

JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2011



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THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON, 1636

MANY OF YOU WILL NO DOUBT RECALL YOUR FRIDAY MORNING MEDIATION ON THE PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON. THE FOCUS OF THE TALKS DURING THE DAY IS GOD FREELY OFFERING GRACE TO ALL AND THOSE WHO RESPOND LIVE A LIFE OF LOVE.

“BUT THE FATHER SAID TO HIS SERVANTS, ‘QUICK! BRING THE BEST ROBE AND PUT IT ON HIM. PUT A RING ON HIS FINGER AND SANDALS ON HIS FEET. BRING THE FATTENED CALF AND KILL IT. LET’S HAVE A FEAST AND CELEBRATE. FOR THIS SON OF MINE WAS DEAD AND IS ALIVE AGAIN; HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND.’ SO THEY BEGAN TO CELEBRATE. LUKE 15:22-24

HOW AMAZING THAT GOD, DESPITE OUR FAULTS, FLAWS, ERRORS AND SINS, STILL LOVES US. EVEN WHEN WE ARE FAR AWAY FROM HIM, GOD SEES US FOR WHAT WE ARE AND ACCEPTS US AS WE RETURN TO HIM IN FAITH. SOMEONE ONCE SAID, “THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO TO MAKE GOD LOVE US MORE. THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO TO MAKE GOD LOVE US LESS.”

IT IS A REALIZATION OF GOD’S GRACE IN OUR LIVES THAT HAS GIVEN PEACE AND ALLOWS US TO CELEBRATE THAT LOVE IN THE JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS WEEKEND. WE USE THE TERM, “AGAPE” LOVE, AND FOR MANY OF US, IT WAS A FOREIGN TERM, SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT TO COMPREHEND, PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND EXPERIENCE.

GOD’S GRACE IS POURED OUT TO THE PILGRIMS IN THE HUMBLE SERVICE THE TEAM, AND THE COMMUNITY OFFERING PRAYERS AND AGAPE DURING THE ENTIRE WEEKEND. YOU WILL READ THAT IN EACH OF THE LETTERS ON PAGE 2 FROM LAY DIRECTORS OF THE MOST RECENT WEEKENDS, OF THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKING THROUGH THE COMMUNITY TO SHOW GOD’S GRACE.

GRACE IS EVERYWHERE! WE JUST HAVE TO BE WILLING TO OPEN OUR HEARTS. OUR COMMUNITY IS SET TO EXPAND IN 2012 AS AUSTIN-CENTRAL TEXAS IS SCHEDULED TO HAVE THEIR FIRST JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS WEEKEND. IT IS AN EXCITING TIME FOR THE ENTIRE JOURNEY COMMUNITY AS WE CONTINUE TO GROW THROUGH GOD’S BLESSINGS AND GRACE.

THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES PRESENT EVERYDAY FOR US TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S LOVE AND HIS GRACE. AS YOU READ FURTHER, YOU WILL FIND OPPORTUNITIES TO SHOW THAT LOVE AND LIVE IN FAITH THROUGH YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE. THE COMMUNITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AND UPDATING THE JTD WEBSITE, HANDLING THE PRODUCTION OF THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER, TAKING OVER THE COMMUNITY AGAPE LETTER POSITION, THE EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF REUNION GROUPS, THE GROWTH OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE AUSTIN AND CENTRAL TEXAS AREA. YOUR SELFLESS ACTS OF LOVE ARE NEEDED TO HELP THIS COMMUNITY GROW AND PROSPER.

IF YOU ARE CALLED TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY AND YOUR SPIRIT IS BURNING WITH THE LOVE OF CHRIST AND DESIRE TO SERVE YOUR LORD, THEN CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER TO DISCUSS HOW YOU CAN HELP. THE NAMES OF THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE LISTED ON THE BACK OF THE NEWSLETTER AND THE ADDRESS IS GIVEN BELOW.

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HOUSTON JTD #100
OCT 6-9

LD MARY CLARE CULLEN
BR PAM PETERS
SD FR. CARL TENNEFIELD

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD #99
SEP 30-OCT 2

LD ANNA ADRIAN
BR MICHELE HOELSCHER
SD FR. PATRICK HIGGINS

FUTURE JTD DATES 2012

HOUSTON JTD #101
JANUARY 19-22

LD MIKE LOVOI
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SD FR. CARL TENHUNDFELD
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BR MARY SCOTT
SD FR. PAUL HESSE
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AUSTIN JTD #102
FEBRUARY

LD
BR
SD FR. CARL TENHUNDFELD
LD RICK CARRION
BR HECTOR SALINAS
SD

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD #103
MARCH 1-4

LD MARK GORMAN
BR GREG BROKMEYER
SD FR. CARL TENHUNDFELD
LD AARON HOELSCHER
BR OWEN GALLAGHER
SD

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD # 104
APRIL 19-22

LD BRENT CHESNEY
BR BOB BECQUET
SD MSGR . ROGER SMITH
LD PATRICIA STEGALL
BR MICHELE HOELSCER
SD MSGR. ROGER SMITH
LD CRICKET ENDERLE
BR
SD

HOUSTON JTD # 105
APRIL 26-29

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD # 106
MAY 31-JUNE 3

HOUSTON JTD #
AUGUST 2012

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD #
JULY 19-22

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD #109
SEPT 27 - 30

CORPUS CHRISTI JTD #
OCTOBER 18-21

HOUSTON JTD #
OCTOBER 2012

LD KRISTEN REHEL
BR MARY CLARE CULLEN
SD FR. CARL TENHUNDFELD

PAST LAY DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

THE TEAM AND PILGRIMS OF JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS #96 WOULD LIKE TO THANK EACH ONE OF YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT. THE HANDS OF CHRIST WERE SURELY PRESENT THE ENTIRE WEEKEND AND THE LOVE OF CHRIST WAS SEEN IN EVERY DETAIL. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE GIFTS OF AGAPE AND FOR YOUR PRESENCE AT CANDLELIGHT. WHAT A SPECIAL MOMENT AND TRUE TESTIMONY OF CHRIST'S INFINITE LOVE THAT YOU ALL SHOWED US AT CANDLELIGHT. IT WILL REMAIN IN EVERYONE'S MEMORY FOR A LIFETIME.

DECOLORES!

GRACIE MARTIN - LD - JTD #96 - THE BEST JOURNEY EVER!!

THE BEST JOURNEY EVER - JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS #98 EXPERIENCED A PROFOUND OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO NOT ONLY THE PILGRIMS, BUT THE TEAM AS WELL. IT WAS IF THE MORE SATAN TRIED TO THROW AT US, AND BELIEVE ME HE TRIED, THE THE STRONGER THE HOLY SPIRIT ENTERED OUR HEARTS. OUR WEEKEND WAS BLESSED WITH 33 PILGRIMS, NOT COINCIDENTALLY THE AGE OF CHRIST DURING HIS MINISTRY ON EARTH, AND A TEAM OF 40 EXCEPTIONAL MEN (AND SISTER ANGELA.) MY DEEPEST GRATITUDE GOES OUT TO OUR TEAM, ESPECIALLY OUR OVERWORKED CHAS WHO TRULY STEPPED UP TO THE TASK. THE WITNESS OF OUR PILGRIMS DURING CLOSING WAS SOMETHING I SHALL NEVER FORGET AND I THANK EACH OF THEM, MY TEAM, AND THE JOURNEY COMMUNITY FOR THE UNBELIEVABLE BLESSING OF BEING ABLE TO LEAD THIS WEEKEND. THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT AS THEY WERE TRULY FELT BY EVERYONE. DE COLORES!

GOD'S PEACE AND BLESSINGS!

TIM LEGAMARO - LAY DIRECTOR - JTD #98 - THE BEST JOURNEY EVER



WOMENS JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS #99

SEPTEMBER 29-30, OCTOBER 1-2. 2011
Queen of Peace Retreat Center
1200 Lantana St. - Corpus Christi, TX 78407
(361) 289-9095

“FOR EVERYONE WHO ASKS RECEIVES; HE WHO SEEKS FINDS; AND TO HIM WHO KNOCKS, THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED.” MATTHEW 7:8

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 MANY NEW FRIENDS. WE ARE HUMBLLED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST WITH THE PILGRIMS. THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS BEEN WITH US THROUGHOUT OUR TEAM FORMATION AND WILL CONTINUE TO LIGHT THE WAY FOR ALL THE PILGRIMS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING JTD# 99 WEEKEND. WE PRAY THAT WE WILL ALL GROW MORE IN HIS LOVE AND BE GUIDED BY HIS WORD IN ALL OUR 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 THAT CHRIST'S LIGHT WILL SHINE ON THE TEAM AND PILGRIMS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AT CANDLELIGHT AND CLOSING.

DE COLORES
ANNA ADRIAN, LAY DIRECTOR

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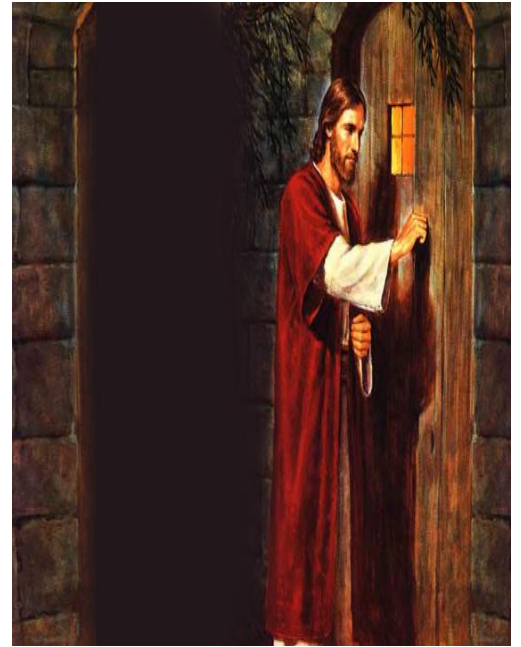
TALK SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

PRIORITIES	8:20 AM	GIGI HAGEDORN
GRACE	10:30 AM	REV. TOM FERRELL
PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS	1:10 PM	BELINDA SAENZ
FAITH	2:30 PM	SR. ANGELA MURDAUGH
LIFE IN PIETY	6:50 PM	DIANA DODSON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

GROWTH THROUGH STUDY	8:20 AM	MONICA JONES
SACRAMENTS	9:40 AM	FR. PATRICK HIGGINS
CHRISTIAN ACTION	1:30 PM	JOANNA MCCAIN
OBSTACLES TO GRACE	3:00 PM	REV. BILLY STORMS
DISCIPLESHIP	6:30 PM	MARTHA RUIZ



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

CHANGING OUR WORLD

9:15 AM

SANDY THERIOT

BODY OF CHRIST

10:15 AM

DELMA EDGE

PERSEVERANCE / 4TH DAY

11:15 AM

ANNA ADRIAN

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1ST

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 8 PM

SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND

CLOSING CEREMONY 2 PM

JOURNEY #99 PILGRIMS

ANNA AGUIRRE

PATRICIA BARNES

GLORIA CALK

LAURA CALK

THELMA CANALES

JACKIE CUEVAS

MARICELA FLORES

ANNIE GARZA

ALEJANDRA GONZALEZ

SANDRA GUZMAN

JULIE HAVELKA

VERONICA HEISTERMANN

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ALEX MERRITT

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ARLENA PORAS

NANNETTE QUINTANILLA-HATCH

ADELITA ROJAS

BARBARA RYCHETSKY

AMANDA SAENZ

LETICIA SALAZAR

MARY SALEM

DEE SHYTTLES

CHRISTINA TORRES

NORMA VIEGAS

DIANA ZAMORA



Womens Journey To Damascus #100

OCTOBER 6-9, 2011

Circle Lake Retreat Center

8 miles north of Tomball Texas, State Highway 249

www.diogh.org/circlelake/confcenter.htm

"BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD" PSALM 46:10

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APRIL CLARK

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RITA EDWARDS

BECKY ELDER

FAYE EVANS

RITA FERGUSON

AGNES FERNANDEZ

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ROBIN HARGER

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ANN HINES

KAREN HOBRECHT

PATTY HOELKER

STACY ITES

CARRIE JANAK

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PEGGY KENNEDY

MARCIA KIELHOFNER

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TONI WEYAND

JULIE WILLCUT

DENISE DREYLING

TALK SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

PRIORITIES	8:20 AM	EMILY SOSA
GRACE	10:30 AM	TBD
PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS	1:10 PM	KAREN CARR
FAITH	2:30 PM	TBD
LIFE IN PIETY	6:50 PM	TONI WEYAND

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DISCIPLESHIP	6:30 PM	AGNES FERNANDEZ

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

CHANGING OUR WORLD	9:15 AM	LORI ERWIN
BODY OF CHRIST	10:15 AM	TRACY KELLY
PERSEVERANCE / 4 TH DAY	11:15 AM	MARYCLARE CULLEN

SATURDAY OCTOBER 8TH

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 8 PM

SUNDAY OCTOBER 9TH

CLOSING CEREMONY 2 PM

PILGRIMS:

SHERRI LUEHR	PAM MCKEEVER	MARIA BANUELOS	MIMI GOTUACO
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CHRISTINA SEHN	TERESA PIRAINO		

COMMUNITY SUPPORT – COMMUNITY AGAPE LETTERS

THE BODY OF CHRIST IN ACTION FROM AROUND THE WORLD. EACH JOURNEY WEEKEND, MEMBERS OF THE JTD COMMUNITY GIVES OF THEMSELVES TO THE PILGRIMS AND TEAM. ACTS OF AGAPE COME FROM SO MANY INDIVIDUALS. FOOD, SNACKS, SPONSORSHIP, PILLOW AGAPE, ALL BRING THE BODY OF CHRIST TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THE JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS WEEKEND. MOST AGAPE COMES FROM OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY HOWEVER ONE GIFT OF AGAPE COMES FROM AROUND THE WORLD. AS THE JTD COMMUNITY AGAPE LETTER CHAIRPERSON, I RECEIVE LETTERS FROM 3 DAY RETREAT COMMUNITIES EVERY DAY. WHAT STARTED AS A SIMPLE COMMITMENT TO GATHER LETTERS FOR THE JTD WEEKENDS SEVEN YEARS AGO, DEVELOPED INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRISTIAN 3 DAY COMMUNITIES ALL ACROSS THE UNITED STATES AND MANY FOREIGN COUNTRIES. I AM HUMBLED AND TOUCHED THAT HUNDREDS OF INDIVIDUALS I HAVE NEVER SEEN, YET ARE ON A FIRST NAME BASIS OF COMMUNICATION EXTEND THEIR COMMUNITY'S LOVE AND PRAYERS FOR OUR PILGRIMS AND TEAM EVERY JOURNEY WEEKEND. I SHARE THIS WITH THE JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS COMMUNITY BECAUSE GOD HAS ASKED ME TO PASS THE TORCH TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY. COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU? THROUGH THE USE OF THE INTERNET, RECEIVING AND SENDING COMMUNITY AGAPE LETTERS IS ACCOMPLISHED IN A MATTER OF SECONDS AND THERE IS VIRTUALLY NO COST. IF YOU ENJOY USING THE INTERNET AND ARE BEING CALLED TO GIVE SOME TIME TO THE JTD COMMUNITY PLEASE SEND ME AN E-MAIL FOR MORE DETAILS.

GOD BLESS AND PEACE TO YOU,

JIM KOLLAJA

JTD COMMUNITY AGAPE LETTER CHAIRPERSON

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