



### "Jerusalem, Jerusalem"

*"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!" (Matt. 23:37 ESV)*

Are you familiar with this lament made by Jesus as he entered the city of Jerusalem for the last time? It was a Sunday and he would be crucified at the end of the week.

Have you ever seen or experienced the image he is describing? Do you understand what he is saying?

I'm sure many of you do. Especially those who have spent some time on a farm or have raised some chickens.

I saw it often while spending time on my grandparents farms.

I remember watching a hen in my grandmother's back yard whose chickens were scattered all over the yard enjoying themselves. The hen sensed some danger. (It might have been me.) She immediately went to the middle of the yard and began clucking loudly while spreading out her wings.

Her chickens reacted immediately. They all ran to her and without hesitation went under her wings. They seemed to all arrive at once. As soon as they were under her, she folded her wings around them and sat down on them to protect them.

She didn't chase after them. She clucked and they came running to her.

Like that hen, Jesus calls us through his word. He will not force us. He calls us and it is up to us to listen and to respond to his call. The response of faith.

-Dewayne

### Upcoming Events:

#### Adventure Club/Pre-Teen

- **Destination Unknown:** Thursday, June 1, at 9:00 am.
- **Summer Bash:** Sunday, June 4, at 5:00 pm.
- **5th and 6th Grade VBS Workday:** Tuesday, June 6 at 10 a.m.

#### Teens

- **Jock Day:** Thursday, May 25 at 2:00 pm.
- **White Water Rafting:** Friday - Saturday, May 26-27.

#### College

- **Volleyball:** Friday, May 26, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.

Hey y'all! My name is Kaydee Todd and I will be the Kidmin intern for this summer. I am thankful to be back as an intern for the second summer to work with the Kidmin. I am from Fayetteville, TN and I will be a senior at Freed-Hardeman University in the fall. I will finish up nursing school where I will get my BSN, with hopes to be a pediatric or NICU nurse and, eventually, a NP. Some of my favorite things include coffee, strawberry lemonade and cows. I am super excited for this summer and so thankful for the congregation at Riverchase.



## 2023 TEEN MISSION TRIPS

June 2-9: Give Kids the World Village in Orlando, Florida a partner with Make a Wish Foundation.

July 11-18: Mission trip to Honduras working with Family Life Missions.

Donate by earmarking your check for *Teen Summer Missions* and turning it into the office staff.



Hi! My name is Analeigh Mooneyham, and I am one of the youth interns for this summer! I am from Memphis, TN. I am going to be a senior at Faulkner University and I am majoring in youth and family ministry. I cannot wait for all the fun we will be having this summer!!



Hey! My name is Ty Mills and I am going to be the other youth intern for the summer. I am from Tuscaloosa, AL and am a sophomore at Faulkner University. Some fun facts about me is that I play baseball at Faulkner and my favorite candy is M&Ms! I am super excited for the summer!



## Nathan and Michelle Whitaker

Proudly announce the birth of their granddaughter, Nova Janelle Rogers. She was born Sunday, May 14. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz and was 18 inches long. The proud parents are Kendrick and Lauren Rogers. Proud big sister is Brooklyn.



## Welcome to the Family

Welcome to **Daniel, Tiffany, Lilly, Jude, Finley, Ezra and Evie Gordan** (FTG #4) who recently placed membership. Their address is 141 Lauchlin Lane, Pelham, AL 35124. Daniel's phone number is 205-784-5805. Tiffany's is 205-974-9988.



For the Record  
Sunday, May 21, 2023

Bible Study	373
Early Worship	168
Late Worship	360
Total Sunday Morning	528
Sunday Night	215
Contribution	\$30,074.32
YTD Average	\$40,818.53
Budget	\$38,500.00

Dear Riverchase Family,

*I am so truly blessed to have you. Thank you for all your prayers, cards, calls and visits while I was sick, trying to get well and also to relocate.*

*In Christian Love,  
Mary Scott*

RIVERCHASE CHURCH OF CHRIST

# VBS

June 11-14, 2023



VBS Registration and Service Opportunities  
VBS registration and service opportunities are now open on our website. If you plan on attending or would like to volunteer to help with VBS please register on our website so we can have an accurate count for dinner each night.



## BAJA MISSIONS

There will be collection boxes in the West Wing Foyer and Front Foyer for donations for the Baja Mission Trip. Items needed are Dental Floss, Small Toothpaste and Toothbrushes for all ages.



### MEN'S PRAYERBREAKFAST

Saturday,  
June 3, 2023  
8:00 a.m.

In the Family Life Center



### Calling all Trailblazers

Trailblazers Devo & Finger Foods Night  
Saturday, June 3 at 5:00 p.m.  
in the Reception Room  
For details, see Susan Arvin or Dee Sandlin

## VBS WORK DAY

MAY 31st @ 9:00am

SWEET TEACHINGS OF JESUS



### LIVEWIRES! AND FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Friday, June 2,  
5:30 p.m.

In the Reception Room  
Please bring your favorite  
finger food.

## Upcoming Events

- **Volleyball:** Friday, May 26, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.
- **Teen White Water Rafting:** Friday - Saturday, May 26-27.
- **Teen VBS Work Day:** Wednesday, May 31. Workday. 9:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Teen Worship Under the Stars:** Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 p.m. by the Bus Barn.
- **KidMin Destination Unknown:** Thursday, June 1, 9:00 a.m.
- **LiveWires! And Family Game Night:** Friday, June 2, 5:30 p.m. in the Reception Room.
- **Give Kids the World Mission Trip:** Friday - Friday, June 2-9.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, June 3, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Trailblazers Dinner and Devo:** Saturday, June 3, 5:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.
- **VBS:** Sunday - Wednesday, June 11-14.

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#### RIVERCHASE FAMILY

**Yuton Flynn (#4)** multiple myeloma.  
**Mike Fowler (#5)** advanced stage melanoma.  
**Karen Green (#4)** health issues.  
**Peggy Hendley (#7)** recovering from gall bladder surgery.  
**Martha Johnston (#1)** cancer.  
**Lori Lambert (#7)** in Shelby Hospital. They request no visitors.  
**Lisa Lillie (#7)** cancer treatments.  
**Jean Marshall (#1)** lung cancer.  
**Harry Slaughter (#2)** recovering at home double by pass heart surgery.  
**Jane Spivey (#6)** recovering at home from surgery.  
**Cindy Thompson (#6)** will have hip replacement surgery on Tuesday, June 6, at Princeton.

#### CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS:

**FTG #1:** Rejetta Balentine, Martha Johnston, Jean Marshall, Mary Smith, Jeanne Vise, Jim Wamack, Michelle Whitaker  
**FTG #2:** Glenda Arnold, Charles Bates, John Bearden, Pat Bearden, Victor Boone, Bill Crane, Meredith Hutchinson, Kay Kolb, Nina Pitchford, Lance Rushing, Bob Smith, Bob Snider, Jane Snider, Bob Winter  
**FTG #3:** Shirley Bailey, Ruth Bath, Becky Carter, Peggy Gaines, Gaston Green, David Hare  
**FTG #4:** Jeff Carroll, Susan Chaney, Vonda Cook, Bill Hester, Karen Green, Everleigh Self, Cindy Snider, Bethany Tongate, Shirley Vines  
**FTG #5:** Mike Fowler, Beverly Strange  
**FTG #6:** Zane Armstrong, Erick Boggs, Don & Shirley Genry, Don Green, Helen Haskew, Cindy Thompson, Sarah Wolford  
**FTG #7:** Paula Davis, Don & Jan Haefner, Peggy Hendley, Lori Lambert, Lisa Lillie, Denise Newton, Jerry Sharp, Lisa Ward, Jane Windham, Katie Yaeger

#### ADD TO YOUR PRAYER LIST OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

**Jim Akins** (friend of the Bassett's) recovering at home from burns on 40% of his body.  
**Noreen Anderson** (Jina O'Clair's mother) health issues.  
**Sue Berryhill** (Melissa Leverett's grandmother) hospice.  
**Lynda Cardwell** (former member) MS.  
**Willie Davis** (Dee Davis father) mass on brain.  
**Bobby Engstrom** (Keith Strickland's uncle) pancreatic cancer.  
**Christina Glover** (Akers Daughter) health problems.  
**Chris Gunnels** (Jonathan Hammett's cousin) brain tumor.  
**Megan Harrel** (Hendley's daughter) seeking answers for continuing health issues.  
**Jimmy Harris** (Theresa Harris husband) health issues.  
**Jane Harrison** (Peggy Hendley's sister in law) heart issues.  
**Cheryl Hill** (the Medley's daughter) liver cancer. 235 Odum Crest Lane, Hoover, Alabama 35226.  
**Andrea Lantz** (Diana Kelley's sister) lung cancer.  
**Keith Lawler** (friend of the Jacksons) multiple myeloma.  
**Luke Mastroianni** (Richard and Susan's son) treatments for pancreatic cancer. 317 Poinciana Drive, Homewood, Alabama, 35209.  
**Jan Morgan** (friend of the Akers) lung cancer.  
**Kim Morris** (the Morris' daughter) heart issues.  
**Cecil Parker** (Rhonda Ball's grandfather) health issues.  
**Marsha Parker** (Rhonda Ball's aunt) undergoing chemo.  
**McKenzie Ray** (friend of Amber Henderson) leukemia.  
**DeeAnne Rogers** (Jeanne Wamack's sister in law) cancer.  
**Mary Ella Sirmon** (The Sirmon's granddaughter) seizures.  
**Rachel Strickland** (Keith Strickland's step-mother) cancer.  
**David & Karen Ulric** (friend's of the Wampol's) pancreatic cancer.  
**Alan Van Horn** (Chad Leverett's stepfather) health issues.

#### ***This week at Riverchase***

##### **Friday, May 26**

- Volleyball

##### **Friday - Saturday, May 26-27**

- Teen White Water Rafting

##### **Wednesday, May 31**

- Teen VBS Work Day
- Teen Worship Under the Stars

#### ***Please continue to remember in prayer:***

**Patricia Anderson** (former member), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother)

#### ***Please pray for our active duty deployed military:***