Jesus said to them, "Have you not read in scripture: The Stone that the builders rejected has become the chief Cornerstone."

Psalm 118:22 Matt 21:42

# Cornerstone Chronicle

Cornerstone Senior Adult Ministries Eastern Hills Baptist Church

Rich Willard, Associate Pastor for Senior Adults

Verse of the Month: Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

#### August 2025-News and Updates:

We had our July 17th "speaker format" format with me as the speaker to say goodbye and share from my heart, and Lara's catered lunch coordination was great as usual but special this time. September 3rd is the scheduled SecondChance time for a usual movie. Please be listening for announcements. In depth post-movie discussions occur relative to theological and life application to our Christian walk as usual.

August 21st is the next Cornerstone gathering in the game day format, and it will be facilitated by someone else, yet-to-be determined as of this writing. Either my replacement will be initiated into the frolic, or I suspect one of the pastors will jump-start the festivities for you.

Please understand I have worked closely with Pastor Bill to advocate on your behalf for determining my replacement with brainstorms and recommendations. We are trying to establish a familiar face who is respected and competent in ministry. Please encourage him as he starts his tenure with you.

### Happy Birthday to all our August babies!

SENIORS Please contact Pastor Trevor for information and logistics for how to serve our youth. Similarly, Pastor Joe would also love seniors to help with the "littles" in different ways. It will be good for our demographic to demonstrate our care to "mix" more, and in some way assist with these two ministry demographics at EHBC. They are profoundly important ministries. Thanks for all who helped with VBS!

Don't forget: Call the EHBC office at 505-298-8455 for any pastoral needs or other concerns you may have. You can also still contact me as I will be keeping my EHBC email address upon my departure at: rich@ehbc.org.

It has been an honor and joy to minister to, and love the Cornerstone sheep. Thanks to my wife Lara for her ongoing coordination, servant's heart, and sharing this precious demographic ministry with me. Thanks to the 3 pastors and staff for their assistance, affection, and encouragement during my tenure! (Thanks Bill!)

Thanks for letting us serve you the last 3 1/2 plus years, Rich & Lara





JOKE of the MONTH: Funny, I don't remember being... absent-minded (RW)



We love to eat out. We will rate with "burps"— 1 bad, 5 best



THE COUNCIL ROOM RESTAURANT & BAR



North on I-25

Let me start with a "WOW." Our friends the Flurys took Lara and I out for dinner at the Rez in early July. What a way to conclude my food reviews. Lara and I have had wonderful meals at the Indian Cultural Center restaurant on 12th street in the past for delicious food and it is excellent service for a special date. The same quality experience was had at the Sandia Casino. The quality, atmosphere and company made our time with friends extra special. We all ordered the blue corn chicken enchiladas, some with green, some with red, and Lara and I ordered "Christmas Tree" with delicious red and green sauce. Various versions at our table had sides of potato cubes (papas), rice, and beans. The tastes were authentic, a bit of a kick, and quantities of more than any of could eat, so boxes were needed. Menu prices were reasonable! The Sandia tribe really has an amazing business going on over there and I highly recommend it for a special meal date. What made it so special for Lara and I was the fellowship of friends and Arlene's restaurant-quality home-made cherry cheesecake. Make friends with her so that sometime she invites you to her house for dessert! Thanks Flurys-we love the three of you!

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#### August 2025: REFLECTION:



I have struggled with what to share with you here for this August devotional as it is my final authorship. Please support Michael as he takes over the position. The following brevity represents my current demeanor, but it also represents my heart appropriately as I depart:

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)



Until We Meet Again

With love, Dr. Rich

## **CORNERSTONE 60+ Senior Ministry**



August 2025







August 21st Thursday @ 9:30 in Miller Hall

Coffee, Donuts, Games and Lunch



**GAME DAY!** 



Wait there's More!

SecondChance-Wednesday September 3rd - TBD