

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

April 8–10, 2026, at the Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio Riverwalk



Year 35 Retreat Agenda

Wednesday, April 8

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 <i>Worship Leader/Preacher: Brad Wordell/Pete Zaferos</i>
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Welcome & Overview <i>Presenter: Brad Wordell</i>
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Break
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Open Table Discussion <i>Facilitator: Daron Lindemann</i>
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 9

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) <i>Presenter: John Brenner</i>
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 <i>Presenters: The Hahn Financial Group</i>
	Serving the Savior in Old and/or New Ways: The Wide Range of Options in Retirement for Pastors and Pastor's Wives <i>Presenter: Charlie Degner</i>
	Preparing for Your Third Act of Life <i>Presenters: Brad Wordell</i>
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 10

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: Charlie 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