

Celebration of Ministry IV: *Remaining in Grace*
*Celebrating 35 Years of Public Ministry &
Beginning to Plan for New Forms of Service in Retirement*

April 23–25, 2025, at the Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio Riverwalk



Year 35 Retreat Agenda

Wednesday, April 23

- 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Meet & Greet Mixer for pastors and wives from all four retreats
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Communion Service
Worship Leader/Preacher: Brad Wordell/Don Patterson
- 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Welcome & Overview
Presenter: Brad Wordell
- 3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Break
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Open Table Discussion
Facilitator: Daron Lindemann
- 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Enjoy Food, Fellowship, and Beverages at Drury Kickback Hour
- 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Social Hour

Thursday, April 24

- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Christ Is All You Need—a Study of Paul's Letter to the Church at Colossae (Part 1)
Presenter: John Brenner
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Growing in Our Callings and Anticipating New Callings
- Retirement Planning Checklist: Housing, Healthcare, and Retirement Income
Presenters: The Hahn Financial Group
- Serving the Savior in Old and/or New Ways: The Wide Range of Options in Retirement for Pastors and Pastor's Wives
Presenter: Charles Degner
- Preparing for Your Third Act of Life
Presenters: Brad Wordell
- 11:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. Lunch on your own and enjoying the Riverwalk

Note: those planning to visit the Alamo on this day should note that guided tours are not available in the evening. This could be a time to take such a tour.

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Christ Is All You Need—a Study of Paul's Letter to the Church at Colossae (Part 2)
Presenter: John Brenner

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break

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4:30 p.m. – ? Evening free for individual plans for dinner/fellowship/entertainment

Friday, April 25

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Christ Is All You Need—a Study of Paul's Letter to the Church at Colossae (Part 3)
Presenter: John Brenner

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Making the Closing Years of Ministry Your Best as Pastor and Pastor's Wife: Leveraging Wisdom Despite Decreased Energy
Presenter: Charles Degner

11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Prepare for Worship

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Closing Worship with Affirmation of Ordination Vows
Worship Leader/Preacher: Brad Wordell/John Brenner