

Highlights

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To Our Wonderful OCTD Community,

There is a lot going on as usual! The summer picnic is this Saturday, and our next Tres Dias weekends are approaching.

Our annual Tres Dias Community summer picnic barbecue will be held this Saturday, June 2, from 11:00 to 1:30 pm at Doheny State Beach. An e-mail sign-up form was distributed in mid-May. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Participants are asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Note: there will be a fee for parking. You are also welcome to bring a candidate or potential candidate for our July/August weekends to the BBQ. Please sign up and come for the food, fellowship, and fun!

We continue to work well toward the summer Tres Dias weekends under the steady leadership of Brian Aleman and Trish Carter-Anderson. Team formation is well underway and the community is now submitting candidates for consideration. The summer dates at Red Hill in 2018 are: OCTD-43 on July 26-29 (Rector: Brian Aleman), OCTD-44 on August 2-5 (Rectora: Trish Carter-Anderson). Four team meetings will also be held at Red Hill from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The team meeting dates are June 9, June 30, July 7, and July 14. If you can serve, please turn in a team application.

Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a candidate or candidates. Get commitments to attend from your Christian candidates who may be on your heart and who are potential or current church leaders. We need Candidates!! Inevitably, they will be blessed, and so will you. If you have never sponsored a candidate, be courageous. Take advantage of the materials on our website. Talk with experienced community members if you're unsure how to proceed. The deadline to submit candidates for the summer weekends is THURSDAY JUNE 28. Candidates submitted after June 28 will be considered for the planned winter/spring weekends in 2019.

Finally, our next OCTD secretariat meeting will be held Friday, June 1 at 7:00 pm at Red Hill Lutheran. All Community members are welcome to attend. The terms of two elected OCTD secretariat leadership positions are ending. Qualified community members may vote using this online voting form. Ballots will also be available at the June 2 picnic.

As always, please continue to pray for His hand on all that we do. May God continue to bless this ministry as we move forward!

Your Brother in Christ,

- Ken Hays



Prayer Requests

"My mom was received into heaven on her 86th birthday/Mother's Day surrounded by her family. We three sisters were able to provide hospice care and she died peacefully at home with the blessings of all her requests being fulfilled.

Thank you for all your prayers! We will be attending her final memorial service in Illinois at the end of June. Jo Farwell"

Sandy Limacher has finished her chemotherapy. Now some tests to see how her healing is progressing. Please continue to pray for Sandy!

Prayer Warriors Needed !!

To sign up to pray, you can go to:

<http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetComm.phtml>

and pray for our upcoming weekends or any of the three day weekends listed in the website vigil.



Building up the body
of Christ by helping
Christians follow the
teachings of Christ

TRES DIAS #'s 43 & 44

Men 's Weekend #43 - July 26-29, 2018

Women 's Weekend #44 - August 2-5, 2018

Rector: Brian Aleman Rectora: Trish Carter-Anderson

Team Meetings:

Saturday, June 9th @ 9 a.m., Saturday, June 30th @ 9 a.m.

Saturday, July 7th @ 9 a.m., Saturday, July 14th @ 9 a.m.

Get your application to work into your Rector/Rectora!

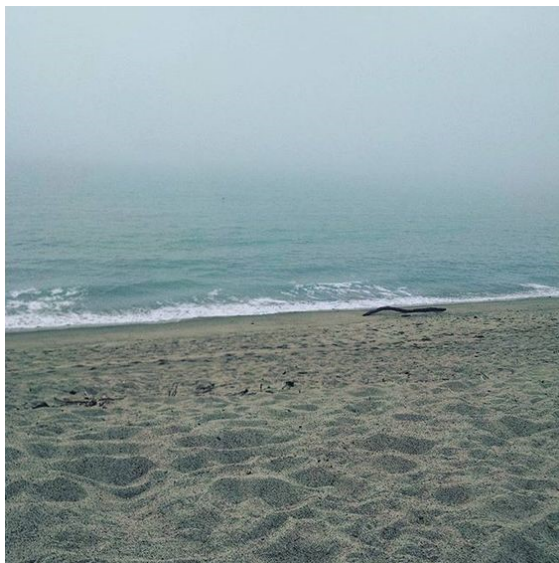
(Applications available at octresdias.com)

(We have fun!!!)

Our annual Tres Dias Community Summer Picnic Barbecue

June 2 from 11:00 to 1:30 pm at Doheny State Beach

Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Note: Parking..\$15 for all day; or \$3.00 per hr.



Pastor's Corner

Two men looked through prison bars, one saw mud and the other saw stars. It's a fact of life that we each see things differently. Some of us are optimistic, others are pessimistic. Some look for the best, others for the worst. Part of the reason why we see things from different perspectives is our conditioning—the way we were brought up. Various influences, from parents and teachers, to friends and bosses, have their effect on the way we think and act. They each have a bearing, to a greater or lesser degree, on how we decide on life's values,

The values we live by can be the difference between finding Christian faith and hardly noticing it at all. Jesus once spoke about the 'wise and learned' missing out and 'little children' finding the best. It isn't difficult to see why.

If our day-to-day values automatically count God out of every equation, we are unlikely to realize our need of Him. When our priorities are centered on our preferences or wants, other issues won't be our natural concern. A person fixed on making money, seeing time as money, rating status above relationships, or even focusing on close family to the exclusion of wider obligations, can't be expected to be drawn to the values of Jesus. It's unlikely to happen, until or unless something dramatic occurs to force a change of approach. The necessary openness, and the humility that comes from being aware of personal shortcomings are crowded out. Such references may even be resented if mentioned.

Life's values can't be found in science, either. Science gives us information through which we develop expertise in the building block of life – but it doesn't and cannot answer the needs of the spirit. Discoveries through scientific research and experiment open doors to all kinds of possibilities – both good and bad. They provide the potential for unimagined progress and also for self-destruction. We have good cause to thank God for science and the astounding development it produces, but we must look elsewhere for values and meaning. Life has many dimensions.

Jesus says life's values and meaning are found in relationship—especially open, honest relationship with a God who gives and advocates love. Human power bases, skills, intelligence and politics all have their place. But they can never be adequate substitutes for the main reason we were born—a relationship with God.

Ask yourself: How were your life's values shaped? Who played a significant part in the shaping of your life? What is the point of relationship with God?

God bless you, Pastor Chappy (Jim Trebilcox)

Remember to Vote!! Tuesday, June 5th

Should Christians living in a democratic society vote? To answer in the positive presumes another positive answer to a prior question: Should Christians, as citizens, engage in politics at all? This latter question is loaded, as “politics” carries with it an understandably negative connotation. I’m reminded of the jokester who defined politics as the venue of “poly-ticks”: many blood-sucking insects.

Yet politics need not be so understood. Aristotle defined the root word for politics, the polis, as a community defined by its common understanding of and commitment to the good life. Augustine tells us that we can identify the character of a people by determining what they love. Surely Christians have a conception of the good life (Micah 6:8), and Scripture tells us our vision of the good life should be characterized by love for God and neighbor (Matt. 5:16, Matt. 22: 37-38, John 13:35).

Jesus himself seems to indicate a legitimate role for government insofar as we should give to Caesar his due and pay taxes (Mark 12:17). And the apostle Paul was the first Christian political thinker and activist, advising believers to get along with everyone as much as possible (Rom. 12:18), while also using his Roman citizenship to procure a better platform from which to declare the gospel (Acts 22-26).

Yet it is Paul’s exhortation in Romans 13:1-7 that serves as the lynchpin for the Christian duty to love our neighbors even in our temporary roles as citizens of an earthly polis. In this famous passage Paul first teaches that we must submit to political authority, then defines the proper role of government as promoting good and punishing evil, and finally calls Christians to give to everyone what is owed, including taxes, respect, and honor.

The Gospel Coalition; Micah Watson, Calvin College

Reunion Groups

Piety

With what spiritual aids did I nourish my vital union with Christ this week?

- ... Holy Communion, Liturgy,
 - Worship
- ... Personal Prayer: Praise (Adoration), Confession, Thanksgiving, Intercession, Petition
- ... Family Prayer
- ... Prayer in Community, Work, or Church
- ... Contact with a fellow Christian or clergy as spiritual friend/advisor
- When did I feel most in need of Christ?
- When did I feel closest to Christ?
- When was I most aware of Christ's presence?
- When did I gain some insight into my Christian walk?

Study

What have I done to understand better the word of God?

- ... The Bible
- ... Books
- ... Articles
- ... Meditations
- ... Discussions
- ... Observations
- How have I used what I have studied and what does it mean to me?
- How can I be more effective in my study?
- Do I have a plan to help my study be more God centered?
- What was a significant study experience?
- How did my experience help in relating to God or others?

Action

"I will make you fishers of men"

What success and failure did I experience:

- ... In my Family?
- ... In my Work?
- ... In my Church?
- ... In my Community or Neighborhood?
- ... Among my friends?
- ... In my broken world?
- ... Where is my Environment?
- How did I fulfill last week's plan?
- What am I planning to do next week?
- How can I be more effective for Christ?

See a friend, be a friend, and share Christ with your friend.

OCTD Reunion Groups (Call or email a Reunion Group you would like to join!)

Bill Baley bbaley@cox.net
Saturday 8:00 AM

Denny's on 17th in Tustin
Men / Weekly

Duane Beisner dbeisner@yahoo.com Carl's Jr. at 55 Technology Dr. in Irvine
Tuesdays 6:00 PM

Men / Weekly

Sue Swarth 714-308-8746. sueswarth@gmail.com Orange County Area
Sunday 2:00 PM

Women / Monthly 4th Sunday

Nancy Romero nancyfromero@gmail.com Santa Ana
Saturday 9:00 AM

Women / Monthly: Second Saturday

Jim Trebilcox jimnesie@sbcglobal.net Katella Grill Orange
Friday 7:00 AM

Men / Weekly

Jim Trebilcox jimnesie@sbcglobal.net Denny's at State College and Katella
Sunday 6:00 PM

Co-ed / 2nd and 4th Sundays

Dick Kaye dickkaye7@gmail.com Denny's on El Toro Rd. @ Raymond St.
Thursday 6:30 AM

Men / Weekly

George and Elva Silva elvasilva@aol.com San Pedro
Saturday 2-4 PM

Co-ed / 2nd Saturday each month

Trish Carter tcarteranderson@gmail.com Various Homes (S. Orange County)
Thursday 6:00 PM

Women/Monthly 2nd Thursday

Joelle Jungblut joellepatnode@gmail.com (44921 Muirfield Dr., Temecula)
Saturday 9-11 am

Woman / Monthly First Saturday

Community Quick Links

Secretariat Minutes:

<http://www.octresdias.com/Secretariat.html>

Tres Dias International:

<http://tresdiaslibrary.worthyofpraise.org/>

Tres Dias By Laws:

<http://www.octresdias.com/Secretariat.html>

Tres Dias essentials:

<http://www.octresdias.com/Secretariat.html>

Team Applications:

<http://www.octresdias.com/events.html>

Candidate Application & sponsorship duties:

<http://www.octresdias.com/events.html>

Reunion Groupings:

<http://www.octresdias.com/Reunion-Groupings.html>

3 day Link to Tres Dias Prayer Vigil:

<http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetComm.phtml>

OC Secretariat Meeting

Friday, June 1st

OC Tres Dias Monthly Secretariat Meeting (7 p.m.)

All members are welcome to our OC Board meeting held

the 1st Friday night of the month 2nd at

Red Hill Lutheran Church in Tustin, CA in the church Sanctuary.

“Let your voice be heard!”