



Pastor Ken's Korner

May
2021

Dear AHBC Saints,

As I was reading my Bible this week and preparing for my sermon series from Romans, I thought about Paul as he wrote the letter to the Romans and his letters to the other churches, like the Ephesians or to the church at Galatia, I wondered if he imagined that his words would still be being read and taught over 2000 years later. These were letters written to the local churches to be shared with everyone there as was their practice. Then I wondered if any of my own words are worthy of that kind of a legacy? I have preached, on the average of 48 -50 sermons a year since 1984. That is roughly 1800 Sunday morning sermons alone. That doesn't count Wednesday night messages or other small group teaching that I have done over the years. I always am praying that everything that I preach and teach will reach some people to get saved if they have not yet been introduced to Jesus or to walk closer to Jesus if they are already saved.

I am in a position to possibly reach more folks for Jesus than the average person as a pastor. However, the 11 remaining disciples, after they received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, went out and turned the world upside down for Jesus. It cost most of them their lives. The last thing Jesus told His disciples was to go to ALL the world and make disciples. If 11 men can change the world without programs, praise bands, and seminary trained preachers, what do you suppose God can do with you and the same simple message to "Repent and Believe for the Kingdom of God is near"? God's method of church growth is geometric. If you reach 1 other person then there are 2 of you to reach 2 more, then there are 4 of you to reach 4 more, and so on and so on.

How much will our church grow if every adult in our church were to reach just one person in the next year and bring them to church and Sunday school with you? Is that too difficult? It IS if you try to do it without the Lord's help. Ask God to give you ONE person for you to build a friendship with so that you will reach a point of trust that you can share with them about your relationship with Jesus and invite them to come to church with you and your family. This is God's deal, not yours or mine. If we are faithful to love God with all of our heart and to love our Neighbor as ourselves, God will do it. Will YOU DO IT???

Love One Another Deeply From The Heart!

In The Love of Christ.

Pastor Ken

Ministry Opportunities

Don't just go to church. Be the church.



Burundi Blessed by Shoebox Gifts

Simeon, National Coordinator of OCC in Burundi, East Africa sees how God is using shoeboxes to plant churches in un-reached areas. In remote areas of Burundi, children and their families are being introduced to the Gospel, some for the very first time! "May the Lord bless those who pack boxes, especially with the hardship the world is going through today with this pandemic. May the Lord give you strength and protection each day. Those who give and pack boxes are part of us. We are a team together. We can't do it without all of you. Please don't be tired!"

Simeon continued by saying, "that children want to be discipled and as I think of those who are packing the boxes, I have tears in my eyes. How can someone from a different continent think of someone in Africa? Some day we will all rejoice together when the Lord says, **'Well done my faithful servant.'**"

OCC Prayer Focus:

Pray for God to raise up many more volunteers like Simeon, who will continue the work of OCC in their own countries. Also, pray for the physical health, strength, and spiritual renewal for the leadership teams in each shoebox receiving country.

Candy Lambert



VBS Concrete & Cranes

June 13 - June 16

Sunday 5pm - 7pm

Registration/hot dogs/music/crafts

Monday-Tuesday 5:45- 8:30

Wednesday Parent night

5:45 kids arrive and

6:30 Parent night begins

Ages 4 years old to those who have completed 6th grade

See the VBS board in the sanctuary for needed supplies.

Had such a fun night supporting Pregnancy Help Center at their Annual Fundraising Banquet!
For every precious LIFE saved, for every HEART turned to HIM, for every work of LOVE done in this place... TO GOD BE THE GLORY!



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North America Missions

We will be collecting this offering through May 2.

Please give as you feel the Lord leading.

I Cor. 15:58

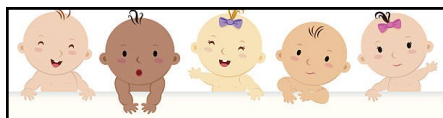
Given to date

\$820

Bake Sale Fundraiser

Our Women's bake sale was a huge success. We want to thank all who baked, who bought and who donated. Our total was \$517. Awesome!! We will be using this money for our outreach ministries such as the cottage we have adopted at the South Texas Children's Home in Pettus. We will also be working to reach out to the residents at Bethany Living, Trinity Shores and the Port Lavaca Nursing & Rehab.

Another way we will be using this money is for our in-reach ministry too. The fellowship hall will be getting a new coat of paint in the next few weeks and our Women's group will be purchasing the paint.



Nursery Volunteers

05/02 Grace Wooldridge
 05/09 Mary Jo Koliba
 05/16 Robyn Osborn
 05/23 Esther Aung
 05/30 Delfie Guerra
 06/06 Dawn Lopez

Deacon's Sunday to Pray

05/02 Jeff Lambert
 05/09 Tomas Guerra
 05/16 David Gaskamp
 05/23 Buck Jackson
 05/30 Jeff Lambert
 06/06 Ruben Zarate

Ushers

First & Third

Ruben Zarate
 David Chamrad
 Joe Machacek
 Kenneth Moehnke
 Gordon Pfeiffer

Second & Fourth

Byron Carr
 Buck Jackson
 Tomas Guerra
 Mark Reinhard
 Joe Machacek
 Kenneth Moehnke



Choir Practice is the 1st and
 3rd Wednesday at 7:30 pm.

Come join the fun!

Whitey & Dawn Lopez
 04/14/1979

Kenneth & Mary Moehnke
 05/05/1962



AHBC Women's Ministry
 Let's make this journey together!
GEM Night

Thursday, May 20 @ 6 PM

Bring Favorite Finger Food

We will be using this meeting to make plans for our 2022 Women's Conference, so come and join us. We will not be meeting in June, but be watching for details about a fun-filled night coming up in July.

Ladies come and be a part of the different ministries we are doing and planning to do and come also to just enjoy a night of fellowship together.

Bloom where you are planted!
 1 Corinthians 7: 17-24



Tony Calzada in the loss of
 his sister Angelica Partida



Daniel Chang, Steven Osborn,
 William Britton, Chon Rosa

**Last Day for CIA and Mission
 Friends will be on Wednesday
 night, May 19**

**Last Day for Children's Church
 will be on Sunday May 2**

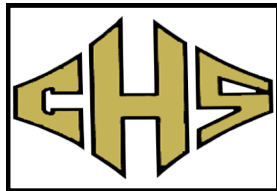
Have a Great Summer!



**You are invited to a
 Church wide Painting Party
 May 22, 2021
 8 a.m.**

**We will be painting the fellowship hall.
 Bring your rollers and brushes.
 Lunch will be provided**





**We will be honoring our
2021 High School
Graduates**

**Sunday May 16 during
the Morning Worship
Service**

***Thay Blute, Hel Ku,
Eh Naygay Hso,
Emmalee Harris,
Say Paw, Ehklo Say,
Thwe Lu, Po Lo,
Alayna Searcy***

If you have a child graduating this year, please call the church office 552-2532 if you do not see their name above so we may add them.



Congrats to our very own Alayna Searcy on signing with Midland University for powerlifting!!!

**Youth Camp
July 12-16**

**Highland Lakes
Camp**

Spicewood, TX

**Baccalaureate
Service**

May 26

7:00 pm CHS Auditorium

Greetings from Fremont Nebraska! I'm with Alayna visiting Midland University where she will be attending college starting in August. She has worked so hard and has earned a powerlifting scholarship to continue lifting at the college level. To God be the Glory!

For the last 15 years I have been able to preach, teach, and counsel without having to deal with my own struggles that I have stored up for so long. It all came to a head on morning and that little file box where I stored everything came flying open. I've never felt so much shame come over me at one time. I knew if I wanted to continue in ministry I was going to need to get some help. So, since January, I meet with a counselor with STCH on Mondays. There are days I don't want to meet, but I know God knows what's best for me. I know this is a process...it's not a sprint, it's a marathon. For God to bring healing in my life, I have to trust the process.

Last weekend I was the Spiritual leader for a Women's Grace Retreat. When I was asked to lead I did not want to do it, but looking back, I'm glad I did. One verse kept coming up during the retreat. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 says, ***"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ."*** This hit me like a ton a bricks. I've read this so many times but it never meant so much like it did last weekend and right now! I'm so thankful for what God is doing right now in my life.

I can ***rejoice always*** because it's God that's leading me through the fire. All I have to do is have the strength to hold His hand through the fire. I can also rejoice because I know the fire will refine me and make me stronger. God will turn this mess of mine and use it for His Good.

I have to ***pray continually*** and keep God's Word close to my heart. The only way I can get through this is to stay close to God, dig into God's Word, and rest in His arms knowing He will give me the strength when I am weak.

This next one is hard to do. ***Give thanks in all circumstances.*** Why do I have to give thanks in ALL circumstances? I can give thanks because every trial I go through I know I have a Savior that loves me, cares for me, and wants to hold me up when I can't stand. I give thanks because I know this trial I'm going through will not last forever. I give thanks because of the next part of the passage...

For this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ. I can rejoice always and give thanks to God because this is God's will for me! God said to me, "The time is Now!" Now is the time to deal with the garbage I was holding on to. The fire purifies, refines, reshapes, and God wants me to go through this with Him.

What are you going through right now? What have you pushed away for so long that keeps weighing on you? For God to use you like He wants, you have to empty yourselves to God and give Him everything that hinders you. Know that you are not alone when you walk through the flames. It's God's will for your life. Know that you need Jesus to get through. God gives you a group of people that loves you, NO MATTER WHAT! This group of people is called Alamo Heights Baptist Church. That's why we exist! Not to judge, but to be used by God to help nurture and equip the believers of Jesus Christ to live a life that honors God.

I'm so thankful I went on this retreat. God spoke and I needed it! God gives me the strength right now to share with you because someone reading this is going through the fire. God is so Good!

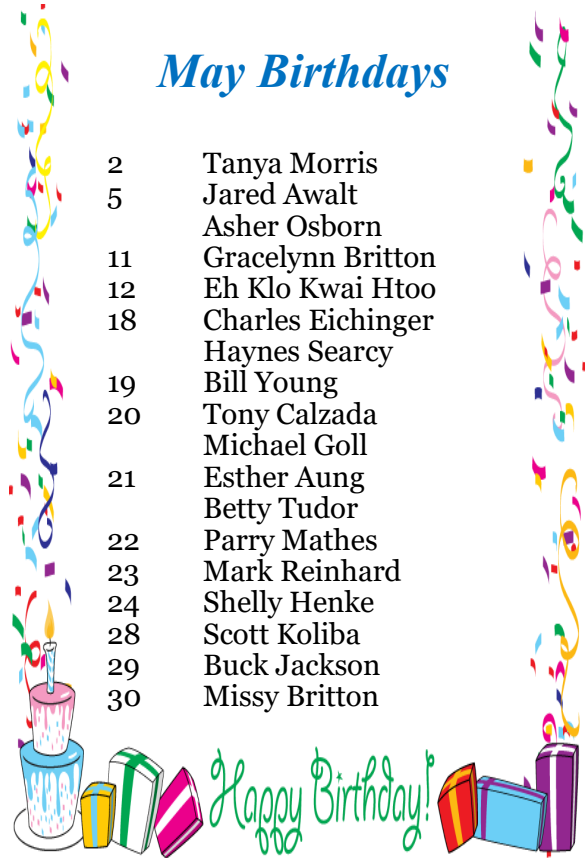
In Christ, Haynes Searcy

Daily Bible Reading Guide

May 1 2 Sam 5:1□10, 1Chr 11□12	May 17 2 Sam 16□18
May 2 Ps 133	May 18 Ps 26, Ps 40, Ps 58, Ps 61□62, Ps 64
May 3 Ps 106□107	May 19 2 Sam 19□21
May 4 2 Sam 5:11□6:23, 1 Chr 13□16	May 20 Ps 5, Ps 38, Ps 41□42
May 5 Ps 1□2, Ps 15, Ps 22□24, Ps 47, Ps 68	May 21 2 Sam 22□23, Ps 57
May 6 Ps 89, Ps 96, Ps 100, Ps 101, Ps 105, Ps 132	May 22 Ps 95, Ps 97□99
May 7 2 Sam 7, 1 Chr 17	May 23 2 Sam 24, 1 Chr 21□22, Ps 30
May 8 Ps 25, Ps 29, Ps 33, Ps 36, Ps 39	May 24 Ps 108□110
May 9 2 Sam 8□9, 1 Chr 18	May 25 1 Chr 23□25
May 10 Ps 50, Ps 53, Ps 60, Ps 75	May 26 Ps 131, Ps 138□139, Ps 143□145
May 11 2 Sam 10, 1 Chr 19, Ps 20	May 27 1 Chr 26□29, Ps 127
May 12 Ps 65□67, Ps 69□70	May 28 Ps 111□118
May 13 2 Sam 11□12, 1 Chr 20	May 29 1 Kgs 1□2, Ps 37, Ps 71, Ps 94
May 14 Ps 32, Ps 51, Ps 86, Ps 122	May 30 Ps 119:1□88
May 15 2 Sam 13□15	May 31 1 Kgs 3□4, 2 Chr 1, Ps 72
May 16 Ps 3□4, Ps 12□13, Ps	

May Birthdays

2	Tanya Morris
5	Jared Awalt
	Asher Osborn
11	Gracelynn Britton
12	Eh Klo Kwai Htoo
18	Charles Eichinger
	Haynes Searcy
19	Bill Young
20	Tony Calzada
	Michael Goll
21	Esther Aung
	Betty Tudor
22	Parry Mathes
23	Mark Reinhard
24	Shelly Henke
28	Scott Koliba
29	Buck Jackson
30	Missy Britton



On Going Prayer Request

Pastor Ken and Haynes

The Deacon Body and leaders of the church
God's wisdom to lead the church in making
wise decisions

For all believers to respond in faith not fear
Containment/cure of the COVID virus

Pray for Our Nation!

Ask God to give our President wisdom
beyond his own understanding and the
courage to choose the right path no matter
how narrow the gate.

Pray for spiritual leaders of our country that
they would hear Your voice and know Your
heart and would lead from their knees.

Pray for those in government leadership
who are in position to make change happen.

Pray for healing of our nation.





Praise in the Park 2021










The church
has left
the building.



Thanks so much to everyone who helped make this event possible. Gillian Kwi, DDS for the donation of the dental hygiene, Grace Praise Team of Victoria for the wonderful praise music, David and Norma Segura for the clothes donation, Calhoun County Community Ministries volunteers for making goody bags for the kids, and to all the members from Mt Signa and AHBC for taking the time to come out and help or just coming out to enjoy the event.

May 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 Baby Dedication Sunday 	3 Ladies Community Bible Study 6 pm	4 Bible Study 10:30 am	5 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's Youth, 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 Choir 7:30 pm	6 National Day of Prayer 	7	8
9 Mother's Day Service  Haynes Preaching	10 Ladies Community Bible Study 6 pm	11	12 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's Youth, 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30	13	14	15
16 High School Graduation Sunday Haynes Preaching	17	18 Bible Study 10:30 am Pastor's Bible Study 6:30pm 6 week Video Series "Until Christ Returns"	19 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's VBS Meeting 5:30 Youth 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 Choir 7:30pm	20 Ladies GEM meeting 6pm 	21 Newsletter Deadline	22  Paint the fellowship hall. 8 am and lunch will be served.
23	24	25	26 Baccalaureate Service 7 pm CHS Auditorium	27	28 CHS Graduation 	29
30	31 Memorial Day 	<div> <i>Food Drive Begins May 30 and ends June 20.</i> <i>Please see list on the information board that Calhoun County Community Ministries has supplied.</i> </div>				

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Alamo Heights Baptist Church



AHBC Vision Statement

"Through loving God and others, Alamo Heights Baptist Church is a united family committed to urgently spreading and teaching the Word of God as we eagerly await Christ's eminent return."

Come and join us. We are expecting you!

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.



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"A United Family"
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