

JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS

March 2018 Newsletter

-- REMINDERS --

Corpus Christi Men's Journey to Damascus #174

Pax Christi Sisters Retreat Center
March 15 - 18, 2018
Sponsor Service - March 15 - 6:30pm
Candlelight - March 17 - 8:00 pm
Closing - March 18 - 2:00 pm

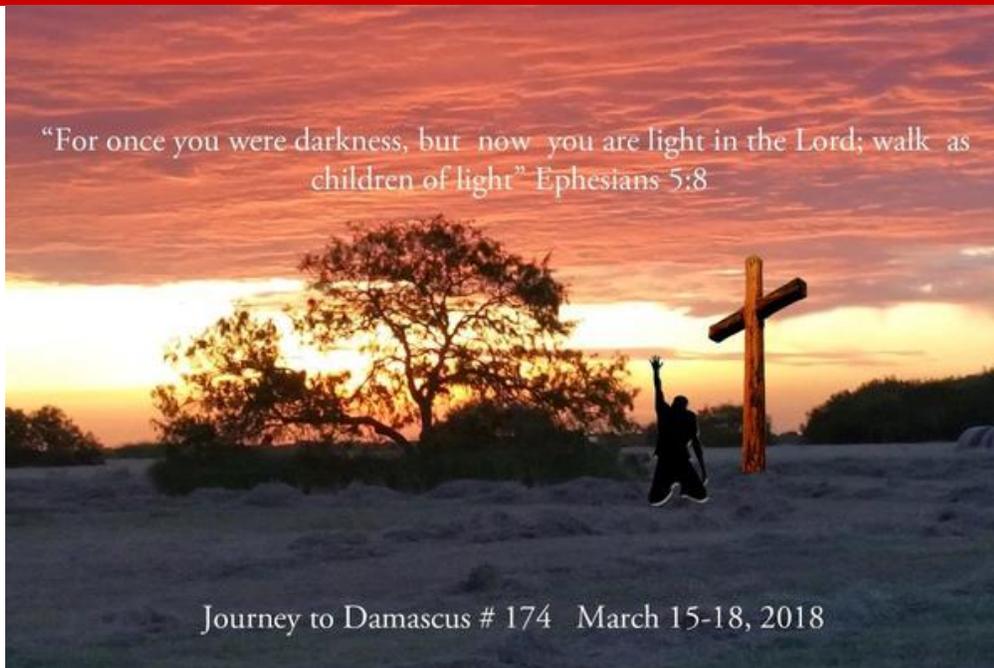
2018 Annual Gathering

St. Pius X Catholic Church - Parish Hall
March 24th, 2018
6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

JTD #176 - Corpus Christi Women's
April 26 - 29
LD - Linda Avila

JTD #174 - Corpus Christi Men's



Journey to Damascus # 174

Corpus Christi Men's
March 15 - 18, 2018

"For once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord;
walk as children of light"
Ephesians 5:8

2018 Weekends

JTD #176 - Corpus Christi Women's
April 26 - 29
LD - Linda Avila

JTD #177- Corpus Christi Men's
June 21 - 24
LD - Eddie Rodriguez

JTD #178 - Corpus Christi Women's
July 19 - 22
LD - Angela Wendel

JTD #179 - Central Texas Women's
July 26- 29

JTD #181- Corpus Christi Men's
August 23 - 26
LD - Roger Flores

JTD #182 Central Texas Men's
September 20 - 23

JTD #184- Corpus Christi Women's
October 25 - 28
LD - Dale Hernandez

Brothers and Sisters of the Journey Community,

The weekend is just around the corner and we are staying in prayer as the Team is tying up loose ends.

After a year in planning, countless hours of preparation and an outpouring of agape from everyone, the "best journey ever" is here. We also have few spot for Pilgrims. We pray to God to send all the pilgrims that need to be with us, we are blessed while we serving them. "Thank you Journey Community!!!" for your support and dedication in your Discipleship.

The community has been awesome with their support as we filled up the Prayer Vigil very quickly. We are also in good shape regarding the Agape list. However, we will need the community to pitch in with weekend agape (pillow and presentation room).

Thank you to my wife, family and the team for the hard work and putting up with me. By the grace of God, may we be that needed light unto the pilgrims this weekend.

Please mark your calendar and join us for Candlelight and the closing ceremony at the PAX Christi Retreat Center.

May God Bless each and every one of you,

DeColores,
Jorge Arteaga
Lay Director, Journey to Damascus #174



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Matt Guzman

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Casey Mengele
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Steve Cik
Chris Rivera

PILGRIMS

Peyton Baros
Alex II Bayarena
Mario Bayarena
Lance Brown
Juan Canizales
Chris Cantu
Joe Carrion

Music Team

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"Changing Our World"
Robert Cockrell
Alex Bayarena
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"Priesthood of All Believers"
Tom Crossland
"Love and Unity"

CHA's

Rene Bocanegra
Mike Morgan
"Growth Through Study"
Daniel Graber
Keller Harvey
Shane Beckwith
Rob Stewart
Marvin Tang Yuk
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"Priorities"
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2018 Annual Gathering

2018 ANNUAL GATHERING

Saturday – March 24, 2018

St. Pius X Catholic Church – Parish Hall
5620 Gollihar Road, Corpus Christi

6:30 – 9:00 PM

The Journey to Damascus Board of Directors cordially invites the entire JTD Community and your family to our annual gathering for fellowship, music and sharing a meal together. The BOD will provide the main entrée and the community will be asked to provide appetizers, salads, side dishes and desserts as follows:

Last Names A – F: Provide Dessert
Last Names G – L: Provide Side Dish
Last Names M – T: Provide Salad
Last Names U – Z: Provide Appetizer

Please bring enough to feed 8-10 people

The music and celebration will begin at 6:30, with a blessing and meal starting at 6:45. There will be two speakers from the community highlighting the impact of the Journey to Damascus on their spiritual and personal lives.

We would like for all of the [past Lay Directors](#) to bring your weekend cross to serve as table centerpieces.

Please rsvp with our event coordinator, Dale Hernandez, at daleh62064@gmail.com so we can prepare enough entrée and seating for everyone.

Don't forget to wear your name tag and lanyard. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

In His love,
JTD BOD

JTD #176 - Corpus Christi Women's

Journey to Damascus # 176

Corpus Christi Women's
April 26 - 29, 2018

"For He has looked upon His handmaiden's lowliness; behold from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name."

Luke 1:48-49



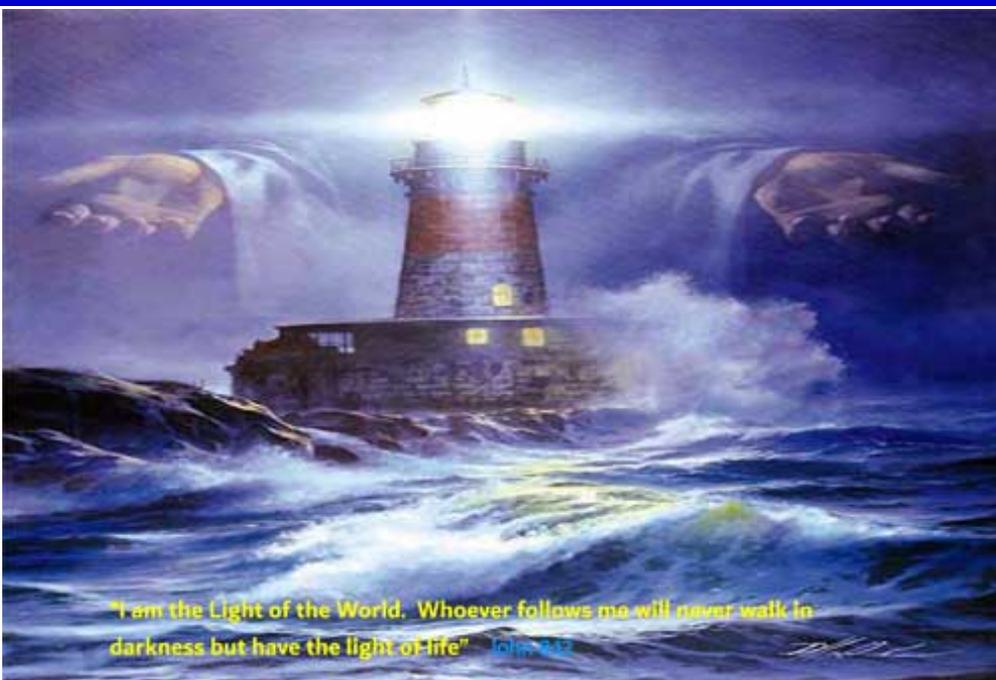
The team of JTD #176 is feeling greatly blessed and highly favored to be called to conduct a JTD weekend on April 26-29, 2018. We have met 5 times with very good attendance and already have 22 pilgrims who have completed the application process. Due to the support, love, and prayers of our wider Journey to Damascus community, our needs for agape are fulfilled, making our preparations much easier. As God's handmaidens, we have worked hard to prepare for our weekend and continue to ask the Lord to give us direction, as we work together in love and commitment as His body to accomplish His goals.

As we have progressed as a team, we have noticed the many blessings, both great and small, that the JTD community is providing; everything seems to appear at just the right time, in just the right amount, to just the team members who need it. The Mighty One has certainly done great things for us, and we pause at our team meetings to thank Him for that. We need your continued prayers and encourage you to sign up on our [Prayer Vigil to pray for us in a more formal way \(click here\)](#). Our arms are open for more pilgrims; we ask that you continue to entrust your friends, relatives, and other important women in your life to us by encouraging them to become pilgrims on our weekend. If you hear a little voice enticing you to help our JTD #176 team in any way, please listen to that voice and follow through. We welcome your gifts and love! We are sure that at the conclusion of JTD #176, team and pilgrims alike will believe that they have experienced mighty blessings from our Lord and that we will all together praise His holy name.

De Colores!

Linda Avila,
Lay Director, JTD #176

JTD #177 - Corpus Christi Men's



"I am the Light of the World. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but have the light of life" [John 1:9](#)

Journey to Damascus # 177

Corpus Christi Men's

June 21 - 24, 2018

"I am the Light of the World. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but have the light of life"

John 8:12

My Fellow JTD Community –

My name is Eddie Rodriguez and I am the Lay Director for the upcoming Men's Journey #177 set for June 21st through the 24th. I am spiritually filled with power of the Holy Spirit which has guided my strength in leading an excellent and strong team of faithful believers. My entire team has expressed their desire to accomplish the ultimate goal for the faith seeking pilgrims who find themselves conflicted or who are in need of spiritual enlightenment and who will join us in June. For this, I am humbly grateful.

My Team and I have successfully completed three Team meetings to date. The talks that have been given have been exceptionally powerful and meaningful that these and the remaining talks, I am certain, are sure to speak volumes to our pilgrims and allow them to open up and allow His will to work. With continued prayers from within the community and outside, these pilgrims will have "The Best Journey Ever"!

As we all are aware, pillow agape is instrumental for our pilgrims. My Team and I are collecting any agape that our most gracious community is wanting to provide. Please remember that the pillow agape is meaningful in a way that the pilgrims may not have ever received such special gifts before. So I ask, that you open your hearts to help provide these special moments for our amazing pilgrims. My Team and I are also still fishing for our pilgrims. So if you know of someone who is seeking His loving and caring light and grace, please send them to JTD #177. My Team and I will ensure that their experience will be one they will forever cherish and never forget!

In closing, I ask for your prayers for our Team and pilgrims. As we all know, there will always be negative forces that appear before us, but, with all the positive energy that surrounds myself and my Team, I am certain that the armor of His hand will shield us from these obstacles.

De Colores,

Eddie Rodriguez
Lay Director
JTD #177

Sr. Angela Murdaugh Scholarship Fund

We are also very pleased to announce the establishment of the Sister Angela Murdaugh Scholarship Fund. The goal is to be able to pay the weekend fee for one pilgrim per JTD weekend from this scholarship. To raise money to fund this endeavor we are selling JTD car emblems. The cost of the emblems is \$15 for one and \$25 for two. We should have the car emblems for sale before candlelight services and at the Sunday weekend closings. If you would like to order emblems for your Reunion group or to sell at your team meetings please contact Dale Hernandez at dale_hernandez@yahoo.com.



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