilson

Music Team: Don Warren Darren Whalen Michael DeLeon

Agape Team:	Fonty Carthel	Darrel Kruse	M.K. Fisher
	T.J. Terrell	Bracken Hill	Kyle Burnett
			Vondal Burnett

### Food for Thought

The Bible, the world's best-selling book, is also the world's most shoplifted book. The word "Christian" appears only three times in the Bible: Acts 11:26; 26:28; Peter 4:16 About 50 Bibles are sold every minute. Job is the oldest book written in the Bible--it was written by an unknown Israelite around 1500 BC. Malacahi, written about 400 BC, is the youngest book in the Old Testament. James, written around 45 AD, is the oldest book in the New Testament. Revelation, written about 95 AD, is the youngest book in the New Testament. The word "Lord" appears 1855 times in the Bible. The word "God" appears in every book except Esther and Song of Solomon. The word "grandmother" appears in the Bible only once: 2Timothy 1:5 The word "eternity" is mentioned only once: Isaiah 57:15 Almonds and pistachios are the only nuts mentioned in the Bible.



Dear Community, What an awesome experience to be lay director for Walk #58. It was amazing to see the team that God had assembled do His work from the very first team meeting til the last song at closing. The pilgrims were so responsive to all the talks and projects on Friday that I was wondering what Sunday would be like. They were already depending on and sharing so freely with their table members. One of the pilgrims at closing probably said it best when she said she was one person on Thursday night but she was going home a new person, her name was the only thing that hadn't changed. One of the clergy said that seeing God's daughters under His anointing is a awesome thing. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as lay director for this Walk, making it possible to receive such a blessing.

De Colores, Neysa Carmichael

### UPCOMING WALKS

#59 Men's Walk  
July 24-27, 2008  
Wayland Baptist University  
Gary Koelder, Lay Director  
Max Browning, Spiritual Director

### >>WALK COST \$135<<

#60 Women's Walk  
October 9-12, 2008  
Plains Baptist Assembly  
Debbie Crosby, Lay Director  
Kelly Warren, Spiritual Director

Men's Registrar	Darral Bryant	806-928-1344	or 806-771-5271
Women's Registrar	Nancy Martin	806-729-3817	

WALK INFORMATION FOR  
Wayland Baptist University  
SMAC BUILDING  
(old Trinity Church) 9th and Utica

>>>Parking Space is available 1  
block east of SMAC building<<<  
9th & Travis

FOOD AGAPE - Bring to send-off on Thursday night July 24 to the kitchen of the SMAC Building. If your pilgrim has special food needs, please provide them. If food agape is brought after Thursday night, leave it in the Agape Room across from the kitchen.

PLACE MATS - Bring for all eight meals on Thursday night to the Agape Room. Please label them as to which meal they are for. These must all be there at that time!!

AGAPE GIFTS - Bring Thursday night to the Agape Room in the SMAC building. To assist the servant team, your cooperation is appreciated on the following:

--Do NOT "personalize" agape with pilgrims' names. (Of course, it is OK to include your name or the name of the reunion group providing the agape.)

--Do NOT bring personal gifts for pilgrims. (Give after the walk.)

--Do NOT bring any agape after Friday noon.

CAMERAS - Please do NOT bring cameras to send-off, candlelight or closing. The only pictures made during a walk will be of table groups.

SEND-OFF, July 24 - Gather outside the NW end of the SMAC building. Immediately following will be Sponsors' Hour in the Brown Chapel at 8th & Raleigh.

CANDLELIGHT, July 26 - Do not arrive at the NW end of the SMAC building before 7:30 PM. This will help to keep your presence a surprise! Worship service will begin about 8:30 PM. The pilgrims are scheduled to arrive for Candlelight at 10 PM.

CLOSING, July 27 - NW end of the SMAC building: Do not arrive earlier than 3:30 PM. Worship service will begin about 4:30, with the pilgrims scheduled to arrive between 4:45 and 5:00. Volunteers are needed to help with clean-up after closing.

\*\*\*\*Don't forget your working battery Candlelight's, if you need to purchase one the price is \$5 from De Chance. Loners are available to be returned after candlelight.\*\*\*\*

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#### ARTICLES FOR NEWSLETTER

Deadline for articles for the newsletter is the 25th of each month. Articles may be mailed to 2807 W. 10th St., Plainview, 79072 or phone 291-8755 or e-mailed to kayla.edwards@yahoo.com