

2025-2026 Region 3 Report

Region 3 has had a busy year preparing for the annual Gathering and we are glad you are here with us.

Lutheran Via de Cristo of North Texas

The Lutheran Via de Cristo of North Texas Secretariat meets the 3rd Thursday of every month with 15 members in attendance. Still in search of an SD, Historian, and Music coordinator.

Weekend #114 was held April 29-May 3rd and consisted of 6 pilgrims and a full staff. All our weekends are held at Bridgeport Camp and Conference Center in Bridgeport TX.

As many of our team are serving at the National Gathering in July in Seguin, we have converted the August weekend to a 4th Day Retreat to be held September 12th at King of Glory Lutheran in Dallas. The theme is "Come Follow Me". We are hoping to revitalize our 4th Day through this gathering.

A Grand Ultreya was held February 28 and upcoming Ultreyas will be held June 27 and October 17. We also have a newsletter (El Tintero) which is published 2-3 times a year for upcoming events and occasional reports from other Secretariat members. It is posted on our website. Report submitted by Sharon Dobbs, Lay Director.

Texas Lutheran Via de Cristo

Texas Lutheran Via de Cristo's weekend #105 was rescheduled to March 19-22, 2026, and was held at the Disciple Oaks Retreat Center in Gonzales, Texas. It was opened co-ed to all ages 18+. The weekend was attended by 1 gentleman and 4 women pilgrims, 11 team members in the Rollo Room, and 9 on the Palanca Team. We are looking forward to serving with our other Region 3 Secretariats in hosting the National Gathering in July of 2026.

A-OK Via de Cristo

The A-OK had a two day retreat the last weekend in October of 2025 with light but good attendance. We started out 2026 with hopes of having a weekend in March but we had to postpone it until October as the March date was not conducive to having SD participation (it fell on Palm Sunday). We are looking forward to having our next weekend in October with much anticipation.

Texas Gulf Coast Via de Cristo

Texas Gulf Coast Via de Cristo has had two weekends since the 2025 Annual Gathering. They are currently in the planning stages of weekend #13 at Camp Lone Star Pines in Tomball, TX. This camp has been our location since weekend #6 in the Spring of 2023. We are hoping this is a permanent home for TGCVdC. It fits us very well. Weekend # 11 held September 11-14 had 47 Team Members and 11 Pilgrims.

Weekend #12 held Jan 29 through February 1, 2026, had 49 Team Members and 6 Pilgrims.

We currently send out our Newsletter 3 times per year to our 4th Day. We keep our fourth day up to date with periodic e-mails and posts on our Facebook page.

At the current time a lot of our 4th day are involved in planning and participating in the 2026 Annual Gathering.