Celebration of Ministry I: Begun in Grace

Celebrating a Good Start in Public Ministry & Providing Encouragement for the Future



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

Childcare is located on the 4th floor in the TRINITY room (across from the San Antonio Ballroom)

Year 3 Retreat Agenda

Wednesday, April 23

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Meet & Greet Mixer for pastors and wives from all four retreats

San Antonio Ballroom (4th floor)

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Communion Service

Worship Leader/Preacher: Brad Wordell/Don Patterson

San Antonio Ballroom (4th floor)

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Welcome & Overview

Presenter: Brad Wordell

San Antonio Ballroom (4th floor)

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Open Table Discussion

Facilitator: Daron Lindemann
San Antonio Ballroom (4th floor)

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

Frio III & Riverwalk Patio (just outside hotel doors leading to Riverwalk–Riverwalk level)

Thursday, April 24

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. LORD, Teach Us How to Pray (Part 1)

Presenter: Pete Zaferos San Antonio I (4th floor)

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. God-Taught Honesty

Presenter: Pete and Melissa Zaferos

San Antonio I (4th floor)

11:15 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Lunch on your own and enjoying the Riverwalk

Note: those planning to visit the Alamo should note that guided tours are not available in the

evening. This could be a time to take such a tour.

Verlyn Hahn from The Hahn Financial Group is also available to meet with those who would like

to speak with him.

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. LORD, Teach Us How to Pray (Part 2)

Presenter: Pete Zaferos San Antonio I (4th floor)

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Continuing Education Breakout

Workshop for Spouses

Panel of presenters

San Antonio II (4th floor)

Workshop for Pastors

The Blessings of Informal and Formal Continuing Education

Presenter: Brad Wordell & John Brenner

San Antonio I (4th floor)

5:30 p.m. – ? Evening free for individual plans for dinner/fellowship/entertainment

Friday, April 25

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. LORD, Teach Us How to Pray (Part 3)

Presenter: Pete Zaferos San Antonio I (4th floor)

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Preparing for the Future: Ministry Opportunities & Challenges in Coming Years!

Presenter: Brad Wordell & John Brenner

San Antonio I (4th floor)

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

San Antonio Ballroom (4th floor)