



The Windmill's Breeze



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The Windmill Fourth Day Group

February 2014

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**Community
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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

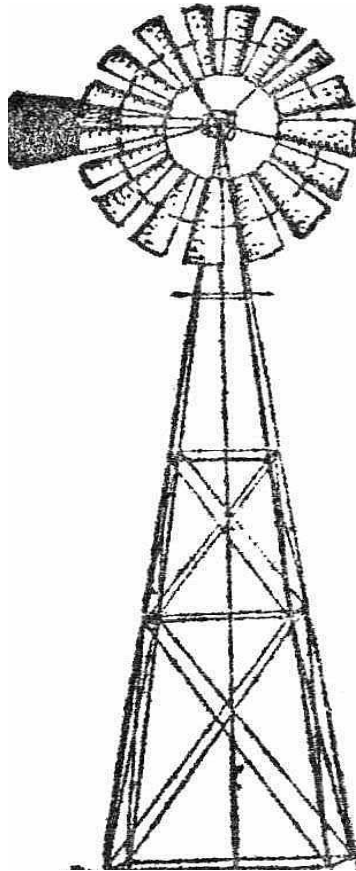


**Larry
McRorey
Community
Spiritual
Director**

Greetings fellow Windmill Emausers!! Here we are in the gloom and doom of January and February. Christmas and New Years is over, it is cold and everything outside is brown. It's easy to get "down and out" this time of year. Here is a suggestion for warming you up. Cuddle up on a couch or a bed, get a blanket, and pull out your old letters from your walk to Emmaus. Remember those? How many of you still have them? I can't think of a better way to lift the spirit than this. The next gathering is coming up soon also! We have been having some great turnouts, and would love to see those of you who haven't come out in a while!! Keep your spirit warm, get in a reunion group, and come to a gathering!! Hope to see everyone who reads this at the next gathering!!

Des Colores

Waylon



GATHERING SCHEDULE

Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship 6:30 P.M.

Worship 7:30 P.M.

Karnes City UMC – February 21

New Life Church – March 20

A Chance Encounter

Luke 19:1-9

Have you ever had a chance encounter that changed your life? As a child in Sunday School, I learned the children's song:

*Zacchaeus was a wee little man,
and a wee little man was he. He
climbed up in the sycamore tree,
for the Lord he wanted to see.
And as the Savior passed that
way, he looked up in the tree and
He said, Zacchaeus you come
down, for I'm going to your
house today.*

Luke's story of Zacchaeus is just such an encounter story. Zacchaeus was arguably the most despised man in all of Jericho. He was a chief tax collector who had a reputation for swindling large sums of money out of his fellow countrymen. He also squeezed as much as he could out of those who worked for him. Zacchaeus had sold out to the enemy; he had betrayed his own people. He had betrayed his integrity and character and worst of all, he had betrayed God.

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And then along came the chance encounter with Jesus. Zacchaeus was called out of that tree and he and Jesus dined together at Zacchaeus' home that evening. I have always wondered what the conversation between these two men must have been. What was it that Jesus said to Zacchaeus that caused this hated and reviled man to have a complete transformation of heart and mind? What did Jesus do that prompted this man who had made a fortune on the backs of others suddenly turn from his wicked ways and offer to give back four fold to all of those whom he had swindled in the past?

That's the beauty of this chance encounter and of God's love through Jesus Christ for all of us modern day wayward souls. *"For the Son of Man comes to seek and save that which was lost."* You may have heard the saying, *"Jesus loves you just the way you are"*....and, that's certainly true. But Jesus loves you too much to leave you just the way you are! At the beginning of the chance encounter, Zacchaeus sees Jesus from a distance. At the end of the story, Zacchaeus sees Jesus up close and personal. And so it can be with us. The love of God does not change us from who we are into some other better person. The love of God calls from deep down within our souls the very essence of the person God created us to be in the first place and that which God intended for us to be all along. To be lost is to be disassociated from this person God created. Salvation is to discover, or perhaps re-discover who we are and who we can become because of and through the love of God in Jesus Christ. We don't have to make ourselves into anything. Because it is the power of God that will create from within. *"To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."* II Thessalonians 12:11-12 Thanks be to God!

Larry

If you will give a
Fourth Day Talk
at a gathering,
Contact: Pennie Parker
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Windmill Emmaus 4th Day
Group is planning a
fundraiser. If you would like
to volunteer to help in any
way, contact

Glenda Martin

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Mathis, Texas

January 4th Day Speaker



Breeze Prayer List

Miguel Barrera & family

James Brooke

Frances DeGonia

Danielle DeLeon

Cindy Diller

George Fiegel

Lino Garcia

Brooke Hester

Roslyn Holland

Ann Jackson

Kimberly Lott

Ruby Loya

Ollin Pierpont

Sheryl Raschke

Toni Tamez

Beth Tatum

Susan Warner

People in need of jobs

Joe Weigang
Lay Director
Walk # 1747



Hello Windmill Emmaus Community! The team for Walk #1747 met on January 11th at the First Presbyterian Church in Beeville. Once again, the team bonded as we came together to worship and prepare for the Best Walk Ever. We heard 2 awesome talks that in true Emmaus tradition are building upon each other. Our next team meeting will be February 8th at the First Baptist Church in Karnes City.

As of this moment, there are 4 confirmed Pilgrims, 1 that has been mailed and I know of a couple other applications that are being filled out. Please be in prayer for Pilgrims for Walk #1747 as it is now time to find the ones that God is preparing to take this journey with Him. Remember that we now need 20 Pilgrims 60 days out from the Walk date, which is April 10-14, 2014, instead of the 20 days we have become accustomed to. This makes the deadline to confirm Walk #1747 is February 10, 2014 which is approaching quickly. If you have any questions or need Pilgrim or scholarship applications, please contact me at 830-583-5157 or e-mail me at jweigang@hotmail.com.

De Colores,

Joe

Terry Billman
Lay Director
Women's Walk
October 2014



I am excited and honored to serve as the Lay Director on God's Walk in October 2014. The holidays are over and January has flown by. I am in full swing now preparing for the walk. I have 8 team member applications and one pilgrim application. If you feel God tugging at you, pray about answering the call to serve. Team applications must be submitted by March 1, 2014. Team selection will be in March to select the BEST TEAM ever.

I ask you to be in prayer about the team that God will provide, but also for the 36 pilgrims that He will bring to experience God's awesome love.

Please call (361-537-7871) or email me for an application. You can also print one off the Windmill Emmaus website, <http://www.windmillemmaus.org>

Please mail applications to: Terry Billman

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Windmill Emmaus Financial Report

General Operating Fund	\$3915.81
Scholarship Fund	\$9728.00
Designated Funds	
Songbooks	\$391.00

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