

# Pescadores Progress



## Are you REALLY praying?

By: Kim Echols, Newsletter

*1 Timothy 2: 1-2 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity"*

*(1 Timothy 2:1-2).*

This verse has resounded in me for some time now. I contemplated on asking others what they thought of it, but decided it would be best to listen to the Holy Spirit first.

We all know it is good to pray. I think that we get lost on HOW to pray though. This verse gives us some good instruction.

First, it uses the word "supplications" which means to plead humbly. Then we go right into the instruction of 'prayers' directly. Well we all know what that is! Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield! Next is "intercessions" which is the action of intervening on behalf of another. Lastly, there is the instruction of "thanksgiving", so as we are pleading humbly and asking for the benefit of others we are to do it with a joyful heart. Ok, I got this!

Now, I am going to REALLY pray. It is a good feeling isn't it? You have talked to your heavenly Father about someone you love, humbly pleading on the behalf of a family member, a friend, someone that I work with, or maybe a friend of a friend.

That is a EVERYONE, just like the verse says, right? Nope, wrong! Everyone includes "kings and all who are in high positions". Whoa now, buddy! With the lack of 'kings' I would suggest that our modern day version of this would Presidents, Congress, Representatives, Governors, Mayors, City Council Members, etc.?

Then Galatians 3:28 came to mind. It says, "28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. " And I heard him say, nor Republican, Democrat or Independent and my heart broke! Because you see, it is easy to pray for those that we love, we know, or we feel sorry for. It isn't so easy to pray for those we judge or hate.

In the age of social media and the 'let me tell you what I THINK/how I FEEL about this or that, it is pretty obvious that a lot of Christians are caught up in the commotion of what our country is going through. Our televisions broadcast only the bad stuff and those seeds turn into thoughts and over time become a condition of the heart that no Christian should have.

But why should I pray for those that come against us? "So that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity" the verse tells us. I can also say that Psalm 51:10, which says, "Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me" has become a daily prayer during this time. And, I will be praying it for you too!

It is in obedience that I write this to you Tres Dias family. In the midst of this world and less ability to gather with believers we are going to have to guard ourselves less we be turned away from the Bible's instruction in this and other things. Let us not get distracted by the world or what the others around us are doing. Let us instead keep our focus on Jesus, trust God is in control and know that our eternity is secure.

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## September 2020

GMTD #86 Men's:  
April 15-18, 2021

Rector: Glen Nix  
Send-off:  
Thurs., April 15th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:  
Sat., April 17th • 6:30 p.m.  
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:  
Sun., April 18th • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #86 Women's:  
April 22-25, 2021

Rector: Eileen Payne

Send-off:  
Thurs., April 22nd • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:  
Sat., April 24th • 6:30 p.m.  
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:  
Sun., April 25th • 5:00 p.m.

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## In Memory of...



Ms. Buffie Michelle Phagan, 47, of Dahlonega passed away Saturday, August 29, 2020 at her residence following an extended illness.

Born on March 12, 1973 in Habersham County, she was the daughter of Linda Fair Rider and the late Robert Eugene Rider. She was employed with Hall County Fire Services where she was a billing clerk. She was a member of Browns Chapel.

Buffie attend Georgia Mountain Tres Dias Single Women #9, served the community on numerous occasions and blessed those around her no matter where she might be.

Memorial Park Funeral Home, 2030 Memorial Park Road, Gainesville, GA 30504 was in charge of arrangements.

## **Nominations!!!**

The Secretariat is currently seeking Pescadores interested in serving in the

*Newsletter*

*Worship Leader*

*Weekend Couple*

Please see any member of the Secretariat for details. Nominations are rapidly approaching, so don't delay!

## -Secretariat Spotlight-

### Food Couple!!!

The Constitution and By-laws state the following about the Food Couple/Person: this position can be held by a single or married person or a married couple. The Food Couple is responsible for all matters pertaining to the physical assets and arrangements for the weekend regarding food and food preparation. The Food Couple is to communicate with the Head/Assistant Head Kitchen Chas on



the budget, requested menu, food and supplies provided by GMTD for the weekend. They are also responsible for the storage of Georgia Mountain Tres Dias kitchen and food supplies and must maintain an accurate inventory of supplies and food items, and purchase them as needed for each weekend. The Food Couple also arranges for the transportation of the kitchen and food supplies to and from the weekend site and supervises the take down of all kitchen and food supplies as well as the cleaning of the kitchen facility at the close of the weekend. They are to prepare an accurate record of the kitchen expenses for the Treasurer on a per weekend basis and participate in overall guidance and planning of Tres Dias activities.

#### Your Current Food Couple—Bill and Cassandra King

Bill and Cassandra King currently serve as the Food Supply couple for Georgia Mountains Tres Dias. They live in Bethlehem, GA with their two fur babies Bella and Emma. They are parents to their beautiful daughter, Alisha, and amazing son-in-law, Stanley. They also have a precious grandbaby, Owen. They have been happily married for twenty-four years and cannot wait for the next twenty-four.

The Kings attended GMTD #77 where not only were their lives changed but they wanted every person to experience the extravagant love of Jesus the Tres Dias weekend offers. Both Bill and Cassandra have served on subsequent weekends and they consider it an honor to do so.

Bill and Cassandra recently moved to worship and attend Covenant Connections Church in Flowery Branch where they feel the LORD is going to bring them to the next level and will use them for His Kingdom.

Bill's verse is "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13 and Cassandra's verse is "The LORD your God is in your midst, a Mighty Warrior who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by his love; He will exult over you with loud singing." Zephaniah 3:17

# Announcements & Reminders

## GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, Sept 4th at 7 p.m. The meeting's location is TBD.

### Be a SPONSOR!!!

Sponsoring a candidate is easy. Visit the web-site [gmtd.org](http://gmtd.org), click on the application tab, and click Online Application. Fill out the application and submit. It's that easy! If you can't do an online application, you can also download an application to print using the same links from [gmtd.org](http://gmtd.org). After you fill out the application, you can scan it or take a picture of it and email to [gmtdapps@gmail.com](mailto:gmtdapps@gmail.com). And, if all else fails, you can put the application in an envelope and mail USPS to:

Stephen and Beth Dacus

ATTN: GMTD

8340 Waldrup Rd

Gainesville, GA 30506

Please call Stephen at 678-469-1035 or email at [gmtdapps@gmail.com](mailto:gmtdapps@gmail.com) with any questions.

**GMTD** weekend fee is **\$130** 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 and 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

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 [gregpurcell@gmail.com](mailto:gregpurcell@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.

## SPONSORS

### GMTD Secretariat Members

Chairman .....	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
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Secretary (In Training).....	Linda Towns .....	770-654-3702
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Treasurer .....	Brian & Diana Cartwright.....	706-244-4173
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Weekend .....	Chris & Chrissy Owenby.....	706-768-5325
Worship Director .....	Todd Peacock .....	706-949-4251

Find e-mail contact info at [www.gmt.org](http://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](http://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](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.

