

The Riverchase Family

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A Promise From God

¹² Then the LORD appeared to Solomon at night and said to him, "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice.

¹³ "If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among My people,

¹⁴ and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

¹⁵ "Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to the prayer offered in this place.

¹⁶ "For now I have chosen and consecrated this house that My name may be there forever, and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually. (2 Chr. 7:12-16 NAU)

Solomon's prayer was for the temple.

Do you know that we are now the temple?

We are the people called by His name.

His name, His heart and His mind are to be in us continually.

If we abide in Him and His word abides in us, we are His people.

What a blessing. What a responsibility.

-Dewayne

Upcoming Events:

Adventure Club /Pre-Teen

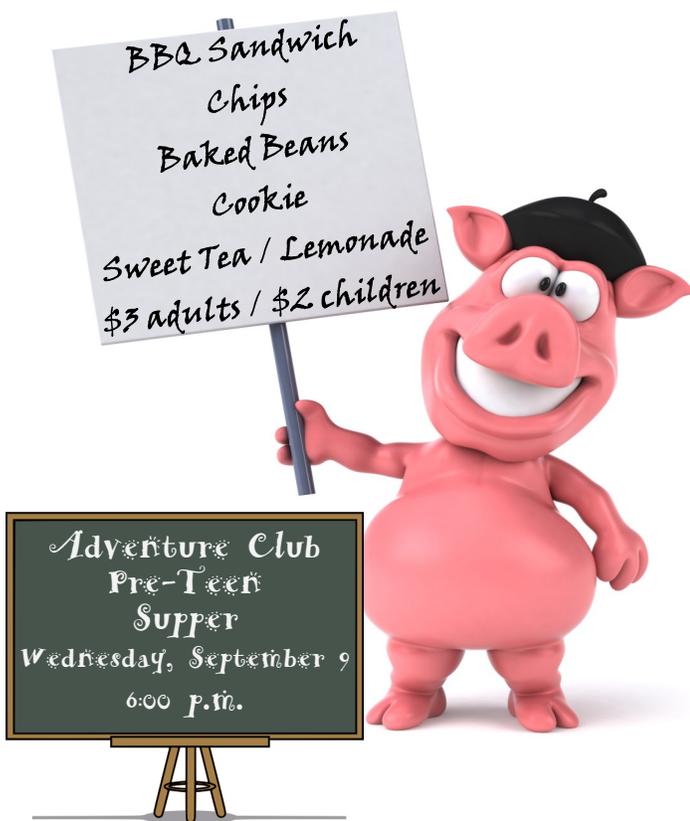
- **AC/PT Supper:** Wednesday, September 9, 6:00 p.m. Cost Adults \$3 and Kids \$2.
- **Pre-Teen Service Project:** Saturday, September 19, 10:00 a.m.

Teen

- **R.U.S.H. @ Freed Hardeman University;** September 18-20; cost: \$55. Departure: Friday at 4:00 p.m. Return: Sunday at 3:00 p.m.
- **J.D.R.F. Walk for a Cure:** September 27; Cost: \$6 if you want a T-Shirt. Additional Donations accepted to help research find a cure for Juvenile Type 1 Diabetes.

College

- **Volleyball:** Saturday, September 12, 10:00 a.m. in the gym.
- **Paintball:** Thursday, September 24, 6:00 p.m.



**MISSION:
POSSIBLE**

**Saturday, September 19
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Bring Money for Dairy Queen!
Bring Socks for Ice Skating!
Bring Friends if you have one!**

**Labor Day
Scott Pruitt**

Labor Day is a national holiday dating back to the late 1800's and is now a day celebrating organized labor, and this holiday also marks the end of the summer season. I had heard for years that you aren't supposed to wear white after Labor Day, but I never knew why...so I researched it. This old tradition goes back to the late Victorian era, where it was a fashion faux pas to wear any white clothing after the summer officially ended on Labor Day. Although this tradition isn't really followed anymore, white indicated you were still in vacation mode at your summer cottage.

My family and I chose to take advantage of our day off to spend time together. We enjoyed relaxing in our Eno hammocks at Tannehill State Park, observing the lego exhibit at the Riverchase Galleria, watching the highly recommended and inspiring movie, "War Room," and then grilling juicy burgers for dinner on the patio. It was a great day, but the greatest part is what happened when we got home. Our boys were extremely quiet and went "missing" when we arrived home. We thought they had simply gone upstairs and had fallen asleep, but we decided to check on them. What we found was a parent's dream...they were not missing. They were not asleep. They were not planning next summer's vacation. They were planning an intentional attack on Satan.

They had moved all of their clothes and stuff out of one section of their closet and had created their own "War Room." They had taped short term and long term goals to their closet wall, specific prayer requests and what they needed God's help as they solicited an all out attack on Satan. There was nothing in that closet except an open Bible, pens to check off God's answers to prayers, a chair facing the prayer wall and two very focused boys; one inside the closet praying and the other outside the closet. I asked Jackson what he was doing outside the closet. He said, "Tyler needs some one on one time with God -I'm holding him accountable until it's my turn. Dad, Satan isn't getting our family. Not this day. Not any day. God is in charge."

⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. (Matthew 6:6 NIV)

Be Strong In The Lord

Ephesians 6:10 finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

Paul is encouraging Christians to be strong in the Lord. It will be a great thing if you can go back and read all the book of Ephesians, then these words would mean so much more to you. Finally, means the end of what I started telling you about. It means that I am about to wrap up the reason why I wrote to you. Paul is telling the Christians to pay close attention to the next few things, because they are as important as the things he has said before. So, finally, be strong in the Lord. You see that by our strength we can't do much in this world. By our strength we can't accomplish much. We have a God who is giving us the opportunity to use his strength to do the things we need to do in this world. Not only that, but he has given us his armor so we can stand strong. There is so much that can be said about the strength of the Lord, but one thing I want to encourage you to do is, be strong in the Lord. He is your strength from day to day. Nothing in this world can't be done if we let him help us.

Welcome to the Family

Welcome to **Tyler Skinner (FTG #2)** who placed membership last week. His address is 601 Paden Drive, Vestavia Hills, AL 35226. Phone: 417-671-1477.

Congratulations

Mike and Carmen Knighton proudly announce the birth of their grandson, Porter Hayes Scott. He was born Wednesday, September 2, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. Proud parents are Chris and Kasey Scott.

TOTS

Join us on Tuesday, September 15, for TOTS. We will meet in the gym to make bears and then enjoy a potluck lunch together. Our first Ladies' Bible Class will be on Tuesday, September 22. We will be studying *John - Light in the Darkness*.

Involvement Forms

Place completed involvement forms in the bins in the West Wing and in the front foyer. There are extra forms if you need one.

Pictures for Directory

Kim Cleghorn will be making pictures for our November pictorial directory every Sunday in September and October. She will be making them after Sunday school and after late service.

Por Los Ninos Coin Banks

The Por Los Ninos Coin Banks are due back **now**. You may leave them on the shelf by the gift room.

Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Class

In the Fall Quarter, the Wednesday Night Ladies Class will begin an in-depth study of the Book of Proverbs. The format will change a bit in an attempt to delve deeper into the teachings and applications of this great book. Come ready to work. Come ready to learn. Come ready to sharpen one another.

LIVEWIRES! GAME NIGHT

Friday, September 11

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Bring your favorite finger
foods,

sand-
and



wiches
games.

For the Record

Sunday, September 6, 2015

Bible Study	439
Early Worship	197
Late Worship	392
Total Sunday Morning	589
Sunday Night	338
Contribution	\$28,633.36
YTD Average	\$32,922.25
Budget	\$32,500.00

Dear Riverchase Family,

Thank you so much for the flowers, the food for the memorial service, and for the fellowship that you offered our mother for the past 8 1/2 years. Mom was truly blessed to be a part of Riverchase, and we are as well.

*In Christian Love,
John & Diana Kelley
and Family*

Dear Riverchase Family,

We Sincerely appreciate all of the expressions of sympathy extended to us during the recent losses in our family.

It is truly a blessing to be part of this loving congregation.

*In Christian Love,
Bob & Liz Winter*

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- **LiveWires! Game Night:** Friday, September 11, 6:30 p.m. in the reception room.
- **Volleyball:** Saturday, September 12, 10:00 a.m. in the gym.
- **FTG #4 & #5 Sandwich/Chips Fellowship:** Sunday, September 13, 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center
- **TOTS:** Tuesday, September 15, 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **LiveWires! Trip to Tennessee:** Thursday - Friday, September 17-18.
- **Teens R.U.S.H. at Freed Hardeman University:** Friday - Sunday, September 18-20.
- **Pre-teens Service Project:** Saturday, September 19, at 10:00 a.m.
- **Bridal Tea for Sarah Hagedorn,** bride-elect of Jonathan Savage, September 20, 1:30-3:00 pm in the reception room. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, and Target.



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Friday, September 11

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Saturday, September 12

- Volleyball at 10:00 a.m. in the gym.

Sunday, September 13

- FTG # 4 & #5 Sandwich/Chip Fellowship dinner.

Tuesday, September 15

- TOTS at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center

Please continue to remember in prayer:

Patricia Anderson (former member), **Sherry Cardwell** (Lynda Cardwell's mother), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother), **Bonnie Daniels** (Turner's friend), **L.D. & Mini S. Davis** (D. Bronte's parents), **Celia Dorantes** (David's mom) **Pat Driskell** (David's mother), **Ruth Hare** (David Hare's mother), **Joan Harris** (Betz's friend), **Jennifer Henderson** (friend of Masoner's) **Richard Howe** (Steve's dad), **Butch Johnson** (Dana Jones' brother), **Sharon Lawley** (Brandy Tuech's mother-in-law), **Kate Kirk** (Greg Coker's cousin), **Dot Mandle** (Kelley's friend), **Nancy Marlo** (Tami Picantine's sister), **Ralph Martin** (Kristi Sibert's dad), **Charles Mills** (Robert and Michelle's father). **Dell Moody** (Jane Windam's cousin), **Thelma Moon** (Diana Barnes' mother), **Barbara Stetler** (Sandy Sims and Lydia Howe's mother), **Maxine Mount** (Darrell's mother), **Kristy Tatum** (Rardin's neighbor).

Please continue to remember our military in prayer :

Thomas Balentine (Rejetta Balentine son)

Michael Epperson (Kevin and Amber Henderson's brother-in-law)

Jim Hendley (Jim and Peggy's son)

Dewayne Hester (Bill and Jan's son)

Alan Smith (Bates' grandson)

Brad Walker (Tommy's son)

Kirk Walker (Tommy's son)

Riverchase Family:

John Bearden (#2) rehab at UAB West Room 237.

Noah Brown (#1) broken clavicle.

Becky Carter (#3) in Aspire room 113.

Jackie Mathews (#2) recovering from heart surgery at Brookwood.

Continue to remember these members:

Shirley Bailey (#3), **John Bearden (#2)**, **Lynda Cardwell (#1)**, **Jake Cole (#5)**, **Henry & Vonda Cook (#2)**, **Michelle Diciara (#6)**, **David Driskell Jr. (#3)**, **Elaine Evans (#4)**, **John Gibson (#6)**, **Don & Jan Haefner (#7)**, **Alan Jackson (#4)**, **Grover Jackson (#6)**, **Bill Johnson (#5)**, **Ray Johnston (#3)** **Debra Jones (#2)**, **Diana Kelley (#5)**, **Bill Lovell (#1)**, **Steward Masoner (#4)**, **Norma Nabors (#5)**, **Norma Thomas (#4)**, **Ed & Nina Pitchford (#2)**, **Peggy Rogers (#4)**, **Ollie Scott (#6)**, **Matt Snow (#4)**, **Jo Wamack (#2)**, **Michelle Whitaker (#1)**, **Shirley Wilson (#5)**, **Linda Yerby (#4)**.

Add to your prayer list our friends and relatives:

Noreen Anderson (Jina O'Clair's mother) health issues.

Joe Belmont (Johnny Belmont's father) chemo and radiation.

Bernard Bradford (Diane Snow's father) under hospice care.

Joseph (Buddy) Bradford (Emma Aycock's cousin) lung cancer.

Jessica Brown (Glenda's daughter in law) breast cancer.

Gloria Campbell (The Campbell's sister in law) treatment for cancer.

Dottie Carpenter (Jan Snider's sister in law) has cellulitis.

Becky Carr (friend of Hill's) liver cirrhosis, transplant needed.

Hubert Conner (Ellen Davis' father) bladder cancer.

Camden Creamer (Terry Pruitt's great nephew) rare blood condition.

Jim Dillinger (Jana's dad) cancer has returned.

Lee Dawkins (Jane Snider's cousin) cancer has returned.

Mary Dubose (Kelly Watts' mother) Parkinson's.

Marie Echols (Judy Ingram's sister) heart problems.

Walburga Giguere (Karen Owen's mother) health problems.

Kim Horne (Kim Ledingham's coworker) lung cancer.

Robert Howe (Carol Ingram's father) chemo and radiation.

Kent Ingram (Anthony Dotson's uncle) colon cancer.

Vivian Ledingham (mother of P Ledingham) poor pulse in legs.

Brenda Lowery (former member and Ryan Holsonback's sister) bacterial infection. P.O. Box 9074, Miramar Beach, Fl. 32550

Alice Lucas (friend of the Gaines) brain tumor.

Whit McMath (friend of Rardin's) complications from brain tumor.

Wayne Miller (Snow's friend) cancer.

Jay Odom (Kevin Arvin's brother-in-law) recovering from a stroke.

Cecil Parker (Rhonda Ball's grandfather) health issues.

Lyle Parker (father of Bryan Parker) ICU in Michigan.

John Pierce (Rebecca Hill's father) heart problems.

Teresa Ragland (Becky Steen's sister) cancer treatments.

Teresa Richards (friend of the Hills) breast cancer.

Eric Ritchie (Pitchford's friend) chemo.

Amy Roebuck (Lindsay Handley's cousin) cancer, 682 Shirey Rd, Henagar, AL 35978.

Marie Seals (friend of the Snow's) thyroid cancer.

John Sehon (Helen Haskew's uncle) improving.

Billy Shikle (Helen Haskew's brother in law) chemo.

Pam Snider (Bob & Jane Snider 's niece) under hospice care.

Donna Somerville (friend of the Ball's) acute leukemia.

Ann Spivey (mother of Dewayne and Larry) recovering from a mini stroke.

Roger Thomas (uncle to Fabray Turner) chemo & radiation.

Danielle Tucker (niece of Ryan Holsonback) breast cancer.

Havanna Tyree (family member of Diana Kelley) 8 year old recovering from car wreck.

Cindy Van Beck (friend of Posey's) cancer.

Olen Vickery (Kim Ledingham's brother in law) memory impairments.

Darryl Waid (friend of Handleys) health issues. 2524 Comache Drive, Birmingham, Al 35244.

Cambrie Walker (friend of Rardin's) cancer.

Carol Watson (Fred Langdon's sister) lymphoma.

Don Watson (Fred Langdon's brother in law) dementia.

Burt Wheeler (Debra Jones' father) possible Alzheimer's.