



The Windmill's Breeze



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**Community
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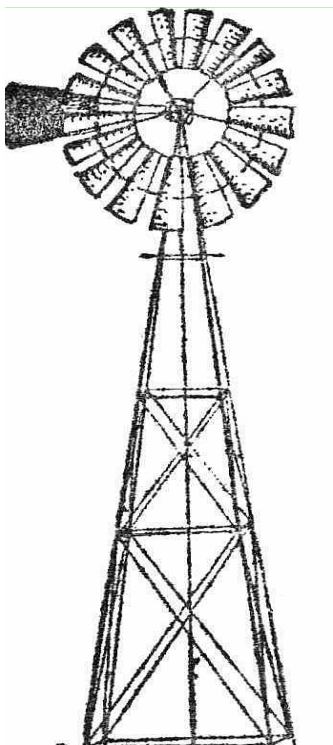
It is so hard to believe we are coming to the end of summer. It's time to start praying for all educators and the entire staff, but also all students that they have a safe year and see the light of Christ in each other.

As far as our community, we will be electing three new board members in the next couple of months. If you feel the calling to serve our community in this role, please let Tanya Calvin know by, or at, the August Gathering.

Also, on our schedule is partnering with Luis Pulido who serves as the Quartermaster for VFW Post 9170. Our Windmill Board voted to help our local veterans with a barbeque chicken fund raiser on August 16th. They will gladly accept any donations to help with the success of this. We would also like to host a bake sale in conjunction with the barbeque. Please contact Susan Pfannstiel at 361-392-3175 to let her know what delicious treat you can help us with. Our community is blessed with many great dessert makers.

July seems to have been a month of prayer. With the July 4th flash floods taking the lives and homes of so many, it seems like every few minutes I felt the need to pray. I recently saw a clip of the devastation and it said "This is a place of ascension, a place
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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



GATHERING SCHEDULE

Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship 6:30 P.M.

Worship 7:30 P.M.

Aug 21st – Tilden
Tilden Community Center

Sep 18th – George West
George West Methodist Church

Oct 16th – Beeville
First United Methodist Church

Nov 20th – Aransas Pass
Aransas Pass Methodist Church

December
NO GATHERING

**Lee Ann
Barker**

**Community
Spiritual
Director**



Wow! I sat down to write my article for the Breeze knowing I was more than a day behind. I sat down realizing that first I needed to catch my "mental and spiritual" breath before I could even begin listening to God, more less typing. As I sipped my coffee, it dawned on me that life really does seem like a race many times. We race to the grocery store when we are missing the one ingredient, we need to finish baking a cake while the rest of the batter sits in the mixing bowl. We race to the top of the corporate ladder stepping on others "heads and toes" on the way up. We race through dinner to squeeze in one more "activity" into our 24-hour day. We race so fast through our day we generally miss the many blessings God grants us from the beauty of a fresh wildflower to the unconditional love in a little one's smile. More times than not we even forget why we are "racing" in the first place or even where we are "racing" to. Most of us know there are two main types of races sprints and endurance. They are different in not only length but also in training style and running mentality. As God's children He has given us instructions on the race we are running. He has given us an example as to how to even run
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the race. He sent His son to step into this race; we call life and show us how it's done and what winning looks like to God. You see we tend to run a sprint. In those sprints of life, we see only the 100 m finish line when life is actually a marathon. We focus on the part of the "race" we want to see and miss the marathon God has called us to that leads to eternal life with Him. We wake up to an "alarm" clock, put our feet on the ground, and the race is on. We sprint through our day and at times even sprint through our prayers and Bible study to get on with the next thing. I was raised to "race". If you can move 200 round bales out of the field today, then you should get 250 tomorrow. If you can work through 300 head of cows today, then you should get 350 tomorrow. You see the race was always to top what you did the day before. We even do it to our children. If you hurry up and eat you will have time to get your bath and watch a little TV before bed. If you walk faster, we can make it to the lions while they are out sunning in their exhibit. Everything becomes a sprint in our lives leaving me to wonder what blessings we have missed and what opportunities to be a blessing fell to the wayside? Did I stack the hay as good the second day as I did the first? Did I miss any shots a cow needed trying to do 50 more? Did my kids enjoy time with family at dinner? Did the kids even want to see the lions, or did they want to study the "speed" of the tortoise? We tend to do the same thing spiritually and in our chosen walk with God. You see He hasn't called us to a pointless race where we run aimlessly around. He has called us to run with purpose; run to take our seat in Heaven with Him. 1 Corinthians 9:26 reads, "Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air." Yes, life seems like a never-ending race with no finish, with no point; but that is on us and our selfish race based on "man's" race criteria. In our humanness we set our eye on the 100-meter finish line looking for the quick wins, but God calls us to the eternal race. The race that brings us to heaven for eternity when we finish. My prayer is that we fix our eyes on Jesus at the finish line and running to Him. Knowing our race results here on earth do not matter, but busting the finish line tape in heaven is a race well run. May we all run our race with Jesus as the example to how we train to run this race and how to finish it in Glory. It's hard to grasp but speed doesn't win the gold medal with God; faith, obedience, and service does. May our race be run directed by the Holy Spirit and to the glory of the Kingdom of God.

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where Heaven met Earth, a place where Jesus came down." I found comfort in that for all the grieving we've encountered. God, please bless the Texas Hill Country. And I found this post meaningful, "In the Bible, when Job had everything, he prayed. When he had nothing, he still prayed. Prayer isn't about your circumstance, it's about who God is." I think we all know the power our prayers hold. May God bless you abundantly as July ends and August begins.

De Colores,

Judy Luna
Community Lay Director
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Regina Terry

**Lay Director
Walk # 79**

Oct 2-5, 2025



God Is Moving in Walk #79!

Dear Emmaus Community,

The upcoming Women's Walk #79 is progressing beautifully! We continue to see God's hand at work as our team grows in unity, purpose, and anticipation for what He has in store.

We're excited to share that we currently have 20 paid Pilgrim applications-praise God! Thank you to those who have already sponsored a loved one, and for those still considering it, there's still time to prayerfully invite someone to experience this powerful weekend.

Our third team meeting is scheduled for August 23rd in Pettus, TX, and with each gathering, our team continues to grow spiritually and come together with servant hearts.

Please keep our team, our speakers, and our future Pilgrims in your prayers as we prepare for this incredible journey of faith and renewal.

Let's continue to surround this walk with love, prayer, and support.

De Colores!

With gratitude,

Regina Terry

Lay Director, Women's Walk #79

Victor Gomez

**Lay Director
Walk # 80**

Apr 9-12, 2026



God is good all the time and all the time God is good!! We proclaimed this again at the last gathering. It's a consistent reminder of the transcendence of God's love and mercy. It's also a reminder of the Great Commission. In Matthew 28:16-20 Jesus reminds us "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me". He goes on to tell his disciples "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded to you and surely, I am with you always to the very end of the age".

There is a lot to unpack in the Great Commission. One element we focus on is the never-ending discipleship and spiritual growth. We do this by serving in the capacity we have been blessed with!

It is nearing the time for "Team Selection". While this is another step in the process of preparation for His transformative "walk", it makes me think about how and what Jesus went through to ensure he had who he needed to continue his mission for posterity. And it's a process He continues every day somewhere throughout the world. I pray, in thanksgiving, for his generous guidance, and I pray that his will be done in and through us all as we join the millions of others on The Journey! I know there are many ways to serve in this great Commission. If you are feeling that internal nudge, to be on this team I pray that you answer with discernment and then hopefully a resounding yes!

If you would like to be a part of the team for walk 80, Please let me know. I usually carry applications for team members and pilgrims everywhere I go so if you need one, please don't hesitate to ask.

Grace and Peace to all!

Victor Gomez, LD Walk#80

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What to know about sponsoring a pilgrim...

SPONSORSHIP

Without sponsors, there will be no pilgrims! So thank you for taking on the responsibility to sponsor a pilgrim for a walk.

A sponsor should commit to recruiting strong church leaders in order to strengthen the local church, and hopefully to become leaders of our Emmaus Community.

Being a sponsor has a lot of responsibilities...the first is to spend **LOTS OF TIME IN PRAYER!** God has already revealed the name of the pilgrim **HE** has chosen for you to sponsor, and pray for that pilgrim before, during and after their Walk.

After you've talked to your prospective pilgrim, give them an application to complete.

LETTERS: Begin getting addresses for their agape letters.

Stay in touch with your pilgrim, and make sure they know you're there to support them. Remind them of the things they need to pack.

AGAPE: You as a sponsor should take your pilgrims favorite drink and some sort of food agape and/or other agape.

Day of the Walk: Pick up your pilgrim with plenty of time to take them to eat and then on to the Walk site and help them get settled in.

After the Lay Director calls the pilgrims together, you will soon go to the Chapel for sponsors hour. It's important that you attend this time of worship. It is there that you will pray with your pilgrims lanyard and hang it on the cross that will be presented to them at the end of their walk.

CANDLELIGHT: You are to attend the Candlelight Service on Saturday night. Bring any late letters you may get for your pilgrims. Here once again you may have the opportunity to pray with your pilgrims cross. Candlelight is one of the most moving events of the Walk.

CLOSING: You are to come to closing and your pilgrim's spouse is invited to come as well. We know how excited you are to hear **ALL** about it.

But remember your responsibilities do not end at the closing...it is your responsibility to get your new pilgrim to gatherings and try to help them find a reunion group.

Encourage them to make agape for future walks, or even sign up to work a team or help where ever needed.

Your final responsibility is to **TEACH THEM TO BE A GOOD SPONSOR**, by helping them understand the responsibilities of what a good sponsor does. The best way to do this is by example.

Windmill Emmaus Community

Board Members 2025

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Victor Gomez – LD Walk #80
Mitch Luna – BR Walk #80

Windmill Emmaus Financial Report

General Operating Fund \$ 46,748.53
Scholarship Fund \$ 5,815.50
Total Funds Available \$ 40,933.03
Gathering attendance 79

If you are unable to attend monthly gatherings
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