Reflection

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Leaders Couple -- GMTD Secretariat

While I was praying for God's guidance for this meditation He kept taking me back to when I attended Tres Dias in February 2005. I was like many others who have attended a weekend in that I was there because my wife wanted to attend.

After hearing a bunch of nuts sing a song about chickens, and riding an old bus through the country side of Dahlonega, or Dawsonville, or where ever it was, I was uncertain about the weekend.

That Thursday night when we went to the chapel, Mike Underwood the Rector began reading the time of personal reflection and things started getting better. I had never heard the Ten Commandments worded that way before. They spoke to me and started helping me to allow God to do what He wanted for me on the weekend.

I would like to read the commandments again now just as they are read on a weekend. Take a moment as you read them to reflect on your life now just as you did on your Tres Dias weekend.

1. You shall have no other gods before me. Love of God

Thought: Do I fear, love or trust anyone or anything more than God?

Word: Have I neglected my prayers, morning, night and mealtime?

Deed: Have I always placed God first and my own work & pleasures second?

2. You shall not make for yourself an idol. No idols

Thought: Do I desire to be like anything or person other than God?

Word: Do I speak my words of highest honor, praise, and glory to anything, person or organization other than God?

Deed: Do I perform my greatest works of service for anything, person, or organization other than God?

3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Honor God's name.

Thought: Have I wished evil upon another for the wrong they have done to me?

Word: Has my conversation been mingled with profanity?

Deed: Have I given offense to my neighbor by misusing God's name?

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GMTD #75 Men's:

Sept 22 - Sept 25, 2016 Rector:

Nick Waldon

Send-off:

Thurs., Sept 22 • 6:30 p.m. **Serenade:**

Sat., Sept 24 • 6:30 p.m. Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun., Sept 25 • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #75 Women's: Sept 29 - Oct 2, 2016

Sept 29 - Oct 2, 2016 Rector:

Gina Brazinski

Send-off:

Thurs., Sept 29 • 6:30 p.m. **Serenade:**

Sat., Oct I • 6:30 p.m. Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun., Oct 2 • 5:00 p.m.

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4. Observe the Sabbath day to keep it Holy. Honor God's day

Thought: Have I thought lightly of God's Word and His Sacraments?

Word: Have I spoken unkindly of my Church, Pastor, or Teachers?

Deed: Have I permitted sleep, work, or pleasure to interfere with my attendance at Church services?

5. Honor you Father and your Mother. Respect your parents

Thought: Have I despised or thought evil toward my parents?

Word: Have I purposely said things to anger parent, neighbors, or employ-

ers?

Deed: Have I in any way been disobedient or disrespectful to parents or lawful superiors?

6. You shall not murder. No murder

Thought: Do I secretly or openly hate anyone?

Word: Am I continually quarreling, nagging or teasing?

Deed: Am I guilty of drunkenness, gluttony or other excess? Am I doing all I can to save and to sustain the life of those less fortunate than I?

7. You shall not commit adultery. No adultery

Thought: Have I indulged in immoral thoughts and lustful desires?

Word: Do I delight in hearing or telling obscene stories and jokes?

Deed: Have I committed an unclean deed with another or alone?

8. You shall not steal. No stealing

Thought: Have I schemed or plotted to gain another's possessions?

Word: Have I misrepresented goods in selling or trading?

Deed: Have I contributed regularly and generously to my church?

9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. No false witness

Thought: Am I holding any grudges?

Word: Is there anyone to whom I am not speaking?

Deed: Have I listened to or spread gossip about anyone?

10. Thou shall not covet your neighbor's wife/husband, your neighbor's house, his field, his man servant, his female servant, his ox, his donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. No coveting

Thought: Am I jealous or envious of others?

Word: Do I continually grumble or complain?

Deed: Have I tricked or cheated another out of his property, possessions

or friends?

These commandments are wonderful guidelines to use in our daily lives. In preparing this meditation I thought as I read these again, that I am so thankful that we have the new covenant! Romans 6:14 says "For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace." Follow that verse with Ephesians 2:8 "For grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God."

Hallelujah! We don't have to try to follow laws. We can by love for our Savior read His word and follow the guidance of His Sweet Spirit in our lives to be saved and live a life pleasing to Him and joyful for us.

Tres Dias Teams



Interested in serving on a Tres Dias team?

Go to <u>www.gmtd.org</u> or come to the next Secuela to sign up!



UPCOMING WEEKENDS

GMTD #75

Men: Sept, 22 - 25, 2016 Women: Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 2016

GMTD #76

Men: Feb. 2 - 5, 2017 **Women:** Feb. 9 - 12, 2017

GMTD #77

Men: May 18 - 21, 2017 **Women:** May 25 -28, 2017

GMTD #74 Men's May 26 - 29, 2016 **Rector: Joey Terrell**

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous, be strong. Do everything in love. 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

and addictions that were released. As on this weekend. men we are called to be men of courage and lead our families. We were challenged to lay down Facebook and

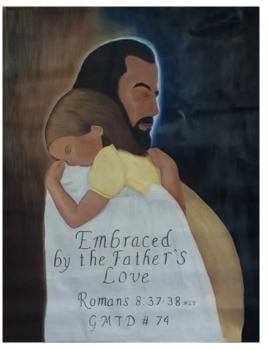
We had an awesome weekend! The pickup God's book, cancel satellite TV team let Jesus show through them and and spend time with our family and poured love on the men of GMTD #74. children. It was an absolute honor and Not only were lives changed but fami- blessing to be the rector of GMTD #74 lies were also because of the baggage and serve with the mighty men of God

Joey Terrell, Rector - GMTD #74



Welcome New Pescadores!

Table of Luke	Table of Peter	Table of Mark	Table of Matthew	Table of John	Table of Paul
Chad Cooper	Wayne Mize	David (King) Smith	Devin Welborn	Dennis Forrester	Donnie Lamb
Will Gissendanner	Eric Verhelst	Jason (Jay) Hartley	Brandon Horner	Yunior (Jr) Ramirez	Shawn Gragg
Anthony (Chop) Pruitt	Joseph (Joe) Ricciardi	Tim Goza	Bryan Schmidt	Josh Trotman	Elijah (Eli) Rollins
John Herrin	Stevan Smith	Steven Yorkey	Mitchell (Mitch) King	Alex Perdomo	Ben Pace
DJ Collins	Greg Lewallen	Joseph (Joe) Swing	Jonathan Henson	Mathew (Matt) Holmes	Christian Chartrand
Edwin Ordonez	Charley Brooks		Tim Newbon		Donald (Matt) Tolbert
Table of Ruth	Table of Elizabeth	Table of Rachel	Table of Sarah	Table of Rebekah	Table of Esther
Amy Smith	Olga Ramirez	Lindsey Dionne	Melissa Brooks	Elisa Wehunt	Stacy Pruitt
Emily Herrin	Christi Cooper	Kate Bushey	Jennifer Gragg	Courtney Brooks	Jane Smith
Blake Forrest	Zicri Betancourt	Patsy Hamby	Kasey Nored	Sandy Frias	Alicia Terrell
Belissa Prince	Kim Bango	Kim McPherson	Brenda Underwood	Lynn Smith	Susan Williams
Ana Willis	Shelia Swing	Tina Mize	Tasha Tolbert	Stephanie Perdomo	Amanda Yorkey
Mary Brown	Ann Forrester	Amanda Callow	Heather Schmidt	Angela Griffin	Shushana Young
Katherine Beras				Romona Rowell	Tammy Sweat



GMTD #74 Women's June 2 - 5, 2016 Rector: Patty Wilson

No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can every separate us from God's love. Rom. 8:37-38

"Embraced by the Father's Love" was the theme God gave the ladies of GMTD #74. The love that we felt was overwhelming. Thirteen ladies made decisions and new commitments to God. The healing that the Lord poured out was unmeasurable and grace was sufficient. The team was a perfect representation of his love. They served in sweetness and surrender to our Father. The scriptures for the weekend was Romans 8:37-38 NTL. No, despite all of these things overwhelming victory is ours through Christ who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. I felt early on that God was going to bring us women with father issues and he did just that. God showed us what a "Good, Good Father" he is and all he asked of us, was to come to him as a child. God embraced and healed the hearts of his little girls. I will be forever grateful and humbled, that the Lord saw fit for me to experience this weekend, serving as rector. May we always feel the overwhelming victory and the embrace of the Father's I ove.

> Patty Wilson **GMTD #17** Table of Esther Rector GMTD #74

Announcements & Reminders

GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 5, 2016 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at United Community Bank in Dahlonega, GA

GMTD APPLICATIONS

GMTD applications may be downloaded at www.gmtd.org. Please mail to:

GMTD Pre-Weekend Couple Kevin & Holly Salisbury 3910 Argentite Way Cumming, GA 30040

When sending, please include \$10.00 application fee. Please call Holly at 770-876-4059 or email at hksalisbury@gmail.com with any questions.

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.

PESCADORE'S PROGRESS

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, address and weekend attended to:

Pam Layfield 1688 Antioch Church Road Talking Rock, GA 30175 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 IN-FO!

If your address, phone number or email has changed, please notify GMTD Database Manager, Anthony Franklin at:

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 SEC-RETARIAT

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.

GMTD Secretariat Members

Chairman	Milton Underwood	706-671-7905
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	Debbie Turco	
	Dave & Wilna Vinke	
	Mark & Lisa McClure	
Leaders-B	Randall & Cindy Hallford	706-768-4599
	Pam Layfield	
Palanca	Lester & Beth Miller	770-633-0847
Palanca (In Training)	Glen & Donna Nix	770-654-7611
Pre-Weekend	Kevin & Holly Salisbury	770-235-6619
Secretary	Gina Brazinski	770-540-1953
Spiritual Director	Ron Glaze	770-499-7846
Treasurer	Jon & Debbie Newcomer	770-490-5755
Webmaster	James Maynard	706-809-2579
Webmaster (In Training)	Brad Whitener	706-499-2790
	Trev & Kenia Smith	

Find e-mail contact info at www.gmtd.org

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. 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. Georgia Mountains VN currently holds two sets of weekends a year, one in the spring and one in the fall. The next set of weekends are November 4-6, 2016 for the Young Women and November 10-12, 2016 for the Young Men.