



ABUNDANT LIFE TRES DIAS

June 2015 Newsletter

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Planning for Weekend #33 has begun. To keep us in the practice of praying for weekends, visit www.3dayol.org and sign up to pray for a weekend overseas. We can cover their “middle of the night” shift because of the time difference, and in doing so, extend Christ’s hands and feet across oceans.

Abundant Life Tres Dias Weekend 33 – team formation:

Our fall weekends will be held November 5-8 (men) and 12-15 (women). Jeff Ingersoll and Becka Iler and their Head Chas are compiling team lists even as you are reading this newsletter.

We cannot stress it enough: **do not wait for them to call you.** If you can serve this fall, print a team application, fill it out, sign it, get your pastor/priest to sign, and mail it in. See the “Applications / Documents” page of the website.

Those who have served in the past have been as blessed as the candidates, so let’s bless the rector/a by *volunteering* to serve Christ in this manner. Let’s inundate Jeff and Becka with applications to make this part of the preparation a joy.

Men's Weekend No. 33

ALTD men: what do you believe? Are you able to articulate your beliefs? Are you in God's word? As Weekend 33 approaches, you may be called upon to serve Him on this weekend or He may want you to continue serving Him in your environment and be in prayer for this weekend. As Dan and I seek God's direction for forming the next team, we covet your prayers.

God's blessing on each of you..... Jeff

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New Secretariat Members

We don't have photos to include in this month's newsletter, but our new Secretariat members should be well known to many of you. They were voted on and approved at the May 8 Victory Secuela, and are excited to serve YOU in these capacities for the next three years:

Leaders Chair:	Jeff and Elke Ingersoll
Pre-Weekend Chair:	Jennifer Kodl
Treasurer:	Henry Repay
Communication Chair:	Krista Bensheimer

Their email addresses are listed on the last page, but they will not officially take office until July 1. (Meaning, if you need to reach one of those chairs before then, please refer to the April newsletter for contact information.)



It is such an honor to serve as Rectora and Head Cha for God's Weekend #33. We are so excited to see how God's hands are already at work forming this team. It is still very early in the process but we are happy to report it is going well so far. We are looking forward to every step of the adventure God has planned for us. Our weekend verse is **Psalm 18:46 – The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!**

The important dates are: August 29 - Heads & Rollistas meeting, then Sept. 12, Sept. 26, Oct. 10 and Oct. 24 for team formation meetings, with Women's Weekend #33 on Nov.12-15, 2015. Applications to work on team can be sent in as soon as they have been signed by your Pastor. We ask the community to please keep us in your continued prayers and remember it is never too early to be praying about who we should invite to this weekend. Thanks for all your community support!

Blessings from your humble servants,
Rectora -**Becka ILer**, Weekend #18 - Spring 2008 – Table of Leah
Head Cha -**Jennifer Kodl** – Weekend #23 - Fall 2010 – Table of Deborah

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(Please note - the article concerning the International Assembly includes several pages of information; it is ALL included, not condensed, to inform and encourage you to attend, to sign up on the prayer scroll, make palanca, and support this wonderful opportunity for our community. And, of course, to have a fabulous time with friends and fellow believers from all over the world. The information will be provided again via email - see last month's newsletter for information about making palanca.)



And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

Tres Dias International Assembly Update

Much is happening to prepare hosting the 36th International Assembly, and we are excited for YOU to be informed so you may join us! You are encouraged to come and attend, observe, and participate in this Assembly of Tres Dias we are hosting in Rockford in July.

Here's what you can expect during the Assembly so you can make plans now to attend all or any part of the Tres Dias Assembly hosted by Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2821 N Bell School Road, Rockford, IL. The following program is a draft, subject to change.

Friday:

1:00 – 5:00 PM	Registration & Welcome Packets <i>Check-in for Meetings, Workshops & Assembly</i>	Main Entry
2:00 – 4:30 PM	President's Informal Meeting <i>Tres Dias International Secretariat and Nominees</i> <i>All are welcome to come and observe this meeting</i>	Sanctuary
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Dinner – Taco Bar – build your own tacos with all the fixings	Activity Center El Canto Gallo

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6:00 – 8:30 PM	Tres Dias Essentials Training Part 1: Training – Essentials Core Content Part 2: Trainer Certification* – Techniques and guidelines for teaching the Essentials	Sanctuary
6:00 – 8:30 PM	Coffee House – live Christian music, desserts, and coffee!	Youth Center Lower Level A020

Saturday:

7:15 – 8:30 AM	Registration & Welcome Packets <i>Check-in for Meetings, Workshops & Assembly</i>	Main Entry
7:30 – 8:30 AM	Hot & Hearty Breakfast – pancakes, sausages, eggs and more.	Activity Center
8:15 – 8:45 AM	Opening Activities Worship music – Debbie Rush & friends	Sanctuary
8:45 AM	Welcome – Paul & Karen Weis, Assembly Co-Chairs Community Greetings – Arnie Bryson, ALTD, Dave Beguin, NITD Invocation – Rev. Dr. William Ward, Westminster	Sanctuary
9:00 AM	Keynote Address - Rev. Dr. James Tilly, First Presbyterian Church, Rochelle	Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Procession of Tres Dias Community Banners	Sanctuary
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	1st Business Session of Assembly – Valerie Mehl, Chairperson Call to Order Our Roots and Our Branches – Paul Weis, Executive Director Recognize Communities in Attendance (Roll Call) – Anita Rogers The Two Governing Bodies of Tres Dias Introduction of Appointed Parliamentarian Introduction of Appointed Officers of the Assembly: Recording Secretary – Anita Rogers Financial Secretary – Henry Repay Treasurer – Joni Spartz Registrar – LuAnn Balch Call for Motion to Approve <u>Standing Rules of the Assembly</u> Call for motion to Approve <u>Agenda</u> Call for any Motions for New Business (Motions must be made in writing by a Delegate and presented to Assembly Chairperson by 1:00 PM) Last Call for Proxy Ballots (Elections, Budget and Assessment, etc.) Attendance Report by Registrar – LuAnn Balch, Registrar Annual Report of the International Secretariat – Bruce Cato, President	Sanctuary

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	Election Committee Policies & Procedures – Tim Real & Eric Borman Announcement of Proxy Ballot Voting Results Prayers of Thanks for the Lord's Guidance in the Process of Voting Results – TBD Recess Business Session	
11:20 AM	Break – proceed to Workshop Session One	
11:30 – 12:15 PM	Workshop Session One President's Forum – Bruce Cato	Sanctuary
	Creating an Atmosphere of Worship through Music & Scripture on a Weekend – Jeff & Elke Ingersoll	Choir Room lower level A005
	Successful Candidate Sponsorship – Michael Dustman, Mark & Dee Hill, Jeb & Dawn Harper	TBD
	Fundraising – Ed Scaro	TBD
	Second Generation Tres Dias Leadership – Russ & Sheri Barber and Bobby & Megan Gardner	TBD
12:30 – 1:30 PM	Lunch – Tailgate Party! Chicago style hot dogs and Wisconsin Brats	Activity Center
1:30 – 3:00 PM	2 nd Business Session of Assembly Blessing – TBD Acknowledgement of Past International Presidents and Secretariat Executives New Business: Consideration of written motions submitted by Assembly Delegates (prior to 1:00 PM deadline) Stories of Grace from Tres Dias Around the World Recognition of Host Community – ALTD and NITD Invitation to Next Assembly – Mid Hudson Tres Dias Announcement of Upcoming Secretariat & Assembly Locations/Dates	Sanctuary
3:00 – 3:15 PM	Break – Proceed to Workshop Session Two	
3:15 – 4:00 PM	Workshop Session Two President's Forum – Bruce Cato	Sanctuary
	Creating an Atmosphere of Worship through Music & Scripture on a Weekend – Jeff & Elke Ingersoll	Choir Room lower level A005
	Successful Candidate Sponsorship – Michael Dustman, Mark & Dee Hill, Jeb & Dawn Harper	TBD
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4:00 – 4:45 PM	Minutes	Sanctuary

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	<i>Reading & Approval – Anita Rogers, Recording Secretary</i>	
4:55 – 5:00 PM	Adjourn the 36 th Assembly	
5:30 – 6:45 PM	Dinner – Bennie Iler’s Famous B B Q pulled pork with sides provided by ALTD and NITD communities	Activity Center
7:00 – 8:30 PM	Secuela featuring Broken Shackles band, Pastor Anita Stewart-Steva presiding	Sanctuary

We especially encourage a great turnout on Saturday evening. Dinner is 5:30 – 6:45, followed by a joint Secuela from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Westminster Sanctuary, featuring the Broken Shackles band leading us in (rockin’) worship, with Pastor Anita Stewart-Steva presiding with a stirring message and communion. There is no registration required for you to come and attend the Secuela.

Benny Iler is preparing pulled pork sandwiches, so community is asked to provide the following side dishes to complement the meal, bring enough for 12 people, based on your last name:

Applesauce, Baked Beans – A-D

Desserts E-J

Hamburger buns K-M

Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, or other type of salad N-R

Pickles, Olives, Chips S-Z

Beverages will be provided (sweet & plain tea, lemonade, water, pop, coffee)

Sunday:

7:30 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast (provided by ALTD members of Westminster)	Youth Center Lower level A 020
8:00 – 11:00 AM	Worship & Opening Devotion <i>Worship music – Karen Weis</i> <i>Devotion and Communion – Ryan Bensheimer,</i> <i>Spiritual Director for ALTD Community</i> General Meeting of International Secretariat – Bruce Cato, President <i>President Assigns Committees</i> <i>Break into Work Session; Committee Meetings</i> <i>Nomination/Approval of Committee Voting Members</i>	Youth Center Lower level A 020
10:55 AM	Adjourn Meeting until October	
11:00 – 12:00 PM	Worship at Westminster Contemporary Service	Sanctuary

Attending the assembly as observers, your special local rate \$20 registration fee covers all materials, workshops, and meals. You do need to register by June 17 to help provide accurate head counts. The registration form is located on the Tres Dias International web site:

<http://www.tresdias.org/hp.htm>

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Please fill out the registration form on line, then send your check made out to ALTD for \$20 per person to LuAnn Balch.


The following members of the ALTD and NITD communities are giving generously of their time, talents, and gifts to serve in the planning and implementation of this 36th Assembly:

Officers for 36th Assembly:

Registrar, LuAnn Balch (NITD)
Financial Secretary, Henry Repay (ALTD)
Treasurer, Joni Spartz (NITD)
Recording Secretary, Anita Rogers (ALTD)

36th Assembly Planning Committee:

Administration, Co-Chairs, Paul & Karen Weis
NITD Coordinators Larry & Diane Johnson
Registration/greeters, LuAnn Balch
Financial, Henry Repay and Joni Spartz
Kitchen/Food, Derek Sherman
Music, Steve Weber
Palanca, Linda Mensching
Prayer, Dan & Judy Piecha
Transportation, John Grotjohn
Housing Coordinator, Karen Weis (for time being)
Head Cha/Auxiliary, Tanya Muzzarelli



Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Secretariat members finishing their three year terms, and transitioning off the board:

Karen Weis, Leaders Chair
Kevin Busker, Treasurer
Anita Rogers, Communication Chair
Terri Weber, Pre-Weekend Chair

We have enjoyed serving with you, and appreciate your service, wisdom, humor, enthusiasm, and devotion to Christ. Share an abrazo the next time you see these folks, and add your personal “thank you.”

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