

**SPONSOR:** The event is sponsored by the San Antonio Pathfinders, AVA 0088, TX-26, a volkssporting club promoting physical fitness and fun in nature and historic settings.

**ELIGIBILITY/TYPE OF EVENT:** Noncompetitive. Walk, jog, or run at your own pace. The purpose of Volkssporting is to encourage participation in the healthful hobby of walking and to provide opportunities to explore cities, neighborhoods, parks & forests. AVA events are open to all and families are encouraged to participate. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. *All participants will sign a waiver of responsibility and must carry a start card.* The event normally will be held regardless of weather conditions.

**STARTING POINT:** *New Life Christian Church Center*,  
6610 W. US Highway 90, San Antonio, Tx.

**SANCTION NO:** SW23/124928 –10k/5k Walk

**Start and Finish Times:** Start table opens 10:00am to 1:00pm;  
Finish by 3:00pm.

**DISTANCES:** 10k and 5k walks. Routes may be walked TWICE on the same start card for 20k Distance Credit.

**WALK ROUTE:** The walk begins at the New Life Christian Church Center where walkers will view the Galilee Prayer Garden with many points of interest, a replica of the Western Wall and the San Antonio 9/11 Memorial and its forever flame. The walkers will then proceed along the new portion of the Leon Creek Greenway to the Lackland Corridor Park and the Tribute to Freedom Sculpture. Return passing the church center to the new trail route under Highway 90 along a tree lined path to Rodriguez Park.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** The start time of this sanctioned event is purposely delayed so walkers can experience the annular eclipse happening that day at its maximum from 11:54am to 12:00pm. Lead into the eclipse will start at 10:23am and end at 1:33pm.

Special glasses to safely view the eclipse will be available for purchase at \$2.00. Save these for the full eclipse next year in our area.

**Warning:** Exposing your eyes to the sun without proper eye protection during a solar eclipse can cause “eclipse blindness” or retinal burns, also known as solar retinopathy. This exposure to the light can cause damage or even destroy cells in the retina (the back of the eye) that transmit what you see to the brain.

**FEES:** The fee for all participants is \$3.00. There is no “preregistration” and no refunds. AVA “New Walker” coupons are accepted and encouraged.

**DONATIONS:** Will be most appreciated and are always welcome to help defray event expenses and promote Volkssporting in Texas.

**WATER & RESTROOMS:** Water and restrooms are available at the start/finish and trail heads. Water is available at the checkpoints.

**DISCLAIMER:** The sponsors are not liable for accidents, thefts, and/or material damage. Reasonable effort has been made by the sponsors to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS:** Airports – Celebrating American Flight, IVV-Americas, Walking with America’s Veterans, Walking USA A-Z.

**PETS:** Pets are welcome and must be kept leashed at all times. Pets are not allowed inside the Start/Finish area nor in any public buildings [with the exception of service animals]. Water for pets will be provided at the start and checkpoints.

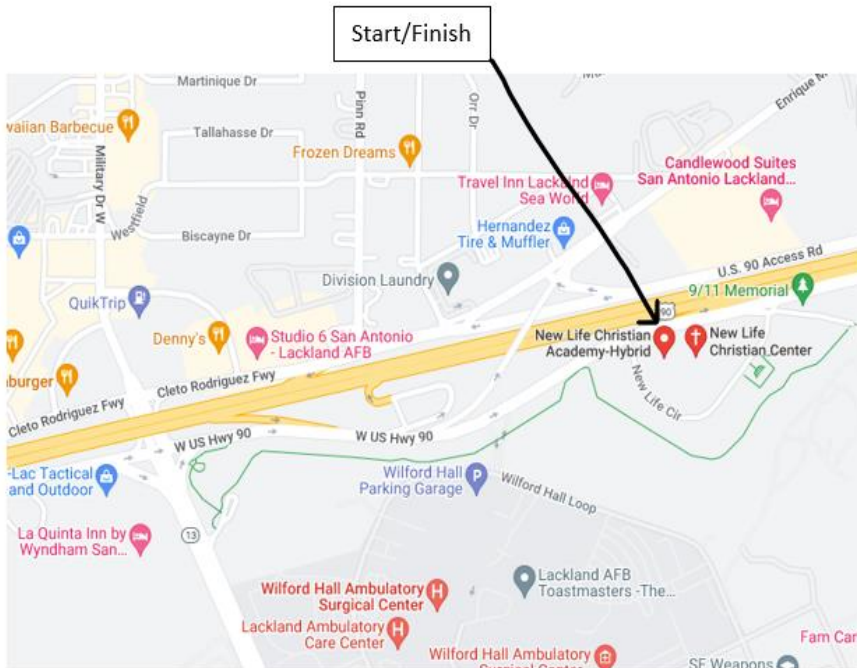
**NEW WALKER INFORMATION:** “New Walker Packets” and record books will be available for sale and volunteers will be available to answer any Volkssport questions.

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**DIRECTIONS:** *New Life Christian Church Center*, 6610 W. US Highway 90, San Antonio, Tx. From North, East and South San Antonio, still within Loop 410, access HWY 90 West and exit W. Military Dr. Take the turn around under HWY 90, head East staying on frontage road and turn RIGHT into the *New Life Christian Church Center*. Look for and follow AVA signs to parking. From West San Antonio, take HWY 90 East to W. Military Dr. exit, staying on frontage road through light and then to turn RIGHT into the church center.

\*\*\* No Bicycles Will be Allowed on the Church Grounds \*\*\*

**SAN ANTONIO PATHFINDERS**  
**Tribute to Freedom**  
**Annular Eclipse Walk**  
**October 14, 2023**  
**SW23/124928**  
**10k/5k Walk**



*The San Antonio Pathfinders sponsor the following YRE events that begin at the San Jose Mission in San Antonio;*

- Mission San Jose to Mission Concepcion – Y0461
- Mission San Jose to San Juan – Y1614
- Mission San Juan to Mission Espada – Y1615
- Mission Concepcion and Mission Reach Hike– Y1686

*In addition, the San Antonio Pathfinders sponsor:*

- Castroville Historic Landmarks – Y1877
- Shiner – Historic City Walk – Y2363
- Lost Maples State Natural Area – Y0460 in Vanderpool
- South Texas Medical Center – Y0149 in San Antonio
- Leon Creek Greenway – Mainland – Y2960 in San Antonio
- Maury Maverick Jr. Library Walk – Y0263 in San Antonio
- Shearer Hills/Ridgeview – Y3156 in San Antonio
- Corpus Christi Shoreline – Y0057
- Port Aransas Beach – Y1568
- Port Aransas Historic Town – Y0710

