

June 2020 Newsletter

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WEEKEND #43 PRAYERS

Weekend #43 is coming up this fall. For the men's weekend, Todd Hunt will be leading God's team as the men's rector and his head cha is Ken Templeton. The men's weekend will be held on October 22-25, 2020.

Kirsten Ackmann has been leading the women of weekend #43, as the rectora, with grace and strength, alongside her as the head cha is Karen Oldenburg. The women's weekend will be on October 29 through November 1, 2020.

Please pray for the rector, rectora and head chas as they continue to be God's hands and feet and build their teams. Pray for strength, overwhelming joy, protection, peace, guidance, grace, mercy, compassion and God's wisdom as they continue to embark on the journey God has put them on. We all know these weekends work out just the way God ordains them to and know that God works miracles during these weekends, may the team and leaders be filled with strength, hope and overwhelming joy.



"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving". Col. 3:23-24

JUNE 2020 BUSINESS MEETING AND SECUELA

It was so wonderful to finally be able to come together as a community on June 13th, for our annual ALTD business meeting and secuela. There were about 30–40 individuals in attendance on the beautiful June day. Pastor Don Johnson gave the message and his wife, Dee, gifted the community with her amazing voice by singing a song prior to his message. Steve Yitalo and David Hey blessed the community with their 4th day talks. We are so thankful and grateful for all the individuals who were willing to speak at this event. Thank you to Missy and Chris Riggs for organizing the secuela. Also, we want to give a big shout out to Michael Ruenz for putting together the plans for the music for this event. We also had the great privilege of welcoming some of our new Abundant Life Tres Dias board members during this time of fellowship.





David Hey and Steve Yitalo, 4th Day speakers

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE TRES DIAS BOARD MEMBERS

We would like to introduce and welcome the new ALTD board members to the community.

Jesse and Jennifer Arvizu are our new palanca chairs

Nikki Lynch is our new secretary chair

Dave Donehey is our new weekend chair

Thank you so much to Jessi Panyk (secretary chair), Bill Pieters (weekend chair) and George and Jenny MacIntyre (palanca chairs) for your dedicated and faithful service to these chair positions. Your hard work, perseverance and wisdom-filled input will not be forgotten and we are so grateful for your willingness to fulfill the call God asked of you. May you all be blessed wherever your journey takes you next.

Community, can we ask that you join us as we pray for all the outgoing and incoming chair members, may God bless and guide each and everyone one of them as they continue to serve His people.



Pastor Ryan anointing and praying for Nikki Lynch and Dave Donehey (new board members)



REUNION GROUPS

Welcome to June and the beginning of summer. Each season brings new opportunities, and today we want to encourage you to join a reunion group as a way to continue the Spiritual Power of your Tres Dias weekend.

Sometimes understanding how easy it is to be in a Reunion group can be helpful in bringing people together. One question people often have is, "What do you do in a reunion group?"

Each group that gathers is unique and each member brings their own gifts to share. To that end, we share what happened at our last Reunion group meeting.

After pouring a cup of coffee and sitting down outside in a socially distant fashion, we began discussing the events of the world around us and in cities throughout our country. The peaceful protests and riots that have erupted in cities across the country after the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis were foremost on our minds. Each of us had something to say, and we were able to freely discuss the events and what it all means to us. Our personal thoughts were shared, and then, we prayed... for our country and the conditions that have led to the chaos, those affected by disenfranchisement, the police, firefighters and EMT's, equal justice under the law, and civil society.

We know that God is in control, and we lift our prayers and concerns to Him knowing that, "For where <u>Two</u> or three gather together in My name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18: 19-20)

While the topics change week to week, the format is usually the same. We share our personal thoughts and concerns, and as a group we support, maintain and encourage one another through scripture and prayer. We read daily devotionals, and often marvel at how God speaks to us at just the right time through them. He heals our hearts and lifts our spirits, and we will talk about that, too. We share our family and other concerns and each of us pray aloud as we together lift all to God in prayer.

As your Reunion Chairs, we want you all to experience the beauty of continuing your 4th day with other Christians who strive to rest in God's presence. We gather together to encourage each other in our faith journey, to hold each other accountable to God's word, and to talk about how we can practice our faith in this world. Tres Dias taught us about piety, study and action, and we gather to strengthen each other to live that out in our Christian lives.

We lift in prayer the reunion groups that exist, and those of you that are searching to join one. We encourage those who want to join a group to do so, and below we have presented a list of open reunion groups who welcome new Pescadores.

You are always welcome to start a new Reunion group with friends who have attended a Tres Dias weekend. We share the joy of our Reunion group with you because we believe God has brought us together for a reason, and we want you to feel that way, too. We each chose to be in a Reunion group and much like the decision to go to church or read the Bible, we believe that joining a Reunion group is one of the best gifts you can give yourself.

God Bless You! Reunion Group Committee

Open Reunion Groups

Also please check website list as you are welcome to call and inquire of any groups not marked closed. $h\underline{ttp}s://www.abundantlifetresdias.org/reuniongroups.h\underline{tm}$

Lake Geneva Men's Group White River Gun Range Hwy 50, Lake Geneva, WI Contact: Dr. Ryan 262-903-1887 Meets: First Sunday of the Month at 1:00

Freedom Through The Word Men's Group Freedom through The Word Church 2115 S. Alpine Rockford, IL 61108 Contact: Henry Repay 815-520-3119 Henry Repaylaw.com Meets: Spring through Fall, 2nd & 4th Wed at 6:30

Rooted Hearts Women's Group Westminster Church Library Rockford, IL Contact: Vicki Sherman 815-975-2993 vsherm@comcast.net Meets: Every other Thursday at 6:00

Brew City Bible **Babes Women's Group** Contact: Karen Weis 779-207-1335 weişkaren27@gmail.com Meets: 30 Wednesday of month at 5:30. Location varies.

PAY IT FORWARD

During this time of COVID, we recognize that finances can be strained. May we ask that you pray for the Pay It Forward Campaign? In order to continue to provide this opportunity, we are asking for prayers for more monthly donors or however God wants to bless this campaign. Through this campaign, participants on a particular weekend don't pay a fee to attend. At the end of the weekend (and with follow up shortly thereafter), they are invited to pay what they are able so the next group of weekend participants can benefit from the weekend as they have been so richly blessed. It only takes \$15 a month to completely fund a candidate to attend the weekend at no charge.

If you feel led to donate at this time there is a donation button on the ALTD website or you can text ALTD to 1-206-859-9405 to donate and set up your giving account (it can be whatever you feel led to donate). It is through generous donors that we can continue to give this precious gift to others. Thank you and God Bless all that have given thus far. If you can't give at this time please consider praying for the campaign. *ALTD IS 100% FUNDED BY DONATIONS!! Without your generous donations, we could not do what we do to encourage and motivate Christian leaders. We thank you for your support!*

You can also use this QR code to set up a donation.



Upcoming Events

Men's #43 Weekend: October 22-25, 2020 at Inspiration Ministries

Women's #43 Weekend: October 29- Nov. 1, 2020 at Inspiration Ministries

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John Denny	Leaders Chair	billlegend@aol.com
Bill Pieters/Dave Donehey	Weekend Chair	wpieters@att.net/
David May	Treasurer	dbm64@yahoo.com
Kirsten Ackmann	Pre-Weekend Chair	ellisonk@aol.com
George & Jenny MacIntyre/Jesse & Jennifer Arvizu	Palanca Chair	mac9842@gmail.com/
Chris and Missy Riggs	Post-Weekend Chair	lilmanredmac@gmail.com cmdmlr2@yahoo.com
Jessi Panyk/Nikki Lynch	Secretary	panykattack@gmail.com/
Briarwood Reunion Group	Reunion Chair	eaogibbs@gmail.com
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