

Meditation

A new Pastor was attending a men's breakfast in a rural area. He asked one of the older farmers in attendance to say grace that morning. After all were seated, the older farmer began: "Lord, I hate buttermilk." The Pastor opened one eye and wondered to himself where this was going. Then the farmer loudly proclaimed, "Lord, I hate lard." Now the Pastor was worried. However, without missing a beat, the farmer prayed on, "And Lord, you know I don't care much for raw white flour." Just as the Pastor was ready to stand and stop everything, the farmer continued, "But Lord, when You mix 'em all together and bake 'em up, I do love fresh biscuits. So Lord, when things come up we don't like, when life gets hard, when we just don't understand what You are sayin' to us, we need to wait 'till you're done mixin', and Lord, when we trust your plan it's always somethin' even better than biscuits.

Amen."

In John 16:33 the Lord clearly tells us that we will encounter troubles or as the farmer stated things we just don't like. But the Lord goes on to say "take heart! Because he has overcome the world." The farmer reminds us that it is our choice to focus on each trouble or trust the Lord's plan. If we stand strong and trust God, He, Himself, comes to our aid and will take each good and bad thing and will turn it into something beautiful.

Proverbs 3:5-8

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil. It will be health to your flesh and strength to your bones."

No matter the season you currently find yourself in, trust the Lord with all your heart!

Decolores,

Lisa Shurtleff, Pre-Weekend Couple

September 2023

<u>GMTD #92 Men's:</u> Sept. 28-Oct. 1, 2023

Rector: Dan Harder

Send-off: Thurs., Sept. 28th • 6:30 p.m.

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

Closing: Sun., Oct. 1st • 5:00 p.m.

<u>GMTD #92 Women's:</u> <u>October 5-8, 2023</u>

Rector: Tracy Marsengill

Send-off: Thurs., Oct. 5th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade: Sat., Oct. 7th • 6:30 p.m. Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing: Sun., Oct. 8th • 5:00 p.m.

<u>GMTDSW #12:</u> Nov. 9-12, 2023

Rector: Carol Brett

Send-off: Thurs., Nov. 9th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade: Sat., Nov. 11th • 6:30 p.m. Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing: Sun., Nov. 12th • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #92 Men's September 28-October 1, 2023 Rector: Dan Harder

"A triple-braided cord is not easily broken." ~ Ecclesiastes 4:12

Rector Dan Harder	Prof. Reunion Robbie Burrell	TableJames Young	k
Head ChaJon Heard	Prof. SilentShane Taylor	TableTrey Smith	k
Asst. Head Cha Bill KIng	Prof. Silent Ken Crunkleton	TableKurt Warren	k
Spir. Director Sam Snider	Prof. Silent Travis Rylee	TableBen Matheson	k
Spir. DirectorNick Waldon	Head Prayer Steve Houseman	TableJoshua Baumgardner	ŀ
Spir. DirectorGreg Purcell	PrayerDave Singletary	Table Chris Chatham	ŀ
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RoverLester Miller	Prayer Donny Warcop	StoreroomJames Cunningham	ŀ
Support Cha Hal Schneider	Prayer Jay Kimmel	Floater/Supply Stacy Bryant	ŀ
Worship ChaJ.P. Rodriguez	PrayerWalt Monroe	Head GopherJimmy Cash	ŀ
Tech Cha Greg Ryan	Head Palanca Larry Weaver	Gopher Christopher Davis	ŀ
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Prof. ActionDavid Sellers	DormMark Hopkins	KitchenJesse Stephens	
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Prof. Environment Charles Flanagan	Dorm Keith Mullinax	Kitchen Craig Woodman	
Prof. CCIAErnie Garrett	Head Table Roger Doering	KitchenMatt Essig	

GMTD #92 Women's October 5-8, 2023 Rector: Tracy Marsengill

"For in Him we live and move and have our being." ~ Acts 17:28

Rector Tracy Marsengill	Prof. ActionStephanie Pollard	Dorm Sonya Bledsoe	Asst. Hd. KitAlyssa Wallace
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Spir. DirectorJason Pritchett	Prof. Silent Natalie Hendrix	TableStacy Parks	Kitchen Kathryn Lionheart
Mins Support Émilie Pritchett	Head PrayerPatty Wilson	TableDevin Śtevens	Kitchen Kimberli Rogers
BUR Denise Hudson	PrayerCameron Lopez	Table Amber Dillard	KitchenCheryl Medlin
Rover Melissa Hamby	PrayerSandy Bayster	TableAndrea Copeland	KitchenAlicia Baratki
SW RoverCarol Brett	Prayer Tracey Baker	Head Storeroom Traci Jones	KitchenMisty Bryant
Support Cha Denise Morrow	PrayerChristin McGill	StoreroomCarole Pittman	Kitchen Amber Young
WorshipJamie Kennedy-Bollinger	PrayerGay Perry	Floater/SupplyCrystal Cannon	Kitchen Amy Davis
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Announcements & Reminders

GMTD SECRETARIAT

The next Secretariat meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 6, 2023 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Dahlonega Assembly of God in Dahlonega, GA.

Be a SPONSOR!!!

Sponsoring a candidate is easy. Visit the website 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. after you fill out the application, you can scan it or take a picture of it and email to gmtdapps@gmail.com. And, if all else fails, you can put the application in an envelope and mail USPS to:

Patrick & Lisa Shurtleff ATTN: GMTD P.O Box 961 Clarkesville, GA 30523

Please call Patrick at 706-499-5899 or Lisa at 706-499-5909, or email at gmtdapps@gmail.com with any questions. The weekend fee for GMTD is \$130 per person.

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.

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 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 <u>www.gmtd.org</u>. To receive your Pescadore's Progress in the U.S. mail, please send your name, address and weekend attended to: Carol Brett carolbrett61@gmail.com

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO!

If your address, phone number or email has changed, please notify GMTD Database Manager, Hal Schneider at database@gmtd.org.

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	Brad Whitener	
	Vern & Tina Vernon	
Fourth Day	Dan & Jerilyn Harder	
	Koby & Shay Dean	
	Mark & Lisa McClure	
Leaders-B	Bill & Carole Pittman	678-776-6763
Newsletter	Carol Brett	
Newsletter (In Training)	Linda Alexander	678-201-5550
Palanca	Lester & Beth Miller	770-539-3909
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Weekend	Greg & Denise Morrow	
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Find e	-mail contact info at www.gmtd.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 \$100 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 21-23, 2024 for the Young Women and April 4-6, 2023 for the Young Men.

