

Pescadores Progress



New Beginnings

By Kevin Hill, Chairman

I know that the title of this meditation is not unique or original but it's something that's on many peoples mind this time of year. January 1st of every year brings a time of reflection of past successes and failures, then a time of planning out what we would like to see happen this year.

Last year could have been a year that made you realize how much we count on God to hold our little world together. A loss of a job, a death of a loved one, or even our health taking a turn for the worse can send us to our knees asking our Father, why us... Of course we know that living in a fallen world that it rains on the just and the unjust and these things are bound to happen. All of a sudden, we start experiencing a new normal and could mean stretching us in ways that hurt a little. A new year means a new start and new beginnings.

Last year could have been a year of abundant blessings. A new child or grandchild, a new job, financial blessings, or remission from a deadly disease. I pray that you hit your knees for this also with

thanksgiving and praise. Again we start a new year but with a little more joy than sorrow. New beginnings.

Being in a community with so many people, you get involved with their lives, their ups and their downs. We are all experiencing life and what it has for us not knowing the future but knowing the promises. At times my heart is breaking and other times it's full of love and hope. Hope, the drive that keeps us going and love, the glue that holds it all together.

As of January 1st, I have stepped into the role of Chairman for Georgia Mountains Tres Dias and for me this is a new beginning. Looking back on a weekend in 2003 I never imagined that I could be a leader for a community that all of a sudden meant so much to me. All I knew was that it was a time for a change and that day forward, it has been. It was a choice I made and one that I make every day, to be more like Jesus. As I lead this community I hope and pray that I will be exactly what is needed and that grace will be extended when I fall short. Isaiah 43:18-19 "Forget the former things; do not dwell in the past. See, I am doing a new thing!" Wow, what a weekend verse. Jesus saw what I was but also saw what I could be. To God be the glory!

January 2020

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-Fourth Day!!!

The Constitution and By-laws state the following about the Fourth Day position on the Secretariat. The Fourth Day role may be filled by a single or married person or married couple. The Fourth Day Person/ couple is responsible to ensure that the following is provided to the team and new Pescadores for each GMTD weekend that is held; photos; Secuela announcement flyer; Sponsor letter; Rosters for team and candidates; New Pescadores letter (new Pescadores bag only). The practice has been for one or both to be present at the weekend on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m., to take the weekend photo as this is the approximate time in the script. The Fourth Day Person/Couple is also responsible to schedule the Secuelas throughout the year in conjunction with weekend events. An available church facility is scheduled with the appropriate representatives at that location. The following also needs to be scheduled: Supplies and food; worship leader and sound tech, if needed; Spiritual Director for Communion Meditation; Host Couple to give direction for the evening, as well as share about their "Fourth Day", as an introduction to testimonies. Reunion groups should be emphasized and encouraged whenever possible. Participate in overall guidance and planning of the Tres Dias activities.

Your Current Fourth Day Couple

Raymond and Donna Posey

Raymond and Donna Posey currently serve on the GMTD Secretariat as the Fourth Day Couple. They have been married for 30 years and have 3 children; Matthew (&wife-Beth), Jonathan (&wife-Katie) and Jordan (& wifeMarjie). They are blessed with 10 grandchildren: Cali, Ben, Marla, Georgia, Taylor, Loden, Maddy, Etta Mae, Julia Jean and Hannah. Raymond and Donna attended GMTD weekend #63 in the fall of 2012 and every facet of their lives were changed. They have continued to be active by serving and sponsoring since that amazing weekend. They attend Christ Fel-



lowship Church in Dawsonville where they serve in multiple areas and are part of the administration for CF Cares Food Ministry. They pray fervently to continue to be able to serve, sponsor other people and consider themselves blessed to be part of the GMTD community.

Psalm 91: 4 He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

Announcements & Reminders

GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is February 7, 2020 at the United Community Bank in Dahlonega at 7pm.

GMTD APPLICATIONS

The quickest way to register to attend a weekend is to go to 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 gmd-dapps@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 gmd-dapps@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. 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

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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, Greg Purcell at 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

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

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.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 March 26-29, 2020 for the Young Women and April 2-5, 2020 for the Young Men.

