

The Riverchase Family

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Truth

“Truth refers to what is real, trustworthy, dependable, genuine, or valid. It carries the sense of real-world dependability and genuine disclosure—showing things as they really are.” (Lexham Theological Wordbook)

“The one whose walk is blameless, who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from their heart.” (Psalm 15:2) This is a part of David’s description of those who will dwell with God.

“The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.” (Psalm 145:18)

“An honest witness tells the truth.” (Prov. 12:17)

“Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue lasts only a moment.” (Prov. 12:19)

“Buy the truth and do not sell it—wisdom, instruction and insight as well.” (Prov. 23:23)

Jesus came full of grace and truth (Jn. 1:14)

Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ (Jn. 1:17)

“But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.” (Jn. 3:21 NIV)

The truth—it matters more than you think.

-Dewayne

Upcoming Events:

Adventure Club/Pre-Teen

- **Back to School Bash:** Sunday, August 4, after evening services in the Family Life Center.
- **Tell-a-Tale Banquet:** Saturday, August 10, 6:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.

Teen

- **Intentional Acts of Kindness:** July 24; Departure from building at 8:30 a.m. to wash police cars downtown. Return: 12:30 p.m.
- **Sav-A-Life:** July 25; Departure: 5:00 p.m.; Return: 8:30 p.m.
- **Sunshine Baskets** for emergency rooms and **Stuffed Animals** for 1st Responders on Domestic Calls; July 27
- **Breakfast for Homeless:** July 28
- **Big House Retreat:** August 2-4; Cost: \$80; Deadline: July 24.

College

- **Lift U:** Sunday - Thursday, August 4-8, at Maywood Christian Camp.
- **Volleyball:** Friday, August 2, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.



Mini Mission Hometown

Last week the children's ministry completed two local service projects. On Thursday our kids delivered potted plants to a local assisted living facility and spent time painting flower pots with the residents. It was a joy to see the kids and residents spending time together! On Friday our kids and parents helped organize the toy section of Garrett's Place, a nonprofit that serves foster children. All the items at Garrett's Place are free to the foster children. Our kids worked hard making the toy room organized and clean for the foster children and families to come shop.



"I Just Can't Stop Smiling!" Scott Pruitt



Out of all the pics we took at Give Kids The World Mission Trip, I choose this one. Kaylyn Tomlinson (her good friends call her KK) recently graduated from Pelham High School and will attend Troy University in just a few weeks. KK is an incredible blessing to all who know her.

Late Friday night, following our devo in the hotel, I noticed KK slip outside, and it was obvious she was in deep thought as she wiped away tears from her eyes. Her best friend, Claire Clemmons, found her sitting on the curb and they began chatting. Claire sent me a text shortly after, that I should join their conversation, so I did. For about 6 months, we three have been studying together, and on Friday night, KK was at the breaking point of giving her life to Jesus Christ. She was ready. Although it was 1:45 a.m., it should have been simple. Open the gate of the pool, take her confession and baptize her. The gate was locked and the manager would not open it until 9:00 a.m. So we decided to find water somewhere else, preferably not in alligator infested ponds. Hotel after hotel after hotel after hotel, we asked them to open their pool for 5 minutes for 1 of our teens to get baptized. It was the same story...9:00 a.m. So we decided to take a road trip and crammed our vehicle full of passengers, who could safely use a seat belt.

Thank you, God, for helping us find water at Cocoa Beach that no one could turn us away. We weren't waiting any longer. After she was baptized in the ocean and came out of that water, a new creation...pure...forgiven...Holy Spirit Gifted, she hugged me so tight and said, "Scott, I can't stop smiling!" KK, Me, too. You are deeply loved, and we are smiling extra big, too, knowing that you are now our sister in Christ. We love you!!!!

³⁶ As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. Why shouldn't I be baptized?" (Acts 8:36)

UV Light

Jeremiah 17: 9 The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? 10 "I the Lord search the heart and examine the mind, to reward each person according to their conduct, according to what their deeds deserve." (NIV)

We did an experiment sometime ago. We turned off all the lights in the house, then we grabbed a black bulb and went around the house looking for things the UV light would reveal to us. We were amazed and laughed at all the things we found under a different light. So many things were scary - the laundry room and our teeth, other things lit up such as our clothing, bugs around the house and the kitchen. It was a different experience than the regular light. We found new things that we couldn't see with our regular white light.

Do you want to know what is really in your heart? Do you really want to know who you really are? Or, are you too scared to find out? Our heart is full of whatever we feed it. Our heart is full of the things we put in it. Let the Lord examine your heart and let the Lord dictate the true condition of your heart. When you read God's word, you are revealing His light into your darkness, and if you find something scary, change it, and get rid of it.

- David

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family of our dear brother, **Gary Kennard**. There was a memorial service last week in Pelham.

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Our sympathy is extended to the family of former member, **Doris Hogan**. There will be a memorial service on Saturday, July 27, 11:00 a.m. at Highland Memorial Garden in Bessemer, Alabama.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Bruce and Kira Jones** in the death of Kira's grandmother, Martha Tucker. The funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

Dan and Dana Jones

Proudly announce the birth of their grandson Wade Daniel Clark. He was born Sunday, May 19. He weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. The proud parents are Philip and Sarah Beth

Congratulations



We rejoice with **John Davis** who was baptized Wednesday. **John**, a fifth grader, is the son of Paula Davis.

Congratulations



We rejoice with **Sarah Davis** who was baptized Wednesday. **Sarah**, a sixth grader, is the daughter of Paula Davis.

Questions for Wednesday, July 24

1. Explain where the soul goes after death before judgement.
2. What scriptures can we use to discuss "Climate Change"?
3. How do we respond to someone who believes God's grace covers everything and everyone – universal salvation?

For the Record

Sunday, July 21, 2019

Bible Study	432
Early Worship	246
Late Worship	413
Total Sunday Morning	659
Sunday Night	324
Contribution	\$40,578.10
YTD Average	\$35,790.98
Budget	\$37,500.00



Are you facing a difficult life situation?

Please don't struggle alone.

Call **Lifeline** Ministry

at (205) 296-5716, or (205) 586-5502

Riverchase Church Retreat

Friday - Sunday, August 23 - 25, 2019

Shocco Springs in Talladega, Alabama

Sign up at riverchasechurc.org/retreat

or in the West Wing Foyer

Cost: \$100 per family, \$50 per adult,

\$0 for College Students

"Christians in the Digital Age"

Chad Landman

If you have any questions please contact Tim Yaeger at:

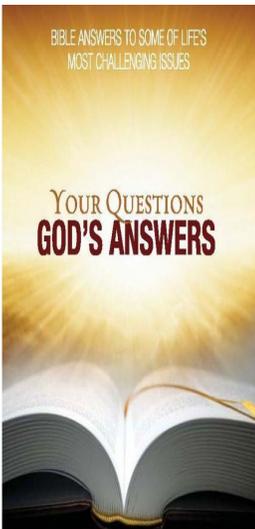
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Upcoming Events

- **Mission Hometown:** Wednesday - Sunday, July 24-28.
- **Pre-Teen Service Project:** Tuesday, July 30, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Big House:** Friday - Sunday, August 2-4.
- **Volleyball:** Friday, August 2, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, August 3, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Bridal Tea for Kelsey Scott, bride elect of Chris Wilder:** Sunday, August 4, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the reception room. They are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Pottery Barn.
- **Back to School Bash:** Sunday, August 4, after evening service in the Family Life Center.
- **Bridal Tea for Claire Humphrey, bride elect of Kyle Holloway:** Sunday, August 11, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the reception room. They are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Amazon.
- **Church Retreat:** Friday - Sunday, August 23-25, Shocco Springs in Talladega, Alabama.

BIBLE ANSWERS TO SOME OF LIFE'S MOST CHALLENGING ISSUES

YOUR QUESTIONS
GOD'S ANSWERS





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This week at Riverchase:

Wednesday - Sunday, July 24-28

- Teen Mission Hometown

Friday, August, 2

- Volleyball

Friday - Sunday, August, 2 - 4

- Teen Big House

Please continue to remember in prayer:

Patricia Anderson (former member), **Greg Case** (Penny's husband), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother), **Celia Dorantes** (David's mom), **Brenda Forehand** (Joyce Bowen's sister), **Joan Harris** (Betz's friend), **Jim Hollon** (Clemmons' friend), **Richard Howe** (Steve's dad), **Butch Johnson** (Dana Jones' brother), **Martha Manwarring** (former member), **Jay Odom** (Kevin Arvin's brother-in-law), **Claudia Sibert** (John's mother), **Barbara Stetler** (Howe/Sims mother), **Kristy Tatum** (Rardin's neighbor), **Roger Thomas** (Fabray Turner's uncle).

Please pray for our active duty deployed military:

Riverchase Family:

Nathan Armstrong (#6) recovering from pacemaker surgery.

Morgan Carter (#6) stage 3 brain tumor.

Sharon Garrett (#6) recovering from blood pressure issues.

Don Genry (#6) lymphoma. Waiting on biopsy results.

Peggy Jackson (#7) recovering from eye surgery.

Bob Smith (#2) recovering in Spain Rehab from a fall and pneumonia.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS:

FTG #1: Rejetta Balentine, Lynda Cardwell, Angie Dickinson, Keith Dunn, Judy Ingram, Michelle Whitaker

FTG #2: Glenda Arnold, John Bearden, Pat Bearden, Victor & Glinda Boone, Vonda Cook, Nina Pitchford, Lance Rushing

FTG #3: David Bath, Becky Carter, Martha Johnston, Nona Miller, Thelma Moon, Jean Oglesby

FTG #4: Jeff Carroll, Elaine Evans, Gary Evans, Bill Hester, Alan Jackson, Martha Mann, Doug Mears, Cindy Snider, Linda Yerby

FTG #5: Jake Cole, Ron Waddell, Shirley Wilson

FTG #6: Zane Armstrong, Erick Boggs, Michelle Dichiara, Shirley Genry, Grover Jackson, Ollie Scott, Sarah Wolford

FTG #7: Don & Jan Haefner, Peggy Hendley, Lori Lambert, Candy Parker, Tim Parker

ADD TO YOUR PRAYER LIST OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

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

J.R. Andrews (Peggy Jackson's friend) cancer.

Zachary Bath (Bath's grandson) rare chronic kidney disease.

Don Blackwell (Brent McCaleb's friend) paralyzed.

Toby Blackwood (friend of Ollie and Mary Scott) cancer.

Patsy Burks (Rhonda Ball's mother) recovering from surgery to help clot bleeding above her eye.

Randy Burks (Rhonda Ball father) recovering from back surgery.

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

Cathy Crittenden (Dee Davis' friend) brain tumor.

Bob Edwards (Ron Steen's cousin) MDS.

G. Estes (friend of Pitchford's) chemo.

Teresa Evans (friend of the Peters') breast cancer

Sam Gray (Ward's neighbor) cancer.

Jan Hall (Helen Haskew's sister - in - law) health issues.

Jane Harrison (Peggy Hendley's sister in law) heart issues.

Bob Hull (Howe's brother-in-law) cancer.

Galen Lilja (Chad Leverett's grandfather) rehab for a fractured hip.

Mildred Martin (Kristi Sibert's mother) breast cancer

Tonya Masoner (Judy Masoner's daughter) radiation.

Jackie McKenzie (Vaughn's cousin) health issues.

Paul Meacham (member at Panama Street) brain cancer.

Becky Morris (Rodney Morris' sister in law) cancer.

Kim Morris (Rodney & Sue Morris' daughter) health issues.

Lauren Nudo (Friend of the Coehoorn's) stage 4 cancer.

McKenzie Ray (friend of Amber Henderson) leukemia.

Margaret Seagrest (long time visitor) health issues.

Everleigh Self (Tammy Tamez's granddaughter) Soto's syndrome

Mary Ella Sirmon (The Sirmon's granddaughter) seizures.

Matt Smith (Beason's friend) colon cancer.

Matt Snow (Mark & Diane's son) continuing treatments.

Paul Strength (Cindy Thompson's cousin) kidney tumor.

Nicole Valentine (Ward's friend) cancer.

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

Lisa Wallace (Bath's niece) breast cancer.

Carol Watson (Fred Langdon's sister) lymphoma.

Raymond White (Cindy Thompson's cousin) health problems.

Judy Wiley (David and Sarah Akers sister-in-law) pancreas cancer.

Ann Winsett (Brett Moran's grandmother) heart issues.

Joseph Wright (Stephen Wright's father) health issues.