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## Help Us Spread The Word ... Now Hiring Parents!!

We are bidding a very fond farewell to Chuck and Mary Plant who have been parents at Alpha for 13 years now. They are moving into a new season of life, heading back to Ohio to be closer to their grown children and now multiple, young grandchildren. We are going to miss them dearly!

***We are excited to possibly welcome a new generation of Christian parenting missionaries to our team when God connects us with just the right fit in the time that He knows is best for all.***



We believe that God has already called someone to serve, and it is just a matter of getting the word out so that the right connections can be made! With the departure of the Plants, *Alpha's need for*



*married, Christian, home parenting missionaries to join our team becomes more pressing as we will temporarily now have no dedicated parenting staff for the two main children's residences though other staff members are temporarily stepping in to cover this need. In the meantime, we are trusting that God is active and moving in lives now, and will provide the needed home parents when His timing is right.*

Children currently being served on our campus have been relocated to the Faith House residence with Jeff and Devin Mulpas, directors of development and animal programs. We will also be welcoming FIVE new young children to our beautiful haven in the

woods over the next several months. Our director, Michelle Kincaid, will be temporarily relocating to the Alpha House residence to host THREE young siblings that we anticipate arriving here shortly, and TWO additional

younger siblings of Elvis will be joining him and the other children already in the Faith House residence.

**YOU CAN HELP US with this by PRAYING for our parenting staff needs to be well met with just the right fit, and by also SHARING this opportunity to serve precious children in need on our beautiful, rural campus to your Church, your Group, your Friends, or anyone you know that might be a good fit. You never know; YOU might be just the one that GOD uses to facilitate making the exact connection that is needed!**

We are trusting God and looking forward to being amazed by His grace!  
Philippians 4:6-7



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**Celebrating the Kids**



The kids are always eager to see break time come mid-morning in school. They get to choose fun activities to do together in our Learning Center library.



The kids worked hard on their 4-H projects all year long, and participated in our county's 75th Annual 4-H Fair



competition in July. These are photos



We took the kids to the pond for a

school lunch picnic and paddle boating adventure recently!



of them working on their projects and participating in the competitions at the fair. They did such a great job and won

so many amazing awards and ribbons!

You can go to our Facebook page to see a recent post with dozens of pictures and captions



of their fair activities and awards! Their 4-H projects in

general included Foods, Decorated Cake, Fashion and Clothes Shopping, Photography, Visual Arts, STEM: Architectural Block Construction (Lego), STEM: Rocketry, Woodworking, Geology, Dog Obedience and Agility, Meat Goats, Dairy Goats, Archery, BB Gun, and Self-Directed: Martial Arts.



We made a trip to Branson to deliver Julian's repaired car back to him at the College of the Ozarks, and the kids were so blessed to have been gifted all day passes to some attractions in Branson, soooo much fun!!



# Farewell to Chuck & Mary Plant

We are wishing all God's best to team members, Chuck and Mary Plant, as they close out their long season of service at Alpha.

You have been a blessing to us in countless ways. It has been our

honor to serve beside you for so many years. We wish you safe travels and many blessings. We will miss you!!

With all our love,  
Always your Alpha Family



## Memorial Gifts & Gifts Given In Honor

### Given In Memory Of:

#### Jean Beien

By: Susie Frost

#### Doralee Cross

By: Gaila Cross Beach

#### Ura Louise Glamser

By: Danny Glamser

#### Wayne & Elinor Hays

By: Marilyn Aikins

#### Jocinda Hays

By: Marilyn Aikins

#### Larry & Ruth Hartman

By: Larry & Ruth Hartman

#### Alma Sue House

By: Johnnie & Robin Brasfield

#### Samuel L Keehn

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David & Evelyn Allen  
Jeannie Arnold  
Jerry & Jackie Bottom  
Bill & Debra Brown  
Steve & Janell Buck  
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Larry & Linda Van Donge  
Nancy Van Donge

Ted Van Donge  
Bob Vennbers  
Kenny Wykert  
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### Margery Reed

By: Beatriz Bloomquist  
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Ace & Donna Fisher  
Ed & Sherry Fisher  
Don & Debby Henrikson  
Jean Herrold  
Cathryn Houghton  
Shelly Polakow  
Wayne & Valerie Rees  
Pat & Kathy Roberts  
Linda White  
David & Betty Wood

### Chris Smith

By: Thomas & Sue Stoppel

### Katherine White

By: Sue Tapahonso

### Stanley L White

By: Patrick & Mary Otero

### Given In Honor Of:

#### Victor Coulter

By: Barnard Christian Church  
Barnard, MO

#### Joe & Debbie Mack's 50th Wedding Anniversary!

By: Ron & Bobbi Weldy

#### Georgia E White

By: Patrick & Mary Otero

#### Mother's Day & Father's Day

By: First Christian Church,  
Barnsdall, OK





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## Mission Pantry Needs

- Butter, 2% Milk
- Fresh Fruits & Veggies
- **Breakfast Cereals**
- Shredded, Block, & Sliced Cheeses, String Cheese Sticks
- Snack Packs, Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes
- Snack Crackers
- Single Serving Packed School Lunch Items
- Canned & Dried Fruits
- Broths
- Pasta Sauces
- BBQ Sauce
- Granulated & Powdered Sugars
- White Vinegar & Apple Cider Vinegar
- Clorox Wipes
- Dishwasher Pods
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Native/Dove Deodorant
- Gold Bond Healing Lotion, Cerve Lotion
- Cantu Kids Curl Cream Shampoo & Conditioner
- Argon Oil of Morocco Hair Oil



## Special Needs

- New HE Front Loader Washer/Dryer Set for Alpha House—\$2,000
- New Shower Door for Alpha House Children—\$450
- Flooring for Alpha House Basement—\$2,000
- 2 X 2 Ceiling Tiles Alpha House Basement—\$2,500

NOTE: If we should have any amount of funding left over from your support for a particular project, we will absolutely use it toward the many other needs of the children.

Give us a call to find out how to connect with Alpha's mission!  
**(785) 597-5235**



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