

**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  
**San Antonio Ballroom (4<sup>th</sup> floor)**
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Communion Service  
*Worship Leader/Preacher: Brad Wordell/Don Patterson*  
**San Antonio Ballroom (4<sup>th</sup> floor)**
- 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Welcome & Overview  
*Presenter: Brad Wordell*  
**San Antonio Ballroom (4<sup>th</sup> 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 (4<sup>th</sup> 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 the Riverwalk—Riverwalk level)**

**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*  
**Frio I (Riverwalk level)**
- 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*  
**Frio I (Riverwalk level)**
- Serving the Savior in Old and/or New Ways: The Wide Range of Options in Retirement for Pastors and Pastor's Wives  
*Presenter: Don Sutton*  
**Frio II (Riverwalk level)**

***(Agenda continued on reverse)***

Preparing for Your Third Act of Life  
*Presenters: Brad Wordell*  
Medina (4<sup>th</sup> floor)

11:15 a.m. – 2:45 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.

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Christ Is All You Need—a Study of Paul's Letter to the Church at Colossae (Part 2)  
*Presenter: John Brenner*  
Frio I (Riverwalk level)

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Growing in Our Callings and Anticipating New Callings

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5:00 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*  
Frio I (Riverwalk level)

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: Don Sutton*  
Frio I (Riverwalk level)

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 (4<sup>th</sup> floor)