



# The Butterfly

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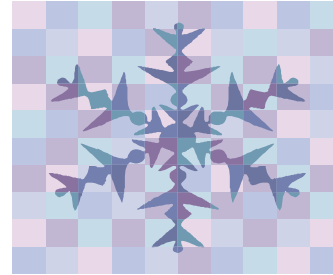
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## WINTER BLESSINGS



### MY BELOVED

***Delight yourself in the ME and I will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to ME; trust in ME and I'll do this: I will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun. All who see you will acknowledge that you are MY very own child that I have richly blessed.***

***For I am your heavenly Father, your Father of compassion and the God of all comfort. I will turn your mourning into gladness; I will give you comfort and joy instead of sorrow. I will comfort you in all your troubles, so that you can comfort those who are in trouble with the comfort you have received from ME.***

***I will also heal your broken heart and bind up your wounds. I will bestow on you a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. All this I will do because I delight to be gracious to you, My child. So commit your ways to Me, for I love you dearly.***

Ps 37:4-

6;147:3;Isa30:18;61:3,9;66:13Jer31:13; 2Co1:3-4



**For prayer requests or praises.** The RIMA community has *RIMA Ring*. When a request is called in, the prayer request is passed on to prayer warriors throughout the community that have offered to pray.

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Presidents Message

Winter is on the down swing and spring is right around the corner. We have just passed the new year did you make resolutions? What about goals? Did you include God? The scripture says “Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness” Matthew 6:33 do you?

As we head towards spring I am once again going to put out a challenge to you. It’s not a hard one. All it requires is for you to Show Up, Participate, and Play on the team. The name of the team is Secretariat right now we don’t have the longest bench in fact we could use a few new players. I once heard the saying “you can’t play baseball with just a catcher” So jut like baseball we need some people to fill all of the positions on the field. The nice thing about this field is it’s not in a dingy old place like Fenway Park that smells like stale beer. It’s working in God’s kingdom. Each month we meet on the second Monday at 7:30 pm and Bridges of Hope in Attleboro MA.

I recently read this “Leadership demands the giving of oneself to others, no leader’s time is fully his own, your gifts talents and experience are necessary components in the service of others”. Myles Munroe.

As I thought about it, I thought about what TresDias is really all about. Building up leaders to serve and grow right in their home churches where they are planted. I would like to focus on the first part of it which involves the giving of oneself to others. Jesus was the ultimate example of this. TresDias is just one way we can give of ourselves to others. Giving of ourselves requires Prayer, Preparation, Prayer, Participation in the Process and did I say Prayer. So this spring I am going to step out on a limb a bit and ask you all to be on team. You may be saying did I just read that right and the answer is yes.

There is the physical team that both Brian White and Nancy Mandeville have been prayerfully forming. Then there is the community team of which we are all members. You don’t need to be on the weekend itself to be on the team. This spring we need prayer warriors to start right now lifting up our weekends. We need resources, yup the weekends still cost money and the economy has not been friendly to some, if you can help sponsor a candidate or have access to supplies it all helps. We need workers to help set up and take down on each weekend. And then there is the fun stuff like making Palanca or coming down and serving a meal or running a couple or errands for all of those un-expected things that happen on a weekend.

Our weekend dates for this year are;

RIMA 57	Spring 2010	Men’s 4/29-5/2
	Women’s 5/13 - 16	
RIMA 58	Fall 2010	Men’s 9/30-
10/3	Women’s 10/21- 24	

Men’s Spring 2010 Brian White Rector, Rob Konig Chief , Larry Bernier, Roger Bolduc Spiritual Directors

Women’s Spring 2010 Nancy Mandeville Rector, Barbara Greenwald Chief , Ruth Blais, Gil Bourquin Spiritual Directors.

International Tres Dias October 22 – 24, 2010 Warwick RI. Yes currently it is scheduled for the same dates as the women’s fall weekend which will be taking place down in Lakeville. We are working

## Secretariat Update 2010

TRES DIAS SECRETARIAT MEETING  
JANUARY 11, 2010

on the logistics to see if it possible to move it one weekend earlier or later but if that is not able to happen we will refer to our first scripture and seek him first for guidance to make it all happen.

Regardless of whether both events happen on the same date we will need lots of help and prayer this fall. At our February Secretariat meeting we should have an update and would love to have you there to begin to help us with the planning.

A couple things we would like to share;

Warren and Ruth Blais will be transferred from Bridges of Hope Salvation Army church in Attleboro to the Salvation Army's new headquarters in Canton MA January 31 2010. As church planters they have built an amazing community that will surly miss them. They will be serving as chaplains to the staff at headquarters and have been asked to bring many of the programs and talents to the new church in Canton. Warren & Ruth will still be active in RIMA as you can tell from above and the new Pastoral team coming to Bridges of Hope looks forward to meeting us. On behalf of the community I would just like to thank Warren and Ruth for everything they have done and look forward to working with them in the future. Please lift up Bridges of Hope during this transition.

Congratulations need to go out to Fruitful Harvest Evangelical Church in Dorchester on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We have many dedicated pescadores who have come to us through Fruitful Harvest. The cool thing is this ministry is on fire. God has plans for this ministry and only the fringes have been tapped in this first 25 years. As a community, this month please include them in your prayer time also.

We need contributor to the butterfly. Do you have something you would like to share with the community. Here are a couple of thoughts to start with. What has the Tresdias Experience meant for you? What's your favorite scripture verse and why? Is there something exciting happening in your church or community? We would all love to know. Send your thoughts to Kathy King at [kjking@metrocast.net](mailto:kjking@metrocast.net).

Decolores

Steve Higgins

PRESENT: Bryan White, Earle Ferguson, Steve Higgins, Andrea Higgins, Rev. Warren Blais, Rev. Ruth Blais, Brenda Higgins, Paul Chaltas, Bonnie Black, Eric Anderson, Betty Bailey President Steve Higgins opened the meeting with devotions and prayer.

It was announced that the new editor of the Butterfly is Kathy King.

The following are the dates for the Men's and Women's weekends: Men's #57 April 29 – May 2, 2010. Women's #57 is May 13 – 16, 2010. Men's Fall weekend #58 is September 30 – October 3, 2010. Women's Fall weekend # 58 is October 21 – October 24, 2010. Spring 2010 Women's rector is Nancy Mandeville, Fall Women's rector is Lynne Brune. Men's Spring Rector 2010 is Bryan White. Spring 2011 Women's rector is Sue Converse. Spiritual Directors for Women's spring weekend are Gil Bourquin and Ruth Blais. Bryan White's Spiritual Directors are Larry Bernier and Roger Boldic.

International Secretariat is October 22 – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010

The report of the recording secretary was accepted as presented.

There are many concerns regarding the condition of Cathedral Camp since the fire there on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Paul Chaltas will follow up on the condition of the facility, see if we have any flexibility and see if he can find out what their plans are.

Earle Ferguson, vice president gave his report. We have a spring men's rector, Bryan White, but as yet no Fall men's rector. If none can agree to swerve, Steve Higgins offered to step in and so there will be a Men's weekend. It was suggested that there is a possibility of having co-rectors since many areas have co-rectors. Earle Ferguson and Steve Higgins are to urge new Pescadores to prepare to take on the job. People asked to be rectors need to set an example as far as finances go.

Paul Chaltas, Treasurer, gave his report. The balance in the savings account is \$7694.87. The cost of each weekend is approximately \$6000.00. After discussion it was voted to use the same insurance company again this year if the policy is under \$1000.00 The Treasurer reported that the Women's weekend this Fall, after he did all the paperwork, came out to the penny. Cost of the weekends in 2010 will be \$200.00 per person.

Paul Chaltas and Steve Higgins are to clarify the situation at Cathedral Camp pertaining to the mold, furnace smell, etc. They also need to negotiate now for 2011. Since the National Secretariat comes at the same time as the Fall women's, it may be necessary to reschedule the women's – move it forward to October 14 – October 17<sup>th</sup>. Paul is to check on the availability for the change.

The Secretariat was reminded not to spread ourselves too thin as we are a small community and are apt to. It was questioned as to whether or not International has a checklist to follow. If yes, we should ask for a packet to be sent us. Steve Higgins has experience negotiating with hotels. Space is needed for meetings – at least 5 rooms. There are logistics needed for food, school on Friday evening, etc.

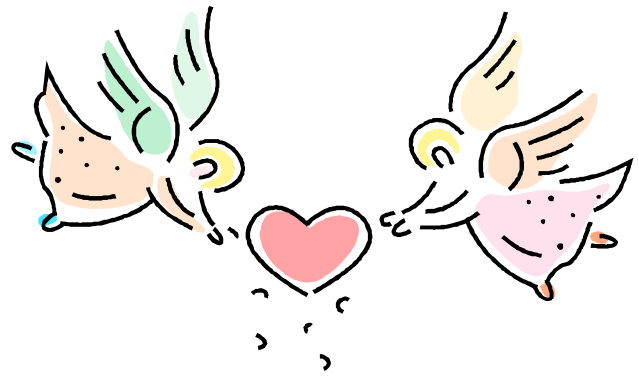
Ruth and Warren Blais announced at the end of the meeting that, as of January 30<sup>th</sup>, they would be leaving Bridges of Hope for Canton, MA to develop a new ministry. Although they will be sorely missed by the Secretariat group we wish them great success in their new ministry. They will be in our prayers and have our heartfelt thanks for their ministry with Tres Dias.

In closing – we also want to thank Ann Marie DeMerchant for that great job as she has done as editor of the Butterfly for many years.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Eric Anderson. Scripture presenter for February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting is Andrea Higgins.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Bailey, Recording Secretary.



## EDITORS CORNER

Thank

you for the input so far for the Butterfly. I do have a new email address (note the address above). I still retain my old one in case I do need to receive other info. Also Annemarie Demerchant has graciously offered to help me edit and help with the mailings. Thank you my angel friend. My goal is to have an edition every other month with perhaps one just prior to the spring and fall mens/womens weekends. Any thoughts and suggestions will be appreciated. I'll try my best to incorporate them. Blessings for the journey.

Kathy

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