

The Branch NewsLETTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches" John 15:5

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THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 2, 2019

★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

LOVE ONE ANOTHER. JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU JOHN 13:34



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**HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!**

May 12th



CITY OF LIVE OAK



PARADE

SATURDAY, MAY 25

10:00 AM

From Our Pastor

I can't believe it's already May. We have celebrated Easter and begin the traditional Mother's Day and graduation celebrations. The gentle seasonal change and beautiful flowers blooming remind us that Spring is in the air and life is all around us. Family and the importance of life become the primary emphasis as we navigate through this month. Moms, dads, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, grandparents, grandchildren, husbands and wives all constitute the family that God has created to be a blessing to us. The one family member everyone has is a mother and she should be honored and respected. Mother's Day gives us an opportunity to remember the importance of our mother and demonstrate our love for her. I'm thankful that God chose to establish the family and enable us to love through the many family relationships He has given us. In Genesis, it is recorded how God began the family and instituted it as the foundation of society and the church.

I encourage you to make May a month to strengthen family relationships so our society and churches can prosper and grow into Christ-likeness and godliness. Husbands, work on loving and honoring your wives. Wives, develop mutual submission and respect for your husbands. Children, obey and honor your parents. We all need to be more loving and forgiving and communicate with a heart of compassion and understanding. Let's also pray for each other, worship God, and study the Bible, so our families can become a testimony of God's grace, love, and power.

I'm grateful to be a part of God's family. I anticipate worshipping with you soon and pray that God will strengthen your family. Please join me in celebrating family and life in Christ.

Your Pastor,
Brother Donald

From Our Minister of Music & Education

Hopefully there were enough April showers to provide plenty of May flowers! So...will May bring more Spring-like weather or will Summer be here? Fortunately, we have A/C in all the key areas at church! Makes me think of when we did not have A/C growing up at home or church!

I am so thankful for the choir who has been faithful week after week! Their contribution to our worship is most important! We are not the Tabernacle Choir, but our hearts are in the right place!

VBS workers will have a training session May 6th at 7 p.m. Please try to attend!

A big "thanks" to all Sunday School leaders for your faithfulness and flexibility! Ken Bean has taken over the Bible study on Sundays at 5:15 since the Mitchells have moved back to Wichita. Come join us!

Lively Oaks will have lunch on May 9th at Abel's Diner, not to be confused with Earl Abel's. Meet at the church at 11:30 to carpool.

Paul

Deacon of the Week

May 5	Ken Bean
May 12	Mario Ward
May 19	Richard Filleman
May 26	Lalo Pena

San Antonio Baptist Association Church Planting Offering



SABA exists to:
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| 3 Brad Ward | 10 Jan Young |
| 4 Geneva Phillips | 14 Kailyn Carey |
| 4 Donnie Cox | 17 Norman Schell |
| 4 Tracie Hires | 19 Leslie Alexander |
| 5 Dorothy Dixon | 30 Betty Cox |



Lively Oaks Meeting

May 9th
 11:30 a.m. at
 Abel's Diner
 For ages 50+

We will meet at the church at 11:30 a.m.
 and carpool to the restaurant.



VBS Training
Monday, May 6
 7:00 pm
 Fellowship Hall

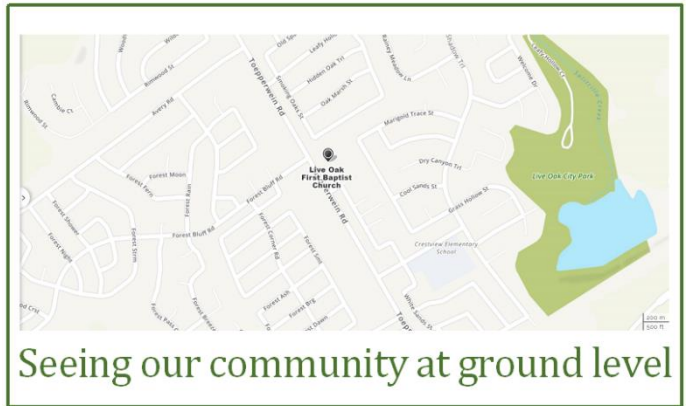
All station leaders, Crew leaders
 (Elementary and Preschool),
 Registration and Security Team.
 Everyone!

Life is Wild * God is good

MASTERS CAMP

If you plan to attend youth camp this summer, July 15-19, please sign up by May 26 to get the early sign-up price!

Women's Ministry Meeting



Women's ministry will meet at 6:30, Thursday May 16th. Food, fellowship, Bible study, prayer and information about our missionaries around the world are all part of the program. Come and join us!



**CHURCH
 WORKDAY**

SATURDAY, MAY 11



MONDAY, MAY 27

**(CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE
 CLOSED)**