

From the Pastor's Pen...



Greetings to all of you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This year is quickly passing by as we are now in the month of May. April was a very busy month with our Missions Conference Revival and Easter Celebration services.

Let me start by saying "Thank You" to each of you for all the hard work and sacrifice you all did to make our 47th annual Missions Conference Revival such a great success. My heart was so blessed and encouraged that week. For some of you, that week started very early in the morning and ended late at night. Our Missions Band did an outstanding job (as always) preparing for this meeting. Our church is grateful to each of you. Our Faith Promise offering ended up being around \$140,000. That is tremendous for a church our size. Only Heaven knows how many souls have been saved due to the people of Parkwood Baptist Church's sacrificial giving. Also, let me thank our men who prepared our delicious breakfast Easter morning. Some of you were at the church very early getting the meal ready. As always, you went above and beyond and it was delicious. I am so blessed to be your Pastor.

Let me remind you of a few things. First of all, Mother's Day is May 14th. We will celebrate each of you mothers during our morning service that Sunday. Pray for Lori and I that weekend. We will be flying to Mississippi Thursday, May 11th. Her sister is getting married that weekend. We will be back Sunday for Mother's Day. Our flight back will leave Memphis around 5:00 AM to get us back to Houston around 7:00 AM. We both wanted to be back to celebrate this special day with all of our church family. Needless to say, we will be worn out so your prayers are greatly appreciated. Don't forget the T-Shirt sales for our Missions Trip in July. We will be taking orders through Sunday, May 28th. All profits will go to the cost of our trip. Even if you are not going, let me encourage you to help us go by purchasing a T-Shirt. You can see Lori for more information. At the bottom of this letter, you will find our birthdays and anniversaries for the month of May. Let me be the first to wish each of you a happy birthday or happy anniversary. I love each of you and it is an honor to be your Pastor.

Let me end this with a devotion in honor of Mother's Day. I came across this poem and would like to share it with each of you. "There is no love, like a mother's love, no stronger bond on earth...like the precious bond that comes from God, to a mother, when she gives birth. A mother's love is forever strong, never changing for all time...and when her children need her most, a mother's love will shine. God bless these special mothers, God bless them every one...for all the tears and heartache, and for the special work they've done. When her days on earth are over, a mother's love lives on...through many generations, with God's blessings on each one. Be thankful for our mothers, for they love with a higher love... from the power God has given, and the strength from up above." I love each of you, Bro. Wesley.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

5/5 Elizabeth Barra

Nicole Surovcek

5/7 Lukash Surovcek

Gabriel Welsh

5/9 Kelly Sibley

Joyce LaFreniere

5/16 Tom Parkins

5/18 Matthew Abrman

5/19 Chloe Parker

5/20 Drew Conner

5/21 Mark Smith

5/24 Ignacio Galicia

Macie Hatley

5/28 Kristye Guzzardo

Joannie Smith

5/29 Dale Conner

Anniversaries

5/6 Ben and Kristye Guzzardo

5/20 Bob and Kim Beasley

5/25 Reggie and Sharon Stoby