



## Pastor Ken's Korner

January  
2021

Dear AHBC Saints,

Well we are FINALLY through with 2020! It certainly was a year for the record books. It was the year of a world-wide pandemic with the Corona-19 virus. Record numbers of people have contracted the disease. Most recovered but sadly a record number of people also perished. We had an election cycle for the record books. Schools and many other institutions have had to conduct their routines virtually. We have had to learn about "Zooming" and how to do "Facebook Live" among other technologies. Even most church services were conducted virtually for a time. It all sounds so BAD!

We need to focus on the good that has come from all of these challenges. In the midst of this dreadful virus, it has caused us to know that there are no promises for tomorrow. Like James 4:14 say, "life is but a vapor" (or a mist). We never know when our life will be required of us and we find ourselves standing before the Almighty (*Luke 12:20*). We should always be ready to meet our maker whether it is through a disease, a disaster, or some other form of destruction. Make sure that you are keeping your eyes on Jesus.

As far as the election cycle. God is still in control, He lifts one up and puts another down.

***Ps 75:6-7 No one from the east or the west or from the desert can exalt a man. <sup>7</sup> But it is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another. NIV*** God is still on His throne and will continue to direct our country if we who are believers will follow the Lord and repent of our sins.

***2 Chron 7:14 ..if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land. NIV*** God is more than able to "heal our land"!!

As far as doing school and working at home in a "virtual" way, these have been challenging ways to do life but it helps us know that there is NO "Normal" way of doing these things. In the "New Normal", we have to relate to work, to school, and to people in a way that we never would have dreamed of a year ago.

Churches have had to learn how to do church differently also. For a while we were not meeting together but were meeting virtually. Some aspects of church we are still doing thing virtually. We all continue to wear our face masks (I miss seeing your smiling faces.) and we keep our "social distance".

Do you know some of what this shows us? We can do ALL things through Christ who strengthens us!! (*Phil 4:13*) There is nothing we cannot do if God has told us to do it. It causes us to be more THANKFUL for our church. We will continue to meet together, not forsake the assembling of ourselves together (*Heb 10:24, 25*) ***<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. <sup>25</sup> Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. NIV*** The Day IS Approaching when Jesus will return and take His own out of this world. In the twinkling of an eye it will happen.

So in this New Year, RESOLVE to keep your eyes "Heavenward". We are not without hope but have the "Hope of Heaven on the horizon. Encourage each other to be strong in the Lord and to be strong in Faith! Cont'd on next page

RESOLVE to stay involved our church life as much as possible and as long as you feel save in your involvement.

RESOLVE to continue to support our church in every way that you can. You can do this through your faithful PRAYERS, through your personal INVOLVEMENT to serve the Lord by serving one another, and through the continued financial support of our church by the faithful giving of your Tithes and Offerings. We so appreciate everyone who has been able to faithfully support us financially and in every other way through this pandemic.

May 2021 be full of God's blessing for our church and for every one of our AHBC family!!!

May the Lord Bless and Keep You.

With The Love of Christ., Pastor Ken



Our AHBC OCC Team is such an awesome group of people. Our whole church gets involved in this ministry in some way and I am so thankful for each one of you. I just wanted to let you know what I was told the night of the packing party.

Alicia who is a member of the OCC Crossroads Leader Group came and helped out. She was observing how our packing party worked. She was so surprised and excited to sit back and watch as our church team ate together and packed together. She told me that we did an amazing job and handled everything better than the bigger churches she has been involved with. The positive comments just kept coming and she was honored to have been there that night to see us in action.

Thank you so much for being a part of this ministry. There were millions of boxes handed out to children in over 100 countries. We know that some of our AHBC boxes went to the country of Gabon, on the Southwest coast of Africa. How cool is that? We are part of the Great Commission.

The total sent from the Crossroads was 10,964 boxes. The total from AHBC was 230!



### God is so good!

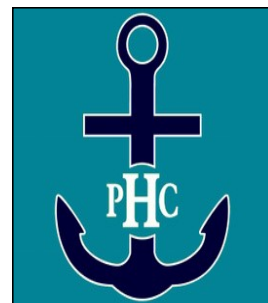
We are helping spread the story of Jesus one shoebox at a time..... Who desires all men to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:4

Candy Lambert

Baby Bottle  
Boomerang Offering  
Grand Total for  
Calhoun County was  
over \$10,000

AHBC Saving babies  
one bottle at a time!!



A Great *Multitude* + You  
Rev. 7:9

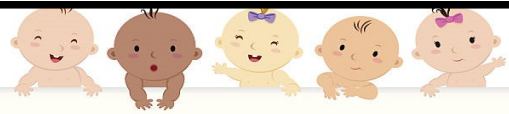
### Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

This offering goes to all the Southern Baptist Foreign Missionaries to help them as they work hard to spread the gospel to all the nations.

The Theme this year is  
**A Great Multitude + YOU!**

We will be collecting this offering all through the month of January. Give as your heart leads and no matter how small the offering, it can make a difference. There is still work to be done and we can help by just giving and always praying.  
AHBC total year to date is \$1265.00

I saw a great multitude from every nation and all tribes. Revelation 7:9



## **Nursery Volunteers**

01/03	Delfie Guerra
01/10	Kim Young
01/17	Dawn Lopez
01/24	Grace Wooldridge
01/31	Mary Jo Koliba
02/07	Robyn Osborn

## **Deacon's Sunday to Pray**

Jan 03 Buck Jackson  
 Jan 10 Jeff Lambert  
 Jan 17 Ruben Zarate  
 Jan 24 David Gaskamp  
 Jan 31 Tomas Guerra  
 Feb 07 Buck Jackson

## **Ushers**

### **1st & 3rd Sunday**

Ruben Zarate  
 David Chamrad  
 Joe Machacek  
 Kenneth Moehnke  
 Gordon Pfeiffer

### **2nd & 4th Sunday**

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

## **AHBC Women's Ministry**

You are invited to a  
 Women's Ministry meeting  
for all women of AHBC  
 on Thursday, January 21, at 6 p.m.  
 in the Fellowship Hall

Enjoy some coffee or hot chocolate as  
 we discuss plans to start our Women's  
 group up again.

We would like to plan our  
 Women's Conference for 2022  
 and brainstorm some other ways we  
 can minister to our own church family  
 and our community.

Please join us !

Lets make this journey  
together!!



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

## **Thanks to everyone who gave diapers/wipes during the Surprise Diaper Shower**



**Samson  
Htoo  
born  
10/05/20  
son of  
Saw Htoo  
and  
Doimai  
Zinghang**

**Aurora  
Sanders  
born  
12/18/20  
daughter  
of  
Cody and  
Mariah  
Sanders**



Ladies Community  
 Bible Study will begin again on  
 January 11.

Mission Friends and C.I.A.  
 will start again on  
 Jan 6, 2020

## Daily Bible Reading Guide

Jan 1 Gen 1-3	Jan 18 Gen 19-21
Jan 2 Gen 4-7	Jan 19 Gen 22-24
Jan 3 Gen 8-11	Jan 20 Gen 25-26
Jan 4 Job 1-5	Jan 21 Gen 27-29
Jan 5 Job 6-9	Jan 22 Gen 30-31
Jan 6 Job 10-13	Jan 23 Gen 32-34
Jan 7 Job 14-16	Jan 24 Gen 35-37
Jan 8 Job 17-20	Jan 25 Gen 38-40
Jan 9 Job 21-23	Jan 26 Gen 41-42
Jan 10 Job 24-28	Jan 27 Gen 43-45
Jan 11 Job 29-31	Jan 28 Gen 46-47
Jan 12 Job 32-34	Jan 29 Gen 48-50
Jan 13 Job 35-37	Jan 30 Ex 1-3
Jan 14 Job 38-39	Jan 31 Ex 4-6
Jan 15 Job 40-42	
Jan 16 Gen 12-15	
Jan 17 Gen 16-18	

Wednesday  
Mornings

7:30am @  
Don Julio's

All men are welcome.



### On Going Prayer Request

Pastor Ken and Pastor 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  
and not fear.

Containment and cure of the COVID-19 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.

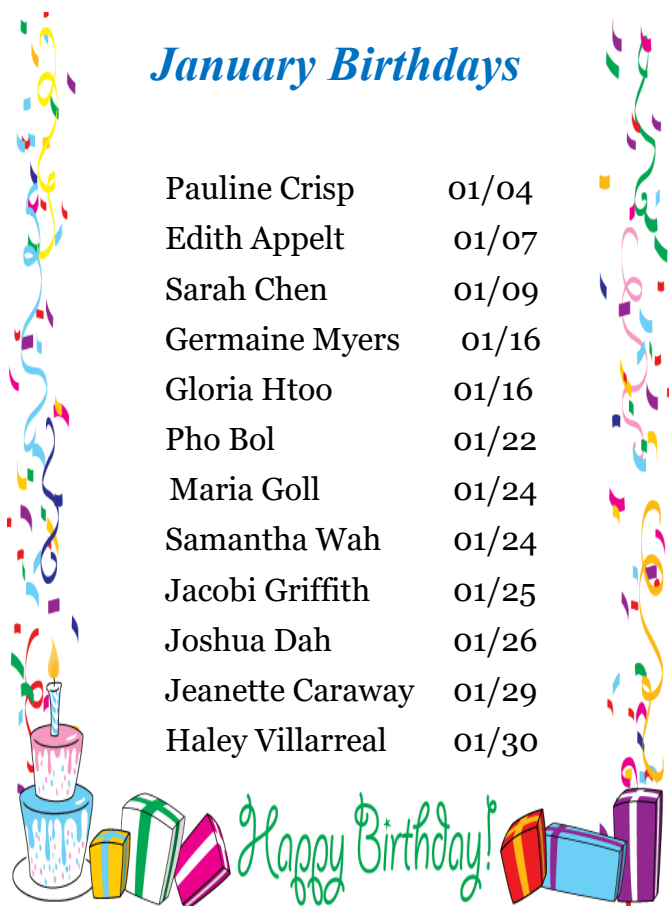
Pray for spiritual leaders of our country that  
they would hear Your voice and know Your  
heart and would lead from their knees.

Pray for those in government leadership who  
are in position to make change happen. Pray for  
healing of our nation.

**What Satan intends for evil,  
God redeems for good!**  
**Genesis 50:20**

### *January Birthdays*

Pauline Crisp	01/04
Edith Appelt	01/07
Sarah Chen	01/09
Germaine Myers	01/16
Gloria Htoo	01/16
Pho Bol	01/22
Maria Goll	01/24
Samantha Wah	01/24
Jacobi Griffith	01/25
Joshua Dah	01/26
Jeanette Caraway	01/29
Haley Villarreal	01/30



**Daniel Chang,  
Steven Osborn,  
Lucas Castillo,  
William Britton,  
Chon Rosa**

**Welcome Home  
Moc Moo !!**

**Julia Manning's family was  
not churched and we would  
like to encourage our church  
family to send a sympathy  
card to her family. This is  
her brother & sister-in-law  
Thomas & Debbie Knight  
15310 Long Look Drive  
Houston, Texas 77053  
Many thanks!**



# 2021

# YOUTH GROUP

I am ready for 2021! I've never been so happy to move into the next year than I am right now. The year 2021 has a lot in store for my family. For one, my daughter, Alayna, graduates high school this year. As most of you know, she loves the sport of powerlifting. She has an opportunity to go to Midland University to compete at the college level after graduation. She has set her mind on it! I keep reminding her to consult with God first! Anyway, please keep her (and Kim and I also) in prayer as she goes through this process.

What does the Cross mean to you? I encourage you to write all your answers down on paper. It may take a while, or even a few days to do this. Then, right down all the ways you have ignored the Cross. For me, the Cross means that I don't have to face my trials alone. (I would encourage you to be more specific by writing what trials your talking about. I'm just using this as an example.) However, I am told that if I want to be a Disciple (Follower) of Jesus, I need to deny myself, **take up my Cross**, and follow Him. When the Bible tells us to **take up our Cross**, it means that we need to put our selfish desires to death in order to be a true disciple. There are times in my life where my selfishness gets in the way of the Cross.

Walter Jackson, Director of Missions at the Guadalupe Baptist Association in Victoria, came to share a few words at the deacon ordination of Thomas Guerra and David Gaskamp. I will never forget the statement he made that day. He said, "Some of us need to get down off the throne that rightfully belongs to Jesus." He was talking to me that day! I admit it; I ignore the Cross by wanting to be in control of my life when it's Jesus that needs to be in control of it. Selfish people hardly ever see God work because they are always looking after themselves. If you catch yourself sitting where Jesus belongs, it's time to move!

As I'm preparing for the sermon series "From the Manger to the Cross", I'm reminded of the conversation Jesus had with the two criminals hanging on the cross next to Him. In Luke 23:40 one criminal was hurling insults at Jesus saying, "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" It's what the other criminal said that caught my attention. "**Don't you fear God**, since you are under the same sentence?" My question to you, do you fear God? Jesus made a statement just before this verse. He said, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do." Non-believers don't understand how to put Jesus first because they haven't had an encounter with Him. Christians, on the other hand, we've had an encounter with Christ. **STOP BEING IN CONTROL**. Give Jesus the keys; after all, you gave your life to Him. I feel the worst thing a Christian can do is live selfishly without any fear of God.

So this year, I want less of me and more of God. This year is the year I let go of my past, fears, anxiety, and control. How about you? In the past, I have found myself sitting on the throne where God should have been sitting...not in 2021. I want to thank Pastor Ken for the journal because one of my goals for 2021 was to journal as I read. We need more of God and less than ourselves! I love each of you! I pray this year will be a remarkable year for you and your family.

In Christ,

Haynes



## Food & The Word

We have an awesome opportunity to teach our youth about Jesus and how to lead others to Jesus every Wednesday night. Many of these Youth come straight from school, so several years ago we started having supper for them.

We are in need of help with the Youth meals on Wednesday nights. If you would like to donate money towards meals that is great or if you would like to cook a meal for the youth that is wonderful too. There is a sign-up sheet on our new "Information Center" board in the hallway next to the office.

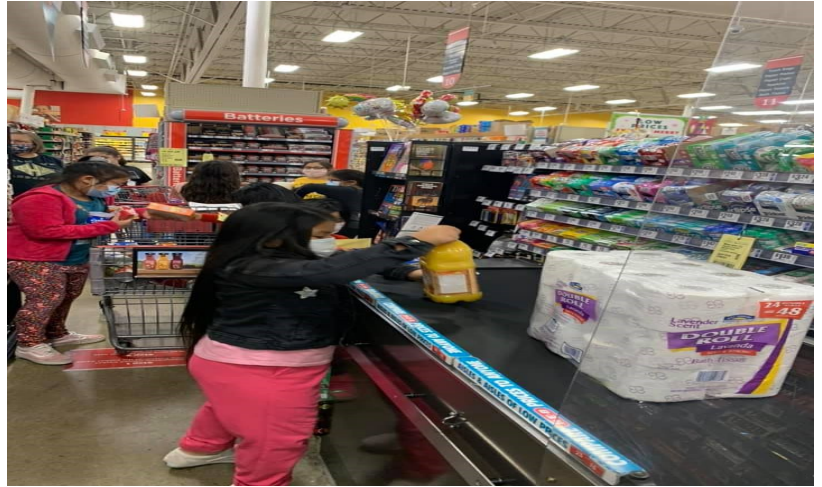
## Backpack Ministry

We are in need of 2 to 3  
volunteers each Wednesday  
morning at 10 am to help pack  
8-15 backpacks  
at

The CCCM Building  
311 Alcoa Drive  
Port Lavaca

There is a sign up sheet on  
the Information Board in the  
hallway next to the church  
office or you can contact the  
church office to sign up.

This is a new ministry of  
Alamo Heights and we are  
in need of volunteers  
immediately.



Thanks to the CIA class for saving your money to do-  
nate food to the **Backpack Ministry!** In addition,  
thank you to everyone who brought food to donate!



**Sunday, January 31**  
**After morning worship service**



**Bring your favorite meal to share  
with your AHBC Family**



The Tuttle family in the  
loss of their mother  
Norma Tuttle.

Byron Carr family in the  
loss of his son Ricky.

Rhonda & Charles  
Eichinger in the loss of  
her dad.

The Manning family in  
the loss of their sister  
Julia Manning.

**Many Hands Make  
Light Work  
HELP NEEDED!**

**Time to take down the  
Christmas Decorations  
Thursday  
January 7, 2021  
from 5pm to 7:00 pm**

If you have  
a little time  
to spare,  
consider  
coming to  
help us put  
away church  
Christmas  
decorations.



# January 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

					1 <sup>New</sup> Year's Day	2
3 <i>Pastor Haynes Preaching</i>	4	5	6 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's  CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 pm	7 <i>Take down Christmas Decorations 5pm to 7pm</i>	8	9
10 <b>Church Council 5 pm</b>	11 Ladies Community Bible Study 6 pm	12 Bible Study 10:30 am  Pastor's Bible Study 6:30 pm	13 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's  Youth, 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 pm	14	15	16
17 <b>Business Meeting 5pm</b>	18 Ladies Community Bible Study 6 pm	19 Bible Study 10:30 am  Pastor's Bible Study 6:30 pm	20 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's  Youth, 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 pm	21 <b>Women's Ministry meeting in fellowship hall 6p.m.</b>	22	23
24	25 Ladies Community Bible Study 6 pm	26 Bible Study 10:30 am  Pastor's Bible Study 6:30 pm	27 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 @ Don Julio's  Youth, 6pm CIA, Mission Friends, and Worship 6:30 pm	28 <b>GBA Board Meeting 11:30 am</b>	29	30
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**Pastor Ken Bolton**  
Senior Pastor  
**Pastor Haynes Searcy**  
Youth Pastor

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**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 6:30pm***



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