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*By Executive Director Kevin Reynolds*

**Transitions and Seasons**

# HOUSE OF FAITH SUMMER EVENTS

## POOL PARTIES

### Who:

THE WHOLE FAMILY!!

\*all children must be accompanied by an adult

### When:

Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm

June: 8, 15, 22

### Where:

San Angelo

Municipal Pool

## KIDS CONNECTION

### Who:

Elementary

K-5th Grade

### When:

June 17 & 18

Mornings

### Where:

House of Faith

321 Montecito Dr.

\*registration required to attend

## OVERNIGHT CAMPS

### Who:

4th-6th Grade Girls

4th-6th Grade Boys

7th-12th Grade Boys & Girls

### When:

June 29- July 2 (Girls)

July 6-9 (Boys)

July 12-16 (Boys & Girls)

### Where:

Lake Brownwood

Christian Retreat

\*registration required to attend



## 321 Summer Hangs

### Who:

6th-12th Grade students

### When:

June 7th & June 21st, 3-5:30pm

# You're Invited

## RAISING HIGHLY CAPABLE KIDS™

### VISION CASTING SAN ANGELO

**Wednesday, June 9th**

**2:00-3:30**

**at House of Faith**

**321 Montecito Drive**

**RSVP: 325.486.8637**

**shelley@hofministries.org**

### Guest Speakers:

Mike Haley, Program Director,

Rezilient Kidz

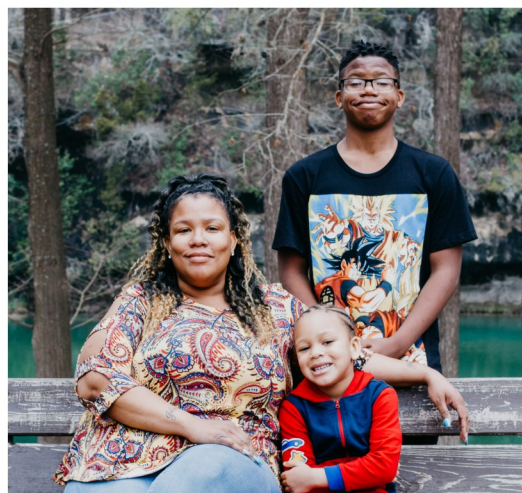
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Marta Plata, Executive Director,

Parent Partnerships at FWISD

"Raising Highly Capable Kids is a proven program created to build stronger families by empowering parents with confidence, tools, and skills they need to raise healthy, caring, and responsible children."

-Mike Haley



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# HOUSE OF FAITH NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

"Taking JESUS to neighborhood children, youth & families since 1994"



## FAITHFUL

By Kevin Reynolds, Executive Director

**"GOD IS FAITHFUL, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord".** This verse, found in 1 Corinthians 1:9 (ESV), is especially relevant this month!

In all the chaos and uncertainty of the past year what is NOT in question is The Lord's Faithfulness. He is always so good, and He uses so many of you to demonstrate His faithfulness! And He showed His faithfulness soundly... again... this month through San Angelo Gives!!

Most of the kids in our ministry will likely never even meet any of the faithful partners who make it all happen. The verse above starts with God's faithfulness, but quickly moves on to our shared calling of fellowship through Jesus. Please know that we truly believe it is only through your fellowship with us that the work continues.

All funds received through *San Angelo Gives* are used to fulfill our mission of "Taking JESUS to neighborhood Children, Youth & Families." ***San Angelo Gives* is a critical and significant percentage of our annual funding, making it possible for us to continue into Summer** when regular giving tends to slow, making it possible to hire summer interns, host multiple Family events, a K—5<sup>th</sup> grade Kids

Connection, and of course Overnight Camps.

And while *San Angelo Gives* represents a very significant part of our funding, it is the FAITHFUL

month to month giving that sustains us through the year. Thank you so very much to all of you who participated and those who continue to give regularly. It means the world to us to have your FAITHFUL partnership in this work.

Please keep us in your prayers as we begin the Summer. The kids are so excited to get back to a degree of normalcy. May The Lord bless and keep you all close to Himself!

In Him and for them,

*Kevin*

Psalms 100:5— "For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.



House of Faith is grateful to the HomeBuilders Association of San Angelo for their donation to House of Faith.

House of Faith partnered with the HBASA during the Parade of Homes 2-weekend event by providing volunteers and support. HBASA representatives pictured with House of Faith Executive Director Kevin Reynolds at the HBASA luncheon May 12.





# TIMES OF TRANSITION

By Ryan Moran

May is always a time of transition at House of Faith at the end of the school year. Each year we have an event for our 5<sup>th</sup> graders who are aging out of our Backyard Bible Club program to get them acquainted with 321, which is our Monday night youth program. This year's event was carnival themed as we wanted the kids to have a good time, celebrating the end of their elementary school experience. We had big group games, a time of praise and worship,

a teaching time focused on taking what we learned from BBC to middle school, and a short rundown of what to expect at 321 next year. Each student also received a Bible devotional called "Tough Questions" that each of the House of Faith staff contributed to.

This time last year our 5<sup>th</sup> grade event looked a lot different as a drive thru event due to Covid-19 restrictions, but God is good. This year, we had a great turnout with 60-70 kids both days for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade event, while still maintaining some precautions like wearing masks inside of the building. We are immensely thankful for those who have supported us through this time, and we could not have done what we do without you! Now we are transitioning to summer programs!



## Did you know...?



*In the 2020-2021 school year,  
House of Faith had:*

- \* 12 Backyard Bible Clubs  
(representing 15 elementary schools)*
- \* 870 children in PK-5th grade enrolled*
- \* 260 youth in 7th-12th grade enrolled*
- \* 675 families represented*

## Thank you for helping us make an impact!

The Backyard Bible Clubs wrapped up the first week of May with a pizza party and celebration of all that we learned! The students had a great time playing hands-on review games designed to go over each unit we taught this school year.

We are so grateful for all our volunteers, like Lacey Eubank (pictured below), who go above and beyond to make every student feel welcomed, loved and celebrated all year!





# Thank You

A huge thank you to  
**Chick-fil-A** and **Bahama Bucks** for making our last  
**321 House of Faith** youth  
event for the school year  
**EXTRA special!**



## MIKE SCHMITZ: FAITHFUL STEWARD

By Kevin Reynolds,  
Executive Director

There are a number of Scriptures that come to mind when I think about Mike Schmitz, who I affectionately call “Farm Boy.” Too many to mention here so these two will have to do.

Psalm 133:1 says, *“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!”* (NIV)

1 Corinthians 4:2 reads, *“Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.”* (KJV)

These two verses stand like bookends on either side of a “well run race” (to sneak in a third verse reference – 2 Timothy 4:7). We have been “living together” here at House of Faith with Mike for over 10 years. He came to us after graduating from Lincoln Christian University in Illinois having grown up on a farm in Iowa (hence my nickname for him).

Mike has a work ethic like no other, is highly organized, and among other things, Mike can be trusted completely. He is definitely a team player, and we could always count on him to fight for unity when the time came. These years with him have indeed been good and pleasant.

And Mike is so faithful! Whenever he was given a task he would do it quickly and with all his might. His grasp and understanding of Scripture is solid, and he is one of the best natural teachers I have ever seen.

I realize this sounds a bit like a reference letter, and in some ways it is. Sort of a reference to all who would consider using Mike in ministry, really. For now his time on staff at House of Faith has come to a close, but his work in the Kingdom continues on as strong as ever.

To be honest I am so very proud of Mike and his departure was perfectly timed by the Lord. Mike has my full and unreserved blessing. He has taken a position as Children’s Pastor at The Life Church, a growing and vibrant church here in San Angelo. We take great pride in the fact that we have launched many into the community in all manner of life, work, and ministry. Into churches, schools, businesses, and beyond.

We will miss having Mike around as a staff member and look forward to seeing him as a volunteer as he is able.

We love you Mike. You are truly an amazing young man of God and it has been a pure honor to work together with you “Taking JESUS to Neighborhood Children Youth and Families!”

