



Journey to Damascus Newsletter September, 2024



Journey #225 Team:

CHAs

Ivan Alvarez
Jeff Duggan
Hector Chavarria
Bud Colwell
Ben Garcia
Russell Green
Frank Hastings
Klint Hoelscher
David Martin
Doug Matthijetz

Journey to Damascus #225

Amen, Amen, I say to you, I am the gate for
the sheep.

John 10:7

September 12-15, 2024

The Holy Spirit has certainly filled the hearts of the faithful on Team 225 and kindled in them the fire of His love. We wrapped up our final Team meeting and all of the Team has received their individual assignments and instructions. While we know that there are potential road blocks thwarted by the devil, the Team is ready to enter the gate for the sheep.

The love, support and prayers of the Damascus and Emmaus communities have been critical in our preparation for the September 12-15 weekend. What we have come to realize over this past year is that the community is what makes a JTD weekend successful. Thank you for being part of the community! Also our 72 hour prayer vigil is full.

We ask that you continue to pray for pilgrims and pray for the pilgrims that we already have. Additionally, send prayers for the fantastic and unselfish Team that compiles the 225 roster.

Andrew Miles
Jason Naranjo
"Priorities"
Chris Page
"Christian Action"
Juan Rementeria
Joe Riojas
Jason Rodriguez
David Sisk
"Love & Unity"
JT Tovar
PJ Williams

Co-Head CHAs

Mike Reilly
Kyle Rossler
"Changing our World"

Table Leaders

Gabe Chapa
Mike Kaestner
Ryan Parr
"Growth Through Study"
Bullet Riebschaeger
Scott Seevers
Collin Ware

Assistant Table Leaders

Keith Albert
Zach Altemus
Daniel Graber
"Body of Christ"
Ben Gwynn
TW Hedfelt
Dino Hernandez

Spiritual Director

Father Brady Williams
"Sacraments"

Assistant Spiritual Directors

Deacon Hector Salinas
"Obstacles to Grace"
Rev. Billy Storms
"Grace"
Deacon Joe Willesden
"Ecumenism/Faith"

Music Director

Jason Benavides

Music Team

Alex Bayarena
Ray Paz
Kevin Sacky
Abel Torres

Assistant Lay Directors

Phil Gagnon
"Discipleship"

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John 10:7

YBIC,

Bill Green,
Lay Director JTD #225

Pilgrims

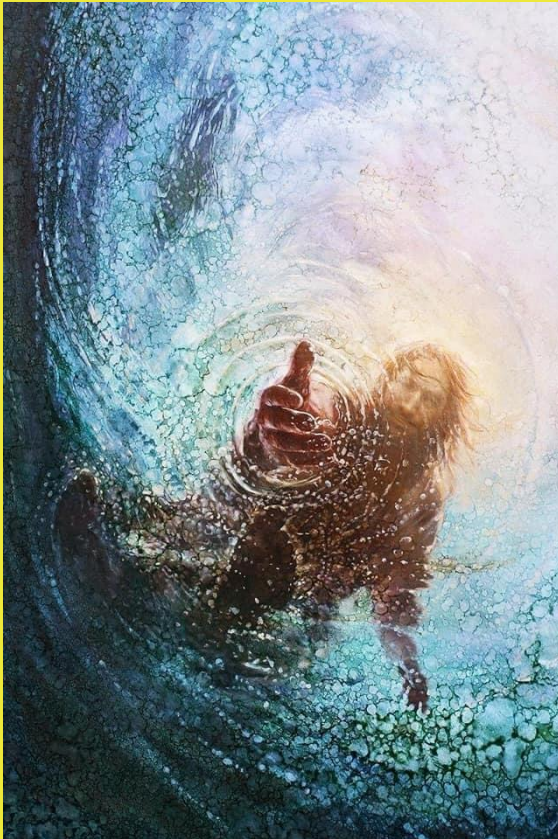
Juan Aguilera
Ruben Almaguer
Anastacio (Nacho) Barboza III
James Batey
Oscarey Betancourt
Jeff Chilcoat
Julian Dominguez
Jesse Garcia
Randy Garcia
Bert Garza
Isaias Gonzales
Johnny Guerra
Robert Hankins
Ryan Lee Hernandez
Bryan Herrera
Frank Huerta
Andrew Martinez
Roman Martinez
Cameron McClelland
Myles McElhaney
Freddy Murillo
Jerry Naranjo
Robert Jay Naranjo
Joselito Padua
Israel Perez
Michael Puente
Tony Ramos
Fabian Rocha
Abraham Salazar
Marco Salazar
Marcos Villa

Peter Moore
"Priesthood of All Believers"
John Porche
"Life in Piety"

Observing Lay Director
Alonzo Garza

Board Representative
David Weaver

Lay Director
Bill Green
"Perseverance/4th Day"



Journey To Damascus #223

I would like to take a moment to express my gratitude for your love and support. Words cannot express how much being part of the Journey to Damascus community means to me. I am truly blessed beyond measure by your love and support throughout this year of planning JTD #223 and without you our weekend wouldn't have been as beautiful as it was. Thank you for entrusting me to be the Lay Director for JTD #223.

I also would like to thank my wonderful music team who made their debut on our weekend. You all did an amazing job! A big thank you to my St. Elsewhere team; ALDs Elizabeth Letterman, Becca Taylor, Ada Besinaiz; Co-head angels Brenda Olivares and Kristy Scott. I couldn't have done this without you and I will forever be grateful for your hard work and love. I would also like to thank my amazing board rep, Edna Alonso. You gently guided me in so many ways this year and I will always cherish our friendship. I am one of your many pilgrims you have brought to this wonderful community, and I am eternally grateful.

To my rock star team; table leaders and

angels, you are the reason our weekend was so beautiful. Your willingness to go above and beyond for me, this community and the pilgrims is a true testament of your servant's heart.

Lastly, I would like to thank my three children, Gabriel, Roman and Carlie. Your encouraging words and unconditional love gave me the strength to continue and persevere especially those times when I felt I wasn't worthy. I love you all so much!

De Colores,
Debra Mendoza, Lay Director

Get Your Tickets Now

All proceeds benefit the JTD

Second Annual JTD

CASINO NIGHT

🎰 Saturday, September 28, 2024 🎰

6:00pm - 10:00pm

Moravian Hall
5601 Kostoryz Rd, Corpus Christi, TX

Steak Dinner, Classic Casino Games & \$1,000 in
chips included with each ticket!

WIN Fantastic prizes and enter into
our silent auctions!

Cash bar will be available.

Tickets can be purchased from any
Board Member --- \$50 each!

Donations and Table Sponsorship will be
gladly accepted as well.

Contact any Board Member
if you have any questions.

Adults only event. Must be 21 years old or older.



Dates to Remember

JTD #227 - Oct. 17-20, 2024:
LD - Jessica Moya

JTD# 229-March 20-23, 2025:
LD - Becca Taylor

JTD #230- May1-4,2025:
LD - Lina Garza

JTD #232 - June 12-15, 2025:
LD - Alonzo Garza

JTD #233 - July 24-27, 2025:
LD - Cindy Garcia

JTD #235 - Sept. 18-21, 2025:
LD - Mitch Hippensteal

JTD#236 - Oct. 16-19, 2025:
LD - Liz Yzaguirre

*Sign the
72-Hour
Prayer Vigil*

Men's JTD #225 Sept. 12-15,
2024

[Prayer Vigil](#)

Women's JTD #227 Oct. 17-
20, 2024

[Prayer Vigil](#)

The Lay Directors or a St. Elsewhere representative from each team will present updated status for each weekend at every candlelight.

If you have not signed up for the prayer vigil please do so up above to the right of this newsletter.

Additionally, do not forget to attend candlelight for those weekends listed above on the Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

Lastly, if you would like to fill out a team application or sign up a pilgrim for any of the up coming Journey weekends please click the link below.

[Visit our
Website](#)

The current JTD BOARD OF DIRECTORS is listed below and meets the second Monday of every month with the purpose to serve the JTD community in a prayerful discernment, and carry out the work of the Journey to Damascus.

Spiritual Director: Fr. Joseph Lopez
Asst. Spiritual Director: Rev. Billy Storms

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Director: Ada Besinaiz
Director: Bud Colwell
Director: Javier Flores
Director: Owen Gallagher
Director: Jenny Sehy
Director: Rick Svetlik
Director: Liz Yzaguirre

JTD BOARD LIAISONS

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Co-Music Chair: Melissa Ricard
4th Day: Steve Tagliabue
Website: Gracie Martin
Candlelight Committee: Jenny Sehy and Liz Yzaguirre
Newsletter: Marivel Garza

The community is invited to join any of the JTD committees listed below.
Please contact Edna Lopez Alonso, President or
Marivel Garza, Vice President with any questions. Board representatives for
each committee are listed below.

1. 4th Day Committee: Liz Yzaguirre & Ada Besinaiz
2. Board of Trustees Report: Javier Flores & Marivel Garza
3. Candlelight/Closing Committee: Jenny Sehy & Liz Yzaguirre
4. Fundraising: Owen Gallagher
5. Historian Report: Rick Svetlik
6. Music Report: Owen Gallagher & Rick Svetlik
7. Newsletter: Marivel Garza
8. Registrar Report: Jenny Sehy
9. Spiritual Director: Billy Storms & Father Joseph
10. Spiritual Team: Ada Besinaiz
11. Team Selection: Lori Green
12. St. Elsewhere: Javier Flores
13. Manual Committee: Lori Green
14. OLCC Timeline: Rick Svetlik



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