



# Donate Blood

Save Lives

**Blood Drive Today!**  
8:00 AM-2:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Walk-ins are welcome! Learn about what your life-giving donation does by visiting [giveblood.org](http://giveblood.org).

Your donation can save the lives of up to **3** patients!



## Savvy CAREGIVER COURSE

Are you caring for someone with memory issues? Are you concerned about what lies ahead and how to manage? To learn more about dementia/Alzheimer's and how to have a better quality of life with your loved one, join us for this free course.


Weds, May 22-June 26 • 9:30-11:30 AM • Summit Room

Contact Sharon Cantrell for details and to register: [scantrell@amazingplacehouston.org](mailto:scantrell@amazingplacehouston.org), 713-440-8177

Taught by our friends from Amazing Place



# Summer MOPS



Free childcare! Sign up your child when you register.

Gather with other Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) for coffee, connection, and learning more about the Christian faith.

Alternating Thursdays, May 23-August 15  
9:30-11:00 AM • Chapel Bride's Room

Register: [summermops.mdpc.org](http://summermops.mdpc.org)



## Married Life Prep

A fun, free, four-week Marriage Course

Engaged couples and those married 5 years or fewer are encouraged to come!

Sundays, July 7-28 • 10:00 AM-Noon

To register or learn more: [mlp.mdpc.org](http://mlp.mdpc.org)

Questions? Contact: Anna Vickers, [avickers@mdpc.org](mailto:avickers@mdpc.org)



## THE SECRET INGREDIENT

MDPC Soccer Camp 2019

### Soccer Camp & VBS

Kids meet Jesus while having fun on the soccer pitch!

Monday-Friday, June 10-14  
9:00 AM-2:00 PM | MDPC  
Girls and Boys | Age 7-11  
\$5 per child

Register today!  
[soccercamp.mdpc.org](http://soccercamp.mdpc.org)

## June Canned Food Drive

to benefit East Spring Branch Food Pantry

Summer donations are critical for Spring Branch students who will be without the benefit of school food programs.

Collection dates: Sundays, June 2, 9, & 16

Items Needed (cans, please): Soup, Fruit, Diced Tomatoes, Tomato Sauce, Chicken, Tuna





# SUMMER FILM SERIES

FREE ADMISSION & POPCORN!

Sponsored by Prime Timers

SELECT SUMMER WEDNESDAYS  
3:00 PM | AMPHITHEATER

See inside for this summer's showings! Not all movies are suitable for all ages. Visit [pluggedin.com](http://pluggedin.com) to review movie content.



MDPC YOUTH WANTS YOU!

## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Just showing up and handing out donuts can make a difference. Learn more & get involved: [YOUTH.MDPC.ORG](http://YOUTH.MDPC.ORG)

- MISSION TRIP CHAPERONE
- SODA BAR WELCOMER
- CONFIRMATION LEADER
- VAN DRIVER
- DONUT PICKER UPPER
- & LOTS MORE!

Questions? Contact Laura Miller: [lmiller@mdpc.org](mailto:lmiller@mdpc.org)



## Visit MDPC's Community Art Gallery

MDPC and Houston-area artists recently had the opportunity to participate in a five-day intensive workshop, held here at MDPC, led by internationally acclaimed artist Huihan Liu. May's Community Art Gallery exhibit features paintings composed and completed by the attendees.

View the exhibit between MC 122 & The Nook.




## DISCOVER MDPC

Sunday, June 2  
10:45-11:10 AM  
The Nook  
[membership.mdpc.org](http://membership.mdpc.org)


Join Pastor Dave for a casual conversation about MDPC and its ministries. No commitment required! It's an engaging opportunity to learn about this church and explore what it means to be part of our faith community.

Discover MDPC is a great first step to see if the June 7-8 NEW MEMBER CLASS is right for you! Details: [membership.mdpc.org](http://membership.mdpc.org)



Sunday, May 19, 2019

# THE Antidote FOR Anxiety



BECKONED • Psalm 23:5  
Alf Halvorson preaching

\* Please stand if able. CCLI # 182374

**8:30 AM BLENDED & 9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY**

\*PRAISE & WORSHIP

NEW MEMBERS (9:45)

\*CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE ([prayers.mdpc.org](http://prayers.mdpc.org))

SONGS

MESSAGE

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE+

+ In the 8:30 Service, *Gifts of Gratitude* precedes the message. Musicians in these services: Meliza Gómez and Michael Middleton, worship leaders; Daniel Amaya, bass; George Heathco, guitar; Daniel Martinez, keys; Asher Pudlo, drums

**11:15 AM TRADITIONAL**

PRELUDE	<i>Fantaisie in A Major</i>	César Franck (1822-1890)
CHORAL INTROIT	<i>Lift Thine Eyes (from Elijah)</i>	Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)
*HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	#376; Vs. 1, 3, 4   HYFRYDOL
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE		
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Apostles' Creed		
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE	<i>The Gloria Patri</i>	Hymn #579
ANTHEM	<i>The Lord Is My Shepherd</i>	arr. Howard Goodall (b. 1958)
OFFERTORY	<i>The Prayer</i>	arr. Tom Fetteke (b. 1941)
MESSAGE		
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>Dear Lord and Father of Mankind</i>	#345; Vs. 1, 3, 4
POSTLUDE	<i>Chaconne</i>	Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Musicians in this service: Charles Hausmann, conductor; Amanda Menzie, soloist; Kathryn White, organ; Sanctuary Choir

# We Cry Out



Without prayer, we feel any goal MDPC sets is a fruitless endeavor. It is up to us, God's people, to pray for the Holy Spirit to move! We need your help in raising a specific petition to God. Learn more at [WECRYOUT.MDPC.ORG](http://WECRYOUT.MDPC.ORG).

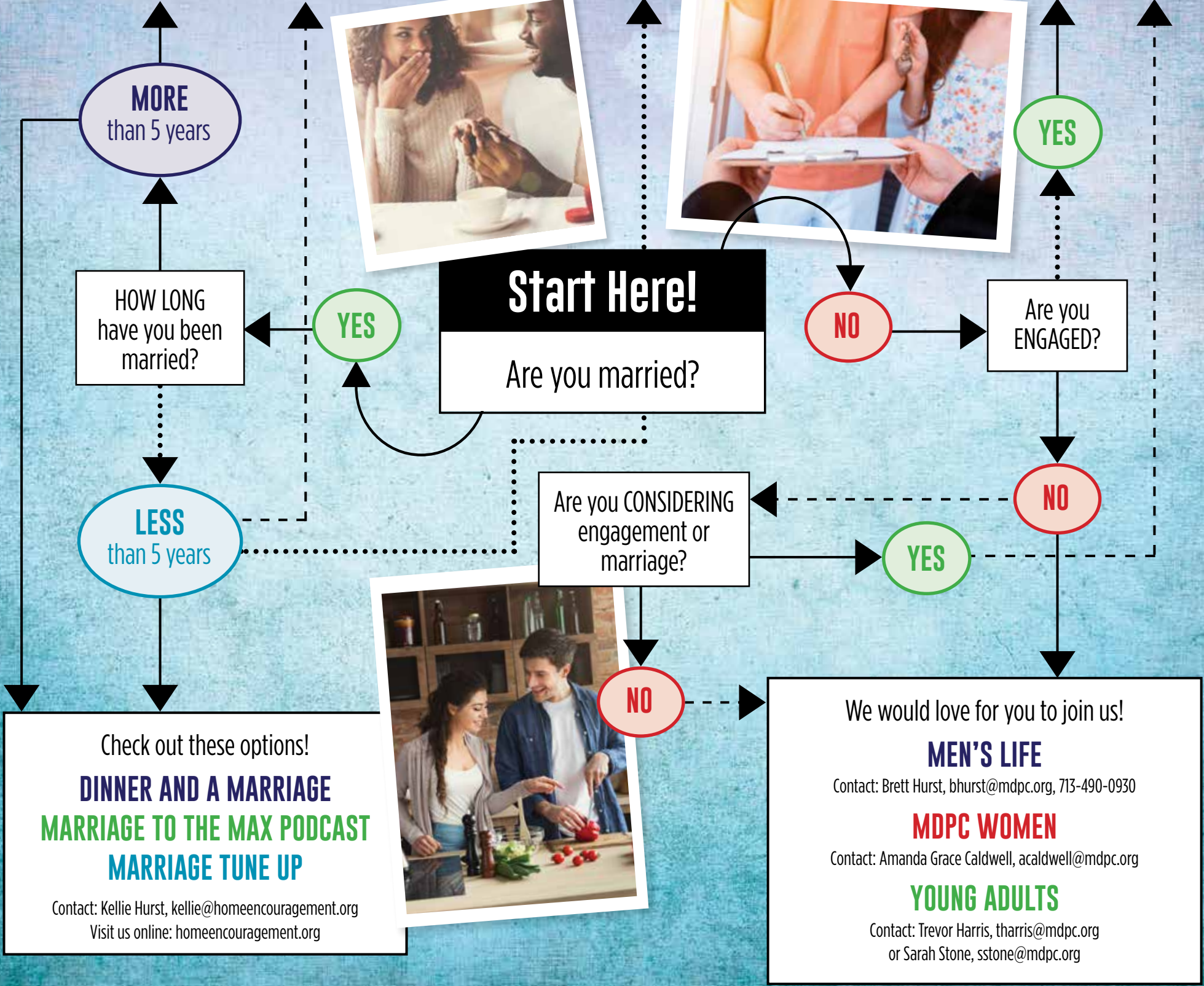
**SATURDAY, JUNE 8**  
6:00 AM-9:00 PM • CHAPEL





**MDPC Marriage Retreat**  
Saturday-Sunday, September 28-29  
Sugar Land Marriott Town Square • \$220/couple  
Space is limited! [marriageretreat.mdpc.org](http://marriageretreat.mdpc.org)  
Contact Anna Vickers with questions: [avickers@mdpc.org](mailto:avickers@mdpc.org)

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All engaged and newly married couples are welcome!  
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HAPPENING AT MDPC

**C-O-L-L-E-G-E Students!**  
Finals are in the rearview mirror and sunshine is ahead. Stay connected to your faith and your church this summer with MDPC's Summer College Bible Study. We meet for breakfast, coffee and community every Sunday. Come on upstairs and say hi.  
**10:45-11:00 AM | Breakfast & Coffee**  
**11:00 AM-12:00 PM | College Bible Study | Rm 217**  
Questions? Text Trevor Harris: 713-446-8388

**YA Volleyball**  
Come bump, set, spike with us... or just jump around in the sand (you know who you are...). All skill levels welcome! Bring \$5 to chip in toward court rental costs. Afterwards, we'll find a patio that will take our sweaty, sandy selves and enjoy a beer/early dinner together.  
**Sunday, June 2 | 3:00 PM | Sideout VolleyBar**  
Contact Sarah Stone: 832-605-8129, [ssstone@mdpc.org](mailto:ssstone@mdpc.org)

**Theology On Tap: The Bloody Bible**  
Have you ever struggled with the "God of Wrath" in the Bible? Come learn how to read and navigate questions about the war and violence in the Old Testament, and then text in your questions to a panel of pastors, priests, and professors, while drinking craft beer.  
**Tuesday, June 11 | 7:00-9:00 PM | 2515 Waugh Dr.**  
Open to Young Adults (20s & 30s)  
\$5 gets you craft beer & food  
[facebook.com/theologyontaphouston](https://facebook.com/theologyontaphouston)

**MDPC Ministry Partner Martha's Way**  
Martha's Way helps low-income women increase their earning potential by training them to operate their own residential housekeeping businesses. Its innovative curriculum provides basic business skills and residential housecleaning skills to professional standards. Martha's Way graduates are ready to work! To hire a graduate, contact Ana Tappan: 713-961-3993 x210

**Host Homes Needed for Counselors**  
Families are needed to host college-age counselors for Kanakuk Kampout, providing a place to stay plus breakfast and dinner each day. We also need medical volunteers for the week (CPR and First Aid trained).  
**Host commitment Aug. 3-9, medical vols Aug. 5-9**  
Contact Alicia Boykin: [aboykin@mdpc.org](mailto:aboykin@mdpc.org), 713-490-9261

**Volunteer Opportunity**  
MDPC's Clothes Closet needs two volunteers! If you like to sort, organize, and repurpose donations, laugh a lot, and have a lot of fun this vol opp is perfect for you. Also: No meetings, it's a job that you can't do wrong, and it is helping others.  
**Wednesday Mornings at MDPC**  
Contact Karen Cole: [ksuecole@me.com](mailto:ksuecole@me.com), 713-532-0966

**Summer Movie Series**  
Prime Timers' Senior Group proudly hosts another film series for your enjoyment! Beat the heat while enjoying free popcorn and these acclaimed films. All are welcome, free of charge. Closed captioning provided.  
**Select Wednesdays at 3:00 PM | Amphitheater**  
**June 12 - The Greatest Showman (PG)**  
**June 26 - Mary Poppins Returns (PG)**  
**July 17 - Won't You Be My Neighbor? (PG-13)**  
**July 31 - RBG (PG; documentary)**  
Not all movies are suitable for all ages. Review movie content at [pluggedin.com](http://pluggedin.com).

**ROM 20th Anniversary Celebration**  
Join us for an evening of celebration and thanksgiving for the first 20 years of Renewing Our Minds (ROM) ministry. Over the years, this MDPC partner has transformed and equipped hundreds of young lives across the world for leadership, service, love, and reconciliation. Come hear about their impactful history and their vision for the future.  
**Wednesday, June 12 | 6:30 PM | Parlor**

**Today's Chancel Flowers are given**  
in loving memory of Bill Kimmey, by Nancy Kimmey.

**The White Rose is in memory of MDPC members**  
Don Russell, who passed away May 5, 2019.  
Shirley Lott, who passed away May 6, 2019.

**This week's Ministry Partner prayer focus:**  
**Generation One** furthers the spiritual growth of at-risk youth and the material rebuilding of their community, Houston's impoverished Third Ward. Its focus has expanded to include both educational and economic interventions through after-school programs, summer camp, abstinence programs, and community beautification projects designed to show children their potential.  
[generationone.net](http://generationone.net)

**The Get Together:** At this monthly networking luncheon, business people and local ministries have the opportunity to build relationships. Ministry needs are discussed and attendees work together to find creative solutions. This allows the business-minded to use the skills God has gifted them with to further His Kingdom.  
[thegettogether.org](http://thegettogether.org)

**Faith Ministry** in Reynosa aims to meet the basic physical needs of families living in poverty on the Mexican border, sharing the love of Jesus Christ in doing so. Through home construction, a clinic, food programs, child sponsorship, and skills training programs, it cares for the community and makes His Name known.  
[faithministry.org](http://faithministry.org)

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE	
at 5/12/19	
2019 Annual Budget	\$12,240,000
Actual Income to Date	\$3,704,891
<b>Needed to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$8,535,109</b>



# MDPC NEW MEMBERS

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Today we are so happy to introduce these 16 new members of the MDPC family! Learn a little more about each in the brief bios below, and join us in warmly welcoming them to MDPC.

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**David and Kristin Anderson** are the parents of two children, Jacob, 5 and Travis, 3. Dave works in banking at Cadence Bank. He enjoys running, golfing, and his family. Kristin is a stay-at-home mom. She enjoys volunteering on the board of Steel Magnolia Moms, serving mothers of children with special needs.

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**Meredith Austin** is the mother of an adult son, Greg. She is a retired school teacher. Meredith enjoys gardening and cooking and is a member of the Junior League Tea Room Patrons; Houston Junior Forum on the scholarship committee; and TALC-Adult Learning Center.

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**Joy Dubinski** is the mother of new member Nancy Weber. She has one grandson, Luke Alan Weber (2). Joy is a math teacher at Mayde Creek High School in Katy ISD. She enjoys cooking, traveling, and children.

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**Jack and Kelley Edwards** are the parents of Trey (11), Sara (8), and Elizabeth (5). Jack is an attorney at Ajamie LLP. Jack enjoys playing and watching all sports, especially the University of Virginia Warriors. Kelley is an Office Managing Shareholder/Attorney at Littler Mendelson, PC. The whole family enjoys music. Kelly plays the flute and all the children play the piano.

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**Thomas and Angela Jennings** are the parents of Carter (11) and twins Chloe and Colton (8). Thomas works in real estate with Lovett/Intown Homes. Angela is a stay-at-home mom. They are both native Houstonians. Thomas and Angela spend a lot of their time helping the Westview school, a school for kids with autism.

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**Trey and Kristy Lancaster** are the parents of Ford (16), Gage (14), and Georgia (5). Trey works for an energy company. He enjoys skiing, hiking, and tennis. Kristy is a stay-at-home mom.

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**Ford Lancaster** is a sophomore at Stratford High School plays baseball.

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**Rand and Lauren Lionberger** are the parents of Ava Grace (5) and Luke Randolph (3). Rand is a Financial Advisor for Northwestern Mutual. He is a fitness and outdoor enthusiast, a Baylor Bears fan, and an Eagle Scout. Lauren is VP Sales in oil and gas for RSC Bio Solutions. She enjoys traveling, gardening, reading, planning/hosting events, and spending time enjoying her family.

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**Kathy Manley** is the mother to two married adult daughters, Faith Martinez and Hope Whitney. She works part-time with The Antioch Partners. Kathy enjoys reading.



**Matt and Nancy Weber** are the parents of Luke (2). Matt is a superintendent for Harvey Builders. He enjoys sporting clays, the outdoors, and traveling. Nancy is an Instructional Coach for Waller ISD. She enjoys reading and traveling.

## New Member Service Day at **SPRING BRANCH FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

New Member Classes end with a Saturday spent serving in the community. This time, they helped out MDPC ministry partner Spring Branch Family Development Center, which serves over 12,000 Houstonians each year. Its programs enhance the well-being and development of families through a multi-agency collaboration providing educational, recreational, health and social services in English and Spanish.



## IS IT TIME FOR YOU TO JOIN **MDPC**? DISCOVER **MDPC**

Want to know more about MDPC? Thinking about membership? Discover MDPC is a brief informational meeting about who we are and how we operate, within our walls and out in the world. No commitment required! Learn what it means to be part of our faith community.

**Sunday, June 2 | 10:45-11:10 AM | The Nook (near the Front Office)**

### **NEXT NEW MEMBER CLASS • SUMMER INTENSIVE!**

If you are interested in membership, or in becoming a Christian, any of our pastors would love to meet you and discuss your questions! Taught by our Pastors and Elders, the class includes a Saturday service project at one of the organizations supported by MDPC.

The "Summer Intensive" is the normally four-Sunday course condensed into one Friday evening and Saturday morning.

**June 7 and 8 • Friday 6:30-9:00 PM & Saturday 9:00 AM-12:00 PM**

Visit [membership.mdpc.org](http://membership.mdpc.org) to register for the next New Member Class.

Contact Diann Turet with questions: [dturet@mdpc.org](mailto:dturet@mdpc.org), 713-490-9553



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# THE Antidote FOR Anxiety

PSALM 23

BECKONED • Psalm 23:5

Alf Halvorson preaching

This is the fourth in our series of messages on Psalm 23. I hope the series is broadening your picture of God to include God as the Good Shepherd, if it didn't already. Or that these conversations are filling in the picture of how the Shepherd cares for and sacrifices for the sheep, and how that parallels God's care and sacrifice for us. And that we, in some key aspects,

are like sheep.

Today's text, verse 5, seems to add another image in addition to Shepherd, and that is the image of *host*. Let's explore the concept of "host" and how God is the exemplar of hospitality.

1. Read Ps. 23:1-6; focus especially on verse 5.
2. When have you served as host to a guest or group of guests? What were your concerns? How did you try to prepare the place for your invitees? Where was your focus the entire time? What sacrifices did you make so the event or conversation was a positive one?
3. What has been one of your best and worst *guest* experiences? Why was it one or the other? What was done or left undone? How were you treated or mistreated?
4. I talked about the billboard campaign that started in Florida showing quotes signed by God. Have you seen any of them in your travels? Which ones do you like? Which ones give a skewed view of God? Which ones might lead us to a more faithful view of God?
5. In verse 5, according to King David, what does the text say God does for His people? There are three things listed. Discuss based on what I did and didn't say in my sermon.
  - How does God prepare a table for you?
  - How does God anoint your head with oil?
  - What does an overflowing cup look like in your life? And what does it mean?
6. I suggested this image in verse 5 might not be just a "host" image, but also another aspect of shepherding. In order to care for his sheep, a good shepherd prepares the *table* for them (that is the word often used for higher elevation pastures; *mesa* is Spanish for "table" or "table lands"). How did I suggest that a shepherd might prepare a "table" for the sheep regarding poisonous plants, snakes, and potential resting spots? Can you imagine God doing that in your life? Going before you to prepare the path and the rest stops? Share examples where you think that has happened in your life.
7. What must you think and do differently because of the first five verses of Psalm 23?

