



May 20, 2018

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, May 20

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Monday, May 21

Royal Ambassadors at 5:30 PM

Mom's Book Club at 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 23

Prayer Meeting at 6:30 PM

Praise Team Rehearsal at 6:30 PM

Pastor's Pondering

This past week, my family took a little trip to the Hill Country, visiting Fredericksburg, San Antonio, New Braunfels, and Austin. In San Antonio, we toured three of the Missions, starting at San Jose, visiting Concepcion, and finishing at the Alamo. Of course, it wasn't always called the Alamo.

The Alamo started as Mission San Antonio de Valero in 1718, but the church was never completed. In the 1800s, after the missions were secularized and abandoned, a military unit from Alamo, Mexico, who used the mission as a military fortress, gave it the name that history remembers.

We are all familiar with the Alamo, but I had forgotten some of its history since the last time I visited it. As we toured the grounds, I reflected on how a site devoted to reaching the native people with Christianity became a place best known for a battle. I am afraid that many churches no longer are known for their Christian witness, but instead for the "battles" within. I know that the church is people, not the building, but I pray we are known for our mission of sharing Jesus. I don't want us to be known for other things. Blessings, David

On the Horizon

Mom's Book Club – A special summer study beginning on May 21 at 7:00 PM at Panera Bread in Lake Worth. We will discuss The Mom Walk by Sally Clarkson. See Amy Cecil for details.

Riverbend Preteen Camp – July 16–20 for children who will complete grades 3–6 by this summer. Please see Philippe Lalonde for details; we have space for more children. Cost is \$180 a child; scholarships are available.

Eagle Mountain Arts Camp – Our 2018 camp is **THE SHOW MUST GO ON**, and will be in the evenings of July 29 — August 2. We are looking for teachers to lead art classes and to teach Bible study classes. Please see Pastor David if you, or someone you know, have a talent or art to share.

Worship Preparation

As we continue to follow the events of Acts 5, Peter and the other Apostles are arrested for a second time. The mood of the council is not very good, but, fortunately, there is some wise counsel involved. Join us as we catch up in **Acts 5:26-39**.

Sunday Service Teams

Lead Greeter

Lindy Hoyt

Nursery Ministry

Amy Cecil

Counters

Lonnie Hoyt & Bonnie Jones

Physical Needs:

- Louie's friend, Richard, is on waiting list for liver and kidney donor
- Dan Jansen, a missionary to Rwanda, is receiving treatment for depression caused by a vitamin deficiency
- Wilburn Smith is recovering from cancer surgery on his face
- Trish Raney will undergo surgery and chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Ginny Greenwood is receiving treatment for cancer
- Ed Hudson will treat blocked by-passes with medication

In the Hospital:

- Rick Ladner is on a new feeding tube
- Delmar Holly is in rehab after being in ICU for lung infections and pneumonia
- Robert Williams has an infection in his lung

Praises:

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Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Personal Requests:

- Those who are seeking employment
- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Loved ones struggling with broken relationships
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- For family members to endure the consequences of their actions with a positive spirit
- Chris is facing struggles with depression

Ministry Requests:

- Hailes Family in Madagascar
- Meagan Clark - in India with CSJ
- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Oletha Oldham (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Eagle Crest)
- Roy Trotter (Azle Manor)

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Michael Britt - Navy
- Stephen Cecil - Air Force
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alexander Cole - Air Force

Special Days:

- Mike Perrin's birthday is on the 18th

Member Notices:

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