

# Pescadores Progress



## The History of Tres Dias

Tres Dias traces its ancestry through Cursillo. Cursillo had its beginnings amid the turmoil and destruction of civil warfare and of the Second World War, which left Spain with empty churches and a sense of aimlessness and diminished dreams. Late in the 1940's, a sense of revival was stirring within the Roman Catholic Church. Small groups of friends in various Catholic action groups began to share their faith regularly to help one another. Pilgrimages were organized whereby men and women could rededicate their lives toward Christian ideals. Bishop Juan Hervas, who was active in action groups and renewal activities with the men on the island of Majorca, and Eduardo Bonin, who was involved with organizing pilgrimages, met through these sharing groups. They began to see how the church could benefit and the lives of people could be changed through studying and sharing their lives in Christ. With a broadening vision of what these small sharing groups (reunion groups) could accomplish, weekly meetings produced periodic retreats where the reality of living a Christian life was intensely taught and experienced through support by reunion groups. These retreats became known as Cursillo de Cristiandad, which means "short course in Christianity." Originally the retreats grew out of the reunion groups! There were few men in the Church after the tragedy of war in Spain. One prime objective in the early years was to revitalize the church by bringing men back into the activities of the church. The Cursillo move-

ment was confined to Spanish speaking countries until the late 1950's when a group of men from the Spanish Air Force, who were in training in Texas, and were in a Reunion Group, conducted the first Cursillo in the United States. Among the Spanish-speaking people the movement began to spread across the United States. The first English speaking Cursillo was held in the early 1960's. Protestants who attended the weekends, saw the need to make the experience available to other Protestants. This led to the development of the interdenominational Tres Dias. The first Tres Dias weekend was held in Newburgh, New York, November 2-5, 1972. Dave McManigal was its rector. He was a Protestant who had attended a Roman Catholic Cursillo and was led to be instrumental in forming Tres Dias. That weekend, then as now, was open to all Christian traditions. Others involved in starting Tres Dias were Helmut Maier; and Bob and Mary Essert. Starting from the Mid-Hudson community in Newburgh/Poughkeepsie, New York, the movement spread rapidly. Pittsburgh was the second community; then Fairfield County, Connecticut, Northern New Jersey, Long Island, Maine, Central Connecticut, New Hampshire, and South Hudson. In the Spring of 1979, with the encouragement of the Mid-Hudson Secretariat, John McKinney formed an ad hoc "National" secretariat with Jim Thornley, Anton Wellbrock, Gerry Hoernes, and Bob Decker. That group produced initial drafts of a "National" constitution and "Essentials of Tres Dias".

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GMTD #93 Men's:  
Feb. 8-11, 2024

Rector: Lester Miller

Send-off:  
Thurs., Feb. 8th • 6:30 p.m.

Serenade:  
Sat., Feb. 10th • 6:30 p.m.  
Arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Closing:  
Sun., Feb. 11th • 5:00 p.m.

GMTD #93 Women's:  
Feb. 15-18, 2024

Rector: Melissa Hamby

Send-off:  
Thurs., Feb. 15th • 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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# GMTD #92 - MEN'S

Sept. 28-Oct.1, 2023

Rector: Dan Harder

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

My name is Dan Harder, I attended GMTD #49 and sat at the table of Luke. On this amazing weekend I was blessed and privileged to be chosen to lead this team as the rector of GMTD #92. Our scripture, "A triple-braided cord is not easily broken" (Ecclesiastes 4:12), was not only a trumpet sounding for the team of GMTD #92 throughout the team meetings, but also the foundation and building block for each pescadore on the weekend. We all know what a special place the Mountain is for each of us but it has become one of the cords that binds us all together with the Lord our God.

With all the normal nervousness and reservations the candidates arrived to experience a weekend with Jesus and not only did He show up, He showed off. God's appointment for each candidate and team member on this weekend was fulfilled and lives were changed forever. These new Pescadores have embraced Tres Dias and are growing and flourishing in their fourth day. I have seen and experienced many blessings these men have had since the weekend and know that they will continue as they continue to seek more of Jesus every day. I have seen the hunger for more as we have communicated through phone, text, and social media. The Holy Spirit is at work and these men are showing that Piety, Study, and Action weren't just talks on the weekend but a display of the fruit of the spirit to grow and share with others.

Examples of Christian leadership, stable homes, ministry endeavors and restored relationships are just some of the things visible in the lives of the new Pescadores. We truly are seeing the "Christian Community in Action" as we see Reunion groups forming as a result of relationships built through various areas of service and the table communities on GMTD #92.

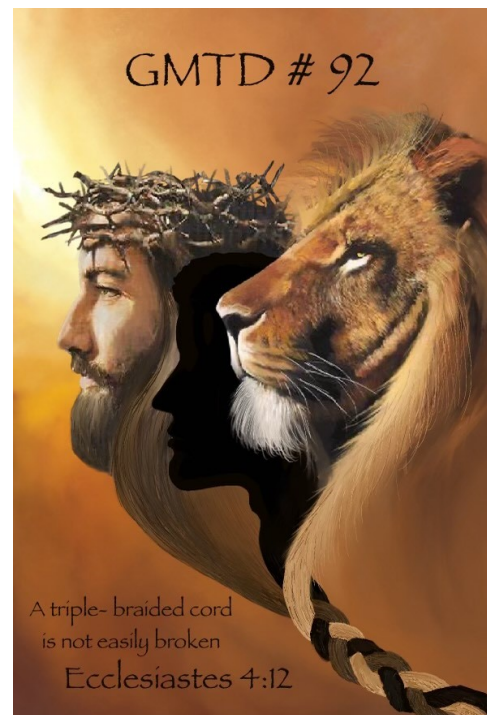
The main goal of Tres Dias is to train and equip leaders

for the local church. I know that the Lord is pleased because GMTD #92 for Men did just that. What started as a triple braided cord in the very beginning has grown and added many cords that will bind each team member and new Pescadore together forever and make us all a stronger force for the Lord.

I cannot wait to serve with these Pescadores and continue to strengthen those bonds in this community.

Grateful to have had the opportunity to serve you all.

DeColores,  
Dan Harder, Rector GMTD #92



## *The Men of GMTD #92 - Welcome!*

### **Table of Luke**

Donald McGill  
Craig Parker  
Stanley Martin  
Jason Victory  
Aaron Vojvodic  
Stephen Malloy

### **Table of Peter**

Clinton Hamlin  
David Juhasz  
Jonah McNeal  
Todd Thomas  
Daniel Hunter  
Tom Weyrich

### **Table of Mark**

Randy Ferguson  
Vince Mercardante  
Glenn Farmer  
Kerry McPherson  
Eric Wilson  
Jeremie Kirby

### **Table of Matthew**

Jeread Grizzle  
Thomas Caudell  
Gary Dellinger  
Coby Carpenter  
Jason Fehr  
Dwayne Smith

### **Table of John**

Joel Ayers  
Matt Kemmerer  
Alistair Overeem  
Derrick Brock  
Javier Velazquez  
Steven Williamson

### **Table of Paul**

Ty-Philip Daniels  
Michael Segars  
Derek Jackson  
Edwin McGill  
Daniel Whited  
Steven Nolan  
Roger Torres

# GMTD #92 - WOMEN'S

Oct. 5-8, 2023

Rector: Tracy Marsengill

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

Tres Dias is an encounter with Christ. This is a simple phrase but speaks volumes! As the Women's GMTD #92 Rector, I truly observed and experienced this on our sweet weekend in October. Jesus and the Holy Spirit surrounded all of us on that holy mountain. It most definitely was an unexplainable experience!

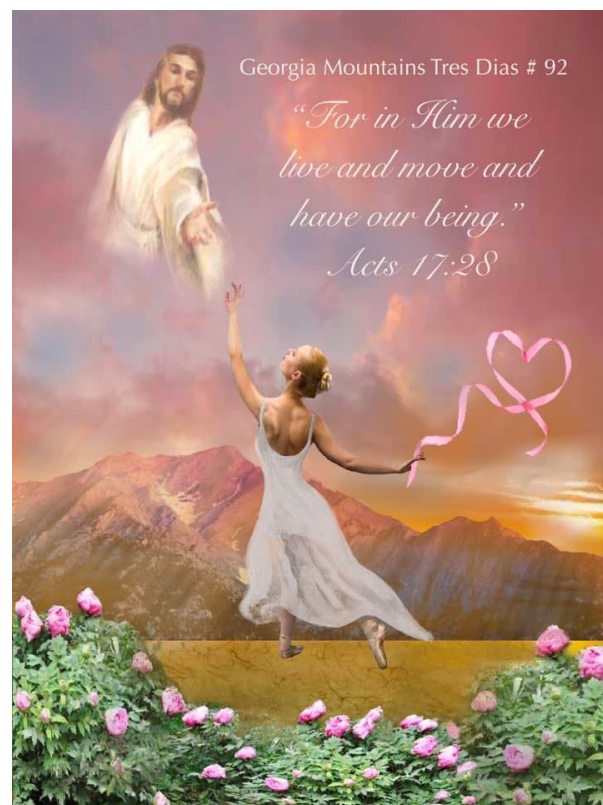
Our scripture for the weekend comes from Acts 17:28 "For in Him, we live and move and have our being". This scripture speaks to us that without Him, we are nothing. All of what we are comes from Him...our words, our actions, our existence lives in Him and Him in ours.

I prayed for God to mightily move on our weekend... and not only did He move, He performed miracles. Miracle after miracle was witnessed. From the beginning on Thursday night to the closing on Sunday, lives were changed forever, beautiful healing took place, and chains of fear, heartache, and shame were broken, never to be attached again. The Pescadores were ready to conquer the world and spread God's truth. I also believe that many of our precious Pescadores found their gift from God and were anxious to use that gift for God's glory.

I also would like to raise up our fantastic team! What an honor it was to have served with the best team ever! Not only did God move in the candidates, but in the our team also! From the first team meeting to closing of the weekend, our precious team worked so hard to make the weekend a fabulous success! Without the commitment and perseverance of the team, the Holy Spirit could have been stifled...but their sweet servant's hearts allowed the Holy Spirit to move freely the entire time! Thank you Team of GMTD #92! I love you all!

I'm so thankful and blessed to have seen the move of God on our weekend. I look forward to serving with our new Pescadores in the future!

Blessings!  
Tracy Marsengill



## *The Women of GMTD #92 - Welcome!*

### Table of Ruth

Tenika Torres  
Averi Pass  
Jayda Forbes  
Dana Bruce  
Sheila Caudell  
Rose Mercardante  
Tamara Jones

### Table of Elizabeth

Michelle Willis  
Jenni Whited  
Donna Frady  
Rosemary Burns  
Lora Wright  
Trisha Sexton

### Table of Rachel

Shellye Ayers  
Diana Wilson  
Lynda Farmer  
Teresa McGill  
Dena Hunter  
Misty Victory  
Connie Pappas

### Table of Esther

Jennie Smith  
Tasha Brown  
Amanda Hamlin  
Jan Weyrich  
Brooke Kirby  
Anna Kemmerer

### Table of Rebekah

Amy Velasquez  
Lisa Williamson  
Jessi Taylor  
Lynne Fehr  
Crystal Stott  
Derita Brown

### Table of Sarah

Renee Pratt  
Nicole McGill  
Wendy Gibson  
Jan Gonzalez  
Erin Juhasz  
Brittany Segars  
Jenny Gurney



# GMTD #12 - SINGLE WOMEN'S

Nov. 9-12, 2023

Rector: Carol Brett

*"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!" ~ Isaiah 43: 18-19a*

My name is Carol Brett and I attended Georgia Mountains Tres Dias #56. I was beyond humbled, honored and overjoyed to be the Rector for GMTD for Single Women #12. Our theme was "Moving Forward," and our scripture was "Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing!" From the calling of the first team member to the final moments of the closing ceremony, God confirmed the scripture and theme time and time again. Over and over again the words "Don't Look Back," "New Thing," and "Moving Forward" came up in ways that only God can communicate (including Christine Caine releasing a book on the subject right after our planning began!). During our preparation time the team had a "singleness of purpose," that again confirmed that this was God's weekend and God's team. It seemed that everyone there, from the team and later including the new Pescadores, all left something behind in order to move forward into purpose and victory.

On the weekend the candidates arrived ready to lean in and receive all God had for them!! From the first day it was obvious that this was a group of WORSHIPPERS. We had powerful moves of the Holy Spirit and God showed up and did what He always does—He transformed in some way every single person on that mountain. Our 3 Days were miraculous, wonderful, and praiseworthy and we give all the glory to Him!!!

One of my major prayers leading up to the weekend was that the new Pescadores would understand the power in getting involved in the community and the kingdom-connection friendships that can result from serving. I was blessed to learn of many that are serving on GMTD #93, and also Reunion groups that have come out of SW #12. One final thought...as a rector I had no idea the transformation that would take place in ME through the process of leading a team. He has given me a fresh fire and a closer walk with Him and I will forever be grateful for the honor of serving God and Georgia Mountains Tres Dias in this capacity!!

De Colores!!

Carol Brett

Rector SW #12



## *The Women of GMTD #12 for Single Women - Welcome!*

### **Table of Ruth**

Kristy Scroggs  
Lauren Canter  
Kristen Cooper  
Colleen Stewart  
Piper Wilson  
Cindy Merchoff  
Rachel Anthony

### **Table of Elizabeth**

Linda Morton  
Laurie Marascalo  
Gina Canup  
Hannah Breedlove  
Brighton Harder

### **Table of Rachel**

Linda Cancia  
Kelli Pruitt  
Emily Hudson  
Heather Evans

### **Table of Esther**

Susan Boyer  
Libby Dodson  
Amber Miller  
Linda Carr  
Dalia Chinchilla  
Laura Darnell  
Litha Smith

### **Table of Rebekah**

Ronda Floyd  
Lisa Sayre  
Trinity Howell  
Sarah Day  
Frances Chafin  
Tara Harrelson

### **Table of Sarah**

Pam Adams  
Allie Buffington  
Christina Cody  
Tammy Wagoner  
Sarah Cleveland

# GMTD #93 Men's February 8-11, 2024 Rector: Lester Miller

*"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another." ~ Galatians 5:13 ESV*

Rector.....	Lester Miller	Prof. Reunion.....	Dawson Burrell	Table.....	Charley Lee	Kitchen.....	Todd Thomas
Head Cha.....	Mark Behrens	Prof. Silent.....	Brien Thompson	Table.....	Kevin Teal	Kitchen.....	David Juhasz
Asst. Head Cha.....	Shawn Gragg	Prof. Silent.....	Trent Fricks	Table.....	Marcus Lowery	Kitchen.....	Joel Ayers
Spir. Director.....	Robbie Bailey	Prof. Silent.....	Scott Pike	Table.....	Dave Robeson	Kitchen.....	Kerry McPherson
Spir. Director.....	Anthony Teasley	Head Prayer.....	Ricky Wilson	Table.....	Matt Evans	Kitchen.....	Donald McGill
Spir. Director.....	Justin Lindsey	Prayer.....	Michael Hall Sr.	Table.....	John Bennett	Kitchen.....	Charles Flanagan
BUR.....	Fletcher Holliday	Prayer.....	Marc Mercer	Head Storeroom.....	Jonathon Henson	Kitchen.....	Brian Marciniaak
Rover.....	Kurt Warren	Prayer.....	Craig Basham	Storeroom.....	Dave Vinke	Kitchen.....	Terrance McGill
Support Cha.....	Mark McClure	Prayer.....	Patrick Shurtleff	Floater/Supply.....	Mike Hall Jr.	Kitchen.....	Matt Kemmerer
Worship Cha.....	Luke Pinder	Prayer.....	David Crouch	Head Gopher.....	Earl Swain	Kitchen.....	Eric Wilson
Tech Cha.....	Brad Whitener	Head Palanca.....	Randy Flake	Gopher.....	Kevin Shaw	Kitchen.....	Edwin McGill
Assistant Tech Cha.....	Hal Schneider	Palanca.....	Tevin Arthur	Head Chapel.....	Willie Nelson Jr.	Kitchen.....	Coby Carpenter
Communication.....	Ward Frost	Palanca.....	Mike Teasley	Chapel.....	Anthony Catlin	Kitchen.....	Gary Dellinger
Prof. Ideals.....	Clark Henson	Palanca.....	Casey Weaver	Chapel.....	Robert Hoskin	Kitchen.....	Derek Jackson
Prof. Church.....	Kevin Mandel	Head Dorm.....	B.J. Smith	Chapel.....	Derrick Brock	Kitchen.....	Michael Carter
Prof. Piety.....	Karl Funderburg	Dorm.....	Bo Weaver	Head Kitchen.....	Hal Miller	Kitchen.....	Aaron Hutto
Prof. Study.....	Brandon Lytle	Dorm.....	Ryan Fish	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Mark Hopkins		
Prof. Action.....	Joel Kaye	Dorm.....	Brent Rutherford	Kitchen.....	Wesley Newcomer		
Prof. Leaders.....	Brian Cartwright	Dorm.....	Travis Rylee	Kitchen.....	Shawn Weldy		
Prof. Environment.....	Chris Baratki	Dorm.....	Derek Stevens	Kitchen.....	Jon Heard		
Prof. CCIA.....	Dwayne Pollard	Head Table.....	Drake Chastain	Kitchen.....	Charles Hall		

# GMTD #93 Women's February 15-18, 2024 Rector: Melissa Hamby

*"Therefore I am now going to allure her; I will lead her into the wilderness and speak tenderly to her. There I will give her back her vineyards, and will make the Valley of Achor a door of hope. There she will respond as in the days of her youth, as in the days she came up out of Egypt" ~ Hosea 2:14-15*

Rector.....	Melissa Hamby	Prof. Leaders.....	Camilla Hood	Dorm.....	Susan Shaw	Kitchen.....	Lisa Cooley
Head Cha.....	Tanya Cox	Prof. Environment.....	Rebecca Evans	Dorm.....	Chari Duncan	Kitchen.....	Rachael Dietel
Asst. Head Cha.....	Angie Sellers	Prof. CCIA.....	Kathy Fowler	Head Table.....	Gina Brazinski	Kitchen.....	Tracy Copland
Spir. Director.....	Stacy Avery	Prof. Reunion.....	Sharon Goodson	Table.....	Brianna Chastain	Kitchen.....	Tammy Sanford
Spir. Director.....	Robbie Mathis	Prof. Silent.....	Linda Samples	Table.....	Sherri Patterson	Kitchen.....	Brooke Kirby
Spir. Director.....	Michael Green	Prof. Silent.....	Doreen Green	Table.....	Stacy Parks	Kitchen.....	Natasha Mealor
Mins Support.....	Tammy Avery	Prof. Silent.....	Beth Miller	Table.....	Averi Pass	Kitchen.....	Wendy Teal
Mins Support.....	Jill Mathis	Head Prayer.....	Lollie Elliott	Table.....	Brittany Davis	Kitchen.....	Sue Wyrick
Min Support.....	Teresa Green	Prayer.....	Jessica Hart	Table.....	Kathy Crawford	Kitchen.....	Skye Weber
BUR.....	Paula Roberson	Prayer.....	Alyssa Wallace	Head Storeroom.....	Charli Hoialmen	Kitchen.....	Sarah Cleveland
Rover.....	Holly Salisbury	Prayer.....	Jill Meadows	Storeroom.....	Patsy Hamby	Kitchen.....	Nicole McGill
Support Cha.....	Lisa McClure	Prayer.....	Sonya Smith	Floater/Supply.....	Hallie Cobb	Kitchen.....	Shellye Ayers
Worship Cha.....	Maggie Smallwood	Prayer.....	Elizabeth Whaley	Head Gopher.....	Sallie Smith	Kitchen.....	Kristy Scroggs
Tech Cha.....	Tammy Kenimer	Head Palanca.....	Lynette Chapman	Gopher.....	Linda Alexander	Kitchen.....	Abbie Evans
Assistant Tech Cha.....	Kim Whitmire	Palanca.....	Abbie Sherrill	Head Chapel.....	Marla Flake	Kitchen.....	Megan Housman
Communication.....	Judy Harmon	Palanca.....	Becky Mixon	Chapel.....	Linda Byrd	Kitchen.....	Carrie Dawn Roy
Prof. Ideals.....	Leann Perry	Palanca.....	Jessi Taylor	Chapel.....	Marsha Freeman	Kitchen.....	Brandy Whitener
Prof. Church.....	Melissa Holcomb	Head Dorm.....	Linda Towns	Chapel.....	Pati Dobson	Kitchen.....	Brittany Wilson
Prof. Piety.....	Eileen Ghee	Dorm.....	Diane Avery	Head Kitchen.....	Mesha Anderson	Kitchen.....	Christi Brown
Prof. Study.....	Amy Hicks	Dorm.....	Sylvia Anderson	Asst. Hd. Kit.....	Jessica Miller		
Prof. Action.....	Shawn Pierce	Dorm.....	Anna Kemmerer	Kitchen.....	Lesley Brooks-Hinkley		

## The History of Tres Dias, continued . . .

All other communities were invited to participate and refine the drafts. On July 11, 1980, at Poughkeepsie, NY, the constitution and essentials were ratified and adopted by all of the above listed communities. The Tres Dias organization was formed as a national organization. The secretariats of the communities were chartered as local secretariats. John McKinney was the first president. Subsequently, Tres Dias was incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation in New York state ... and was recognized by the Internal Revenue Service. A "charter" member of the first National/International Tres Dias Secretariat, Peter Scharfenberg, labored for more than two decades ... stocking and shipping manuals and materials to Tres Dias people all over the world. In 1985 Tres Dias became INTERNATIONAL when communities were chartered in Korea and Germany. Tens of thousands of people have made the weekend and tens of thousands of lives have become more committed to serving our Lord Jesus. The reporters of this history pray that Tres Dias will continue to be faithful to God's spirit. May the people who have made a Tres Dias, be among the Christian leaders God uses to revitalize his people.



### 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!

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### 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](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=8D9V99f2Hko](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8D9V99f2Hko). 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 22-24, 2024 for the Young Women and April 5-7, 2024 for the Young Men.

