



# The Newsletter

*“Celebrating Christ, Community and Communion Every Sunday”*

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## OCTOBER 2011

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|  | <b><u>SEMINAR ON<br/>MARRIAGE</u></b> |
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**NOVEMBER 5, 2011 – 10:00 A.M.  
ALAMO HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Alamo Heights Christian Church is pleased to announce the second in a series of seminars to serve the church and the community. It will be held from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> in the church’s Kirtley Hall, and will be taught by Dr. Charles McNeely. Dr. McNeely is the Interim Minister at Alamo Heights and has taught Marriage and Family Counseling at colleges and graduate schools across America.

Do you want to strengthen your marriage? Is your marriage under stress? Or are you planning to get married? This seminar will focus on practical steps and biblical principles to help enrich your relationship.

The seminar is free and open to the public—but we recommend that you register by November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Childcare will be provided during the seminar. Plan to attend and call the Church Office during office hours: (210) 828-5728. The Church is located at 6435 N. New Braunfels Ave, San Antonio, TX 78209.



## Minister's Class Christian Basics

Rev. Dr. Charles McNeely has begun a Minister’s Class on Christian Basics. What a wonderful opportunity to refresh your knowledge about our Faith and its teachings. The class meets in the Forum Classroom (Room 7) each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. The class will cover the basics of the Christian Faith for those who are new to the Christian faith, to seekers and newcomers, and to those whose Christian faith needs to be refreshed, renewed, and strengthened. We hope to see you there.

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|  | <b>ANNUAL<br/>CONGREGATIONAL<br/>MEETING</b> |
| <b>Sunday, November 13, 2011 -- 12:30 p.m.</b> |  |

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of Alamo Heights Christian Church has been called by the General Board for Sunday, November 13, 2011, following the morning worship service at 12:30 p.m. The 2011 financial reports and 2012 budget will be presented for the approval of the congregation, and the Election of Officers, Board members and Committee chairs will also be held. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.





## From the Chair of the Elders

### Board of Elders Report

The Elders have been very active. Besides the normal duties of service at the table, serving shut-ins, acting as Worship Leader, etc., the elders have launched a study session of "Your Calling as an Elder" and have approved the conferring of title of "Elder Emeritus" upon Grace Scruggs and Ava Lee Helms, which was approved by the General Board September 18<sup>th</sup>. Elders also helped with Dr. McNeely's Grief Seminar last month by their attendance and by distributing flyers about the Seminar. Elders also plan to do the same thing with Dr. McNeely's Marriage Seminar in November. Elders will also have "Open House" on December 18, 2011. Certain Elders have filled the pulpit when Dr. McNeely had to be gone. Also, certain Elders have agreed to fill the pulpit on some of the days that Dr. McNeely must be away in the next three months.

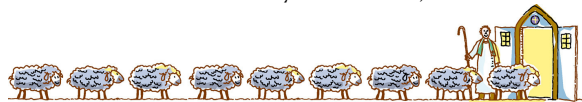
Shalom,  
Dr. Roy N. Tucker




## MINISTERIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Ministerial Search Committee is continuing to search for the right person to lead our church into the future. The last meeting was with Rev. Dani Loving Cartwright, Southwest Regional Minister. She will be providing more resumés with us after we re-do our Congregational Profile. Please note: Susie Armstrong graciously agreed to revise the form to meet the expectations of the Southwest Regional Minister. As soon as we get those corrections made, I am to send her the corrected copy and she will send me names of some more possible candidates.

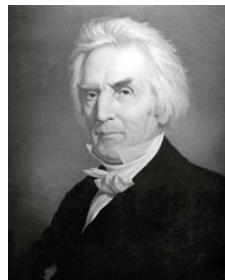
Respectfully,  
Dr. Roy N. Tucker, Chair




Fall 2011  
Disciples of Christ  
Historical Society  
*The Future of History*

## First Annual Alexander Campbell Day

The great American preacher, debater and writer Alexander Campbell was born on September 12th over two hundred years ago.



*Alexander Campbell*

Now, for the first time, Disciples of Christ Historical Society honors the memory of our founder with his own day. Each year September 12th will be designated Alexander Campbell Day and we invite all members

of the Stone-Campbell family to celebrate with us.

To further the work of keeping and telling our inspiring story, we have set \$10,000 as our first year goal. We already have over \$2,000 in pledges.

Do you want to remember this beloved "father of all Disciples" with a special gift on his special day?

Go to [www.discipleshistory.org](http://www.discipleshistory.org) in order to make your donation.



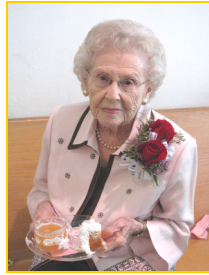
Church World Service has thanked and honored Alamo Heights Christian Church with a certificate for its support of the Blankets + Fund. This past summer we were able to raise \$470.00 for the CWS Blankets Fund. Our thanks go out to all our members and friends who supported this mission appeal.





## From Around the Church Yard

On October 23, 2011, Virginia Proctor is to be recognized by Highlands High School in Dallas as the high school's oldest living alumna. A school representative from Dallas will come to San Antonio to interview her. She will be asked to describe what going to high school was like when she attended Highlands High. Congratulations, Virginia!



Virginia Proctor  
103 years old

In August, Kevin Heady moved to a new address:

Kevin Heady  
5757 Eternal,  
San Antonio, TX 78247

His telephone number and e-mail address did not change and remain the same.

Rick & La Donna Mills and family have moved to Cedaredge, Colorado. On Sunday, September 18, 2011, they became members of the Cedaredge United Methodist Church. A Letter of Transfer was issued at their request. We wish them God's blessings as Rick gets used to his retirement in Colorado.

We celebrate the Baptism of Barbara A. Stuart on Sunday, October 2, 2011, during the morning worship service. Her daughters will be singing a special music presentation to honor their mother.

Charlotte Barnes is doing well and sends her greetings to all. She is now in therapy at the Forum at Lincoln Heights.



**Walk to Emmaus for Men** will be held at Mount Wesley United Methodist Church in Kerrville from Thursday evening, November 10 to Sunday, November 13, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. The cost from room & board is \$220.00, but half-scholarships of \$110 are available to those who apply. If you should be interested, please contact David Smith at (210) 494-0022.



## BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING

The Board of Elders will be meeting for their monthly Breakfast and Meeting on Saturday, October 8, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. in Kirtley Hall.



## "The Growing Church"

A new sermon series will begin on Sunday, October 2, 2011. Dr. Charles McNeely's sermons will be a practical study of the book of Acts. Questions such as: "Why did the early church grow so fast? How did the first century Christians make such an impact on people's lives? And what lessons can we learn for Alamo Heights Christian Church today?"

### Sunday, October 3, 2011

#### "The Unhindered Gospel"

Acts 28:30-31

### Sunday, October 9, 2011

#### "To the Ends of the Earth—But Starting at Home"

Acts 1:6-8

### Sunday, October 16, 2011

Guest Minister

### Sunday, October 23, 2011

#### "No Other Name"

Acts 4:8-12

### Sunday, October 30, 2011

Guest Minister

### Sunday, November 6, 2011

#### "Four Marks of a Model Church"

Acts 2:42-47

### Sunday, November 13, 2011

#### "How to Share Your Faith—Without Being Rejected"

Acts 8:30-35

### Sunday, November 20, 2011

#### "How to Become a Christian"

Acts 2:36-41

### Sunday, November 27, 2011 – Advent 1

Guest Minister

This new Series of Sermons on the Book of Acts should speak to each one of us. Let us pray that the Word of the Lord and the voice of the first-century Christians may speak to us in our own time.

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

The Worship Committee will meet on Sunday, October 5, 2011, following the morning worship service to plan for the Christmas Holidays.

# AHCC Annual Holiday Bazaar



Date: December 3, 2011  
Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**HO! HO! HO!** Come and shop our wonderful bazaar. There will be an array of handcrafted items, wares and many others. Bring your family, friends, neighbors and shop till you drop. Make our bazaar a success by shopping at all our vendors. Let the kids buy their special gifts here and then take everyone to Grandma Sarah's Kitchen for lunch. This is a great starter for December to get you in the spirit of Christmas and to help our church. Please come. Grab a couple of flyers and pass them out to your friends or post at your place of employment or give to your hair salon or any other place you can help in the promotion of this event.

We will also need volunteers again this year to help make the day run smooth, so if you can give up a couple of hours to help, please contact **Barbara Perkins, 210-995-4485**.

If you know of anyone who may like to participate, please ask them to log on to: [www.alamoworship.org](http://www.alamoworship.org) to get the application. All types of wares are accepted. For additional questions, please contact Barbara Perkins at 210-995-4485.



## Birthday Celebrations:

October 16<sup>th</sup>  
November 27<sup>th</sup>  
December 11<sup>th</sup>

## Fellowship After Sunday Morning Worship:

October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mattie Fontelroy, Bob Monaghan and Grace Scruggs  
October 9<sup>th</sup> – Roy & Sharon Tucker  
October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Stephanie & Joe Blandford  
October 30<sup>th</sup> – Virginia Manning & Pat Eller  
November 6<sup>th</sup> – Susie Armstrong  
November 13<sup>th</sup> – Liz & Bob Jones  
December 4<sup>th</sup> – Rosemary & Ron Toland



## ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON:

**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

### **IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP**

Tickets will go on sale October 30<sup>th</sup>

Adults - \$8.50

Children (4 – 12) - \$4.00

Children under 4 years of age are FREE

Menu will be posted in the East Foyer and in the November's Newsletter. We would like to have volunteers to Decorate on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, Serve on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, and Clean-up after the Luncheon. Please let Sarah or Jody Warren know so they can sign you up.

The Membership Committee would like to have everyone's input regarding Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup>. Do we have our usual after morning worship fellowship? Please let Sarah or Jody Warren know your desires.



## EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

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| Canned Meats:                       | Instant Potatoes (\$1.69 size box @ HEB) |
| Tuna, Chicken, Beef, Spam, etc.     | Salt and Pepper (individual shakers)     |
| Canned Meals:                       | Canned Beef & Chicken Stock              |
| Ravioli, Spaghetti, Beef Stew, etc. | Flour (2 lb.)                            |
| Canned Vegetables:                  | Salt & Pepper                            |
| Sweet Potatoes                      | Sugar (2 lb.)                            |
| Diced Tomatoes,                     | Mayonnaise, Mustard, Ketchup             |
| Chili with or without Beans         | Hygiene Products:                        |
| Beans (all types)                   | Hand & Body Lotion,                      |
| Canned Green Beans                  | Toothpaste, Bars of Soap, Shampoo,       |
| Canned Corn                         | Feminine Hygiene Pads                    |
| Tuna and Hamburger Helper           | Dishwashing Liquid (Small Containers)    |
| Boxed Dinners with Meat included    | Diapers (All Sizes) & Wipes              |
| Canned Soups                        |  |
| Ramen Noodles (Chicken flavored)    |  |
| Peanut Butter & Jelly               |  |

