



# May 2017

From the Book of Daniel, I came to realize that here again was another opportunity to relate home schooling with the Bible!

Daniel 1:4; *“Children in whom was no blemish, but well favored, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king’s palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.”* Here we have four children of God, out of many children, that stood out. The king saw their value. If we educate and train up our children according to God’s Biblical Standard, then, our children, too, will have separated, stand alone, value in the “world”, also, be able to be used by God in a mighty way.

1:8; *“But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king’s meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.”* Daniel was willing to give up his life before he would disobey the Lord by defiling himself with the ‘wrongs’ of the “world”.

1:17; *“As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.”* Here is the reward, the blessing, by God. These knowledge and skills are above what they already possessed.

1:19-20; *“And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king. And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the*  
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## Home Court Advantage Meeting

Join us this month for a “Moms Only” fellowship. This is a chance for mom’s to come together to discuss home school topics. We talk about struggles and challenges that we have faced, and also bring encouragement, especially from those who have been home schooling for a long time. We usually share a scripture or two to go along with our topic for the night. Nursing infants are welcome. We would love to see you there!

Home Court Advantage is a CHEF of Lafayette members only activity. However, member moms can invite a friend to attend the monthly gatherings.

**This is the last HCA Meeting for the school year**  
Meetings will resume in August.

**RSVP with Monica Gauthreaux (337) 207-0738**  
[monicagaux@bellsouth.net](mailto:monicagaux@bellsouth.net)

**WHEN: Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM**

**WHERE: Professor Bob Beans Coffee Bar**  
**Ambassador Town Center**  
**114 Meadow Farm Rd. #110**  
**Lafayette, LA 70508**



## UPCOMING HOMESCHOOL EVENTS

### **Missions** (Teaching our children God's great commission)

*In Matt. 28:19, Jesus Commands us to "make disciples of all nations".*

Please join us at 1:45 pm on Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> to bless the residents at Cornerstone Village (103 W. Martial Ave., Lafayette). We will join/assist in craft time with the residents. Children are welcome to recite scripture, play the piano, perform a song or read a poem.

RSVP: Laura Gavlas (303) 667-8607 or

[LauraGavlas@gmail.com](mailto:LauraGavlas@gmail.com)



### **Monthly Park Day Gatherings**

Join us at Thomas Park, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of this month, for fellowship and play! It's Baseball time, bring your bat, ball and glove. Don't forget snacks and water for the little ones. Meet by the playground.

Contact Mary Lewis with questions  
(337) 551-9697

WHEN: Friday, May 5th and May 19th

TIME: 2:30 – 5:00 PM

WHERE: Thomas Park, 300 Geraldine Dr.,  
Lafayette, LA 70503

### **Creation Bible Study**

Continue in May - Friday's @ 6:30 – 8:30 PM

6:30 – 7:00 – Finger food & snacks

7:00 – 7:30 – Film clip

7:30 – 8:30 - Discussion

Ross and Julie Little's Home

101 Ruthwood Dr., Lafayette

Contact Ross @ (337) 654-8004

(not a CHEF event)



## **Homeschool Connections**

A Lafayette Mini-Homeschool Convention

Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Open Door Church – 1709 Dulles Drive, Lafayette

Homeschool Connections Lafayette is a mini

homeschool Convention sponsored by CHEF of

Lafayette and CHEF of Louisiana. Cost is \$20 for the

entire family and includes lunch for everyone. There

will be numerous workshops and lots of opportunities to connect with homeschoolers around Acadiana.

Get your tickets on EventBrite.com

Search "Homeschool Connections"

## *Etcetera*

### **May Birthdays**

9<sup>th</sup> Rinnah DeLine

11<sup>th</sup> Uriah Atkins

11<sup>th</sup> Channe Karaba

30<sup>th</sup> Dennis Breaux

31<sup>st</sup> Terry Lewis



### **May Anniversaries**

20<sup>th</sup> Barney & Hollie Ward

### **Important Dates in May**

6<sup>th</sup> – Homeschool Connections

5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Park Day Gatherings

5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> cont. Creation Studies

23<sup>rd</sup> – Missions at Cornerstone Village

25<sup>th</sup> - Home Court Advantage



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*Magicians and astrologers who were in all his realm.” Wow! What favor! What a way to be thought of! Back then the magicians and astrologers were thought to be the most intelligent and knowledgeable people of all. Here, these four were 10 times better?! What a testimony! What a witness for the one true God! In chapter 3 the king makes an image of gold. The people (the world) are supposed to fall down and worship this golden image when the ‘music’ is sounded. Skipping to the punch line; when everyone falls down to worship, three do not! Oh-yeah! Someone has the faith not to do as the ‘world’ does, but to literally stand and stand against something that isn’t pleasing to the Lord! Can you imagine how much someone sticks out, stands out, when everyone else is on the ground and you stay standing? In verse 12 these three “*serve not your gods, nor worship the golden image*”. Well, you know the story, they are given another chance to bow, but they do not. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego are thrown into a seven times hotter than normal fire. Because of their walk, their witness, God delivers them out of the furnace without even the smell of smoke on their clothes. What favor!*

My thoughts to you are these: as we home-school, home educate, have chosen to teach our children ourselves, are we teaching them to “stand” properly? Are we giving them enough information, enough knowledge, enough “Biblical Back-bone” to stand against this ever increasing in power “world”? Are we, parents, sending our children out in the world with a legacy or just an education? Another way to put it; are we showing our children how to walk in righteousness or just telling them? Daniel and his three friends were around the age of 14 when they were besieged by Babylon. Here they were, in a strange country with strange ways, away from their parents and being required by the king to eat as he does, and do as he says, and still these four chose to honor their God, our God. Would our children have the fortitude to “stand” like these? Will our children receive God’s blessings like these?

Remember parents, our children are learning from us,

*Don Gauthreaux*

Husband, Parent, Past President

Matt. 20:27