

#### NORTH FLORIDA TRES DIAS

#### NEWSLETTER



**April 2025** 

#### Men's Week #69

Men's Weekend #69
Walaa Maghrious
April 10 - 13, 2025
Theme: Know to Whom You Belong
In the world you will have tribulatio

Verse: In the world you will have tribulation. But be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

John 16:33 NKJV

Song: I raise a Hallelujah By Bethel Music

#### Pescadore Orientation

June 7,2025, 9am-12:30pm CrossPoint Church of God 1640 US 19 Pelham, GA 31779

#### Women's Weekend #69

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Wendy Johnson
April 24-27, 2025
Theme: "Made For More."

Verse: For i know the plans I have for you "declare the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

Song: Made for More by: Josh Baldwins Colors: Jewel Tones - Rich Colors

#### Sequela

Sequela's are scheduled for the second Saturday of each month; however, there will be no sequela in April. The next meeting will take place on May 10th at 5 PM, located at Victory Fellowship in Thomasville, Georgia.

#### Upcoming Opening on Secretariat

If you are interested in joining the Secretariat, the following positions will be available starting January 2026. Please reach out to the current members of the positions you are considering.

**Pre-Weekend Couple:** 

Jason & Jennifer Hamilton

**Procurement Couple:** 

Chad & Amanda Slayton

Women's Leader: Kay King

**Secretary: Cindy Croley** 

Newsletter Couple: Aaron & Iris Loudermilk

PO Coordinator: Becky Strahan

#### Secretariat Meeting

4TH Monday of each month at 6pm
Currently held at
LifePoint Church
Tallahassee, Fl
All are welcome



### Family,

I am very excited as we are days away for the beginning of NFTD #69. Continue to lift Walaa, Wendy, the team and candidates up to the Lord in prayer. I know He is going to do a mighty work in the lives of the candidates and team.

Also, did you know that there are some that think a requirement to be rector is that you have to serve on the secretariat? This is not true. There are qualifications which can be found in our Policy and Procedures manual in section 2.1-3.

Continue to let your light shine and encourage those around you. Be Blessed and

Be a Blessing to someone!

De Colores,
Andy Fowler NFTD Chairman
NFTD # 21
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#### YOU ARE CHOSEN

Adopted children never have to wonder if they were wanted. They grow up with the certainty that their parents chose them. What a blessing! As a child of God, we are granted that same wonderful knowledge We are His adopted one, chosen specifically to bring Him pleasure. Ephesians 1:5 "God decided in advance to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself through Jesus Christ. This is what He wanted to do,

and it gave Him great pleasure".

Love you all,

Cindy Croley-NFTD Secretary

## MENS

#### **Greetings Pescadores!**

Team meeting #5 has just been completed with only one more to go before all preparations for Men's NFTD #69 will be complete! Walaa and crew have done a great job and we are looking forward to a great weekend! With all this activity I am once again impressed with the dedication of the team. Serving on the weekend is a tremendous commitment, demanding a great deal of time; energy; and yes, even money. Many things on the weekend can be adjusted, but one thing cannot be day cated; that is, your presence. There is no substitute for it! Thanks for being there.

De Colores, Bruce King, Men's Leader NFTD #37, Table of Peter

# FOOD COUPLE COUP

How rooted are you in the word of God? Remember, in times that we struggle, the deep roots never doubt that the spring will come! Spring is a time of renewal and new beginnings. It is a reminder of a new season. God is in the business of making things new and bringing dead things to life. He's in the business of transforming His people into the image of Christ. God is constantly moving in you and through you to accomplish His will for His glory. If you are currently in a hard season, remember that the seasons change and remember that it is the Almighty God that goes before you.

De Colores!
Terry & Carrie Pafford

Data Coordinator

There's no one before You
Yes we will adore You
All of this is for You
Who we talkin' about
That's my King!

Jay Hayes
Database Coordinator
NFTD #52 - Table of John

from "That's My King" by Cece Winans

### PESCADORE ORIENTATION COORDINATOR

HEY! In February and March we had an awesome turnout for Pescadore Orientation. In June, there will be an opportunity for PO before the fall weekends. Please see information below about when and where it will be. Come fellowship and learn all about our Community.

June 7,2025, 9am-12:30pm CrossPoint Church of God 1640 US 19 Pelham, GA 31779

Blessings & Love,
Becky Strahan
NFTD#47

Christian community is the place where we keep the flame of hope alive among us and take it seriously so that it can grow and become stronger in us."

- Henri Nouwen

As the Men's and Women's weekend are upon us we would encourage you all to be in intercession for each of our Rectors, team member and candidates that will serve and attend these weekends. Even if we are not serving, there are plenty of ways to support and help these weekends such as prayer, attending Serenade, making Palanca, and attending send -offs and closing. This is the beautiful thing about the body of Christ, it takes every member to accomplish kingdom goals. So as the weekends approaches and you are living out your Fourth Day, we encourage you to ask Holy Spirit what can I do to help be your hands and feet Lord? Everyone of us can be used in some way.

We are praying many blessings and breakthroughs over both the mens and womens weekend #69.

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

De Colores, your Fourth Day Couple Kyle and Stephanie Hatcher



# Proude Samona lacks up

You are a leader. Maybe you don't think so, but you are. Someone looks up to you and would like your support, advice, and encouragement. Perhaps you doubt your ability to lead well. Still you long to live and inspire others with a sincere heart, with intentionality, wisdom, and grace. Be encouraged, because God loves to guide you. Partner with him, and be assured that He's working in you to influence others for good.

Good leadership is a channel of water controlled by God: he directs it

to whatever ends he chooses.

Proverbs 21:1 (MSG)

Chad and Amanda Slayton

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#### **NFTD Community**,

Scripture says that if God is for us who can be against us. Remember to stay under Gods protection and he is on your side no matter what you face nothing is bigger than him.



Blessings, Kyle Moye NFTD # 40



### DEPalanca Couple D

Team Meetings for Men's and Women's Weekend #69 have been well underway. The Men's weekend is just a few weeks away. Please be preparing your palanca if you haven't already. If you have questions, don't hesitate to reach out. Another way you can serve and bless the candidates and team is by writing a General Palanca letter. You don't have to be on either team to do so. Remember how you were blessed to see those all around the campground. If you are not serving on either weekend, feel free to email them to us at palanca@nftd.org. Otherwise get those to your Palanca Chas.

Below are some upcoming Tres Dias weekends in other communities they would love your prayers.

Spirit of Grace: Men's #13; Alamo City: Men #14; Altoona Johnstown: Women #86; Big Sky: Women's Weekend; Central Arizona: Men #45; Central Florida: Men #36; Colorado Front Range: Men #28; Con Dios: Men #22; Dusty Trails: Women #9; Grace Gulf Coast: Men #19; Indy: Men #55; Lehigh Valley: Women #28; North East Texas: Women #19; North Texas: Women #77; Northern Virginia: Women #44; River of Grace: Men #9; St.

Louis: Men's #44; Tampa Bay: Men #51 - - April 3rd - 6th

Life Tres Dias in Korea Men's #49 – April 9th – 12th

• Spirit of Grace: Women's #13; St. Louis: Women's #44; Alamo City: Women #14; Central Arizona: Women #45; Central Florida: Women #36; Colorado Front Range: Women #28; Con Dios: Women #22; Cumberland Valley: Women #25; Grace Gulf Coast: Women #19; River of Grace: Women #9; Susquehanna Valley: Women #68; Tampa

Bay: Women #51; Tri-State: Women #93 – April 10th – 13th

Rocky Mountain West Men's #38 – April 17th – 20th

· Life Tres Dias in Korea Women's #49 - April 23rd - 26th

• Treasure Valley: Men #14; Big Sky: Men's Weekend; CSRA: Men #38; Chattahoochee Valley: Men #42; Germany: Men #41; Indy: Women #55; Las Huellas de Cristo: Men #11; Mid-Hudson: Men #190; North Georgia: Men #154; Rocky Mountain West: Women #38; Southern Ontario (Canada): Men #16 – April 24th – 27th

· CSRA: Women #38; Chattahoochee Valley: Women #42; Las Huellas de Cristo: Women

#11; Maine: Men #110; North Georgia: Women #168; Treas

Southern Ontario (Canada): Women #16 – M

Blessings,
Rodney & Jessica Whitfield
NFTD #40

## Weekend Couple

Verse of the day 2 Corinthians 5:21

for God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

This verse says it all doesn't it? I've often told my friends "I'm not your Jesus!" In other words = I'm not perfect. Because of my relationship with Jesus = no one can let me down! We all are capable of letting each other down and absolutely will.... We simply aren't Jesus. We are simply people.

I've often told people about Tres Dias and things I've witnessed. Of course I've witnessed confrontations, disagreements and arguments.

Misunderstandings....

But I've more importantly noticed after the dust settles we usually make up, forgive and move forward....

This is something I love about Tres Dias.

We all are ultimately seeking that intimate relationship with Jesus. That's what Tres Dias is after and about! We all are "being made right with God through Christ!"

My MATH is MATHING! 😂 👆 . 🙌 🙏

Love ya'll
- Dude & Deanna

### Men Rector #69

To my Brothers and sisters of the NFTD community:
The men's weekend 69 is now less than two weeks away as I write this letter. Many people have told me that it will go by in a flash, and they were right. It seems like the closer we get, the faster the time goes by. I occasionally go through moments of nervousness, but I continue to hold on to the fact that He will carry me up and walk with me through this journey.

We had our last meeting this past Thursday night at which time I did my Rector talk. It was definitely one of my nervous moments, as parts of my testimony was quite emotional. But, the Holy Spirit showed up as he always does. I was told by many that it went well.

As is always the case, we had to shuffle some team members around at the last minute due to drops and other issues. The willingness of my team to move around and to serve wherever I need them is such a comfort. I am very blessed to this awesome group of men around me. As always, please continue to pray for me, the team and the candidates. I'm looking forward to seeing what our heavenly father has in store for the weekend.

De Colores,
Walaa Magharious
NFTD 41
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### Women's Rector #68

Wow, it's hard to believe that in just 4 1/2 weeks, the Women's weekend will begin! These last 11 months have flown by. God has been So good to me during this time of preparation. He's certainly drawn me out of the box I was in. For So long, I've been trapped, paralyzed, unable to move forward - just stuck with no real dreams of the future. Not able to move forward like I'm created to do because during the 7 years that Johnny was ill, I lived moment to moment, simply trying to get through each day, in survival mode. Since he went Home 6 years ago, it's like I'd forgotten how to move forward. I'm sure satan was quite pleased with that because I was immobile, unable to focus or look forward, not able to make any long standing plans. But God! What satan intended to use to hold me back, God will use to move me forward and influence

Thank you to everyone who believed in me and saw in me what I couldn't see in myself. Thank you for giving me this wonderful opportunity to be the Rector of weekend #69. If not for this, I'd probably still be where I was. I'm so grateful. This has moved me out of the box and shown me that I Am Made for More! I am truly looking forward to what God is going to do on the weekend... And Beyond! I have a Future and Its Worth the Living!

others that He can do the same for them. He's a Good, Good

Father.

**De Colores!** 

Wendy Johnson, Rector #69



## TREASURER

#### **Greeting NFTD community!**

Ah Spring has sprung and the circle of life has once again covered us in unending waves of pollen... necessary but can be a bit too much. Every year my car has two colors; yellow and grey.

Spring is also when we plan for the first of our two weekends at Camp Suwannee where lives are changed and renewal takes place in the hearts of Candidates and team members. For all this to take place I remind everyone serving on a team that team fees are the pollen for the weekend. Well, that may be a bad analogy or simile, or is it a metaphor? Team fees pay for the team meetings, the campground, the meals, the supplies... in actuality, team fees pay for almost everything we do as a community. If you are on a team this spring, please pay your team fees promptly.

Peace to all!

Your Treasurer,
Sean Nyberg
NFTD #18, March 18-21, 1999

### PREWEEKEND COUPLE

We are looking forward to two powerful weekends. Sponsors, please bring your male candidates to the Send-Off Ceremony on Thursday, April 10th, no later than 5:45 p.m. EST to Freedom Church. We will meet in the main sanctuary, and candidates may arrive as early as 5:15 p.m. EST.

Then, on Thursday, April 24th, please bring your female candidates to the Send-Off Ceremony, located at Freedom Church by 5:45 p.m. EST. While married female candidates may not attend their husband's Send-Off Ceremony, husbands may attend their wife's ceremony. Also, please remember to bring your weekend fees of \$160 (per candidate) to Send-Off. Sponsors, if you haven't discussed with your candidate who is

responsible for paying for the fees, please do so before coming to Sendoff-Off, and remember that children are not allowed to

attend the ceremony.



Send-Off for NFTD #69:
Main Sanctuary
Freedom Church
2797 Thomasville Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32308

De Colores,

Jason & Jen Hamilton

## Momen's Leaders

The azaleas have popped out. The wisteria is hanging and smelling so sweetly. The dogwood blossoms are making the woods alive with life again. Opportunities for new life are budding forth everywhere, even at Tres Dias. "We were made for more. "The weekend is fast approaching and if you have missed any team meetings, you have really missed an opportunity to be pruned and enabled to bring forth much fruit for our Lord's kingdom. The ministry our spirituals and professors have shared has been so powerful.

Song of Solomon 2:15 says, "You must catch the troubling foxes, those sly little foxes that hinder our relationship. For they raid our budding vineyard of love to ruin what I've planted within you. Will you catch them and remove them for me? We will do it together." (The Passion Translation)

Are you so obligated that you don't have time to attend meetings? Have you not paid your dues?

Are you fully committed to your assignment for the weekend? It's time to get rid of those foxes that spoil the vine of your opportunity to "be made for more."

Do you have a fox? Jesus asks, "Will you catch them and remove them for me? We will do it together." If you have a "fox" share your need. Let's bind together in increased prayer for our team. Wrap your arms around a team member who may be struggling and give them your love and support! Let's finish this race strongly together to see to it that we all bud with great honor to our Lord and King with every fox driven from our vineyard.



# The Power of the Empty Tomb 1 Corinthians 15:50-58

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

— 1 Corinthians 15:55

Life on this earth is not without dark times. We can identify periods in history when evil and darkness seemed to be in control. We can look back on our own lives and recall times of grief, hurt, loneliness, or despair. Or maybe those times are happening right now, and life seems empty of meaning or purpose. Maybe all of life seems like a dark, empty space. Jesus knows what that's like—and even more. On the cross he suffered the agony of complete separation from God (descending into hell) so that we wouldn't have to—and his body was placed in a tomb till he rose to life again on the third day. Jesus' work of salvation for us would not have been complete if he did not suffer the full punishment of "unspeakable anguish, pain, and terror of soul" on the cross to pay the price for all our sins (Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 44). And on Easter he rose in victory over death so that we might share in the power of his resurrection and enjoy new life with God. (See also Luke 23:42-46.)

Our journey into new life in Christ may take us through times of darkness. Yet, as hard as those times may be, we can be assured that death, loneliness, and despair do not have the final victory; Jesus conquered them. As you walk through valleys of shadow in your life, lean on Jesus, the Savior—who knows you and is walking with you into new life.

God of new life, assure us of your presence, especially when darkness and despair seem all around. In Christ we pray. Amen



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