

Pescadores Progress



Meditation ~ Obedience

So, here we are, almost three months into another year. A popular question to ask someone is "did you make any New Year's resolutions this year"?

Here are a couple of New Year's resolutions that I liked (these are not my own!)

- * I resolve to buy new clothes big enough to account for next year's holidays.
- * I resolve to lose weight... by hiding it somewhere you'll never find it.
- * And my personal favorite, I resolve to be just a little bit nicer to people...who do exactly what I want.

So, to turn this question around, what would I tell God if he were to ask me, what would my New Year's resolution be to Him?

If there is one thought I had it is around "OBEDIENCE". How obedient am I to God?

Think about that for a second, what is the one thing that really gets under your skin with your kids? Would you agree it is disobedience?

When they do something exactly against your will and they understand clearly, they should not have done it? I think God feels the same way when I am disobedient. God as the Father and I as the child. Thankfully, I am under grace, meaning that I can confess my sin to Him, and He is sovereign to forgive. I think all of us are OK in understanding the big items regarding obedience, what we have heard all our life. "do not steal, do not kill, do not covet", etc. etc. I got those...

What about the smaller items? Things that maybe we don't even equate to necessarily "coming from God"? Do you remember Ananias? In a vision, God had told him that he should help Saul regain his sight. Ananias was well aware of Saul persecuting Christians without remorse. So, he protested. Think about the blessing Ananias would have missed if he would have given into fear. He laid his hands on Saul

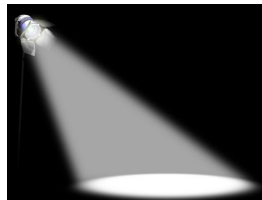
and immediately Saul's vision was restored. Ananias was obedient.

Do you remember Peter? Peter and the other fisherman had been on the boat fishing all night and all night their nets were empty. Jesus boarded the boat and as they moved away from shore, Jesus asked that they throw their nets out. Peter protested, "Lord we have been out here all night and caught nothing". Finally, Peter relented. Not only were the nets full, but Peter saw witness to the miracle, he, and everyone on the boat. Oh, and don't forget the people that were fed by the fish! All because one man said yes. He was obedient.

Secretariat Spotlight:

Worship Director

It's an honor for me to serve as Worship Director for the Georgia Mountains Tres Dias Community. My wife Tina and I attended GMTD #47 and it was an incredible experience. Tina and I both grew up in very loving homes, but it was as if we were feeling love for the first time on our weekends. We each felt God's love in such an amazing and personal way. Tina and I were high school sweethearts and we have been married for over 31 years. We enjoy date nights and Tina loves to go thrifting and I enjoy playing golf. Tina is an OR Nurse at Stephens County Hospital and I am the Executive Pastor at The Pointe Church. We have two beautiful daughters. Jordan is a nurse and is married to Keaton Yearwood who is a physical therapist. Kaitlan married Dawson Prince in November and she is a first grade teacher at Liberty Elementary.



March 2022

GMTD #88 Men's:
May 12-15, 2022

Rector: Clint Shurtleff
Send-off:
Thurs., May 12th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:
Sat., May 14th • 6:30 p.m.
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:
Sun., May 15 • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #88 Women's:
September 19-22, 2022

Rector: Jerilyn Harder
Send-off:
Thurs., May 19th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:
Sat., May 21st • 6:30 p.m.
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:
Sun., May 22nd • 5:00 p.m.

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Tres Dias is a powerful tool in the hand of our amazing Savior - Jesus. He uses the weekends to love, heal, deliver, save and renew anyone who opens their hearts to His presence!

Decolores, Gary Knight GMTD #47



Meditation ~ A Refreshing

Have you ever felt that your life needed refreshing? Just like you sometimes need to hit “Refresh” on your browser while working on an internet site, there may have been times in your life when you needed to hit reset (or even “Control-Alt-Delete), and begin again. Maybe you felt dry or stale, or maybe you had a death in your family, went through a divorce, or maybe you became an empty-nester. Romans 12:2 says “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” Over the past two years I have felt that I needed a renewing...not just of my mind, but of my life. The scripture I referenced continues by saying “Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is – His good, pleasing and perfect will. When I began to feel the need to “refresh,” I did not feel that I had been living fully in God’s will for about a decade. I wondered how different these recent years might have been if I had kept my mind renewed? And more importantly, how much better might the rest of my life be if I intentionally “refreshed” now?

What happens if we don’t stay refreshed? We know that there are times in our Christian walk when life can get tough. We are told to EXPECT that as Christians. We can go through all kinds of situations and circumstances...even traumas or devastation...that we have no explanation for. We ask how did this happen? Why did this happen? These situations may be due to an attack of the enemy or they may be due to a poor decision on our part. But no matter what led us to these circumstances,

they can rob us of our joy and sometimes even our faith. We might doubt that God is with us, feeling that our prayers aren’t being answered or even heard by God. Have you ever been there? I sure have. It can become like the proverbial “snowball,” where your doubts grow, then your Bible reading, your prayers and your quiet time with God become less and less frequent (which of course is the last thing that needs to happen). Then in turn you become even more discouraged, and the cycle continues. Maybe you even become depressed and isolate yourself from everyone, even God or maybe especially God. Consequently, we can never underestimate the power of God’s word to refresh us. Someone who meditates on His word night and day is like a tree planted by streams of water, always soaking in His supernatural power to bring us peace, joy, wisdom, and all the wonderful things that come from communicating with the Father.

During this season of feeling the need to refresh, renew, and yes...even “Delete” unhealthy things and people from my life, I had to do a lot of introspection and self-evaluation. A milestone birthday in November made me look even more closely at everything and everyone I surround myself with, knowing that as I turned 60 I needed to be more intentional with how I spend my time. I recognized the need to change my surroundings, so I sold a house that drained me financially and emotionally, and bought a cute little cabin in the woods. Downsizing from 4000 square feet to 1400 square feet led me to purge as I’d never done before. Going through that process was painful, as I am a very sentimental person and hang on to way too many “things,” but the end result was so freeing!!! I also reached out to friends that “busyness” and just plain laziness had taken from me. I also realized that work had become an obsession and a way to avoid really LIVING, so I stopped working a schedule that had literally become 7 days a week. Last November I joined a gym that has a pool, because swimming has always been a form of exercise that I enjoyed, but had given up due to a lack of access. In my new home I made a place and time - and most importantly, a commitment - for my quiet time with God, which had become sporadic in recent years. I needed to find again a consistency in my intimacy with God to enable me to hear His voice clearly once again, and to experience His refreshing regularly. I want to always be someone who can easily recognize His voice and His will for my life. As Jeremiah 29:13 tells us, we find Him when we seek Him with our whole heart. Seeking Him wholeheartedly is how we live with a renewed, or “refreshed” mind. It’s how we stay strong in the Lord. I pray that you seek His refreshing in your life as well.

De Colores, Carol Brett, GMTD #56

UPCOMING SECRETARIAT OPENINGS

There are two Secretariat position openings coming up, and we need candidates. Please prayerfully consider serving your community by getting involved in the Secretariat! Details are below; you can contact any Secretariat member for more information.

The Secretariat is currently looking for singles or couples that are interested in serving the GMTD community through the following positions. If you or someone you know is interested in serving, please contact any member of the Secretariat.

The Secretariat of Georgia Mountains Tres Dias, Inc. is elected from the membership of the community to administer and manage the affairs of the community. Secretariat members should attend at least six Secretariat meetings per year.

All Secretariat members must hold the following qualifications:

- * Maintain a lifestyle in keeping with Biblical leadership,
- * Demonstrate a record of support of the Tres Dias movement,
- * Have worked at least three (3) teams, in three (3) different areas of service,
- * Possess the skills required by Secretariat position job description.
- * Relatives are not allowed to serve on the Secretariat in different positions at the same time, except for the Leaders position.

We are currently seeking qualified individuals for the following areas of service:

CHAIRMAN: One person, married or single male, who has previously served as Rector on a GMTD weekend and has also served in a GMTD Secretariat position. The Chairman must also demonstrate committee leadership and organizational skills. Responsible for overall guidance and direction of Georgia Mountains Tres Dias. Develop short and long range plans for expansion and growth of the community. Assist in the development of effective policies and practices. To provide leadership, direction, accountability, counsel, and decision-making for the Georgia Mountains Tres Dias community in accordance with the By-Laws and Practice and Policies of GMTD and The Essentials of Tres Dias. Act as the lay representative of Tres Dias in meetings with clergy from participating and potentially active churches or from other movements. Act as the lay representative of Tres Dias in meetings with other movements. Act as liaison with the Tres Dias International Organization and serve as the Chairman of the GMTD delegation at the International Tres Dias Assembly. The Chairman is to preside at Secretariat meetings and official functions as may be necessary. The Chairman shall approve team members, attend Rector orientations, weekend send-offs, closings and Secuelas.

WEBMASTER: A single or married person. Responsible for maintaining all aspects of the GMTD website. Training and providing technical assistance to the Tech Cha for each weekend, this training would occur during the professors and area head training prior to the weekend. Maintain the computers utilized for the tech chas and any technical equipment utilized on the weekends. Participate in overall guidance and planning of Tres Dias activities.

Please contact any Secretariat member if you have questions or are interested in serving in one of these positions.

Georgia Mountains Tres Dias Secuela

Come and get a HUGE blessing!!! Bring your favorite covered dish, enough to serve at least 10 people. Sponsors, if you have sponsored candidates on weekends #86 and #87 please plan to bring them to the Secuela or make arrangements for another GMTD Community member to bring them. If you sponsored a Pescadore from any other weekend that has never come to a Secuela, bring them to this one! Childcare is not provided.

Freedom Tabernacle * 2160 Freedom Parkway, Cumming, GA 30041 * April 2, 2022 * 6:30 PM



Don't forget to Sponsor!

There are GMTD and GMVN Weekends coming up soon!

To sponsor someone on a Georgia Mountain Tres Dias weekend visit <https://gmtd.org/application> or contact Stephen & Beth Dacus at gmtapps@gmail.com.

To sponsor a teen on a Georgia Mountain Vida Nueva weekend visit <https://www.gmvn.net/> sponsor and download an application, or contact Jamie & Gwen Wether-ton at gwenwether-ton@gmail.com.

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 \$100 and is \$100 for team members. If you have a teenager that 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 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 September 15-18, 2022 for the Young Women and September 22-25, 2021 for the Young Men.



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UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO!

If your address, phone number or e-mail has changed, please notify GMTD Database Manager, Hal Schneider at hal9g@comcast.net

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