



# The Windmill's Breeze



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The wind blows where it wishes,  
and you hear its sound, but you do  
not know where it comes from or  
where it goes. So it is with  
everyone who is born of the Spirit.  
John 3:8

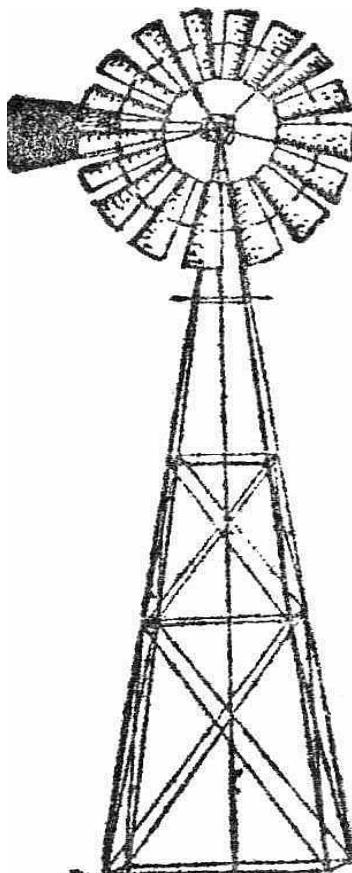
**Don Taylor**  
Community  
Spiritual  
Director



Another Emmaus year has come and gone and another two successful Walks completed. I have been blessed to serve as your Community Lay Director this past year and for that I am eternally grateful. At this time I would like to thank our outgoing Board members – Ana Carter, Gilbert Gonzales, Dickie Person and Bruce Dobbins. Each one of these individuals was instrumental in making this a successful year. Congratulations to our new Board members – Marla Scott, Misty Morgan, Pennie Parker and Frank Schulenburg. Thank you for volunteering to serve our community.

As we start another year I would like to report that our community is in excellent financial shape. We have a healthy General account balance and also a very healthy Scholarship account. I believe this is due to the strong support of our great community, the blessings of God, and a great collection of Board members who have served this community well.

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## GATHERING SCHEDULE

Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship 6:30 P.M.

Worship 7:30 P.M.

**GEORGE WEST FUMC –  
June 20**

**Three Rivers FUMC – July 18**

**Beeville Presbyterian – August  
15**

## BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

I have been captivated this year over the repeated post-Easter stories of the disciples being “behind locked doors, for fear of the Jews”. I did pulpit supply on the last Sunday of the Easter season at St. Mark’s Lutheran in Corpus Christi and the gospel was about the locked doors that the disciples were behind. I included in that sermon a section quote from when Ernest Campbell, former preaching minister at New York’s Riverside Church, titled a volume of sermons *Locked In A Room With Open Doors*. Most notably in the sermon by the same name Campbell shares things that hold us back from going through the new doors God has opened for us, like fear of the new, worry, fear of the unknown. He emphasized that we ought to be able to go through the doors that are open to us and that we should deal with what is holding us back. It is as if while God has opened doors for us, there is something about us that restrains us.

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He assumed in the sermon that “no one should stay put if they can avoid it”. Through most doors is the opportunity for increased justice and diminished oppression.

Pentecost Sunday I was conducting the service of Installation for the new pastor at Grace Lutheran, Sinton. The Rev. M. Thomas Dietzel is involved in our Lutheran counterpart to Emmaus, Via de Cristo. The text for gospel selected was the Easter “peace be with you”, which is sometimes also used on Pentecost Sunday. Locked door terminology is appropriate when a new pastor comes on the scene, because we are tempted to “close the doors” to ministry. Words used for the congregation of Grace included, “God is with us so many times in our lives. They become moments of peace in our troubled world, where the hand of God is upon our shoulder guiding us in our ministries”. How many doors do you go through on an average day? How many doors that you might come upon are locked so you cannot get to the other side? When I spoke at St. Mark’s I identified in the sermon at one point that I had already gone through 25-30 doors by that point. What if I had stopped after 5? I would not have left my house and the opportunity to speak to that congregation. What if I stopped after 15? That would have been the point where I would not have gotten out of my car. The power of a locked door is contrasted with the reality that Jesus is able to “come among us”. ***See Don third column page 2***

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Last month I attended the quarterly SWTC meeting in San Antonio and was told that our community, the Windmill Emmaus Community, is the community that is used as an example of how to be a successful community. When this was told to me, I was not surprised in the least bit, but was extremely proud to be a member our community. Congratulations to all and thank you Lord for guiding us in Your way.

Once again, it has been my privilege and honor to serve as your Community Lay director for the last year.

Thank you, God Bless, and De Colores,

Danny

**Ron Carter**

**Karnes City, Texas**

**May 4<sup>th</sup> Day Speaker**



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Fourth Day Talk

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***Don continued***

Fear is useless when Christ stands amongst us. And yet it is significant to know that the door was locked from the inside and the reason was fear. How often in church work do we allow the locked doors of homes and people to keep us from doing Christ’s ministry? The door was locked but Jesus came right through the door and broke open the man-made boundary. Ministry with hurting people could begin with strong leaders giving up their fear. Emmaus Walks are aimed at making you leaders in your churches! Open some doors and see what God has on the other side. I bet you will find more “unlocked doors” than locked ones.

De Colores, Don Taylor

**Joe Weigang  
Lay Director  
April 2014 Men's  
Walk**



Hello Windmill Emmaus Community! It is my honor to have been chosen as the next men's Lay Director for the next men's Walk scheduled for April 10-13, 2014. I am blessed to be part of this awesome community and I know God has already chosen a team of strong Christian men and women to guide the Pilgrims **He** has already chosen to attend the next men's Walk. If God is leading you to this service, I am currently accepting team applications and I can be contacted by e-mail at [jweigang@hotmail.com](mailto:jweigang@hotmail.com) or by cell phone at 830-583-5157 for questions or applications.

God's Blessing and De Colores,

Joe

**Pennie Parker  
Lay Director  
Walk #1725**



May has been a very busy month for me. We moved into our new home in Sinton on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Lots of packing, loading, unpacking... Then on May 16<sup>th</sup> we were blessed with our newest grandson, Payton Jase Mayfield, weighing 7lbs, 3oz, 19.5 inches long. He was welcomed by his very excited big brother, Parker. Mom and baby are both doing great!

It is almost time for our first team meeting for Walk 1725!! We will meet June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Presbyterian Church in Beeville. I am so excited to get to spend time with the entire team as we prepare for all the pilgrims that God is sending our way. We are planning to hear four amazing talks. I ask that you keep Regena Bass, Don Taylor, Melinda Leal and Katheryn Mylnar in prayer as they prepare to give their talks at the first meeting.

We have 5 confirmed pilgrims and I have 3 applications in hand. Please pray for all the pilgrims and for the amazing team that God has brought together. Also pray for the sponsors of these pilgrims.

Blessings to each of you,  
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**Team Selection Committee**

The team selection committee will have four vacancies in June. If you are interested in serving the Windmill Emmaus Community by being part of the Team Selection Committee, contact Bruce Harbaugh.

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