

# House of Faith NEIGHBORHOOD NEW

Taking JESUS to neighborhood children, youth, and families

#### Pm Home! By Marci Menchaca, Executive Director

San Angelo is home for me. A hometown I am proud of. I remember being in college and the anticipation and joy of hitting the Tom Green County line and the excitement as I drove the familiar path to my driveway. Now that I am back living in my hometown, I have those same joys when returning to other places that hold a special place in my heart like my college town and the camp I worked at for 10 years. Seeing familiar faces with warm smiles, and special places that hold memories dear are enough to make you feel giddy and full of excitement for what the visit will hold. As our programs are about to start, I wanted to let Bailey Schmitz on our staff share a sweet story about the return of one of our students.

The Crockett Backyard Bible Club is not our biggest, but we have a blast every week with our 30-ish students! With a group that size, we get to know each kiddo's name and build relationships with them. Last year one of our students moved away because of a custody issue with her parents. She was separated from her siblings, and we missed her very much. On our first day of Backyard Bible Club this year, she saw us and was so excited to be back. She asked us to call her mom immediately to see if she could stay with us for BBC that day. After she was dismissed from school she grabbed her backpack, ran out to the playground, and shouted "I'm home!"

She has been there every week since and was the first to learn her memory verse for the lesson unit being taught. We have an enormous privilege to provide a safe place for our students to encounter the deep and true love of Jesus. It is our prayer that His love would carry them in the hard times and in the happy ones.

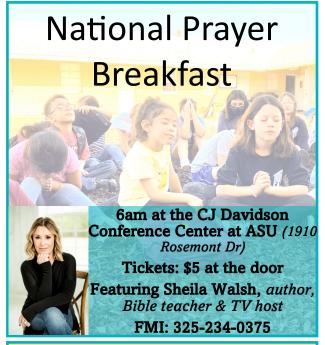
Join us in praying for all our students as we welcome them back "home" after our winter break. Praise God for the joy He brings when students come to have fellowship and learn about their great God who loves them and wants a relationship with them. We are so excited to see all God has in store for 2023!



Blessings,

Marci Menchaca

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Memorials:

Janice Weaks By: Harvey and Melissa Turnbow **Bryce Thieman** By: Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Grafa **Beth Blanton** By: Mark and Stephanie Lee **Patsy Aldrich** By: Karla Stewart

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> House of Faith 321 Montecito San Angelo, TX 76903

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#### We Need Volunteers!

#### **Weekly Programs**

- **321** (6th-12th grade) Mondays, 5:30-8:30pm
- Backyard Bible Club
  (PK-5th grade)
  Wednesdays OR
  Thursdays, 2:30-5pm
  THIS IS CURRENTLY OUR
  GREATEST NEED!

### Occasional On-Call Basis

Want to volunteer for regular programs but can't commit to every week? We would love to add you to our "on-call" list of those willing to come substitute on an as-needed basis!

#### **Special Events**

See the 2023 Spring Semester Calendar for specific dates, but we can always use volunteers for our special events!

To volunteer: Call 325-486-8637

or e-mail volunteers@hofministries.org



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## 2023 SPRING SEMESTER

January
30th: Volunteer Safety Training

April

14th-16th: Family Camp 22nd-23rd: Parade of Homes 29th-30th: Parade of Homes February

1st & 2nd: Volunteer Safety Training

2nd: National Prayer Breakfast

6th: 321 Youth Program starts back

8th & 9th: Backyard Bible Clubs start back

28th: Community Luncheon at House of Faith



*Warch* 13th-17th: Spring Break

(House of Faith Office Closed)

2nd: San Angelo Gives

3rd & 4th: Last Backyard Bible Club

8th: Last 321 Youth Program

10th & 11th: 5th Grade Events