

South East Texas Tres Dias Sponsor Responsibilities

Your role as sponsor is crucial to the success of your candidate's Tres Dias weekend. Your candidate will need your support and prayer before, during, and after the Weekend. Remember, you sponsor your candidate before, during and after the weekend. This is a Tres Dias Essential.

Before the Weekend

- 1. Pray for your candidate and his/her family. Pray for the team serving the weekend.
- 2. Please assist your candidate in completing the application. It must be FULLY complete and mailed to the pre-weekend couple with the deposit to be put on the list. Review any special needs they may have and encourage them to list them and call the pre-weekend couple with any questions.
- 3. Your candidate will receive a letter from the pre-weekend couple asking them to confirm the information on the application and to return it with their commitment to attend the weekend. Please follow up with them and make sure they return this promptly.
- 4. As sponsor, it is your responsibility to ensure the weekend fee of <u>\$300.00</u> is paid prior to the weekend.
- 5. Please begin arrangements to obtain palanca letters from the friends and family of your candidate. If the candidate is a married man, explain privately to his wife that it is traditional for the husband to receive a letter from his wife and children. Ask the wife for the contact information for other family members or close friends. This helps minimize the wife's knowledge about the letters prior to her weekend. Once the husband has attended, he can collect his wife's letters. Remember to leave your letter to your candidate along with those you have collected on Thursday night.
- 6. Please explain to your candidate the cloistered nature of the weekend. Advise them to leave computers, tablets, cell phones, watches, radios, etc. at home so that they can concentrate fully on participating during the weekend. Reassure them you are there to support their family in their absence.

Registration & Send-Off

1. Arrange to pick up your candidate and deliver them to send-off. Registration begins at 5:30pm and send-off at 7:00pm. Please be prompt.



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- 2. Help deliver your candidates luggage to their dorm room and help them get settled.
- 3. After send-off, make sure you leave any palanca and letters in the palanca room.

During The Weekend

- 1. Pray for your candidate, their family and the team.
- 2. Check on the candidate's family and make sure they know how to contact you in case of emergency.
- 3. Advise the candidate's spouse or family that they will return home Sunday evening after 8pm. (Use your best estimate from the camp to your candidate's home)
- 4. It is important you and/or your spouse attend serenade. It will be reassuring to them to see a familiar face at serenade. Remember, Tres Dias policy does not permit the spouse of a married candidate to attend.

Closing

- 1. Remember that children should not attend closing. Tres Dias policy also does not permit individuals who have not attended Tres Dias, Cursillo, Walk to Emmaus, or similar walks to attend closing.
- 2. Pick up your candidates' luggage as soon as closing is over. Be prepared to stop for dinner on the way home. Remember your candidate has not eaten since lunch! Remind your candidate of the confidentiality of the rollos and other sharing that took place over the weekend. Please DO NOT encourage them to be secretive about the weekend but remind them about preserving the surprises of serenade and palanca.

Fourth Day

- 1. Pray for the new Pescadores and for Tres Dias. Call your new Pescador to encourage him/her on the Fourth Day.
- 2. Help your Pescador find a reunion group.
- 3. Encourage your new Pescador to attend the first Secuela and seek ways to help support them in their Christian walk.

Should you need additional information or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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