

Pescadores Progress



September 2018

Meditation -

By Layne Frantz, Secretary

As you read this meditation, you may be in a season of weariness. Some of you may be tired, fatigued, have very full schedules as you juggle families, work, deadlines, service commitments, Church & ministry. When I hit a weary place in my journey, I pick up and reread The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. I am now in my 4th read. It is a great reminder of why we are here and the Kingdom work for which we are designed. The verse we all remember well is *Galatians 6:9-Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.* So, I reread Rick's book when I need a new perspective on how tired and weary I may be "feeling." The book is rich with God's word and His Word is true, not my "feelings" and sure enough...refreshment comes with a new commitment and fresh new purpose in my heart and spirit. I am reminded that Jesus taught that spiritual maturity is never an end unto itself. Maturity is for ministry. We grow up in order to give out. I am speaking to the choir today (the GMTD community).

We have all learned this in our ingrained teaching on piety, study, and action. The action is why we

continue to serve our brothers and sisters in our Church, environments, communities, and on Tres Dias weekends. It is our vision and desire to serve God in a ministry that impacts an individual to be transformed into all that God would have them be and go out and make a difference in someone else's life. Rick states that "if we are not serving, we are just existing;" "we are to love and serve and that service is the pathway to real significance." "Our lives will take on eternal importance." We each find our meaning and function as a part of His body, but Paul says it best in 1 Corinthians, Chapter 12, where he speaks of all the parts working together.

As we serve Abba Father on these upcoming Fall weekends, we have 157 team members, and they are each unique, like stained glass with different personalities reflecting God's light in many different colors and patterns. The team will bless the GMTD candidates with their variety and depth of personality and loving spirits. When you minister to the Pescadores with the serving, loving personality that God has given you

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GMTD #81 Men's:

Sept 20-23, 2018

Rector: Anthony Franklin

Send-off:

Thurs., Sept 20 • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:

Sat., Sept 22 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun., Sept 23 • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #81 Women's:

Sept 27-30, 2018

Rector: Rhonda Andrews

Send-off:

Thurs., Sept 27 • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:

Sat., Sept 26 • 6:30 p.m.

Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:

Sun, Sept 30 • 5:00 p.m.

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GMTD #81 - Men's

September 20-23, 2018

Rector: Anthony Franklin

"Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. Your filth will be washed away, and you will no longer worship idols. And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations. Ezekiel 36:25-27"

Rector.....	Anthony Franklin	Prof. Silent	Mark Thurmond	Table.....	Ben Matheson	Kitchen.....	Mike McClure
Head Cha	Larry Weaver	Prof. Silent	Jamie Wade	Table.....	Seth Glaze	Kitchen.....	Robbie Burrell
Asst. Head Cha	Greg Brock	Prof. Silent	Jamie Kastner	Table.....	Donatus Carroll	Kitchen.....	Charlie Bauder
Spir. Director	Mark Porado	Head Prayer	David Turpin	Table.....	Vashawn Vernon	Kitchen.....	Russell Vann
Spir. Director	Teddy King	Prayer	Brien Thompson	Head Storeroom.....	Jimmy Cash	Kitchen.....	Harry Williams
Spir. Director	Jake Trowell	Prayer	Kevin Barrett	Storeroom.....	Trey Smith	Kitchen.....	Eric Leiter
BUR.....	Fletcher Holliday	Prayer	David Cameron	Floater/Supply	Raymond Posey	Kitchen.....	Chris Chatham
Rover	Steven Roach	Prayer	Lee Cantrell	Head Gopher	Jim Finch	Kitchen.....	Keith Canup
Support Cha	Chris Owenby	Prayer	Brian Carter	Gopher.....	Jamie Wertherton	Kitchen.....	Casey Weaver
Worship Cha.....	Ty Barrett	Head Palanca	Kern Parks	Head Chapel	Randy Eller	Kitchen.....	Danny Teater
Tech Cha.....	Brad Whitener	Palanca.....	Cliff Brown	Chapel	Charles Holcomb	Kitchen.....	Michael Clark
Communication	Greg Purcell	Palanca.....	Peter Alden	Chapel	Doug Patterson	Kitchen.....	Ryan Gerrald
Prof. Ideals	Wesley Newcomer	Palanca.....	Travis Rylee	Chapel	Mike Hall Jr.		
Prof. Church.....	Dwayne Pollard	Head Dorm	Mark Behrens	Head Kitchen	Jon Newcomer		
Prof. Piety.....	Jon Heard	Dorm	David Bledsoe	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Scott Long		
Prof. Study	Eric Wilkens	Dorm	Barry Eaton	Kitchen.....	Matthew Plewa		
Prof. Action	Justin Lindsey	Dorm	Brent Shubert	Kitchen.....	Jeff Tontono		
Prof. Leaders	Kevin Hill	Dorm	Mark Wiese	Kitchen.....	Bobby Maxwell		
Prof. Environment	Ward Frost	Head Table	Ernie Garrett	Kitchen.....	Marvin Roach		
Prof. CCIA.....	Gabe Grant	Table	Tony Massengill	Kitchen.....	Donnie Warcop		
Prof. Reunion	Glen Nix	Table	Allen Holcomb	Kitchen.....	Peyton Griffin		

GMTD #81 –Women's

September 27-30, 2018

Rector: Rhonda Andrews

"Then he said to me, 'Speak a prophetic message to these bones and say, 'Dry bones, listen to the word of the LORD! This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Look! I am going to put breath into you and make you live again! I will put flesh and muscles on you and cover you with skin. I will put breath into you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD.'" Ezekiel 37:4-6"

Rector.....	Rhonda Andrews	Prof. CCIA.....	Tina Knight	Table.....	Becky Brown	Kitchen.....	Jessie DeLong
Head Cha	Billie Cameron	Prof. Reunion	Pam Layfield	Table.....	Debra Branson	Kitchen.....	Jessica Dodd
Asst. Head Cha	Stacy Parks	Prof. Silent	Bobbie Pate	Table.....	Jenna Ingrassia	Kitchen.....	Kathy Pendley
Spir. Director	Chad Smith	Prof. Silent	Debbie Gilleland	Table.....	Katie Nicholson	Kitchen.....	Lynnette Chatham
Spir. Director	Dale Underwood	Prof. Silent	Joye Dodd	Table.....	Tammy Teasley	Kitchen.....	Michelle Trowell
Spir. Director	Hal Stinespring	Head Prayer	Linda Alexander	Head Storeroom.....	Jane Holcomb	Kitchen.....	Mindi Canupp
Mins. Support	Danette Smith	Prayer	Billi Kilgore	Storeroom.....	Sharon Goodson	Kitchen.....	Sheila Jones
Mins. Support	Marie Underwood	Prayer	Jamie Dunkerly	Floater/Supply	Pati Dobson	Kitchen.....	Stephanie Shubert
Mins. Support	Clare Stinespring	Prayer	Jana Wehrstein	Head Gopher	Judy Canup	Kitchen.....	Tandi Burrell
BUR.....	Tracie Terrell	Prayer	Patty Turpin	Gopher.....	Nancy Holliday	Kitchen.....	Tiffany Campbell
Rover	Debbie Newcomer	Prayer	Samantha Smith	Head Chapel	Staci Pealock	Kitchen.....	Tonia Gilmore
Support Cha	Donna Nix	Head Palanca	Monica Epps	Chapel	Laurel King	Kitchen.....	Tricia Owenby
Worship Cha.....	Deborah Roach	Palanca.....	Jennifer Howard	Chapel	Layla Patterson		
Tech Cha.....	Lisa Mitchell	Palanca.....	Kim Canup	Chapel	Melissa Gragg		
Communication	Kelly Haynes	Palanca.....	Lisa Gettys	Head Kit.....	Aletha Barrett		
Prof. Ideals	Jordan Sosebee	Head Dorm	Carol Hall	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Loretta Dalton		
Prof. Church.....	Kathy Myers	Dorm	Eileen Payne	Kitchen.....	Amber McSwain		
Prof. Piety.....	Holli Usher	Dorm	Lauren Anderson	Kitchen.....	Bianca Hubble		
Prof. Study	Allison Eller	Dorm	Sharon Topai	Kitchen.....	Elizabeth Whitehead		
Prof. Action	Katie Carrol	Dorm	Silvia Corwin	Kitchen.....	Gina Libbin		
Prof. Leaders	Gwen Wetherton	Head Table	Angie English	Kitchen.....	Jan Popadiuk		
Prof. Envir.	Wanda Shirley	Table	Melanie Shurtleff	Kitchen.....	Jessica Chastain		

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along with your special gifts and abilities (from His rich storehouse of gifts-Ephesians 4:7), the candidates and your Pescadore teammates receive the fruit of your efforts. In essence, you are modeling Christ and His light and you are a sweet fragrance (pleasing aroma) as you operate in your unique callings and gifts.

We are to keep on growing in our knowledge and understanding (Philippians 1:9) and as Paul reminded Timothy (2 Timothy 1:6): "Kindle afresh the gift of God which is in you." While we are about the "action" part of our calling, we need to resist exaggerations, avoid comparisons, and seek only God's commendation. When we do this, we will find favor and good reputation within our family, workplace, the Church, and the Tres Dias community (Proverbs 22:1).

Another reminder of service that is reinforced during team training and meetings is there are no small or insignificant areas of service on a Tres Dias weekend. I would be remiss if I did not remind you (and myself) that small tasks often show big heart. Many times a true servant's heart is revealed in little acts that others will not do or do not think of. Rick gave the example of Paul gathering brushwood for a fire to warm everyone after a shipwreck. Paul was just as exhausted as everyone else, but he did what everyone needed. No task is beneath us when we have a true serving heart.

The foundation of servanthood is knowing our identity in Christ. Because servants remember they are loved and accepted by grace, we do not have to prove our worth. You will willingly accept jobs that insecure people would consider "beneath" them. We can never forget the secure self-image of Jesus washing feet. Washing feet was completely devoid of status but Jesus knew

who He was, so the task did not threaten His self-image. Rick states "If we are going to be a servant, you must settle your identity in Christ." As a secure people, we can serve without worry, protective pride, pretensions, and with freedom from the unrealistic expectations of others.

As an encouragement: God sees you finishing your tasks, fulfilling your responsibilities, keeping your promises, and completing your commitments. He sees that you never leave the job half done and you do not quit when you get discouraged. He sees you are trustworthy and dependable. He sees your faithfulness and knows that you do not serve for the approval or applause of others; you live for an audience of One. Paul says "If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ" (Galatians 1:10).

Abba Father wants us to know: What really matters is not the duration of our life, but the donation of it. Not how long we live, but how we have lived. Paul says in Hebrews, Chapter 6, that God will not forget how hard you have worked for Him and how you have shown your love to Him by caring and serving His people. As we follow after the only One worthy of following, let His words refresh us during the weary times in our journey - like water in a desert. John 12:26 (NIV): My Father will honor the one who serves me.

De Colores!

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

GMTD #82

Men: Jan 31-Feb 3, 2019

Women: Feb 7-10, 2019

GMTD #83

Men: May 30-June 2, 2019

Women: June 6-9, 2019



Announcements & Reminders

GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 5, 2018 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at United Community Bank in Dahlonga, GA.

GMTD APPLICATIONS

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

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

Please call Holly at 770-876-4059 or email at hksalisbury@gmail.com with any questions.

GMTD weekend fee is \$110 per person.

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.gmt.org. To receive your Pescadore's Progress in the U.S. mail, please send your name, address and weekend attended to:

Kim Echols
95 Crystal Creek Way
Jasper, GA 30143

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, Anthony Franklin at: 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. We appreciate your understanding and compliance with these Tres Dias requirements.

GMTD Secretariat Members

Chairman	Fletcher Holliday.....	770-401-0308
Database	Anthony Franklin	706-968-8739
Database (In Training)	Greg Purcell.....	706-768-6897
Food Supply.....	Debbie Turco.....	770-656-7378
Fourth Day.....	Raymond & Donna Posey.....	706-973-0757
Leaders-A.....	Kevin & Mickey Hill	706-768-5301
Leaders-B.....	Randall & Cindy Hallford	706-768-4599
Leaders-B (In Training)	Rick & Mary Martinez.....	470-248-8719
Newsletter.....	Kim Echols.....	770-380-5565
Palanca	Glen & Donna Nix.....	770-654-7611
Pre-Weekend	Kevin & Holly Salisbury	770-235-6619
Secretary	Layne Frantz.....	706-692-6267
Spiritual Director.....	Ron Glaze	706-499-7846
Treasurer.....	Jon & Debbie Newcomer	770-490-5755
Treasurer (In Training)	Brian & Diana Cartwright	706-244-4173
Webmaster	Brad Whitener	706-499-2790
Weekend	Trey & Kenia Smith.....	678-936-0213
Weekend (In Training).....	Chris & Chrissy Owenby.....	706-768-5325
Worship Director.....	Todd Pealock.....	706-949-4251

Georgia Mountains 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.gmvm.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 April 4-7, 2019 for the Young Women and April 11-14, 2019 for the Young Men.





GMTD SECUELA

Saturday, October 27, 2018

6:00 p.m.

The Torch

800 Cannon Bridge Road

Demorest, GA 30535

The Secuela will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Come and get a HUGE blessing!

Bring your favorite covered dish, enough to feed 10 people.

SPONSORS: If you have sponsored candidates, please bring them to the Secuela. If you are unable to, please make other arrangements to get them there.

CHILDCARE NOT PROVIDED

Please make other arrangements for your children. Thank you!