

# Pescadores Progress



## *What is for Christmas?*

*By Sam Snider,*

*Spiritual Director*

"Hey dad, hey mom, what do you want for Christmas?"

It is that time of the year when we get the yearly question. What do you want? When you get to a certain age you are thinking about what to buy for kids and grandkids. You want to be sure and spend the same on each category. When I say category I mean you cannot spend more for one grand than another. You want to check the number of gifts purchased so that each

child feels special. You worry about getting one big gift for one son and daughter in law while multiple smaller gifts for another son and daughter in law. Will everyone be happy? Will the \$100 set of dolls for a grand daughter be in the closet in two weeks? Will the remote controlled truck work outside as well as inside for grandson number one? And what about

those grands who have not reached 2 years old yet? Will they play with the box more than the toy?

Oh and of course there is the checking on prices. With phone in hand, Amazon on line, we march through Target. Making sure we are saving that extra dollar by making the trip to

three stores and finally ordering from the online store. And my wife is the best. With me in tow she works fast. She knows I have a short shelf life for these trips. She asks for my opinion to keep me interested. But I know my real job is to find a way to stuff the 55 inch TV into the back of the car without breaking the more fragile gifts.

But what do I want for Christmas? What does my wife want for

Christmas? We normally buy some more junk for each other as needed. We try and come up with some items for our kids to spend their well earned money on. But what do we really want? My wife recently reposted a facebook answer which we both find perfect. I want my children to love Jesus.

My children ask me the same question each year. After thinking about it, I decided to give them my real answer:  
What do you want for Christmas?  
I want you to keep coming around.  
I want you to ask me questions.  
Ask my advice. Tell me your problems.  
Ask for my opinion. Ask for my help.  
I want you to come over and rant about your problems. Rant about life. Tell me about your job. Your worries. Your classes.  
I want you to continue sharing your life with me.  
Come over and laugh with me, or laugh at me.  
I don't care. Hearing you laugh is music to me.  
I want you to spend your money making a better life for you.  
I have the things I need.  
I want to see you happy and healthy.  
When you ask me what I want for Christmas, I say "Nothing" because you've already been giving me my gift all year. I want you.  
*fl/AndreyLopezParis*

## December 2019

GMTD #85 Men's:  
Feb 13-16, 2020

Rector: Randy Goodson  
Send-off:  
Thurs., Feb 13th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:  
Sat., Feb 15th • 6:30 p.m.  
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:  
Sun., Feb 16th • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #85 Women's:  
Feb 20-23, 2020

Rector: Billie Cameron  
Send-off:  
Thurs., Feb 20th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:  
Sat., Feb 22th • 6:30 p.m.  
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:  
Sun., Feb 23th • 5:00 p.m.

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# Secretariat Spotlight-Secretary!!!

The Constitution and By-laws state the following in regards to the Secretary: the Secretary can be a single or married person. The Secretary serves as recording secretary for the Secretariat of the community. He/She assists in the development of effective policies and practice transcribing her/his own minutes and distributes minutes of the meetings to members of the Secretariat for review/approval. The secretary will update and maintain the Essentials of Tres Dias, Georgia Mountains Tres Dias Practice and Policy Manual, and the Georgia Mountains Tres Dias Constitution and Bylaws including job descriptions of each Secretariat position. The Secretary also participates in the overall guidance and planning of the Tres Dias activities.

## Your Current Secretary

### Layne Frantz

Layne Frantz currently serves on the GMTD Secretariat as Secretary. She & her husband Ron have been married for 45 years and have 3 children; Kyle (& wife Elesha), Nicholas, & Katie (& husband Jamey). They have 2 grandchildren; Caulder & Maclain. Layne and Ron attended GMTD Weekend #26 in February 2001 and their weekend had such a positive influence on their married & family life. They have been active in serving and sponsoring for 18 years. They attend Living Word Church in Jasper where they have served in various ministries for the last 25 years. They both are very blessed to be a part of the GMTD community and hope to continue serving and sponsoring for many years to come.



Psalms 40- He lifted me from the miry clay and put my feet on a rock and a new song in my mouth!

# Announcements & Reminders

## GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is January 10, 2020 at the Dahlonga Assembly of God at 7pm.

## GMTD APPLICATIONS

The quickest way to register to attend a weekend is to go to [gmtd.org](http://gmtd.org), select application and click online application twice. Fill out the Online Registration and Submit. You can also download and print an application which then can be completed and scanned to email to [gmdapps@gmail.com](mailto:gmdapps@gmail.com). If you are unable to email, then place the completed application in an envelope and mail to:

**Stephen & Beth Dacus**

**ATTN: GMTD**

**8340 Waldrip Rd**

**Gainesville, GA 30506**

For additional info, email questions to [gmdapps@gmail.com](mailto:gmdapps@gmail.com) or call 678-575-3724.

**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, 81 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](http://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 email has changed, please notify GMTD Database Manager, Greg Purcell at [gregcpurcell@gmail.com](mailto:gregcpurcell@gmail.com)

*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
Chairman Elect.....	Kevin Hill.....	706-768-5301
Database.....	Greg Purcell.....	706-768-6897
Food Supply.....	Bill & Casandra King.....	678-591-2195
Fourth Day.....	Raymond & Donna Posey .....	706-973-0757
Leaders-A.....	Kevin & Mickey Hill.....	706-768-5301
Leaders-A (In Training).....	Randy and Marla Flake.....	706-344-8338
Leaders-B .....	Rick & Mary Martinez.....	470-248-8719
Newsletter.....	Kim Echols.....	678-378-5335
Palanca .....	Glen & Donna Nix.....	770-654-7611
Palanca (In Training).....	Darryl & Eileen Payne.....	770-894-2708
Pre-Weekend.....	Kevin & Holly Salisbury .....	770-235-6619
Pre-Weekend (In Training).....	Stephen & Beth Dacus.....	678-469-1035
Secretary .....	Layne Frantz.....	706-692-6267
Secretary (In Training).....	Linda Townes.....	770-654-3702
Spiritual Director.....	Sam Snider.....	706-889-4096
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Webmaster .....	Brad Whitener.....	706-499-2790
Webmaster (In Training).....	Bryan Epps.....	678-557-8076
Weekend .....	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 and is \$100 for team members. If you have a teenager who you would like to sponsor, you can download an application at the web-site [www.gmvm.net](http://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](http://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 March 26-29, 2020 for the Young Women and April 2-5, 2020 for the Young Men.

