

# Pescadores Progress



September 2017

## Meditation - So You Say You Believe

By Jon Newcomer, Treasurer GMTD

We call ourselves Christians who one day will die and go to heaven. What does it take to be a Christian? In its simplest form, we are told that we need to believe that Jesus died on the cross for our sins. John 3:16 says it this way, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life". If we look in the Old Testament, Genesis 15:6 says of Abraham, "And he believed in the Lord and He accounted it to him for righteousness."

The church expanded on this with the Apostles' Creed which was said to be a statement of belief used by the Apostles as early as 150 A.D. It states as follows:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; \* (He descended into hell)  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\*\* church,  
the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

I was brought up believing that these were the basic tenets of our Christian faith and you needed to believe all of this to get through the Gate. I certainly believed intellectually, so I was good to go.

I have spent a lot of time studying Apologetics which is the historical defense of the scripture. This again was a way to establish an intellectual faith. This was all that I needed. Ephesians 2:8 says it plain and clear, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not by yourselves; it is a gift of God, not of your works, lest anyone should boast".

There is a difference here. Ephesians 2:8 uses the word faith not believe. How are these different. The dictionary defines believe as: accept (something) as true or feel sure of the truth of. The definition of faith is: complete trust or confidence in someone or something or another definition which is perhaps more appropriate here, faith is a strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof. I suppose there is a slight difference here, believe is more scientific based on facts. Apologetically the scripture holds water under this definition when the research is done. Faith as the definition says is based more on spiritual apprehension rather than proof.

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### GMTD #78 Men's:

Sept 21-24, 2017

**Rector: Jon Newcomer**

**Send-off:**

Thurs., Sept 21 • 6:30 p.m.

**Serenade:**

Sat., Sept 23 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

**Closing:**

Sun., Sept 24 • 5:00 p.m.

### GMTD #78 Women's:

Sept 28-Oct 1, 2017

**Rector: Pati Dobson**

**Send-off:**

Thurs., Sept 28 • 6:30 p.m.

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**Closing:**

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# GMTD #78 - Men's September 21-September 24, 2017 Rector: Jon Newcomer



*"Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly." - Micah 6:8*

Rector .....	Jon Newcomer	Prof. Silent.....	Chris Chatham	Table.....	David Boron	Kitchen .....	Jon Hoialmen
Head Cha.....	Keith Boger	Prof. Silent.....	Bill King	Table.....	Johnny Holbrook	Kitchen .....	Joe Johnston
Asst. Head Cha.....	Erick Wilkins	Prof. Silent.....	Doug Markle	Table.....	Bobby Maxwell	Kitchen .....	Brian Marciniak
Spir. Director .....	Mark Porado	Prof. Silent.....	Steven Roach	Table.....	Raymond Posey	Kitchen .....	Blake Noblitt
Spir. Director .....	Jason Jones	Head Prayer .....	Anthony Franklin	Table.....	Mark Wiese	Kitchen .....	Earl Humphries
Spir. Director .....	Jim Finch	Prayer.....	Kevin Barrett	Head Storeroom.....	Randy Garrett	Kitchen .....	Kenyon Jarrard
BUR.....	Randall Hallford	Prayer.....	John Epps	Storeroom.....	Matt Tolbert	Kitchen .....	Mark Behrens
Rover.....	Ben Brantley	Prayer.....	Eric Leiter	Floater/Supply.....	Tim Canup	Kitchen .....	Robert Yearwood
Support Cha.....	Kevin Hill	Prayer.....	Ben Matheson	Head Gopher.....	Bill Pittman	Kitchen .....	Travis Rylee
Worship Cha .....	Jon Heard	Prayer.....	Paul Moran	Gopher.....	Brian Cartwright	Kitchen .....	Tony Spencer
Tech Cha .....	Greg Ryan	Head Palanca.....	Joey Terrell	Head Chapel.....	Nick Waldon	Kitchen .....	Danny Teater
Communication .....	Fletcher Holliday	Palanca.....	Jeremy Perry	Chapel.....	Ernie Garrett	Kitchen .....	Randall Thompson
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Prof. Piety .....	Keith Canup	Head Dorm.....	Larry Weaver	Head Kitchen.....	Chris Owenby	Kitchen .....	Seth Patton
Prof. Study.....	Josh Lord	Dorm.....	Brad Payne	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Vashawn Vernon		
Prof. Action.....	Nathan McIntyre	Dorm.....	Kevin Shaw	Kitchen.....	James Arthur		
Prof. Leaders.....	Ricky Castleberry	Dorm.....	Race Thornton	Kitchen.....	Matthew Beazley		
Prof. Environment.....	Doug Mooney	Dorm.....	Jeff Price	Kitchen.....	Les Brinson		
Prof. CCIA.....	Rollie Bevers	Head Table.....	Brad Whitener	Kitchen.....	Ivan Buice		
Prof. Reunion .....	Ernie Garrett	Table.....	Tre Ash	Kitchen.....	Clark Henson		

# GMTD #78 Women's September 28-October 1, 2017 Rector Pati Dobson



*"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." - Phil 4:13*  
*"Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." - John 1:29*

Rector .....	Pati Dobson	Prof. CCIA.....	Stacy Parks	Table.....	Wilna Vinke	Kitchen.....	Rebecca Thurman
Head Cha.....	Taleka Holbrook	Prof. Reunion.....	Stephanie Pitts	Table.....	Brandy McIntyre	Kitchen.....	Jessica Hart
Asst. Head Cha.....	Kay Ward	Prof. Silent.....	Bridget Foster	Table.....	Denise Hudson	Kitchen.....	Stephanie Peardon
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Spir. Director .....	Keith Andrews	Prof. Silent.....	Tonya Dunn	Table.....	Robin Johnson	Kitchen.....	Rachel Fields
Spir. Director .....	Hal Stinespring	Prof. Silent.....	Shay Dean	Table.....	Melisa Fincher	Kitchen.....	Susan Shaw
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Mins. Support.....	Rhonda Andrews	Prayer.....	Jenalee Duncan	Storeroom.....	Staci Pealock	Kitchen.....	Jennifer King
Mins. Support.....	Clare Stinespring	Prayer.....	Kathy McIntyre	Floater/Supply.....	Bootsie Johnston	Kitchen.....	Rita Carroll
BUR .....	Pam Layfield	Prayer.....	Kelly Haynes	Head Gopher.....	June Bozeman	Kitchen.....	Sheila Green
Rover.....	Seresia Garrett	Prayer.....	Kathy Crawford	Gopher.....	Hallie Cobb	Kitchen.....	Kelly Moody
Support Cha.....	Donna Nix	Prayer.....	Debbie Turco	Head Chapel .....	Shirley Odom	Kitchen.....	Emily Perry
Worship Cha .....	Laurel Reece	Head Palanca.....	Mickey Hill	Chapel .....	Shelly Morrow	Kitchen.....	Shushana Young
Tech Cha .....	Debra Franklin	Palanca.....	Ginger Monroe	Chapel .....	Jayne Wilson	Kitchen.....	Amy Hornsby
Communication .....	Carol Hall	Palanca.....	Amanda Gordon	Head Kit.....	Tracie Terrell	Kitchen.....	Donya Miller
Prof. Ideal.....	Crystal White	Head Dorm.....	Shelley Seabolt	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Marla Flake		
Prof. Church .....	Cindy Padgett	Dorm.....	Diana Cartwright	Kitchen.....	Cinda Ward		
Prof. Piety .....	Jamie Dunkerly	Dorm.....	Martha Hall	Kitchen.....	Silvia Corwin		
Prof. Study.....	Trisha Bailey	Dorm.....	Stephanie Pitts	Kitchen.....	Alisa Green		
Prof. Action.....	Tina Knight	Dorm.....	Angie Gibby	Kitchen.....	Juli Schlicht		
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So, we start to get into a quagmire here. What do we do? Well I turn to scripture. Hebrews 11 is known as the faith chapter. This seems like a good place to start. Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Verse 3, By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. Hebrews 11 continues by describing the actions of great men and women of faith in the Old Testament, Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham and Sarah. These stories are using actions to demonstrate faith. I thought actions did not matter. It can be confusing.

From Hebrews, let's turn to James. We will start at James 2:18, "But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works. Verse 19 continues, "You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe --- and tremble!" This causes us intellectual types problems. Let me finish with the rest of James 2 beginning with verse 20: "But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead? Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered his son on the altar? Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect? And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of God. You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only. Likewise, was not Rahab the harlot also justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead. So now we know that our faith or belief is perfected (and/or demonstrated) by our actions. What should our actions be? I could wrap it up here and say simply, "act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God." Let's go a little further.

In Matthew 22 when Jesus was asked "which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." Two key points, one it's all about love and two all the Law and Prophets hang on this. This helps me conclude that it's

love, love, love. I like the sermon by Graham Cooke when he says about God that He loves you, because He loves you, because He loves you, because He loves you, because He loves you, because He loves you, because that is what He is like. It is his nature to love. 1 John 4:8 states, "Whoever does not **love** does not know **God**, because **God is love**."

This is again punctuated by Galatians 5:22, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." It is no surprise that the first of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13 is known as the love chapter. It reads as follows :

**13** If I speak in the tongues<sup>[a]</sup> of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. **2** If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. **3** If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast,<sup>[b]</sup> but do not have love, I gain nothing. **4** Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. **5** It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. **6** Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. **7** It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. **8** Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. **9** For we know in part and we prophesy in part, **10** but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. **11** When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. **12** For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. **13** And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

So, if we want to know what actions we should do to perfect our faith, Jesus wraps it up in John 13:

**34** "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. **35** By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly. De Colores

## Tres Dias Teams

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

**Go to [www.gmtd.org](http://www.gmtd.org) or come to the next Secuela to sign up!**



## UPCOMING WEEKENDS

**GMTD #79**  
**Men:** Feb 15-18, 2018  
**Women:** Feb 22-25, 2018

**GMTD #80**  
**Men:** May 24-27, 2018  
**Women:** May 31-June 3, 2018



## Announcements & Reminders

### GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 6, 2017 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at United Community Bank in Dahlgonega, GA

### GMTD APPLICATIONS

GMTD applications may be downloaded at [www.gmtd.org](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.gmtd.org). To receive your Pescadore's Progress in the U.S. mail, please send your name, address and weekend attended to:

Monica Epps  
241 Arbor Hills Road North  
Talking Rock, GA 30175

### SPONSORS

Please remember to stay with your candidate until they have been com-

pletely 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, Anthony Franklin at:

[www.gmtd.org/PescadoreUpdateForm](http://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, sere-nade, or secuelas. We appreciate your understanding and compliance with these Tres Dias requirements.

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Weekend .....	Trey & Kenia Smith .....	678-936-0213
Worship .....	Jon Heard .....	404-379-4641

Find e-mail contact info at [www.gmtd.org](http://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.gmtnet.net](http://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=8DNV99f2Hko](https://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 3-5, 2017 for the Young Women and November 10-12, 2017 for the Young Men.





*This event is open to everyone!*

*Not just those with motorcycles!*

*For any questions please see the below flyer for contact information.*



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