

# ABUNDANT LIFE TRES DIAS



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## March 2023 Newsletter

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# Upcoming Secuela!

March 12th from 3:30-5:30

Lakeland Community Church

N3181 WI-67 Delavan WI, 53115

Invite family and friends out to meet the community and join in fun, food and fellowship.

We also have the newly built Lakeland Park reserved for the kids to play on!



Space is limited, so please RSVP to Sarah Reynolds at:

[tresdiaspostweekend@gmail.com](mailto:tresdiaspostweekend@gmail.com) or text 262-374-9062 Thank you!

Potluck style for the meal:

A-I: Please bring a dish to pass

J-Q: Please bring a dessert and/or drink

R-Z: Please bring a snack, sides, and/or drink

## A message from our new Spiritual Directors

*By Dr Steven Cassell:*

Community is a well-used, well-worn word among the faithful elders, and even the newbies, of the Fourth Day movement that is having a legitimate impact in our once-Christian society. One of the reasons for that impact is the authentic belief and loyal adherence to that idea: "Community". It fits us like our favorite pair of properly stretched jeans that are perfectly worn out in all the right places. Community is a word that has been used, overused, abused, and even redefined by our broken culture. These underhanded activities are being done to slowly dismantle and eventually destroy this powerful, biblical precedent. The genuine form of community, established and brought forth from the very heart of God, is on the first pages of our bible so powerfully and eloquently stated in the simple declaration, "It is not good for man to be alone"... These few words, uttered by the very lips of our Creator established the first divine revelation of good and evil. Good for us to be together, in community... bad to be separated, isolated, or divided. If culture and society can destroy this primary and genesis-type epiphany, they can effectively remove the first solution, from The Father, for the evil that inflicts all humanity. Community in English comes from: common and unity. Consider that statement again, please. What do those two words together mean, in truth, to you and how you live your life... Additionally, how you serve with and among us.

1 Corinthians 1:10 I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

Why is it of such infinite importance that we guard this concept and word with all diligence and strength?

- \* We are not called to be isolated individuals, but part of The Body of Christ (1 Cor 12:25-27)
- \* We are called by Christ to this ONE Body (Eph 4)
- \* This is where Jesus promised us His presence would be found (Mat 18:20)
- \* The Holy Spirit ordained that healing would flow from here (Jam 5:16)

These are just a couple of short and quick references to whet your spiritual appetite for the banquet table of what our Good God wants us to know and experience.

It is an honor for me to be accepted into this Tres Dias community and I vow to value you from a sincere place of my heart and life. Thank you for giving me the invitation to share common unity with you.

In your servitude, Dr. Steve Cassell

*By Krista Bensheimer*

De Colores... and what a journey! I could never have predicted that the Tres Dias Weekend #9 in the fall of 2003 would so greatly impact my life, my community, and the lives of those I have sponsored but here we are, encroaching upon Weekend #46 with great anticipation of the Lord's revealing!

Weekend 46 will mark my transition from a lay leader to a Spiritual Director. I am excited to share that in June, I plan to complete my doctorate degree from Covenant Theological Seminary, wrapping up my studies in Christian Counseling and Christian Education. I would encourage anyone in the community who has an interest in becoming a spiritual director to talk with the Secretariat about the process.

I experienced my Tres Dias Weekend as a candidate at 22 years old, before any of my children were born. Back then I was a stick-to-myself, non-hugger; perhaps you can relate! That first weekend broke down my walls and paved the way for Christian community. I came back and served many times, even once or twice with a pregnant belly. This community surrounded my growing family in prayer and lovingly adopted my four sons into the Tres Dias fold. I have fond memories of my reunion sisters bringing Legos and licorice to entertain the boys while we had Bible study. Secuelas offered opportunities for my family to worship, fellowship, and to the boys' great delight, to eat lots of food! I have had the privilege of being part of the inner workings of Tres Dias as a member of Secretariat. I've fielded Nominating Committees and watched in awe as God called and confirmed upcoming Secretariat members. Every time God called me into a new role, He stretched me and my faith. Each time, He proved faithful. The verse that God laid on my heart as Rectora still resonates with me today. "Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you who I love and long for, my joy and my crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!" Philippians 4:1.

I pray that the love that my family has for Tres Dias never grows cold. The idea of my boys someday serving alongside their Dad on a Tres Dias weekend brings deep, joyful emotion to my heart. My first weekend was truly just the beginning of the gift of Tres Dias. I've been honored and blessed to be part of the Tres Dias family, and I love watching the Tres Dias family grow. The Holy Spirit is on the move in Tres Dias, and He is changing lives in accordance with our willingness to answer His call. I encourage you to step out in faithful study, piety, and action, and watch what God does as a result!

I have been around Tres Dias for twenty years now. I look back and see His faithfulness. I look forward and see triumphant victory in Christ! "So let us not give up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but encourage one another, and all the more as we see the day approaching" Hebrews 10:25.

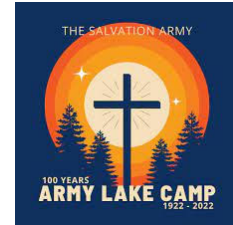
It may sound a bit cliché, but it holds true time and time again...this next weekend will truly be the best weekend yet!

GLYASDI!

-Krista

## Upcoming weekend dates and reminders

- Men: April 20-23 & Women: April 27-30, 2023
- At The Salvation Army - Army Lake Camp  
8725 Army Lake Rd  
East Troy, WI 53120



- Please get **NEW** team and participant registration forms from our website:

NOTE: **our fees have changed!**

<https://www.abundantlifetresdias.org/>

- Don't forget to sign up for our prayer scrolls.
- [Mens' Weekend #46 Prayer Scroll](#)

[Womens' Weekend #46 Prayer Scroll](#)

- Consider donating to our Pay-It-Forward campaign: this will help pay for participants' weekend fees.

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