

*****Please read completely as there are some big changes coming to SETTD*****

We wanted to make you aware of some big changes coming for SETTD in the Spring of 2024. These decisions were recently voted on and approved unanimously by the SETTD Board at our October Board Meeting on October 26, 2023.

As a board, we have recently voted and approved to make the following changes for the Spring Weekends and the future of SETTD:

- 1) The Spring 2024 dates are moving to April from the previously communicated dates:
 - a. **Men's Weekend 33** is moving from March 14-17, 2023 to **April 4-7, 2023**
 - b. **Women's Weekend 33** is moving from March 21-24, 2023 to **April 11-14, 2023**
- 2) **The location of the SETTD weekend is moving.** For 15 years we have held our weekends at Sandy Creek Bible Camp near Washington, TX. As a unanimous decision by the board, we have decided to **move our weekends to a new facility, Carolina Creek Retreat Center,** located near Riverside, TX, outside of Huntsville. We will use the Carolina Creek – Creekside campus.
- 3) As a result of the move, **our costs for the weekend are increasing.** The total fees for Candidates will increase from \$180 to **\$300 per weekend.** The **minimum deposit** required to register a candidate for a weekend will increase to **\$100 per weekend.** Team members will be required to pay the \$300 team fee to serve on a weekend.

We know these are big changes, but know this has been sought by a tremendous amount of prayer by your SETTD Board and we believe this is the right decision for our community. God has done a tremendous amount of work in the lives of so many in SETTD during our tenure at Sandy Creek Bible Camp, and we believe He will continue to do the same in future through lives impacted by God through the ministry of Tres Dias at Carolina Creek. We are excited about the future and we cannot wait to share this new facility with you all!

Please pray for the board and the teams of SETTD Men's and Women's 33, especially our Rectors, Don Spence and Mary Helen Wisenbaker. These are very big changes for us and a lot to navigate over the next several months to have everything in place by April 2024.

Thank you!

SETTD Board

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: Where will the future SETTD weekends be held?

A: Carolina Creek Creekside - 84 Wimberly Ln, Huntsville, TX 77320. Please see the website for more information about the camp – [link](#).

Q: Does Carolina Creek have what we need to carry out a Tres Dias weekend?

A: Yes. Carolina Creek – Creekside campus has several facilities we will be able to leverage to allow us to continue to carry out a Tres Dias weekend effectively, from spacious dorms/cabins (everyone gets a bottom bunk, both team and candidates), a much larger rollo room, space for a chapel, and a large dining facility. To note, in Texas across the 15 different Tres Dias communities, 8 different camps/retreat centers are used across the state to carry out a Tres Dias weekend, not just Sandy Creek. This will add a 9th camp that can be used for supporting a Tres Dias weekend and the ministry in Texas.

Q: Why the change in location?

A: We have been evaluating a change in our camp venue for over 5 years. At one point we even announced plans at the Fall 2019 Secuela to build our own camp, but those plans fell through mainly due to the COVID pandemic, which impacted planning and the investment needed. This has been a long desire to make a change. God has moved in the lives of so many at Sandy Creek over the years, and we are grateful for our partnership with Sandy Creek. Many lives have been touched by God there. However, after much prayer, we have felt God calling us to move to a newer venue that will meet our community needs.

Q: Why the increase in costs?

A: Because of the newness and cleanliness of the Carolina Creek Creekside facilities, built in 2006, there are additional fees we will incur. We believe these costs, although higher than what we have traditionally seen for a SETTD weekend, are appropriate for the quality of the camp and the facilities. We have added new incremental payment options for Candidate and Team Payment forms to allow for incremental payments over time to pay the \$300 due for both candidates and team.

Q: Will the new camp affect the flow of the weekend?

A: Yes and No. No in that it will not affect the content of the weekend. Our weekends and following of the Tres Dias essentials and SETTD traditions will still continue to be carried out with the same rigor, quality, and leading by the Holy Spirit. Yes in the fact that because it is a new camp, our layouts and processes will change slightly, but will have no impact on the overall weekend. Remember, candidates do not know any better! Please be in prayer for the leadership of the upcoming SETTD 33 weekends as they navigate this new space and adapt the weekends to Carolina Creek.