

# JOURNEY TO DAMASCUS

## September 2014 Newsletter

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### Reminders - This Weekend

**Corpus Christi -  
Men's Journey to Damascus #134  
September 18 - 21  
Sponsor Hour - September 18 - 6:30 pm  
Candle Light - September 20 - 8:00 pm  
Closing - September 21 - 2:00 pm**

**\*\* Babysitting is available. Please look for signs. We are trying to acquire a room at St. Theresa's for babysitting during Candlelight, for easier access. We will still use Dougherty Hall for Closing ceremonies \*\***

### Letter from the Board

Greetings JTD Community,

We are very pleased to announce the schedule for the Corpus Christi JTD weekends for 2015 and the respective lay directors. There will be six weekends next year with three each for the women and the men.

#138	Andy Cardiel	03/26-29	acard4567@yahoo.com
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### SAVE THE DATE!

#### October JTDs

**Houston  
Women's JTD #135  
When: October 2 - 5**

**Corpus Christi  
Women's JTD #136  
When: October 16 - 19  
Where: Our Lady of Corpus Christi**

#### 2014 Weekends

JTD #134- Corpus Christi

#140	Margie Svetlik	04/30-05/03	rmsvetlik@gmail.com
#141	David Weaver	06/18-21	davidweaver1496@gmail.com
#143	Delma Edge	07/23-26	delmaedge@yahoo.com
#145	Gregory Gowan	09/24-27	ggowan@gelawfirm.com
#147	Cathy Benavides	10/15-18	cathycook888@yahoo.com

Team formation has begun. If you are interested in serving on a team in 2015 please contact the lay director using his/her email address as listed above or attend the upcoming candlelight services and meet the lay directors in person.

Remember that even if you are unable to serve on a weekend there are many other ways to stay actively involved with Journey to Damascus while supporting the teams and pilgrims on the weekends. To name a few of these things:

- Providing agape for the weekend
- Signing up for the prayer vigils
- Sponsoring pilgrims
- Attending candlelight services
- Attending closings

All of these activities are important and vital to the continuation of successful weekends.

JTD # 134 begins this week and there will be a candlelight service this Saturday evening. Please try to attend if at all possible. We are working to make a change in the babysitters' location to a room at St Theresa's. The new location would be much more convenient for the parents and very close to the candlelight service. If there is a change there will be signs to clearly mark the new location. We encourage parents to take advantage of this free babysitting service while they attend candlelight services.

Finally, many of you know Marty and Anna Adrian and are aware of the serious health issues he has been battling for several years. They have been tireless workers not only in the Corpus Christi JTD community but in the Houston and Central Texas communities as well. Marty has challenged each of us to sponsor at least one pilgrim in the next year. Please accept this challenge and be a fisherman for Christ! The pilgrim and sponsor applications may be found on this website.

De Colores,

Gail Colwell

**JTD #134**

Men's  
September 18-21  
Norman Acker

JTD #135 - Houston  
Women's  
October 2 - 5  
Beverly Cunningham

JTD #136- Corpus Christi  
Women's  
October 16-19  
Belinda Saenz

## 2015 Weekends

JTD #138- Corpus Christi  
Men's  
March 26 - 29  
Andy Cardiel

JTD #140- Corpus Christi  
Women's  
April 30 - May 3  
Margie Svetlik

JTD #141- Corpus Christi  
Men's  
June 18 - 21  
David Weaver

JTD #143- Corpus Christi  
Women's  
July 23 - 26  
Delma Edge

JTD #145- Corpus Christi  
Men's  
September 24 - 27  
Gregory Gowan

JTD #147- Corpus Christi  
Women's  
October 15-18  
Cathy Benavides





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## Journey to Damascus #134 Septemeber 18-21, 2014 Norman Acker

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

*Mt 7:7*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The love and support of the communities have been a blessing. The JTD #134 team has been building a bond of spirit filled fellowship and is ready to serve our savior, Jesus Christ. Please lift up the team and the pilgrims in your prayers and we look forward to seeing you at candlelight.

DeColores,

Norman Acker  
Lay Director JTD #134

### Lay Director

Norman Acker  
*"Fourth Day/Perseverance"*

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*"Sacraments"*

### Music Team

Steve Synovitz  
*--Music Director*  
Charles Allen  
Oscar Ramos  
Justin Kerr  
Ray Paz  
David Acker

**Spiritual Team**

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"Obstacles to Grace"  
Rev. Billy  
Storms "Grace"  
Rev. Tom Dowdy  
"Faith"  
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"Christian Action"  
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"Body of Christ"  
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**Pilgrims**

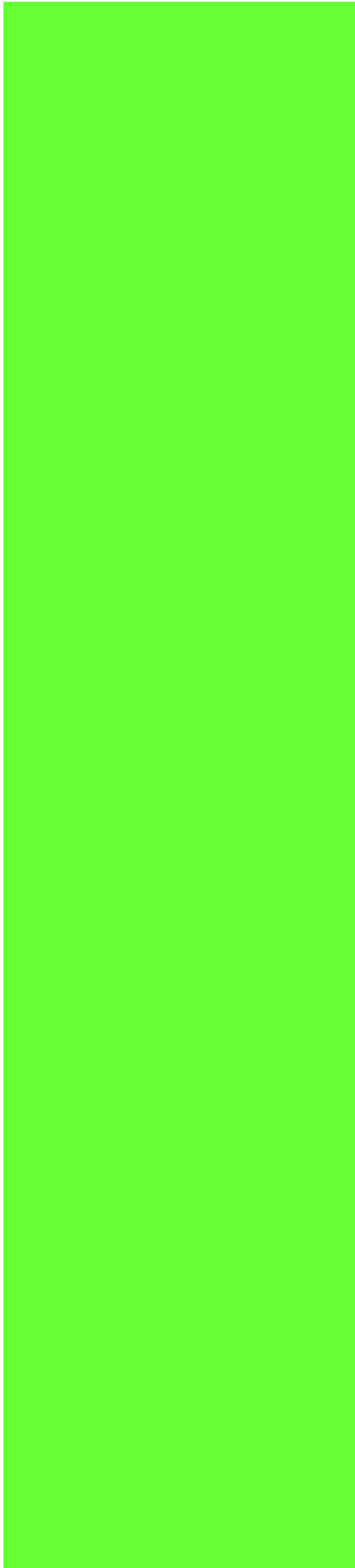
Miguel Aguilar, Jr.  
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Juan Trevino  
Randell Tullos  
Gabe Vargas  
Rolando Vera

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JTD #136



**Journey to Damascus #136**  
**October 16 - 19, 2014**  
**Belinda Saenz**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a wonderful experience this has been to experience the love of Christ through this beautiful community. At every turn there has been an out stretched hand, an encouraging word or a loving hug to ensure God's plan for the weekend. Thank you to the community for all your prayers, love and support.

God has placed an amazing group of women together to bless the pilgrims of Journey to Damascus #136. Their love for Christ is apparent through their willingness to not only serve on team, but to also be the hands and feet of Jesus to each other.

I would like to extend Marty Adrian's invitation and ask y'all to sponsor a pilgrim and fill our October Women's Journey weekend to overflowing.

Love and Peace,

Belinda Saenz  
Lay Director JTD #136

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Letter from Gary Richards  
Journey to Damascus #131

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to start by thanking the community for all your agape love, prayers and the great turn out at Candlelight! God delivered a small number of pilgrims but He really lit every single one of their hearts on fire. We just celebrated Afterglow and it was great to see so many of the team and pilgrims again. Our weekend was a labor of love that could NOT have been such a great success without the help of all the community. Thank you for all your support!

De Colores,  
Gary "Drummer Dude" Richards

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Letter from Lori Green  
Journey to Damascus #133

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The incredible team of JTD #133 welcomed those who thirst as the Lamb on the throne led 32 beautiful women to springs of life-giving water. We bathed in His glory and were overwhelmed by His love, as He wiped away our tears and sent us refreshed into our Fourth Days! The sharing of our personal experiences, the beauty of the environment, the uplifting music, the thoughtfulness behind each piece of agape, and the gifts of time and loving service allowed us to open our hearts and be consumed by the Holy Spirit. A peace that surpasses all understanding fell upon us throughout the weekend.

Thank you to the greater Journey to Damascus, Coastal Bend Emmaus, Chrysalis and Cursillo communities for your touching gifts of agape, your powerful prayers, and your amazing love at Candlelight. After that glimpse of heaven, we will never be the same!

With love and gratitude,

Lori Green, Lay Director  
JTD #133, August 7-10, 2014

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