

Journey to Damascus – Houston – Pilgrim Application

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The Journey to Damascus (JTD) is an ecumenical retreat welcoming all denominations and non-denominations as sanctioned by the Catholic Dioceses of Corpus Christi and Galveston-Houston. The goal of the Journey to Damascus is not to debate doctrine, but to promote with open mind and receptive heart a renewal or rekindling of the core religious values that make us part of the Body of Christ. Through JTD weekend retreats, men and women are inspired, challenged, and equipped for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces and community.

Journey to Damascus Weekend Date Requested:

Registration Amount Due: \$180

- HOU – Women #135 Oct 2-5, 2014 HOU – Women - April 23-26, 2015 HOU – Women - Oct 1-4, 2014
 HOU – Men - Jan 22-25, 2015 HOU – Men - July 30-Aug 2, 2015 HOU – Men – Jan., 2016

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

Address _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone – Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Church: _____ Denomination: _____

I have/have not attended one of the following retreats:

- Journey to Damascus Walk to Emmaus Cursillo Tres Dias ACTS Similar Retreat: _____

Retreat Date: _____ Retreat Number: _____

Marital Status

Married? Spouses Name: _____ has/has not attended one of the following retreats:

- Journey to Damascus Walk to Emmaus Cursillo Tres Dias ACTS Similar Retreat: _____

Retreat Date: _____ Retreat Number: _____

In case of EMERGENCY, contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone – Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Please list below any special dietary needs or alerts that the caterer should take into consideration:

Please list below any health issue(s), Disability, or required medications that may require specific accommodations. Please include times medication should be taken.

Registration Policy: All the information within this application form is necessary for placement on the Journey to Damascus weekend. Pilgrims and sponsors should complete all the blanks and discuss any questions. Please give this completed form with your check in the amount of **\$180** made payable to "Journey to Damascus": to your sponsor for submission. **Applications will be accepted in the order that the Registrar receives the completed application and a form of payment.** Faxed applications cannot be processed. **Mail applications and payment to: Houston Journey to Damascus / Attn: Registrar / 4771 Sweetwater Blvd #278 / Sugar Land, TX 77479.** You will be sent a notice confirming receipt of your application. If you do not receive this notice within 3 weeks, please contact your sponsor. Register only if you are able to be present for the entire Journey to Damascus retreat from Thursday evening to Sunday afternoon. If you are unable to attend a Journey to Damascus on which you are confirmed or on the waiting list, please contact your Sponsor or the retreat Lay Director. For assistance with a portion or the entire fee, please include your request with the application and forward to the Registrar. Partial or full scholarship is available but limited. So contact the Registrar as soon as possible.

Refund Policy: Registration fee is fully refundable before the Tuesday prior to the confirmed Journey to Damascus retreat. If you are unable to attend the retreat for which you are confirmed, the Registrar will automatically transfer your registration fee and application over to the next scheduled retreat and contact you with that placement. If you are unable to participate in the next retreat, your registration fee will be returned to you. Feel free to re-apply for the Journey to Damascus retreat as your schedule allows. The exception to this policy is if the cancellation is due to death in the immediate family of the pilgrim.

I have read and understand the Registration and Refund Policies stated above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Journey to Damascus – Houston – Sponsor Application

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This form should be attached to the Pilgrim Application when submitting it to the Assistant Lay Director.

PILGRIM'S INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

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SPONSOR'S INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

Address _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone – Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Church: _____ Denomination: _____

Sponsor's Pilgrim Retreat Date: _____ Retreat Number: _____

Journey to Damascus Walk to Emmaus Cursillo Tres Dias ACTS Similar Retreat: _____

Name of Reunion Group attended by the Sponsor: _____ Date/Time of the Reunion Group: _____

Reunion Group Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone No: _____

Is your group available during the JTD Retreat weekend to assist your pilgrim and/or this team? Yes No

Will you take your pilgrim to their first Reunion Group meeting and guide them for at least 3 months after the Journey?

Yes No

If you are aware of any other pilgrims or team members participating in this same JTD retreat with whom your pilgrim is familiar with or related, please list them below:

The word sponsorship indicates an acceptance of personal responsibility for the well-being of an individual in some area of endeavor. Sponsorship, as it applies to the Journey to Damascus, involves a personal commitment not only to the pilgrim, but to the particular weekend retreat of renewal.

Sponsors are God's personal emissaries upon whose shoulders the Journey rests. As a member of a Journey to Damascus, Walk to Emmaus, Cursillo, etc., community, it is the sponsor's duty to (1) consider the pilgrim's current situation spiritually, physically, emotionally, etc. for the intense weekend of spiritual renewal, (2) remember that sponsorship involves a commitment to the spiritual growth of the pilgrim and shouldn't be focused on just filling rosters, (3) discuss with your pilgrim what he or she can expect to experience throughout the weekend as well as what will be required of them – particularly an open mind and receptive heart, (4) explain the ecumenical nature of the Journey to Damascus to ensure the pilgrim is tolerant and respectful of the beliefs and traditions other than his own, but that the intent is not to convert his or her personal belief structure, and (5) be prepared to guide them into the Fourth Day by providing continuing prayer, guidance, and fellowship. The Fourth Day activity should include helping him or her locate and become involved in Reunion Group.

Since the Fourth Day is a fundamental part of the Journey to Damascus retreat experience, if you are not currently active in a reunion group, please try to locate one close to you or consider starting one that coincides with your schedule and location.

Signature: _____ Date: _____