

## **Upcoming Weekends**

Men's #46 April 12 - 15, 2012 Buz Stephens • Rector

Women's #46 April 26 - 29, 2012 Beverly Solomon • Rector

Men's #47 October 11 - 14, 2012 TBA • Rector

Women's #47 October 25 - 28, 2012 TBA • Rector

## Giving Thanks...

"It is good to say thank you to the Lord, to sing praises to the God who is above all gods. Every morning tell him, "Thank you for your kindness", and every evening rejoice in all his faithfulness." Psalm 92:1-2

Thankfulness ought to be a major ingredient in all our relationships. During the Thanksgiving holiday, we focus on our blessings and express our gratitude to God for them. But thanks should be on our lips every day. We can never say thank you enough to parents, friends, leaders, and especially to God. When thanksgiving becomes an integral part of our life, we will find that our attitude toward life will change. We will become more positive, gracious, loving, and humble.

In 1789, President George Washington declared the first national day of Thanksgiving by asking Americans to "unite in most humbly offering our prayer and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of nations."

As Christians, we understand that the call to thanksgiving is far more urgent than a holiday, and far more important than the calendar. True thanksgiving cannot be limited to a day or a season. We recognize that God has given us everything that we have -- and everything that we need. We acknowledge our unconditional dependence upon Him for every second of our lives, every morsel we will eat and every joy we will ever experience.

Deserving nothing but God's wrath, we were granted forgiveness through His Son. Needing all things, we have been given everything needful for our salvation

and eternal life. To these God has added joys, comforts, and provision beyond our imagination -- "far more abundantly than all that we ask or think." (Ephesians 3:20)

So, gather together to give thanks to God. While others celebrate 'Turkey Day' and watch football, direct your thoughts to the God of Heaven, by whose hand we have been brought near and given more than we can even remember.

The Pilgrims knew to whom they were praying -- and why. Let's follow their example and remember that their dependence upon God was no greater than our own.

As a nation founded on trust in God, we have so much to be thankful for. Most of us will never know what it is like to need to find shelter or wonder where our next meal will come from. God has blessed us with so much, even when we think it to be not enough. Seeing and receiving the blessings in what God gives us is a choice that each of us makes individually. Acknowledging and thanking God for His favor and provision is something that should come naturally to us as His children. Our worship and praise is a small sacrifice to give to one who have given us so much.

"Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come to him with thanksgiving. Let us sing psalms of praise to him. For the Lord is a great God, a great King above all gods." Psalm 95:1-3

Victory Sequela Saturday • November 12 6 pm

New Covenant • Thomasville, GA

Please bring a covered dish.

Fellowship • Food Praise & Worship

Come & welcome the new Pescadores into the community and encourage them in their Fourth Day adventure!

Saturday November 5 Arrive by 8:30 pm

> Centenary Camp Gretna, FL

## Welcome to the Secretariat...

We would like to welcome Rich Blankenship, Bill and Tina Carson, Andy Fowler, Jay and Lisa Lowe, and John and Paula Marshall onto the Secretariat.

The Secretariat is the governing board for the Tres Dias community and it's members serve for three years on a rotating basis. The Secretariat meets at Lifepoint Church, In Tallahassee, on the fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 PM. Visitors are always welcome.

Rich Blankenship will be serving as Treasurer. As treasurer, Rich keeps track of all of e expenses that are necessary to run the weekends and community. Rich and his wife Karen worship at Lifepoint Church in Tallahassee.

Bill and Tina Carson will be serving as the Palanca Couple. Their position is responsible for collecting and sending palanca letters and communication to other Tres Dias communities or Third Day movements. Bill and Tina and their children worship and serve within the church body at First Baptist Church Thomasville.

Andy Fowler will be serving as the Database Coordinator. Andy will update the website and help to keep the community database up to date. Andy and his family worship and serve at Bible Covenant Fellowship.

Jay and Lisa Lowe will be serving as the Weekend Couple. Their position keeps them busy with making sure that all of the supplies that we use on the weekend are inventoried and accounted for. They also handle negotiations with the campground and make sure that all of the candidate's luggage arrives safely on the weekend. Jay and Lisa and their family worship and serve within the church body at First Baptist Church Thomasville.

John and Paula Marshall will be serving as the Pescadore Orientation, or PO Couple. John and Paula will coordinate and present pescadore orientations to the community. Pescadore Orientation is the fun-filled training sessions that take place to inform and instruct the community of the weekend essentials. John and Paula worship and serve at Lifepoint Church in Tallahassee.

