

## Upcoming Central Texas Weekends

Journey #169 - Women  
Lay Director, Belinda Bayarena  
December 14-17, 2017

Journey #179 - Women  
Lay Director TBA  
July 26-29, 2018

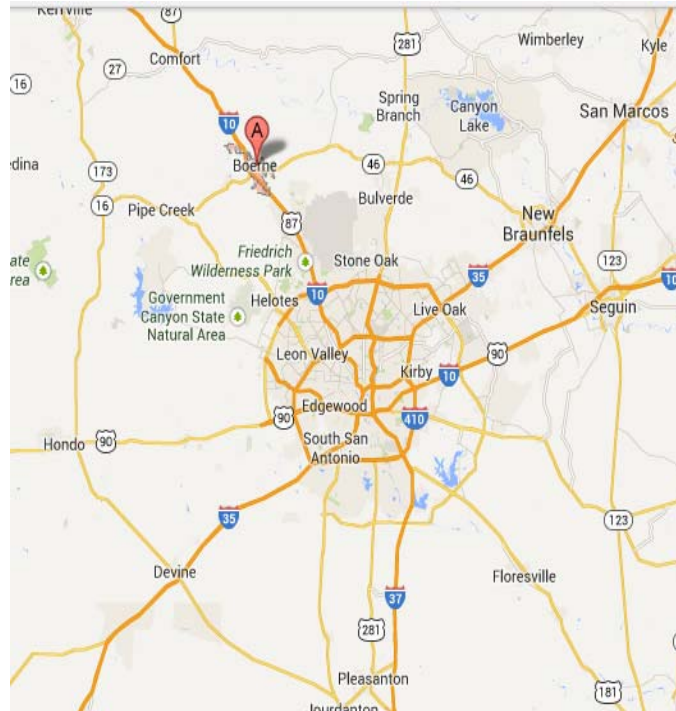
Journey #182 - Men  
Lay Director TBA  
September 20-23, 2018

For an application, please visit:  
[www.journeytodamascus.org](http://www.journeytodamascus.org)  
[www.houstonjourney.org](http://www.houstonjourney.org)

Click link to Central Texas Team and/or  
Pilgrim Applications [PDF]

If you would like to attend and do not  
already have a Sponsor, please send an  
e-mail to [gporcher@thompsoncoe.com](mailto:gporcher@thompsoncoe.com),  
Georgia Lynn Porcher, Registrar, stating  
the weekend you would like to attend so  
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**The Omega Retreat Center  
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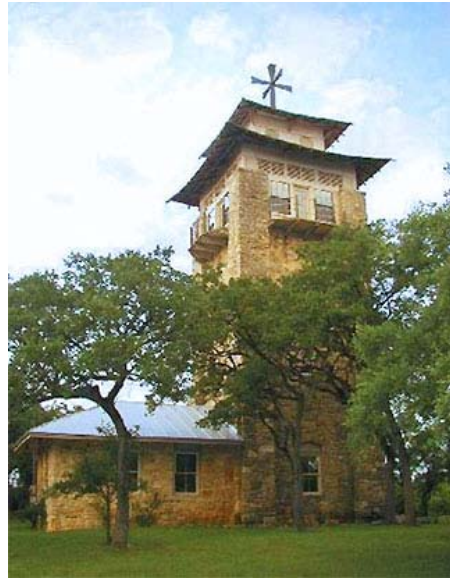
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# Journey to Damascus

## An Ecumenical Movement

The Journey to Damascus is an ecumenical movement whose aim is to promote a renewal or rekindling of life's core religious values which has been approved by the Diocese of Corpus Christi and the Archdiocese Galveston-Houston. This is accomplished by conducting weekend retreats in Corpus Christi, Houston and Central Texas which will lead to an individual becoming more involved in their Church Community, including joining groups of Christians who gather regularly to talk about their faith. The original Journey to Damascus community was formed by a number of gentlemen who had attended a "Walk To Emmaus" but they missed the sacramental elements and wanted to include this while maintaining the ecumenical nature of the experience. This movement is being greatly supported and encouraged by members of the Methodist Emmaus, Episcopal Cursillo and Catholic Cursillo communities with the common goal being that we will all work together to make lives better.



## What is a Journey Weekend?

The Journey to Damascus starts with a weekend that begins on a Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. A program built around 13 presentations and interspersed with periods of discussions, worship and meditation fills the time. Your weekend lasts only three days but you are invited to build on it for the rest of your life. After the weekend, those who have attended are encouraged to meet regularly in small groups that challenge and support one another. They build on what began during their weekend. The aim is to inspire, challenge and equip church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces and community.

## Who Should Attend?

The Journey is for Christians who desire firmer foundations for their lives and for fostering unity in Christ. It is not for theological debate or arguments about denominations. If you are intolerant of those who see things different, then Damascus is probably not for you. It is for building faith and community and not for working through grief or psychological problems. Don't plan to bring work from the office or have hopes of taking an afternoon off; it is a fulfilling, consuming experience. Come with Open Hearts & Empty Hands.

