

Pescadores Progress



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Honesty

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GMTD Secretariat - Palanca Couple

A. THE CODE

"Honesty is the best policy." Benjamin Franklin

ITS ALSO ONE OF THE HARDEST; Why? Because it brings awkwardness, conflict, frustration, sometimes stress, uncertainty.

Billy Joel's song "HONESTY" says,

But if you look for truthfulness
You might just as well be blind
It always seems to be so hard to give
Honesty is such a lonely word
Everyone is so untrue
Honesty is hardly ever heard
And its mostly what I need from you

Mark Twain said, "There's one way to find out if a man is honest: ask him; if he says yes, you know he's crooked."

This Is How Our World Thinks: the reason why honesty needs to be a part of the CODE here is: we cannot have a successful team where the members have each others' backs if we're not willing to be honest with each other.

Jesus taught us to give Grace, but speak truth. Proverbs 27:17 says, 'As iron sharpens iron, a friend sharpens a friend.'

The definition of honesty refers to a facet of moral character and connotes positive and virtuous attributes such as truthfulness,

and straightforwardness. IT takes courage to be honest with one another. Jesus was honest with us and courageous enough to give his 100%. Why do we hold back from each other that last 10%?

Honesty is more than not lying. It is truth telling, truth speaking, truth living, and truth loving.

Ephesians 4:15 says, 'Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is in the Head, that is, Christ Jesus.'

B. HOW DO I SPEAK IN TRUTH?

Even though we may be being honest, going up to someone and telling them I don't like you accomplishes nothing because it is not done in love.

If "iron is going to sharpen iron," you must speak truth in love. Instead of saying that we may ask, "I sense some tension, are we ok? Or let's go to dinner and talk this out."

"Therefore putting away lying, 'Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,' for we are members of one another." Ephesians 4:25

Sometimes honesty is difficult, sometimes painful; honesty is always God's commandment though. God did not say "Thou shalt not bear false witness when its convenient, nor Thou shalt not bear false witness most of the time." God said, "Thou shalt not bear false witness." Period.

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GMTD #69 Men's:

September 25 - 28, 2014

Rector:

Kevin Barrett

Send-off:

Thurs., Sept. 25 • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:

Sat., Sept. 27 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun., Sept. 28 • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #69 Women's:

October 2 - 5, 2014

Rector:

Sandy Merickle

Send-off:

Thurs., Oct. 2 • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:

Sat., Oct. 4 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun., Oct. 5 • 5:00 p.m.

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GMTD Single Women #9

July 31 - August 3, 2014

Rector: Pam Layfield

¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

John 4:13-15



Dear Brother and Sisters of Georgia Mountains Tres Dias,

Today is August 7, 2014 and one week ago today 37 beautiful women who were chosen by God walked through the doors of the Camp of Colors. We were so excited with the anticipation of what God was going to do. We were already amazed at what God had done through the team meetings and we knew that God was going to show His glory! What I know is their lives were changed forever because they sat at the well with Jesus and drank of the water that their souls longed for – A spring of water welling up to eternal life.

All this week I have prayed and asked God how can I describe the weekend? There are no words that can explain. It is like trying to explain the Holy Spirit, you have to experience Him. What I will tell you is that Jesus was there, He walked the halls, He sat with us at meals, He sat at the table of Esther, Rebekah, Rachel, Ruth, Elizabeth, and Sarah. He was with the prayer

chas every night as they walked the camp of colors and in the dorm rooms with the team and candidates. Jesus was among the mighty men of God who blessed us on Saturday night. On Sunday as the women who came in on Thursday night wounded, broken, feeling rejected and unworthy got up at closing and told that they were worthy, that His grace is sufficient and they wear the righteousness of Jesus Christ through the blood He shed for them, I am sure that Jesus wept with tears of joy. I can just hear Him saying "I did it all for you!"

I would like to thank the GMTD community for the prayer palanca, oven palanca, and the abundance of palanca that blessed these women. I cannot say thank you enough to the mighty men of God who came on Saturday night to bless not only the candidates but the team. These women were blessed and needed to see godly men who would take time away from their families and travel to show the love of Christ.

I would like to share something for future rectors. At the orientation meeting I was told that God had called me to lead the spiritual part of the weekend and to seek Him above everything else. To be honest it frightened me, what if I don't hear from God, what if I don't get a vision. But I prayed and sat with Jesus at the well. One of the hardest things to do was let go of the team. God showed me that I needed to do everything I could to make His vision for the weekend clear to the team but I must let them go and let them do what He called them to do. It has been the sweetest time of my life and my love for Him is deeper than it has ever been. He took care of every detail!

I will close by saying this – TO GOD BE THE GLORY, GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE! – DE COLORES

Pam Layfield

Rector for GMSW #9

Welcome New Pescadores!

Table of Ruth

Wanda Dimas
Rhonda Holloday
Alison Hughes
Kristi Towe
Lynn Tschudi
Denise Youngblood

Table of Elizabeth

Tracey Berry
Macy Biddulph
Ashley Dunson
Kathy Pendley
Michelle Whitfield
Billie VanDyke

Table of Rachel

Shirley Banks
Joan Hamby
Hayley Jones
Kori Lanier
Joan Matheson
Regina Roberts

Table of Sarah

Melanie Benfield
Sharon Davis
Debra Duke
Jena Hopper
Bethany Jones
Gay Love

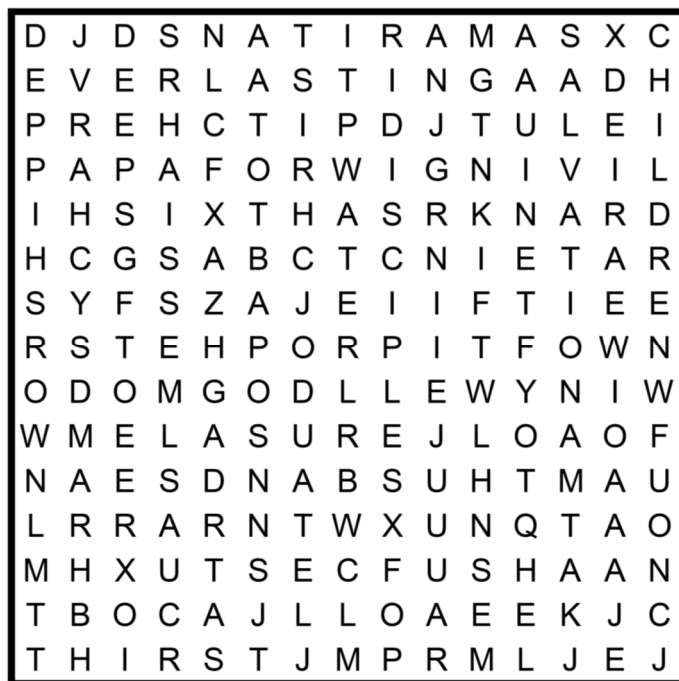
Table of Rebekah

LeeAnne Beck
Pam Carnes
Bobbie Dyer
Evelyn Hernandez
Stephanie Miller
Beth Umerhandt

Table of Esther

Kim Dunson
Deb Graves
Gina Lovell
Chelsea Mathis
Georgia McCracken
Buffie Phagan
Debbie Shore

Woman At The Well Word Search



**CATTLE
CHILDREN
CHRIST
CITY**

**DEEP
DISCIPLES
DRANK
DRINK**

**EVERLASTING
FATHER
GIFT
GOD**

**HOUS
HUSBANDS
JACOB
JESUS
JEWS
LIFE
LIVING
MEAT
MESSIAH
MOUNTAIN
PITCHER
PROPHET
SALVATION
SAMARITAN
SAT
SIXTH
SPIRIT
SYCHAR
THIRST
WATER
WEARIED
WELL
WOMAN
WORSHIEPPED**

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Tres Dias Teams



**Interested in
serving on a
Tres Dias
team?**

Go to www.gmtd.org or
come to the next Secuela to
sign up!

Upcoming Weekends

Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #70

Men's: Feb. 19 - 22, 2015

Women's: Feb. 26 - Mar. 1, 2015

Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #71

Men's: May 28 - 31, 2015

Women's: June 4 - 7, 2015

Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #72

Men's: Oct. 1 - 4, 2015

Women's: Oct. 8 - 11, 2015

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Sometime soon, perhaps even today, you will be tempted to bend the truth or perhaps even to break it. Please resist that temptation. Truth is God's way and it must also be yours.

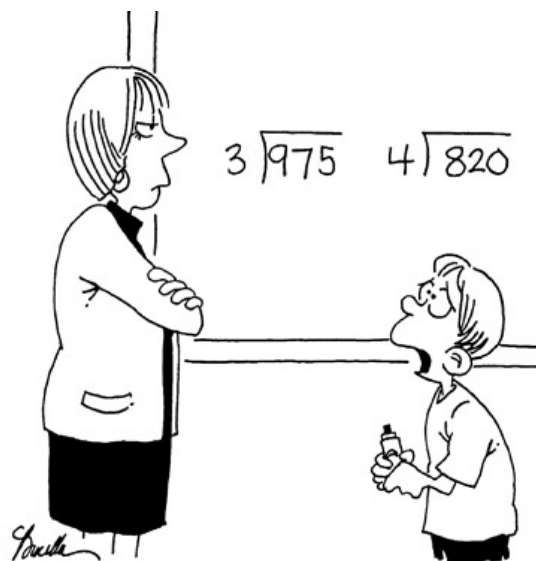
The single most important element in any humans relationship is honesty - with oneself, with God, and with others. A person who really cares about his or her neighbor, a person who genuinely loves others, is a person who bears witness to the truth.

Lord, You are a God of truth; let me be a person of truth as You have asked me to be. Sometimes speaking the truth is difficult, but when I am weak or fearful Lord, give me the strength to speak words that are worthy of the One who created me, so that others might see Your eternal truth reflected in my words and my deeds. Amen.

De Colores

Lester Miller

It Keeps Getting Better...



"IS THERE SOME PLACE I CAN SIGN UP FOR
A 'DO NOT CALL ON ME' LIST?"

Announcements & Reminders

GMTD SECRETARIAT: The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 12, 2014 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at United Community Bank in Dahlonega, GA

GMTD Applications may be downloaded at www.gmtd.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, 80 for

team. Team members may receive individual bed palanca. Palanca for specific candidates will be placed in their Sunday bags.

Kitchen Palanca – 125 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.gmtd.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@gmtd.readyhosting.com, or 770-842-5423, or go to www.gmtd.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.gmtnet.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=8D9V99f2Hko. 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 November 6 - 9, 2014 for the Young Women and November 13 - 16, 2014 for the Young Men.

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Chairman.....	Milton Underwood.....	706-499-5019
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Fourth Day (In-training).....	Dave & Wilna Vinke.....	678-612-9901
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Leaders-B.....	Ron & Debbie Gailey.....	706-878-6686
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