



# The Windmill's Breeze



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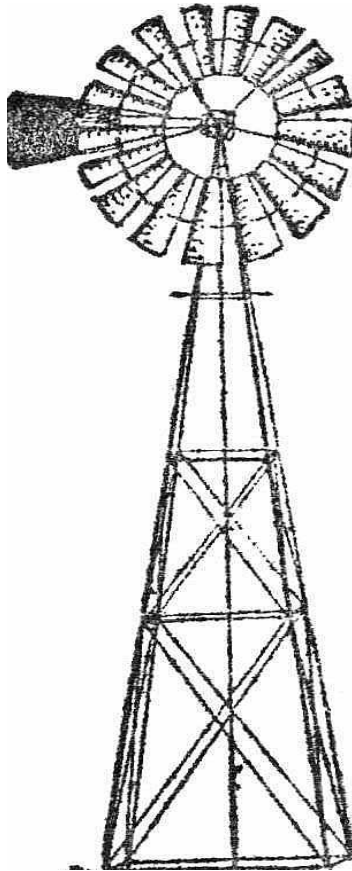
The wind blows where it wishes,  
and you hear its sound, but you do  
not know where it comes from or  
where it goes. So it is with  
everyone who is born of the Spirit.  
John 3:8

**Don Taylor**  
Community  
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In 1776 Thomas Paine wrote “These are the times that try men’s souls” and in 1859 Charles Dickens wrote in his book **A Tale of Two Cities** that “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.” We, as God’s people, are experiencing a lot of both of these lately. It seems that there is a war on Christianity not only by the devil but by our own government. There is a movement out there to remove any mention of Jesus or God from our everyday lives and it is having a detrimental effect on the Christian world. Attendance at churches is down, crime is up, morality is waning and immorality is gaining. What is right is seen as wrong, and what is wrong is seen as right. We as Christians are being asked (told) to be inclusive, accepting and understanding of ideas that we feel are immoral, but at the same time our ideas of what is moral are considered “hateful” by the other side.

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## GATHERING SCHEDULE

Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.  
Fellowship 6:30 P.M.  
Worship 7:30 P.M.  
**BEEVILLE FAITH  
LUTHERAN - March 21st  
BEEVILLE NEW LIFE  
BAPTIST - April 18th  
KARNES CITY FIRST  
BAPTIST – May16**

## HOW MUCH OF YOUR FAITH CAN YOU SHOW AND DISCUSS IN THE WORKPLACE?

Emmaus is a Christian community in a pluralism of religion. Many of us are blessed to work and interact with other members of our community. We post on Facebook or Twitter our feelings, thoughts, humor, and sometimes things, which show the varied sides of our life.

I came across a study on faith in the workplace. There were two findings presented:

1. 21% said a co-worker’s display of faith made them uncomfortable and included “pushing a particular point of view or faith belief too strongly and emailing church invitations to co-workers.

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2. 84% said it's acceptable to have faith-related items in your workspace, including scripture passages, framed prayers, crosses, religious calendars and anything that is "small, not obtrusive and tasteful".

Faith isn't a light switch that can be turned on and off in different settings. Your faith is a part of who you are. When considering the balance in our workplaces of faith sharing consider:

- Observing your office culture
- Are there any workplace policies
- Wait to be asked—if someone is curious about your faith, then you have the freedom to have a different conversation. You can talk about it; chat with your co-workers about your life, including relationships and what you do in church. We are always ready to give the testimony of our faith.
- Consider Bible--study groups at lunch-time welcoming people of all faith and allowing an open exchange of ideas
- Actions speak louder than words—show by example! Who is my neighbor is much broader than the person next door. He/she is anyone I come in contact with during my daytime job or wherever I may be going that day.

Don Taylor,

DE COLORES

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Yes "These are the times that try men's souls" but Proverbs 2:8 tells us "*God guards the course of the just and protects the way of the faithful ones.*" We as Gods' people must keep the faith and persevere through these tough times. We should always remember that our time on this beautiful planet is but the blink of the eye compared to what awaits us in God's Kingdom, "Everlasting Life."

Yes "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times" but remember that Galatians 6:9 tells us "*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*"

Just remember during trying times, good times, and bad times that God is ALWAYS with us.

De Colores,

**March 10**

**Daylight Savings Time Begins**

**Spring Forward**

**DON'T BE LATE FOR  
CHURCH!**

If you will give a  
**Fourth Day Talk**  
at a gathering,  
Contact: Waylon Ford  
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**Breeze Changes**

For the **APRIL**

issue of the  
Breeze, please send your  
prayer requests  
and/or changes by  
March 20th to:

**Debbie Rackley**

361-290-1861

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**Bil Homeyer**

**Karnes City, Texas**

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



**Gilbert  
Gonzales  
Lay Director  
Walk #1699**



It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve as Lay Director for Walk # 1699. We had our fourth team meeting at 1st Presbyterian Church in Beeville, and we had an awesome turnout for our meeting and were blessed with 2 powerful talks given by Pastor Norm Sulaica and by Jon Richardson. It was an awesome meeting and showed what kind of team God has put together for Walk #1699. Out of 25 team members, 23 attended and by the way the meeting went, I know God has picked a devoted team to help do his work. As I am writing this article FEB. 24<sup>th</sup>, we only have 10 Pilgrims, That means we still need 10 more pilgrims by March 4<sup>th</sup> for the Walk to make and not be cancelled. If anyone has a pilgrim interested in attending Walk #1699, please let me know as soon as possible. If I can help in any way please contact me by email, [gilbert7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gilbert7@sbcglobal.net), or by phone 361-319-6011. Please remember that God does provide the team that is picked to serve him and also the pilgrims to attend, but God can only nudge us to sponsor these pilgrims. WE have to be HIS HANDS AND FEET and do the rest. The fees for this Walk will be \$205.00. If you are sponsoring a Pilgrim and need a scholarship or partial scholarship, please get with me so I can submit a request to the board for approval. Again, thank you all for answering God's call, and please keep all members of Walk #1699 in your prayers and the pilgrims and sponsors that God is going to provide. LUKE : 11:9-10, "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." God Bless You All, DeColores, Your BIC, Gilbert Gonzales Walk #1699

**Pennie  
Parker  
Lay Director  
Walk #1725**



Walk #1725 is well into the planning stages! What a blessing it is to watch it all come together! The dates for the Women's walk are October 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. We have one pilgrim application! Please be in prayer for the pilgrims that God is calling to attend this walk. If you are thinking of sponsoring someone, now is the time to start talking to them. I have 17 team applications at this time. I need at least 35 to go to team selection which should be the end of March. If God is leading you to serve on a team please get your application to me as soon as possible. You can mail them to me or e-mail them.

Blessings to each of you!  
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