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Monthly Meditation

by Linda Alexander
GMTD Secretariat Database

CHOOSING THE HIGHER CALL

Once we become a Christ follower, our lives begin to go down a new path. We are faced with forks in the road that leave us with the guestion, "Which path do I take?" Before Christ we made choices mostly based on our feelings, likes, dislikes etc., but now that lesus is our Savior and we are his ambassadors our decisions should be based on our faith and the word of God. We are now seen differently by this world and we are being watched. Paul addresses this for us in

Corinthians 6:14-18 Don't become partners with those who reject God. How can you make a partnership out of right and wrong? That's not partnership; that's war. Is light best friends with dark? Does Christ go strolling with the Devil? Do trust and mistrust hold hands? Who would think of setting up pagan idols in God's holy Temple? But that is exactly what we are, each of us a temple in whom God lives. God himself put it this way: "I'll live in them. move into them; I'll be their God and they'll be my people. So leave the corruption and compromise; leave it for good," says God. "Don't link up with those who will pollute you. I want you all for myself. I'll be a Father to you; you'll be sons and daughters to me." The Word of the Master, God.

We are surely all called to live in this world and love those in the world but not to be partakers in their lifestyles or sin. There are many things that are blatantly a sin and others are what we would consider "grey" areas, sometimes these grey areas are different for each of us. 2Corinthians 13:5 says: 5Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? When we are faced with that "fork" in the road it is time to examine ourselves and determine what the "better way" is. Will saying yes to this path bring glory to Jesus? Or is this a step backwards that satisfies my flesh? Asking ourselves the tough questions and really being honest with ourselves that is a true sign of growing in Christ. When we make right choices it shows others where we really stand.

Jesus calls us to walk the "narrow road". Each of us have different obstacles that

we must face. Walking the "narrow road" is not always easy but it is the road that leads to life - Matthew 7:14 but small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life and only a few find it. I don't know about you but I want to find it...I want life in Christ. None of us have "arrived" we are all a work in progress. We must continue to reach higher, don't settle for where you are today in Christ, there is so much more to learn. Being a teachable student of God's word and holding fast to His word will help us choose the right path.

Joshua 22:5 But be very careful to keep the commandment and the law that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you: to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to obey his commands, to hold fast to him and to serve him with all your heart and all your soul."

Psalm 119:31 I **hold fast** to your statutes, O LORD; do not let me be put to shame.

Maranatha

GMTD #57 Men's: Sept 30-Oct 3, 2010 Rector: David Nelson Send-off:

Thurs., Sept 30 • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:

Sat., Oct 2 • 6:30 p.m. Closing:

Sun., Oct 3 • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #57 Women's: Oct 7-10, 2010 Rector: Ella Sewell Send-off:

Thurs., Oct 7 • 6:30 p.m. **Serenade:** Sat., Oct 9 • 6:30 p.m.

Closing: Sun., Oct 10 • 5:00 p.m.

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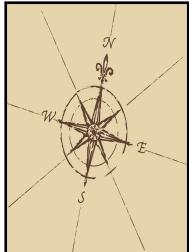
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Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 14:6

Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #57 Women's: October 7-10, 2010 Rector: Ella Sewell

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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name sake...

September 11th

by Brien Thompson

GMTD Leaders Couple

SEPTEMBER 11TH

(written on September 10th)

Tomorrow is Sept. 11th, 9 years to the day since this country endured the brutal attack on the World Trade Center, killing 3000 innocent people. This forever changed our ideal of being untouchable and unshakable by the outside world.

I can remember exactly where I was that day in 2001, as I know most of you can. My wife Gloria and I were vacationing with our Reunion Group in So. Myrtle Beach. The week that followed was unlike any we have ever had.

In disbelief, we watched the news for any information that was available on casualties, and why this had happened to us. Just as our parents had after the attack on our Naval Fleet in Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7th, 1941, we realized that it was an act of evil, designed to cripple us and instill fear and submission to an intolerant, arrogant and insensitive people.

In the days that followed the Pearl Harbor attack, the dangers were clearly understood - that they faced an enemy that was determined to dominate them and to change their way of life.

The same danger has come upon us again. We have as the core of our ideals, and guaranteed by our constitution, the right to freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

Those of us who are called Christians and have made the conscious decision to devote our lives to the service of our Lord Jesus Christ are a current focal point of those who are responsible for the attack against us on 9/11.

These same people are determined to intimidate and dominate us or kill us.

Theirs is a religion of hate; they will never share in the promise of the inheritance. Gal. 4:28, "Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise". Paul goes on to say in Gal. 4:29, "At that time the son born in the ordinary way persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now."

And today, the same struggle continues in the form of jihad or holy war brought on by radical Islamists. Radical Islamists are those who desire to impose Sharia or Islamic law on us and the world. They view their struggle as a religiously inspired and approved lihad.

So here we are on the eve of 9/11; the enemy is still at the The enemy has assaulted us with actions of violent radical Islamists: We have endured the Fort Hood massacre, the attempted Christmas day bombing, the attempted Times Square bombing, and the insult of the proposed building of a shrine in the form of a mosque at the World Trade Center. I have read that we are also being assaulted by stealth radical Islamists - those who live among us appearing peaceful, but using our laws to silently undermine our freedoms from within.

We all know that we are children of God, through faith. Paul states in Gal. 3:29, "If you belong to Christ, then you are

Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Again in Ephesians 3, Paul states, that through the Spirit he gained insight to the mystery of Christ. v. 6, "This mystery is that through the gospel, the gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus."

Because we are children of the promise, through the covenant between the Father and Abraham, we all share in this assault on our ideals, and our way of life. Because of our belief and trust in God our Father, in all things, our faith will continue to sustain us in the days ahead.

Romans 8:35-37, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?. . .No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

The thing that we fear or dread is the thing that can crush us, and can defeat us; tribulations, suffering and persecutions are the very things that can and should bring us satisfaction and confidence in our relationship with the Father!

Oswald Chambers states, "A saint doesn't know the joy of the Lord in spite of tribulation, but because of it."

2 Cor. 12:10 "That is why, for Christ sake I delight in weakness, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong." As you have probably already experienced, the really hard part is taking delight in them! However, we

must trust without losing our hope, for in times of trouble, many are aware and are watching how we deal with this adversity in our lives.

This is our opportunity to bring glory and honor to our Lord through our steadfastness and perseverance.

2 Cor. 4:17, "For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all."

Dear hearts, continue to ask this one question "What has my salvation cost me?"

In closing, "To Him who is able to keep you from failing and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy- to the only God, our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen."

Jude v 24-25

Brien Thompson GMTD#3 Table of Luke

Spiritual Directors



If you are interested in serving as a spiritual director on a GMTD weekend and haven't turned in your contact information, please contact Dale Underwood at 706-778-5180 or dale@holcomboffice.com.

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GMTD SECRETARIAT typically meets the first Friday evening of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 15, 2010 at 7 p.m. at Cleveland Community Church.

GMTD Applications may be downloaded at www.gmtd.org. Please mail to GMTD Pre-Weekend Couple, Ricky & Kathy Pruitt, 355 O'Kelly Rd., Clarkesville, GA 30523

GMTD weekend fees are \$110.

PALANCA GUIDELINES – (Please be advised that burning CDs of copyrighted music is a violation of copyright laws, and burned CD's of copyrighted music cannot be accepted as palanca.)

Table Palanca – 6 tables, minimum of 65 individual items.

Bed Palanca – 45 for candidates, 75-77 for team. Team members may receive individual bed palanca. Palanca for specific candidates will be placed in their Sunday bags.

Kitchen Palanca – 117 place settings. **Oven Palanca** – Please drop off at the Palanca room, not the kitchen.

Palanca Letters – Write the candidate's name on the letter and in the left upper corner write who the letter is from: sponsor, husband, wife, friend, etc. Letters from family and friends need to be at the camp no later than Saturday night. The earlier the better.

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return address at the top of this page.

SPONSORS Please remember to stay with your candidate until they have been completely checked in during their weekend and

all information and fees have been provided. UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO! If

your address, phone number or e-mail has changed, please notify GMTD Database Mgr., Linda Alexander, at: records-database-manager@gmtd.readyhosting.com, or 678-201-5550, or go to www.gmtd.org/

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Bless a teenager— sponsor them to Vida Nueva! "Vida Nueva" means "new life" in Spanish. Georgia Mountains Vida Nueva is for teens age 15-20. For GMVN applications, contact Andy & Courtney Morgan, P.O. Box 1984, Ellijay, GA 30540, 706-636-1896 or 706-889-3884. www.georgiamountainvn.org.

REMINDERS FROM THE SECRE-

TARIAT: Weekend rosters are confidential and are not to be used for solicitations or anything other than Tres Dias. The Secretariat would also like to remind you that it is inappropriate to bring children to send-off, closing, serenade or secuelas. Further, only those that have attended a recognized 3-day weekend may attend Tres Dias functions. We appreciate your understanding and compliance with these Tres Dias requirements.

Upcoming 2010 -2011 Weekends

Georgia Mtns. Tres Dias #57 Men's:

Sept. 30-Oct. 3, 2010 Rector, David Nelson Women's:

Oct. 7-10, 2010 Rector, Ella Sewell

Georgia Mtns. Tres Dias #58 Men's:

Feb. 17- 20, 2011
Rector, Fletcher Holliday
Women's:

Feb. 24-27, 2011 Rector, Tammy Teasley

Jamaica
Tres Dias #5
Men's:
Oct. 28-31, 2010
Rector, Michael Hall Sr.
Women's:
Nov. 4-7, 2010
Rector, Razzie Stewart

Interested in serving on a Tres Dias Team? Come to the next Secuela and sign up! To serve in Jamaica, Cuba, Canada or TDCC, contact Ron Gailey at regailey@gmail.com