

TRUST LEADS TO SURRENDER

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5-6



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TDNG MEN'S #143

Weekend Date: AUGUST 18-21, 2022

Team Meeting Schedule

Saturday – June 25

Saturday – July 9

Saturday – July 23

Saturday – August 6

Bridge to Grace Covenant Church
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All meetings will begin @ 8:00am and end at approximately 1:00pm, counting as two meetings.

NOTE: Schedule review will be held on Saturday August 13 – All heads invited. Location to be announced.

Dear Brothers,

What an honor, privilege, and joy it is to welcome you to the team of Men's #143 | Tres Dias of North Georgia. Thank you for answering God's call to serve!

Our theme for the weekend is **"Trust leads to Surrender"**

Our visual: Imagine yourself walking along with God on a path, in wonder-filled awe of the splendor of His creation; The path towards an intimate relationship with our loving Heavenly Father. God wants us to trust that He has our best interests at heart. He teaches using relationships, circumstances, disciplines and ministry to build our trust. The trees along the path symbolize the people, lessons, or events God has placed along the way.

Our weekend scripture reminds us not to lean on our own understanding, but to trust God with everything, then He will make our paths straight. Invite Him into the details of your life, and watch what happens. I recently heard, "Where self ends, God begins".

It reminds us that ... Trust Leads to surrender, and ultimately to Joy, Peace, and Contentment!!!

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I urge you to pray:

For your Rector, For our team meetings,
For our team members, For our weekend,
And for our candidates of Tres Dias #143.

Blessings sojourners,
Ervin Moore
Rector, TDNG Men's #143



First Time Working a Tres Dias Weekend?

OR | *Things you have always wanted to ask*

TEAM MEETINGS

- **OUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT** - Team members are expected to pay \$200.00 by check, cash or card. This payment includes a \$15.00 team fee (for supplies used during the team meetings, team books, etc.) and a \$185.00 weekend fee that covers the cost of food and lodging for the weekend. Please make every effort to make your payment by the third team meeting or discuss payment arrangements with the Assistant Head Cha. (Checks made payable to Tres Dias of North Georgia)

Each team member will also be asked to contribute to one meal. The kitchen team will set up a food schedule for the team meetings and you will be contacted with your group's menu and contribution date. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting time with your food items. If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please swap your time with someone from another group.

- **OUR TIME COMMITMENT** - Please plan to attend all team meetings. Keep in mind that team members should not miss more than two meetings and section heads should make every effort to attend all meetings, keeping in mind that these Saturday meetings count as two. If you must miss a meeting; contact your section head, Assistant Head Cha, Head Cha, or the Rector. Also – we will take advantage of every minute during the team meetings- so bring your excitement and enthusiasm as we prepare to serve!
- **COMMITMENT OF OUR TALENTS** – No matter what your position is on the weekend; your ideas, talents, servant leadership, and insight are important. Some will be serving for the first time and will bring a new perspective ... others have served for many years and in many positions and will bring a spirit of mentorship and experience. No two weekends are the same and no weekend should be compared to another. God has His special plan for THIS weekend that is unique to the men who will be serving and those who will be served. Come to each meeting with a spirit of expectation and we will see His great work!
- **COMMITMENT OF OUR GROWTH – THIS IS OUR GREATEST COMMITMENT!**
In an effort to serve with excellence; it is important that every section head and every team member be committed to both spiritual growth and to a willingness to grow in our knowledge and application of Tres Dias essentials and traditions. Our goal is twofold:
 - To present ourselves to be used of Christ for His glory
 - To be 100% prepared in our service areas prior to arriving at the camp so we serve with excellence!



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THE WEEKEND

- **HOW WE BEGIN** - The weekend begins Thursday evening and the team meets at the campground. It is helpful if you can get there before 6:00 PM to set up your bed and get settled before the candidates arrive. The weekend will begin with prayer and communion in the Chapel at 7:00pm before the arrival of the candidates. When the candidates arrive around 8:00 we will greet them at the door; then all team members except kitchen chas and professors will meet at the Storeroom to help unload the bus. **Kitchen Chas** have an earlier time to report so they can prepare for the reception.
- **PALANCA LETTERS** - All team members should write a general palanca letter (*these are shared and posted on the wall in the rollo room during the weekend*) AND a letter for each candidate on the weekend. The candidate letters are put into the Sunday bags. It is highly recommended that you write your letters before the weekend and then personalize them once you are there. Palanca Chas need them completed and in alphabetical order by Saturday night. Once you are at the campground, you'll receive a list of the candidates so that you can better personalize your letters. *Example letters are provided later in this book.*



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- **COMMUNICATION** - is very important. Always let your section head know where you will be if you leave your area. For example, if you would like to attend a chapel or hear a talk, first check with your section head for approval and so that he will know your whereabouts.
- **YOUR CROSSES** - Bring your wooden Tres Dias cross with you. You may wear them from Saturday through the rest of the weekend if you so desire. (Crosses may be worn after the Piety Rollo)
- **TO HUG OR NOT TO HUG** - Please refrain from hugging at the Thursday night reception. We do not want the candidates to feel uncomfortable. Remember that the “Abrazo” or hug, is not introduced to the candidates until Saturday morning chapel. Not all people are “hugs” people. Wait for candidates to initiate contact with you.
- **LINING THE WALKWAYS** - There are times that team members will be asked to line the halls and walkways as the candidates transition between activities. When you are asked, please move quickly and with a cheerful attitude. The fact that many men take the time to line the walkways makes a huge impression on many candidates. It’s a great outward sign of UNITY in the Body of Christ and lets the candidates know they are not walking alone!
- **MEAL FELLOWSHIP** - Try to sit with different people at mealtimes. This will give you a great opportunity to meet new people and share God’s love with them.



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- **OUR PROFESSORS** - Try to familiarize yourself with the professors during the team meetings so that you'll be able to identify them on the weekend. Remember, they are "undercover" and should be treated as if they were a candidate up until the time they are revealed in the Rollo Room.
- **TEAM PALANCA** - There are palanca guidelines included later in this book. Please refer to these guidelines for additional information. Team members sometimes give palanca to other team members. This is not required and can be as simple as a nice note.
- **CANDIDATE PALANCA** - . If you would like to provide palanca for the candidates, you may do that in the form of table palanca, bed palanca or kitchen palanca. It is important to remember that no individual palanca may be given to candidates on the weekend. If you want to give palanca to a candidate, you will have to give the same thing to all candidates. If you have something special for one candidate, it can be given to the Candidate after closing.
- **PRAYER PALANCA** - During each rollo, two team members will provide prayer palanca for those giving the talk. You will have an opportunity to sign up for the blessing of providing prayer palanca. The gopher chas will come and pull you when it is time for you to pray. What better gift could you give your teammate than the gift of prayer!
- **YOUR BUNKS** - You will need to take all your bedding and supplies with you just as you did when you attended your weekend. You get the same type of bunk bed as the candidates and will be sleeping in a team dorm that will have your name posted outside the door of your dorm.



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- **SERVING** - Remember that your purpose on the weekend is to be God's Servant and let God's love shine through you. Team members should take care of their own needs to the extent possible so that other team members can focus on the candidates. We are like invisible "stagehands" who facilitate an environment for the candidates to experience all that the Father has for them. We do not want to be a distraction or to interfere with the moving of the Holy Spirit by directing attention upon ourselves at inappropriate times.
- **COMMITMENT** - All team members are expected to stay for the entire weekend – from the Reception on Thursday evening through Closing on Sunday night. This is a sequestered weekend, so you may not leave the campground during the weekend and then return to continue serving. The only cha approved to leave the campground during the weekend are the two Floater Supply chas. If you need something from Walmart, go to the storeroom and let the storeroom chas know. The Floater Supply chas will run the errand for you.
- **PHONES & TECHNOLOGY** – Please refrain from using your cell/smart phones and technology devices in the presence of the candidates at all times. We ask the candidates to leave their technology devices behind for the weekend so they are not distracted from the Father. As Christian leaders, we need to set the example through our actions.
- **QUESTIONS?** - If you have any questions, please direct them to the head of your section first and then to the Head or Asst. Head Cha.



WEEKEND ACTIVITIES AT-A-GLANCE

THURSDAY

THEME: Putting the world aside, and focusing on Self and God

Script: **Rector's Meditation** - *(Listen to what Christ says; turn to Him; obey Him).*

Chapel: **Know Thyself Meditation** - *(Why am I here? Past Life; introspective).*

Chapel: **Prodigal Son Meditation** - *(God seeks my return to Him).*

SILENT RETREAT

FRIDAY

THEME: Who Am I? Presents the ideal picture of living the life in grace.

Scripture: *"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved"*
Col. 3:12

Chapel: **Three Glances of Christ Meditation** –
(Responses of the rich young man, Judas and Peter).

Rollo: **Ideals** -
(Need for an Ideal to direct one's life).

SD Rollo: **Grace** –
(Presents the central idea of Tres Dias; Life in God's Grace; His gift to us through Jesus).

Rollo: **The Church** –
(Working in union with clergy to fulfill God's role for His Church).

SD Rollo: **Holy Spirit** –
(God is ready at all times to help those who need Him. Everyone needs his help).

Chapel: Palanca is introduced.

Rollo: **Piety** –
(Response to Jesus' "glance"; living the Christian life fully and unreservedly; directing one's whole life to God; witness on one who has chosen the Christian Ideal).



WEEKEND ACTIVITIES AT-A-GLANCE

SATURDAY

THEME: How can I attain the Ideal?

Practical solutions / the “how to” of Piety.

Scripture: *“...clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” Col. 3:12-13*

Chapel: **The figure of Christ Meditation** (*Jesus is God, Man, Savior and Lord*).

Rollo: **Study** (*Applying the mind to attain the Ideal*).

SD Rollo: **Sacred Moments of Grace** (*Focus on the most significant decision points in the life of a Christian and one’s union with Christ in those decisions*).

Rollo: **Action** (*The Kingdom activity of the Christian who is directed by Study and motivated by Piety*).

SD Rollo: **Obstacles to Grace** (*Overcoming the distractions that draw Christians away from their Ideal*).

Rollo: **Leaders** (*The natural and supernatural qualities that characterize and allow the Christian leader to influence those around him to respond to God’s grace*).

DINNER – Serenade – Forgiveness Chapel

SUNDAY

THEME: “Go and bear Fruit.”

Presents Christ’s command to the community.

Scripture: *“And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.” Col. 3:14*

Chapel: **Christ’s Message to the Pescadore Meditation**. (*Contact with Christ and with other Christians; bear much fruit*).

Rollo: **Environments** (*Consideration of the environment from the point of view of the relation of the people in it to God and to the life of grace*).

SD Rollo: **Life in Grace** (*Is a life centered on contact with Jesus Christ?*)

Rollo: **Christian Community in Action (CCIA)** (*Teaming with other Christians to accomplish a common Christian purpose*).

Rollo: **Reunion Groups** (*Fellowship and accountability for sustaining the Christian Life*).

Rollo: **Security in the Fourth Day** (*Rector’s talk; deals with what lies ahead; the application of what has been learned on the weekend – a Triumphant Picture*).

Apostolic **Presentation of Crosses**

Hour:

Letters: Distribution of the Sunday Bags containing the Palanca Letters.

CLOSING: **What does Christ mean to you now?**
Page 9 of 34 **What did you gain from Tres Dias?**



A word cloud featuring various terms in different colors and orientations. The words are: Table (dark green, top center), HeadCha (red, top center), Storeroom (dark purple, top center), Data (dark red, top right), Floater-Supply (yellow, middle left), Rover (orange, middle right), Music (dark red, middle right), Spiritual Director (dark red, middle center), Gopher (dark green, middle right), Rector (dark green, middle right), Prayer (dark green, left), Chapel (dark green, left), Professors (orange, middle right), Palanca (orange, middle right), Tech (red, middle right), BUR (yellow, middle right), Asst. HeadCha (yellow, middle right), Kitchen (dark green, left), Dorm (dark green, left), and HeadCha (yellow, middle right).

The Role of a Team Member

Accepting Your invitation

INTRODUCTION - Congratulations! After prayerful consideration, you have been invited to serve on a Tres Dias of North Georgia Mens' Team. Before accepting your position on the team, you examined your responsibilities to God, family, church and work. Your commitment to serve covers a period of about three months from the first team meeting until the post-weekend Celebration Dinner/Secuela. You can be assured your God-ordained participation will bring great blessings to those you serve and to yourself as well. You can also expect opposition from the enemy. The greater the battle, the greater the work that will be accomplished. You are participating in a life-changing event for yourself, the rest of the team, and the candidates.

SHARED TASKS - The Rector has asked you to fulfill a specific assignment on this team. Each team member is an important part of Christ's body, with a specific task to do.

"If one part of the body suffers, every part suffers with it;
If one part is honored, every part rejoices with it."

1 Corinthians 12:26

A TRES DIAS WEEKEND - is a wonderful example of the Body of Christ working toward a common purpose – to glorify God. The weekend will be an effective instrument of His grace when each task is performed to the glory of God and under the leadership of the Rector. Although a team member receives ministry and blessings during this time of service, the weekend and its activities are centered on the candidates. While each team member has a unique role to fulfill, there are some tasks that are shared. These shared tasks can be divided into three categories:

- **Team Building – preparing for the weekend.**
- **Participating in the weekend.**
- **Celebrating the weekend.**



The Role of a Team Member

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TEAM BUILDING – Preparing for the Weekend. Each member of the team is responsible for helping to build a unified team. This process occurs during the formative pre-weekend meetings. Each team member should:

- Pray without ceasing for the candidates, team, their families, and the community.
- Attend all team meetings.
- Know and prepare for your own team duties.
- Contribute to times of sharing.
- Make every effort to know team members.
- Provide support and assistance with agape love to teammates.
- Believe the Rector is an imperfect person chosen by God to lead the weekend.
- Know the Rector operates under the authority of the Secretariat.

It is very important to bring to this team experience the same attitude you were asked to have when you made your Tres Dias Weekend:

- Receive things in a Spirit of Idealism.
- Receive things in a Spirit of Cooperation.
- Receive things in a Spirit of Love

PARTICIPATING IN THE WEEKEND - The second shared task takes place during the Tres Dias weekend. You are essential to the process of making the weekend effective. Remember, you will be blessed most when you are serving with God's great love. Some of the actions, which are helpful, include:

- Learn as many of the candidates' names as possible.
- Be as available as possible to the candidates during breaks and off-hours.
- Be on time for events (including "lining the hall and walkway").
- Wear your nametag.
- Observe the Silent Retreat time during the weekend.
- Share in the financial support of the weekend.
- Do the tasks assigned to you and let others do theirs.
- Trust the Rector as God's chosen leader for the weekend.



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CELEBRATING THE WEEKEND - The final shared task takes place after the weekend and is the Secuela and/or Celebration Dinner. This takes place soon after the weekend and is usually the last formal time the team and candidates will gather together as a group. The purpose of this gathering is to review weekend experiences, celebrate with the candidates, and encourage them to share the transformation that has happened in their fourth day.

CONCLUSION - To fulfill the assigned role on this team, a team member must:

- Know Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.
- Have experienced a life-changing relationship with Jesus.
- Live a life in grace through regular fellowship with other Christians, as in a Reunion Group.
- Be on a pilgrimage toward Christian maturity and perfection.

A TEAM EFFORT - The weekend is truly a team effort. Each team member has a role to fulfill. While the Rector has been chosen by God to lead the team and the Weekend, no one team member is greater or lesser than another. It is the team working, praying, and worshiping together, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that produces the significant impact on the lives of many men who attend a Tres Dias Weekend.



Cha Cha's General Instructions

Core Serving Guidelines to Remember

- Be in your **service area** at the time designated by your Head Cha.
- Chas should **line the hall and walkway** whenever appropriate.
- Remember, **you are there to serve**. No candidate should ever have to get something for himself. Also, candidates should not wander off by themselves, but be sensitive...someone may just need a little space for awhile.
- Candidates should use restrooms during breaks, but **don't make a big deal** if someone needs to go at an unscheduled time.
- Your service area **Head should always know where you are**. Do not get "lost". Do not leave your area until your work is done. If your Head agrees for you to take some time off, agree on a time when you will return and honor that time limit. Remember, you are not on the weekend for your own blessing but to be a blessing to others.
- All Chas are under the direction of the **Assistant Head Cha** on the weekend. Any problems that come up which you cannot handle, go to your Section Head. Section Heads go to the Assistant Head Cha.
- All Chas are to be at the **Camp of Colors by 6:00 P.M.** on Thursday evening. You must be at the reception where you will be introduced to the candidates.
- You may wear your **Tres Dias cross** after the Piety Rollo Friday night.
- Do not initiate hugs until after Saturday morning chapel...but **be natural**.
- **Be an example** for the candidates. When the bell rings, respond quickly; be silent during the spiritual retreat; be quiet and meditative in the chapel.
- **Do not ask special favors** of other Chas.
- Have your service area packed up and clean **before going to closing** on Sunday.
- **This is a cloistered weekend**. Leave thoughts of home and work behind. Do not use the kitchen telephone for personal reasons. Do not leave the campground for any reason during the weekend unless specifically asked to do so by the Rector, Head Cha or Assistant Head Cha.



TEAM GENERAL PALANCA LETTER

You may recall that General Palanca letters are read during the Spiritual Director's Holy Spirit Rollo on Friday afternoon as "Palanca" is introduced to the Candidates.

The term "General" Palanca letter is used because this is **one letter written by you to the entire group of Candidates** as a whole. The Spiritual Director chooses a few of these letters to read aloud during his Rollo. All the letters are then posted in the Rollo Room for the Candidates to read throughout the weekend.

Dear Brother in Christ,

SAMPLE ONLY

What an honor it is to be able to serve you on this Tres Días Weekend. I am humbled to be called of God to share this weekend with you.

It is a joy to be able to watch our Father as He touches each of you with His love. It has been my prayer for weeks that He would meet you at your point of need and take you on from there.

I trust He has prepared your hearts to receive all that He has planned for you during these three days. Be open to Him. Yield your will to His will that you may partake fully of Him and His blessings to you. As the weekend progresses, may you see more and more of His love for you. I pray that those of us who serve you may become a picture of his love displayed in the Body.

To the God be the glory and honor and praise.

In His Love,

Your Name

Your Team Position



INDIVIDUAL PALANCA LETTER

It has been the tradition in our community that **individual** Palanca Letters are written by each team member to each Candidate on the weekend. This letter is included in each Candidates' Sunday Bag. Often, these are done as short handwritten notes, similar in nature to the General Palanca Letter.

This letter should be written in advance, since many team members will not have time to write them on the weekend. They can then be individually addressed on the weekend once the Candidate list is finalized. Alternately, a typewritten letter can be reproduced beforehand and addressed to each candidate on the weekend. You may want to use past tense since it is normally read at the end or after the weekend. It is appropriate to mention the fourth day.

Dear _____

What a delight it has been to serve you on this Tres Días Weekend. I am honored that God has allowed me this privilege.

It has been a joy to watch our Father at work in your life as He touched you with His love. It has been my prayer for many weeks that His perfect will would be accomplished in you during this Tres Días Weekend. I trust that He has prepared your heart to receive all that He has planned for you during these three days.

As you enter your Fourth Day, be open to Him. Receive His love. Yield your will to His will that you may be made perfect in Christ.

To God be all glory and honor and praise, forever,

In Jesus' Love,

Your Signature

Your Team Position



PALANCA GUIDELINES

- **Rollo Room Palanca:** Seven (7) containers (six candidate tables and leader's table) or 60 individual items. (This will include a few extra).
- **Bed Palanca (Candidates):** 36 individual items (one for each Candidate). Individual bed Palanca for the Candidates is not allowed.
- **Bed Palanca (Team):** You may give individual bed Palanca to teammates or you may wish to give some to each team member (86), please remember the weekend is for the Candidates . . . think of them first.
- **Kitchen Palanca (125):** For the dining tables at meals. This Palanca should be given to the Head Kitchen to use as needed. This Palanca is greatly appreciated by the Kitchen Chas.
- **Banners:** May be "theme" banners or a banner of your choice. They should be no wider than three (3) feet and no longer than five (5) feet. Please give banners to the Palanca Chas at send-off with a list of those who helped create it and when to present it. All banners become the property of Tres Dias. The Rector may select up to 3 banners, made for his weekend, to keep.
- **Prayer Palanca:** The community provides prayer throughout the entire 72-hour weekend. Even though a person is not serving on the weekend, he or she can be an essential part by praying for an hour. It is vitally important that prayer cover the whole weekend. If someone calls you to pray for a weekend on which you are not serving, please commit to pray for an hour and keep your commitment.
- **Oven Palanca:** Baked goods from the community provide desserts for the weekend. Someone may call you to help with baked goods or you may call the Secretariat Palanca Couple to volunteer. Put baked goods in something that does not need to be returned, put your name on the package and take it to send-off.



PRAYER PALANCA GUIDELINES

Participation in prayer Palanca for rollos is one of the greatest blessings of working a Tres Dias Weekend. The Gopher Cha will pass out a list during the team meetings so that you can participate in prayer Palanca.

You and another team member will go to the prayer room with the rollista and a spiritual director. Each of you will offer up a short prayer for the rollista, the rollo and the candidates. The rollista and the spiritual director will then leave for the rollo room. From the time they leave until they return to the prayer room, you and your prayer partner will be interceding for God's purposes to be fulfilled in the rollo room.

To help you in praying specifically, a poster showing the seating arrangements will be displayed. This will enable you to pray by name and by table for each candidate and professor. Also, it will include each team member by area of service. Here are some general guidelines to remember while you pray:

1. Ask the Holy Spirit how to pray. He is your teacher.
2. Pray in whatever position you feel most comfortable – whether kneeling, standing, sitting or walking. It is the attitude of the heart that is important to the Father.
3. Be sensitive to your prayer partner concerning order of prayer, silent praying, worship and times of waiting on God.
4. You may want to pray together or individually; it is up to the two of you.
5. And remember, “Jesus Christ who died, more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.” (Romans 8:34)

After the rollista has completed the rollo, he/ will return to the prayer room with the spiritual director. All of you will join together for a time of praise and thanksgiving for what God has accomplished. Bless Him that He has used His servant to proclaim His work.. Thank Him too for the opportunity of joining together in prayer.



Relationship Among the Talks

Core Serving Guidelines to Remember

Clergy Talks

The first clergy talk, Grace, defines the Christian ideal to be the Life in Grace. It further defines Life in Grace to be a personal relationship with God.

The remaining clergy talks explore ways of maintaining and strengthening that relationship.

The Rollo on

Says that the relationship is maintained

Holy Spirit

By help from God and through our brothers

Sacred Moments of Grace

Through union with Christ Himself, and through the special aids He instituted.

Obstacles to a life in Grace

Through prayer, denial of self, spiritual direction, etc., to avoid the pitfalls of sin, the alternative to grace.

Life in Grace

By making a specific commitment to pious practices, to study, to action, to growth in the relationship.

Another way of looking at the clergy talks is to group them into talks regarding living by grace and talks regarding overcoming difficulties and barriers to a fuller life in grace.

Grace
Sacred Moments of Grace
Life in Grace

----- **Living Grace**

Holy Spirit
Obstacles to Grace
(Fourth Day)

----- **Aids to a Fuller Life in Grace**



Relationship Among the Talks

Core Serving Guidelines to Remember

Lay Talks

Although the Fourth Day talk is usually given by a layman, it is logically grouped with the clergy talks because it deals with overcoming obstacles to perseverance in the Life in Grace. This grouping leaves nine talks – three each day – to the “lay talks” category.

The talks of the first day are PERSONAL and INTROSPECTIVE, growing toward the third day talks, which are COMMUNAL in nature.

The level of personal testimony, witnesses, and evangelism in each talk, increases during each day. The first talk of each day is basically intellectual, and the final talk of each day is a personal witness talk.

The first talk of each day appeals to the mind or intellect, the second to the will, and the third to the heart. Stated another way, the first talks deal with understanding; the second talks deal with commitment; and the third talks deal with love. The weekend must come to each candidate at all three levels.

Relationship Among Lay Talks

Stress	First Day	Second Day	Third Day	Witness
Mind (Think)	Ideals	Study	Environments	A Little ↑ ↓ A Lot
Will (Commit)	The Church	Action	Christian Community in Action	
Heart (Love)	Piety	Leaders	Security in the Fourth Day	
Stress	Individual → Community			Fourth Day
	Less Witness → More Witness			

The relationships depicted in this chart are not absolute, but they indicate the trend of talks on the Tres Dias weekend. “Less witness” does not mean “no personal references”, and “more witness” does not mean “forget the outline”. The Piety talk is the first “heavy witness” talk and, therefore, its witness is very important; however, the Leaders and Total Security talks will normally contain as much (or even more) personal witness than Piety. Study is a “head talk” like Ideal, but it can contain such things as introductory prayers and personal views on religion, which are normally excluded from Ideal.

The talk outline identifies the points to be made in each talk, and the general approach to the talk; however, each talk must be a personal sharing between the rollista and each candidate, not a recitation. Therefore, the primary job of the rollista is to relate the talk outline to his own life, whether on an intellectual level (first talk) or on an emotional level (third talk), in such a way that the candidate understands what the subject of the talk means to the rollista.



IDEALS

OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Superiority of humans vs. natural kingdom**
- B. Define an Ideal**

II. EXAMPLES OF IDEALS

III. THE NECESSITY OF IDEALS IN LIFE

- A. Ideals give meaning to life**
- B. Ideals shape one's character**

IV. THE INFLUENCE OF IDEALS ON LIFE

- A. Ideals form life with purpose and meaning**
- B. Ideals give people enthusiasm for work**
- C. Ideals make you rise above yourself**

V. THE QUALITIES OF AN AUTHENTIC IDEAL

- A. Challenging**
- B. Attainable**

VI. HOW IDEALS ARE ATTAINED

- A. Focused effort**
- B. Mature reasoning**
- C. Changing goals**

VII. HOW DO YOU RECOGNIZE YOUR IDEALS?

- A. Use of Time**
- B. Use of Talents**
- C. Use of Treasures**
- D. Focus of Thoughts**

VIII. CONCLUSION

- You each have Ideals! What are they?**
- To learn the answer to that question, ask yourself:
How do you use your time; how do you use your talents;
how do you use your treasures and on what do you focus your thoughts?**

THE CHURCH OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. The condition of the world
- B. The mission of the church
- C. The focus of this rollo will be on the role of the laity

II. WHO IS THE CHURCH?

- A. The Body of Christ
- B. Laity and clergy in partnership

III. WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE LAITY?

- A. The call – to serve God
- B. The command – to go into the world
- C. The commitment – to be active in the world for Jesus' sake
- D. The community – to support each other in grace

IV. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH?

- A. To be an instrument (tool) of God's grace
- B. To continue the works of Jesus

V. CONCLUSION

- We are the church – the mission is clear

PIETY OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Piety as an experience of grace
- B. Piety as a process of growth
- C. False ideas of piety

II. WHAT PIETY IS

- A. Definition: The direction of one's whole life to God
- B. Pattern of the Christian life

III. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF PIETY

- A. Christ-likeness (Fruit of the Spirit)
- B. Gratitude
- C. Freedom
- D. Maturity

IV. HOW IS PIETY STRENGTHENED?

- Through Bible study, prayer, worship, fellowship, and Communion

V. CONCLUSION

- A. Piety is an ideal
- B. Relate to earlier Rollouts of Ideals, Grace, The Church, and the Holy Spirit

STUDY OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- Definition of Study: Study is bringing the whole self to the task of learning.

II. WHY STUDY?

- A. To know God
- B. To learn if we have misconceptions
- C. To know ourselves
- D. To know God's purpose for our lives
- E. To learn how to handle life's problems

III. WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO STUDY?

- A. Overcoming obstacles - laziness, busyness and pride
- B. Developing good habits, including prayer
 - Desire
 - Discipline
 - Determination
- C. Resources:
 - The Bible
 - Other written, spoken or visual

IV. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF STUDY?

- A. Faith is strengthened
- B. Actions are God-directed
- C. It is a means to holiness/piety
- D. It assures us of God's purpose for our life

V. CONCLUSION

- A. Piety is reinforced by study.
- B. Study without Piety may become merely an intellectual exercise.

(The second leg of the Christian life tripod should be inserted at the beginning, during or at the end of the rollo.)

ACTION

OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Definition**
- B. Connected to Piety and Study**

II. WHY IS THERE A NEED FOR ACTION?

- A. To know Christ**
- B. To make Christ known**

III. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF ACTION?

- A. Ministry and service**
- B. Evangelism**
 - **Make a friend**
 - **Be a friend**
 - **Bring your friend to Christ**

IV. WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF ACTION?

- A. Authentic and God inspired**
- B. Planned and balanced**
- C. Loving, caring, and respectful of others**
- D. Persevering**

V. WHAT FORM DOES ACTION TAKE?

- A. How?**
 - **Individually**
 - **In informal groups**
 - **In organized bodies**
- B. Where?**
 - **In the church**
 - **In the world**

VI. CONCLUSION

- A. Action is inspired by Piety**
- B. Action is directed by Study**
- C. Action is the natural consequence of a lively faith**

**(The Rollista is encouraged to leave the candidates with this thought:
Make a friend, Be a friend, Bring your friend to Christ**

LEADERS OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- **Define Leaders: Leaders are those who with their person and conduct influence the thinking and actions of others**

II. WHO IS A CHRISTIAN LEADER?

- A. One who accepts God's Call**
- B. One who leads by serving**

III. QUALITIES OF A CHRISTIAN LEADER

- A. To know the ideal – the Ideal is Jesus**
- B. Servanthood (humility)**
- C. Initiative**
- D. Generosity**
- E. Excellence**
- F. Faith**
- G. Hope**
- H. Love**

IV. CONCLUSION

- **We are all called to be leaders for Christ**

ENVIRONMENTS OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. What are my environments?**
- B. Understanding our environments**

II. PREPARATION FOR CHANGING OUR ENVIRONMENTS

- A. Preparing ourselves**
- B. Seeking God's will through:**
 - Prayer
 - Bible Study
 - Christian Fellowship – holding one another accountable
- C. Preparing a plan of action**

III. TRANSFORMING OUR ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHRIST

- A. By example**
- B. Meeting others where they are**
- C. Accepting leadership**
- D. Through patience, prayer, and perseverance**

IV. CONCLUSION

- A. Our environments are comprised of groups/individuals in our lives**
- B. Making Christ known in our environments**

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY IN ACTION

OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. The Christian community nurtures its members**
- B. The Christian community trains and equips its members**
- C. The Christian community provides spiritual nourishment for itself**

II. WHO IS THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY?

- A. Definition**
- B. Many communities in the one Body of Christ**
- C. Church based communities**
- D. Other Christian communities**

III. WHAT IS THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CALLED TO DO?

- A. Identify God's mission for the ministry**
- B. Be committed to that mission**
- C. Work together in a spirit of love**
- D. Decide where and when to act**

IV. HOW IS THE MISSION ACCOMPLISHED?

- A. Through the Body of Christ in action**
- B. By taking stands on issues**
- C. By dealing with disagreements openly, honestly, and with Christian love**

V. CONCLUSION

- The Christian Community, with Christ as its Head, is always greater than the sum of its parts.**

REUNION GROUPS

OUTLINE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Brief summary of Rollos**
- B. Definition**

II. THE PURPOSE OF REUNION GROUPS

- A. Explore and grow in piety, study, and action**
- B. Share in one another's joys and burdens**
- C. Encourage and exhort one another**

III. ELEMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL REUNION GROUP

- A. Regular time and place**
- B. Safe place to share**
- C. Quality Christian content**

IV. TYPES OF REUNION GROUPS

V. THE SECUELA

VI. CONCLUSION

- Be in a reunion group!!!**

Holy Spirit
Church
Ideals
Piety
Sacred Moments
Reunion
Obstacles
Fourth Day
Grace
Action
Leaders
Environments
CCIA
Study

Please Remember to Bring

Team Book

Bed Linens

Pillow

Towels and Washcloth

Toiletries: shaving gear, shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.

Prescription Medication

Flashlight

Tres Dias Cross (Weekend Cross from the weekend you made)

Palanca (Candidate letters, team notes, General Palanca Letter)

Comfortable clothes (enough for three days)

Rollistas and their back-ups: Rollo, Suite, Tie, Shoes, etc.

Food for Thursday Night Reception

OTHER ITEMS:

Please DO NOT bring a radio, TV or camera.

If you absolutely must bring a cell phone or computer keep it out of sight of the candidates and set it on the "Silent" mode. It must never be used in or near the Rollo Room.



Additional Team Fee Information

The financial responsibility for the weekend is \$200.00. This is broken down into two accounts. There is a \$15.00 team fee and a \$185.00 weekend fee. These fees are set by the Secretariat with the intent of not only defraying the expenses of the weekend, but also a means of providing a contribution to overhead expenses such as:

- Newsletters
- Service area costs
- Sponsorship material
- Printing and Mailing Palanca Letters to other movements
- Tres Dias applications, software, & social media

Each Tres Dias Weekend is self supporting which means that team and candidate weekend fees collected are used to pay the expenses incurred for that weekend:

- Campground rental
- Purchase of food
- Supplies
- Tres Dias Crosses
- Printing of Weekend Packet and Photo
- Bus Transportation

The \$185.00 weekend fee was established by the Secretariat under the assumption of full payment by all team members and candidates, and in turn, the Secretariat carefully budgets the expense of the weekend with the expectation that all team members and candidates will pay the weekend fee.

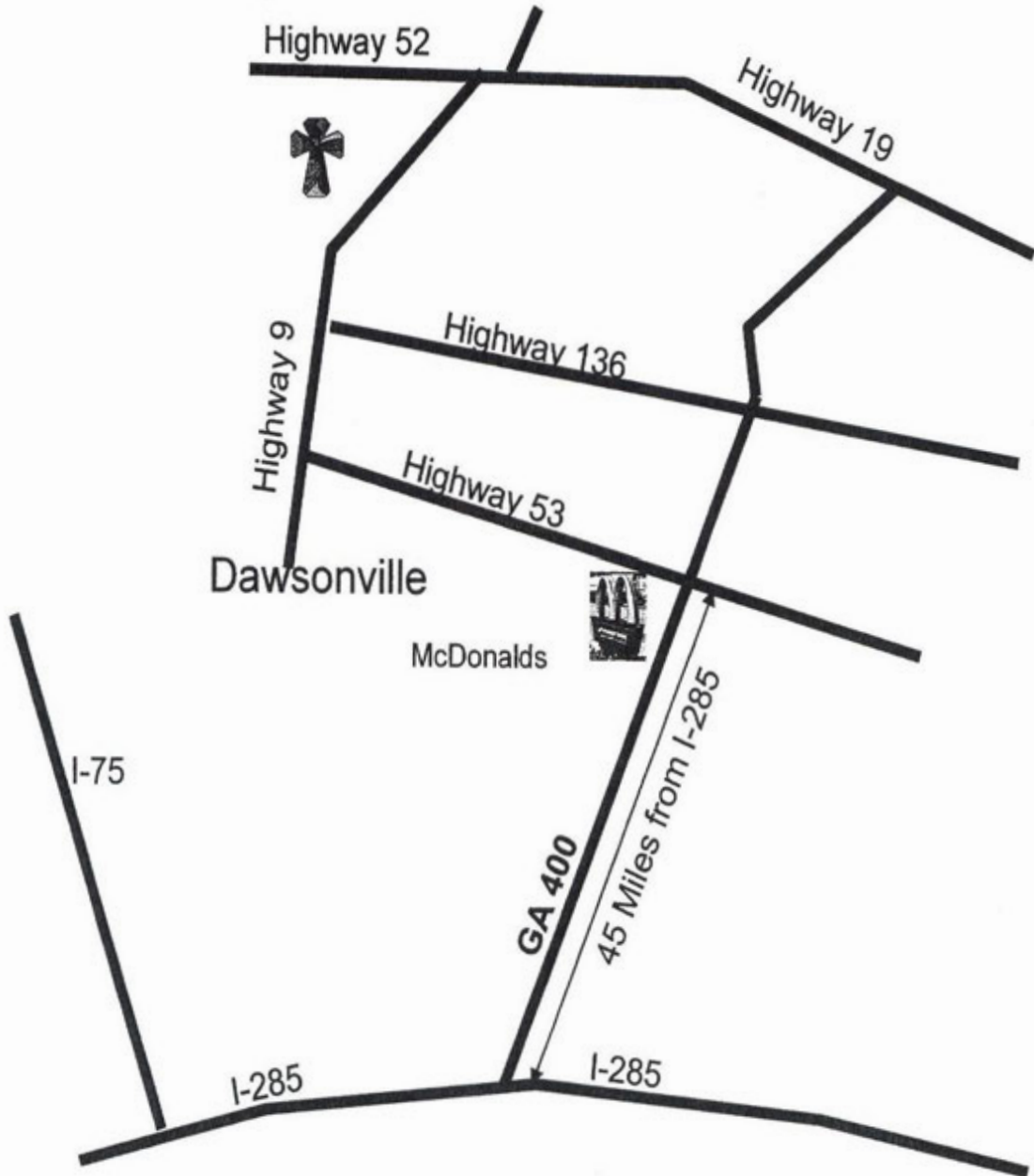
No one is prohibited from serving on a team because of inability to pay the weekend fee. However, there is no general Tres Dias Scholarship Fund for team members or candidates. Each weekend must be fully funded by fees from the team and candidates. The team can assume responsibility of “paying its own way”, by receiving contributions from team members to provide funds for those team members who are unable to pay.

If you are unable to pay any or all of your team fees, please discuss your need with the Assistant Head Cha, the Head Cha or the Rector.



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MEDITATION



Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts and kindle them in the fire of Your love. Send Forth Your Spirit and they shall be created.

And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructs the hearts of the faithful, grant that by that same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I believe, Lord, that You are here present. Although my eyes do not see You my faith senses You. Take any stray thoughts from my mind. Make me understand the truths that You wish to teach me in this meditation. Let me make up my mind to put them into practice. Your servant is listening; speak O Lord, to my soul.

We give thanks, Lord God Almighty, for all the benefits You have given us. To You, who live and reign forever and ever, Amen