

# Pescadores Progress

Georgia  Mountains Tres Dias

April 2013

## Meditation

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Pescadore

**Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, 'I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!'**

**Mark 9:24**

In the account of Jesus' ministry written by Mark, we find the story of a father who takes his son to be healed by Jesus' disciples. But they can't do it. They try, but his condition remains the same. So, when Jesus Himself comes on the scene, the father appeals to Him for help, saying, "do something for him if you can." Jesus replies, "If you can? Everything is possible for him who believes."

If I were in that father's shoes, I think I'd have felt like I just put my foot in my mouth big time...I mean, he just questioned Jesus' power to His face! But look at the interesting response..."I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!" At first, it seems like a contradictory statement. But I think in truth, most of us can probably relate to exactly what

that father in need was saying. I think he was telling Jesus that in his head, he knew that God had the power to do all things. But in his heart, he questioned whether the healing could or would come for his child, right then and there in a literal and miraculous way. He believed theologically, but maybe not practically. And I think sometimes you and I fall into the same boat.

Speaking personally, I know that God can do all things. Don't we all? From the first time we hear about God, we learn of His power and the fact that all things are possible for Him. But sometimes it's hard to believe that He's going to use that power in our lives. We believe He's capable of miracles, but we're not really expecting one...ever been there? And I think sometimes that holds us back from asking for the things we really want. I think sometimes we get too afraid that God will choose not to give us a 'yes' and that we won't be able to handle hear-

ing the 'no.' So it's easier not to ask. But do we limit God in that way?

Practically, it's true that God isn't going to choose to answer every single prayer we offer with a yes. For example, if He completely physically healed every single sick person who was prayed for, no one who was [or knew] a Christian would ever be sick or die. That's just not the way the world works...and God designed the way the world works. But sometimes He does, and He always can. So there's no harm in asking, no harm in really truly believing that He can practically display His power in our lives.

For me, this prayer of the father really hits home. I do believe, but I need Him to help my unbelief. What about you? Is this your prayer today? Do you need a reminder that God's power can really practically display itself right in front of you? SMILE and Have a blessed day; you're loved by the King!

### GMTD #65 Men's:

**May 30 - June 2, 2013**

**Rector:**

**Ricky Castleberry**

#### **Send-off:**

Thurs., May 30 • 6:30 p.m.

#### **Serenade:**

Sat., June 1 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Closing:**

Sun., June 2 • 5:00 p.m.

### GMTD #65 Women's:

**June 6 - 9, 2013**

**Rector:**

**Marla Flake**

#### **Send-off:**

Thurs., June 6 • 6:30 p.m.

#### **Serenade:**

Sat., June 8 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Closing:**

Sun., June 9 • 5:00 p.m.

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## GMTD Secretariat Position Openings

### Chairman: Jan 2014 – Dec 2016

One person Married or single male. He has previously served as a Rector on an adult weekend and has served in a Secretariat position. The Chairman must also demonstrate committee leadership and organizational skills. Responsible for overall guidance and direction of Georgia Mountains Tres Dias. Act as the lay representative of Tres Dias in meetings with clergy from participating and potentially active churches or from other movements. Act as liaison with the Tres Dias International Organization. Develop short and long range plans for expansion and growth of the community. Assist in the development of effective policies and practices. The Chairman is to preside at Secretariat meetings.

### Palanca: Jan 2014 – Dec 2016

A married couple. Pray for and then send general palanca letters to the weekends of the communities we support. Request and receive general palanca letters for Weekends of Georgia Mountains Tres Dias from other movements. Arrange for prayer palanca for each Georgia Mountain Tres Dias Weekend, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Thursday (or Send-off day if not Thursday) until 6:00 p.m. Sunday (or third day if not on Sunday) so that between these times there is an unbroken prayer vigil for the candidates, the team, the families of both, and the community. Solicit the donation of banners for the Weekend and other forms of permanent palanca. Participate in overall guidance and planning of the Tres Dias activities.

### Webmaster: Jan 2014 – Dec 2016

A single or married person. Responsible for maintaining GMTD website, including changes as needed for upcoming weekends, secuelas, and publishing newsletters to the web.

**All Secretariat members** must have the following qualifications:

- A. Maintain a lifestyle commensurate with Biblical leadership.
- B. Demonstrate a record of support of the Tres Dias movement.
- C. Have served at least three teams.
- D. Possess the skills required by Secretariat job descriptions.

If you or someone you know is willing to be considered, please contact any member of the Secretariat prior to May 3, 2013 for the Chairman position and prior to June 14, 2013 for the Palanca or Webmaster positions. All Secretariat positions are filled by nomination from the GMTD community and then election by the sitting GMTD Secretariat board.

For additional information on these openings and the requirements of those who will fill the position(s), please refer to the GMTD Constitution and Bylaws at the following link:

<http://gmtd.org/GMTD%20Constitution%20and%20By%20Laws.pdf>

### Upcoming Tres Dias Weekends

#### Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #66

**Men's:**  
Sept. 26 - 29, 2013  
**Women's:**  
Oct. 3 - 6, 2013

#### Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #67

**Men's:**  
Feb. 20 - 23, 2014  
**Women's:**  
Feb. 27 - Mar. 2, 2014

### It Only Gets Better...

#### Church Bulletin Bloopers:

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

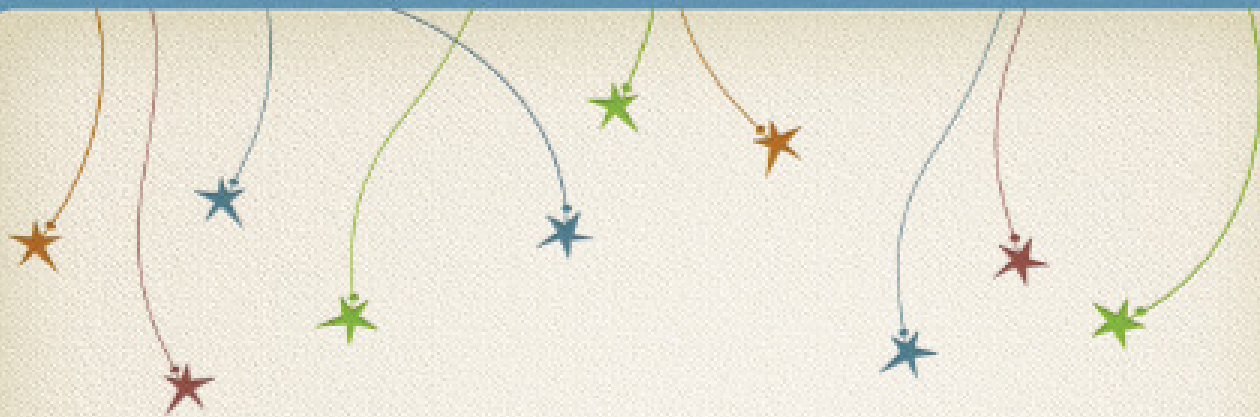
A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girldes for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.



# Spring Secuela

Saturday, April 20th 2013

6:00 PM

*East Ellijay Baptist Church*

672 Yukon Rd.

Ellijay, GA 30536

\* Bring your favorite covered dish to share,  
enough to serve at least 10 people.

\* Childcare will NOT be provided.



*Sponsors, if you have sponsored candidates, please plan to bring them to the Secuela or make arrangements for another GMTD Community member to bring them.*

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### GMTD Secretariat Members

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Leaders-B .....	Dwayne & Pam Watkins .....	706-273-0869
Pre-Weekend .....	George & Gail Drake .....	770-318-4851
Fourth Day .....	Dan & Jerilyn Harder .....	404-509-2460
Palanca .....	Don & Melanie Pruitt .....	706-864-0374
Weekend .....	Tony & Ella Sewell .....	404-488-2173
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## Announcements & Reminders

**GMTD SECRETARIAT:** The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 3, 2013 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at North Grove Hall in Dahlonega, GA

**GMTD Applications** may be downloaded at [www.gmt.org](http://www.gmt.org). Please mail to:

GMTD Pre-Weekend Couple  
George & Gail Drake  
2638 Waters Edge Drive  
Gainesville, GA 30534

When sending, please include \$10.00 application fee. Please call Gail at 770-318-4851 C or 770-718-1052 H.

**GMTD weekend fees are \$110.**

**PALANCA GUIDELINES** – (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.

**SUBSCRIBE TO THE PESCADORE'S PROGRESS** at [www.gmt.org](http://www.gmt.org). To receive your Pescadore's Progress in the U.S. mail, please send your name and address to the 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 Manager, Lisa Mitchell at:

[records-database-manager@gmt.readyhosting.com](mailto:records-database-manager@gmt.readyhosting.com),

or 770-842-5423, or go to

[www.gmt.org/PescadoreUpdateForm](http://www.gmt.org/PescadoreUpdateForm). The database is confidential and for GMTD use only to contact sponsors, team members, rector nominees, secretariat nominees, and for general GMTD purposes.

### REMINDERS FROM THE SECRETARIAT:

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.

## Vida Nueva



Vida Nueva is a weekend retreat for young men and women ages 15-20. Vida Nueva is Spanish for "New Life" and like the Tres Dias, VN weekends are intended as an encounter with Jesus Christ. The weekends are similar to the structure of a Tres Dias weekend with certain changes to make it more relevant for teens. VN weekends begin on Friday evening and end on Sunday evening. The cost to sponsor someone on a VN weekend is \$80. If you have a teenager who you would like to sponsor, you can download an application at the web-site [www.gmvn.net](http://www.gmvn.net). A group of teens who have made a Vida Nueva weekend recently put together a video to tell what VN has meant to them. The video can be found at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=8DNV99f2Hko](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8DNV99f2Hko). Georgia Mountains VN currently holds two sets of weekends a year, one in the fall and one in the spring. The next set of weekends are October 25 - 27, 2013 for the Young Women and November 1 - 3, 2013 for the Young Men.