The Riverchase Family

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Forty Years

34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.
35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,
36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' (Matthew 25:34-36 NIV)

These words which Jesus said will be spoken at the judgement have, no doubt, caused all of us to ponder whether or not we are doing enough.

But I was struck with something as we celebrated our 40th Anniversary of the Riverchase congregation this past Sunday.

In those forty years, how many hungry have we fed? How many strangers have we welcomed in? How many clothes have we distributed? How many sick and imprisoned have we visited? How many words or cards of encouragement have we spoken or sent?

As individuals we may see a lot more we each can do. But as a congregation, we have done a good bit. Let's strive to do even more.

-Dewayne

Upcoming Events:

Adventure Club/Pre-Teen

- **Pre-Teen Devo:** Sunday, November 10, 6:00 p.m. in the 4th Grade Classroom.
- **KidMin Family Supper:** Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Parents Night Out:** Thursday, November 21.

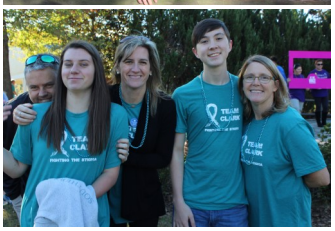
Teen

- **Worship Under the Stars:** Wednesday, November 6; Departure at 6:00 p.m.; Return: 8:15 p.m.
- **Fall Retreat** November 8-10; We will have a late bus going to Children's Harbor on Lake Martin in Alexander City.

College

- **Volleyball:** Friday, November 15, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.

**The Children's Ministry had several fun activities over the last few weeks.
We enjoyed creating Halloween treats for the residents at Morningside Assisted Living and then later we held our
Reverse Trick-or-Treating
and took these goodies to the residents.
The 5th and 6th Graders also had a pumpkin carving party with Eric and Leah and created some amazing Jack-o-lanterns.
There is nothing better than spending time with Christian friends!**



Make Time

Ephesians 5:15-17 So, then, be careful how you live. Do not be unwise but wise, making the best use of your time because the times are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is (NASB)

How long would you be willing to wait for your food? When you are at a restaurant, and it takes a long time to get seated, then it takes a long time for the waiter to take your order, and then, it takes a long time for your food to arrive. How long is too long?

Everyday we seemed to be pressed for time, we hurry from one place to another. We try to do things fast so we can get out of here! On the road, we get frustrated, some people get exasperated when a car is driving below the speed limit. Why are we in a hurry? Is it so we can rest? Is it so we can get to the next task? Is it so we can make time for things we like?

Use your time to gain wisdom, use your time to serve others, use your time to minister to your family. God has given us all the same amount of time every day. What we do with it, is up to us. Use your time today wisely to honor God and to serve his church.

- David

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Joe, Dana, Jillian & Caroline Carter** in the death of their daughter and our dear sister **Morgan Carter.** Visitation will be Thursday, November 7, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Riverchase Church of Christ. The funeral will be Friday, November 8, 11:00 a.m. at Riverchase Church of Christ.

Chance and Johanna Peters

Proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Elliott Ruby Peters. She was born Tuesday, October 22. She weighed 7 lbs. 11oz. The proud big brother is Davis.

Jeff and Renee Rose

Proudly announce the birth of their grand-son Elliott James McMurtrie. He was born Friday, November 1. He weighed 10 lbs. 7 oz. and weighted 20.5 pounds. The proud parents are Kevin and Stephanie McMurtrie and the proud great grand parents are Victor

Congratulations

We rejoice with **Jessica Marshall** who was baptized last Sunday. **Jessica's** address is 176 Stonebriar Drive, Calera, Alabama 35040.

AGAPE Pecan Sale

Just in time for Holiday baking! Agape pecans are being sold in the West Wing Foyer. Pecans are $15.00 for pieces and halves. Please make checks out to AGAPE.

Rainbow Omega Poinsettias

The forms for Rainbow Omega Poinsettias are now in your boxes. Orders are due to the church office by **Wednesday, November 6**. Please make your checks payable to Rainbow Omega. Delivery will be on **Wednesday, November 20**.

Ladies' Craft Night

New Date

Thursday, November 14

6:30 p.m.

In the Reception Room

This month we will be learning introductory techniques of knitting and crochet .

For the Record

Sunday, November 3, 2019

Bible Study	461
Early Worship	—
Late Worship	615
Total Sunday Morning	615
Sunday Night	—
Contribution	$39,223.47
YTD Average	$35,660.58
Budget	$37,500.00

Dear Riverchase Family,

I would like to thank all of you for your thoughts, prayers and delicious food during my sickness. I enjoyed reading your cards as well.

In Christian love,
Annette Sanderson

Upcoming Events

- **Teen Supper and Worship Under the Stars:** Wednesday, November 6, at the Medley's house.
- **Teen Fall Retreat:** Friday - Sunday, November 8-10, Children's Harbor in Alexander City, Alabama.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, November 9, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Pre-Teen Devo:** Sunday, November 10, 6:00 p.m. in the 4th Grade Classroom.
- **Men's Brown Bag Lunch:** Monday, November 11, 12:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.
- **TOTS:** Tuesday, November 12, 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Kidmin Family Supper:** Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Ladies' Craft Night:** Thursday, November 14, 6:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.

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This week at Riverchase:

Wednesday, November 6
- Teen Supper and Worship Under the Stars

Friday - Sunday, November 8 - 10
- Teen Fall Retreat

Sunday, November 10
- Pre-Teen Devo

Monday, November 11
- Men's Brown Bag Lunch

Tuesday, November 12
- TOTS

Thursday, November 14
- Ladies' Craft Night

Please continue to remember in prayer:

Patricia Anderson (former member), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother), **Celia Dorantes** (David's mom), **Joan Harris** (Betz's 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:

John Bearden (#2) will have sinus surgery on Thursday, November 14, at UAB West.
Brooks Cotton (#4) recovering from ACL surgery.
Don Genry (#6) stage 3 Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.
Addie Jackson (#6) health issues.
Beverly Strange (#5) thyroid cancer.
Cheryl Thomas (#5) recovering at home from knee replacement surgery.
Shirley Vines (#6) recovering at home from knee replacement surgery.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS:

FTG #1: Rejetta Balentine, Lynda Cardwell, Angie Dickinson, Keith Dunn, Ollie Scott, Michelle Whitaker
FTG #2: Glenda Arnold, John & Pat Bearden, Victor & Glinda Boone, Vonda Cook, Nina Pitchford, Lance Rushing, Bob Smith
FTG #3: David Bath, Ruth Bath, Becky Carter, Angie Guffey, Martha Johnston, Nona Miller, Thelma Moon
FTG #4: Jeff Carroll, Elaine Evans, Gary Evans, Bill Hester, Alan Jackson, Martha Mann, Doug Mears, Everleigh Self, Cindy Snider
FTG #5: Jake Cole, Ron Waddell, Shirley Wilson
FTG #6: Zane Armstrong, Erick Boggs, Michelle Dichiara, Shirley Genry, Don Greer, Grover Jackson, 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.
Zachary Bath (Bath's grandson) rare chronic kidney disease.
Toby Blackwood (friend of Ollie and Mary Scott) cancer.
Teresa Bondurant (Jeanne Wamack's friend) metastatic breast cancer.
Patsy Burks (Rhonda Ball's mother) eye issues.
Jessica Brown (Glenda's daughter in law) breast cancer.
Cathy Crittenden (Dee Davis' friend) brain tumor.
Jerry Earnest (Handley's friend) cancer.
Bob Edwards (Ron Steen's cousin) MDS.
G. Estes (friend of Pitchford's) chemo.
Teresa Evans (friend of the Peters') breast 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.
Tonya Masoner (Judy Masoner's daughter) radiation.
Becky Morris (Rodney Morris' sister in law) cancer.
Kim Morris (Rodney & Sue Morris' daughter) health issues.
Lauren Orth (David's sister) health issues.
McKenzie Ray (friend of Amber Henderson) leukemia.
Ronnie Rogers (CJ Rogers father - college student) brain cancer.
Margaret Seagrest (long time visitor) health issues.
Mary Ella Sirmon (The Sirmon's granddaughter) seizures.
Matt Snow (Mark & Diane's son) continuing treatments.
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.