

The Riverchase Family

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Fall Quarter Classes

Class	Sunday	Wednesday
0 - 12 months	Baby Jesus M Waddell, K Waddell, M Whitaker	Noah's Ark N Dorantes, M & K Waddell, M Whitaker
12-24 months	Creation T & K Yaeger	Noah's Ark N Dorantes, M & K Waddell, M Whitaker
2 year olds	New Testament C Parker, B Parker, B Johnson	New Testament H Cotton, J Shebs
3 year olds	Old Testament B Steen, J Snider	Old Testament R Rose, S Dees
4 year olds	Old Testament D Keith, A Sexton	Old Testament R Harper, A Ayers
5 year olds	New Testament R & M Mills	New Testament D & D Jones
1st grade	Bible Overview C Stewart, H Boggs	Bible Overview R Steed, J Spivey
2nd grade	Old Testament J Bowen, P Williams	Old Testament P Jackson, C Harper
3rd grade	Old Testament S Sims, A Fitts	Old Testament J & D Carter
4th grade	Gospels B & J Jordan	Gospels T & SJ Skinner
5th grade	Acts W Edwards, G Harper	Acts N & M Click
6th grade	Epistles M Crowley, D Sandlin, J Slaughter	Epistles R & M Betz
7th grade	God's Plan for Salvation T Pruitt	Prime Time S Pruitt
8th grade	Jesus Sermon from the Mount D Brown	
9th grade	I & II Peter N Click	
10th grade	Galatians J Sibert	
11th grade	Hebrews P Dyer	
12th grade	Ephesians Z Steed	
College	Jacob D Turrentine	Life and Times of David J Wamack
Adult I - (#256)	Jacob D Dorantes	Master's Men D Spivey
Adult II - (#253)	I & II Thessalonians J Kelley	Life and Times of David J Steed
Adult III- (#252)	Jacob K Strickland	Master's Men G Savage
Adult IV- (#251)	I & II Thessalonians S Marks	
Adult V- (#154)	Jacob D Harper	Life and Times of David K Arvin
Adult VI-(#151)	I & II Thessalonians J Dickinson	
Ladies Class		Master's Men B Hardin

Adventure Club / Pre-Teen Fall 2016

Details Coming Soon to Your Inbox

August

August 28 PT Devo

September

September 4, 11, 18, 25 Adventure Club
September 14 AC/PT Supper
September 14 Power Hour
September 24 Lakeview Estates
Game Time / Ice
Skating

October

October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Adventure Club
October 9 PT Devo
October 12 AC/PT Supper
October 15 Family Cookout
October 30 Trunk or Treat

November

November 5 Biblical History
Center
November 9 AC/PT Supper
November 13, 20 Adventure Club
November 13 PT Devo
November 19 Magi Service
Project

December

December 3 Breakfast with
Santa / Gift for
Children's Hospital
December 4, 11, 18 Adventure Club
December 10 Caroling to
Shut-ins
December 14 AC/PT Supper
December 18 PT Devo

Fruit on the Bottom

Scott Pruitt

Yogurt is a favorite breakfast food for me. It's not necessarily the taste of it, but the fruit on the bottom. I get disappointed when I accidentally purchase the wrong brand, and it's already mixed up. That is my favorite part... digging that spoon to the bottom and bringing all those chunks of fruit to the top. Then, I stir it up real good and watch that fruit change the entire color of the yogurt. I want to see the fruit and taste the fruit.

Blueberry and Blackberry are my favorites, because the color is so obvious. Tyler enjoys peach yogurt so I decided to try it. It is not nearly as much fun, because the color of the fruit simply blends into the white yogurt.

The most disappointing yogurt moment ever was when I bought a bunch of blueberry, but someone had snuck in a plain vanilla. I didn't realize it, but when I peeled the top back, dug that spoon into the bottom and brought it to the top of the container - THERE WAS NOTHING. I dug some more...still nothing. I looked at the label to see what the problem was, and then it hit me. It was vanilla. Vanilla doesn't have fruit chunks. It doesn't have a different color. Vanilla is just there.

Christians are to be full of fruit, God's fruit. He wants to continue molding us to be even more like Him. When He digs into our hearts, He expects to see love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. His desire for us is to pull out a bunch of awesomeness, awesome God-filled fruit. Not to be stuck on the bottom or hidden inside, but to be made known.

"In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world--just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,¹⁰ so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,¹¹ being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience,¹² and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light." (Col 1:6-14 NIV)

Do You Love Me?

John 21:15-17

How do you know you are loved? How do you know people love you? Is it something they do? Is it something they say? I was thinking about this question based on my reading this week from John Chapter 21. When Jesus asked Peter three times, do you love me? At the end of the third question Peter was grieved that he didn't know how to answer.

I want you to put yourself in the place of Peter and see how you would respond to Jesus. Pretend Jesus is asking you that question, do you love me? How would you answer? I did this, and I can tell you it made me think of my answer. I know I love Jesus. I'm trying really hard to do what he says. Sometimes I try to do the things that other people may not find easy to do. But the question is do I really love him? Or do I do things for Him?

I don't think we are going to explore everything in this article, but I will tell you, loving Jesus is more than just coming to church on Sundays. Although that is very important, I mean that is extremely important. Loving Jesus is more than just thinking how good he is, although that is important as well. I want to encourage you to find ways to show Jesus you love him.

-David

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Alan, Debra and Mitch Jones** in the death of Debra's father, Burt Wheeler. There will be a graveside service on Saturday, August 27, 10:00 a.m. at Friendship Cemetery in Columbus, Mississippi.

Coat and Blanket Drive

We will be collecting blankets, coats and jackets of ALL sizes for men, women and children, August 21 - October 2. Boxes will be placed at church entrances for collection each week. Then we will have a very special Distribution Day and chili lunch for families in need on Saturday, November 12, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the gym. If you have any questions, contact Dee Sandlin or Robin Harper. More details will follow.

Medical Spanish Class

There will be a medical Spanish class offered on Wednesday, August 24, 31 and September 21, 28, 6:00 p.m. in the adult library. You do not have to speak Spanish to attend.

Fleece Fabric Needed

Sandy Sims is organizing a fleece fabric donation drive. It will be used to make blankets for Elsa to give to children in ICU at Le Bonheur Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. There will be a collection box in the West Wing Foyer.

RCOC Singles and Their Children

Paula Davis will be hosting an end of the summer pool party for Riverchase singles and their children. It will be Saturday, August 27, 5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. at 6220 Waterford Place in Pelham. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers will be provided. Please bring side dishes. Please RSVP to Paula at 205-283-4476 by August 23.

Young Professionals

The Kelley's will be hosting a 20's/Young Professionals dinner on Saturday, August 27, 6:00 p.m. Children are welcome to come. RSVP to Diana at 205-410-4570.

AC/PT and Teen Sign-Up

ONLY ONE MORE WEEK for Sunday Sign-ups. Several opportunities remain for YOU. Let the floodgates of excited sign-uppers open. Parents, you are 100% unleashed. The sign-up sheets are in the West Wing Foyer and by the Nursery.

Por Los Niños

Remember to be filling your coin bank for Por Los Niños. The banks are due at the end of August. You can return the cans in the hallway by the gift room.

For the Record

Sunday, August 21, 2016

Bible Study	484
Early Worship	249
Late Worship	401
Total Sunday Morning	650
Sunday Night	344
Contribution	\$35,991.88
YTD Average	\$34,595.53
Budget	\$34,500.00

Dear Riverchase Family,

We are so grateful for your love shown during the death of my dear sister, Peggy Hurst. Thank you for the many prayers, cards, beautiful plant and the special visits to the visitation. We were comforted beyond measure, and our family was so impressed with our loving Church family.

With Love,

Ken & Connie Rhoden

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE
WEDDING OF

Lisa Lynn Walker

&

Thomas Edward Walker

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

AT 2:00 P.M.

RIVERCHASE CHURCH OF CHRIST

DESSERT RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

LTC

We will be having a LTC kickoff catered dinner on Sunday, September 11, 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. There will be information regarding LTC and we will have sign-ups that night. If you are going to the convention please plan on attending the kickoff dinner. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

- **Spanish Medical Class:** Wednesday, August 24, 6:00 p.m. in the adult library.
- **Pre-Teen Devo:** Sunday, August 28, 7:00 p.m. in the reception room.
- **Lisa and Tom Walker Wedding:** Saturday, September 3, 2:00 p.m. Riverchase Church of Christ.
- **Teen Supper:** Wednesday, September 7, 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Pre-Teen Power Hour:** Wednesday, September 7, 7:00 p.m. in the Reception Room.

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This week at Riverchase:

Wednesday, August 24

- Spanish Medical Class

Saturday, August 27

- Singles and their children Pool party at Paula Davis' house
- 20's/Young Professional Dinner at John & Diana Kelley's

Sunday, August 28

- Pre-Teen Devo

Wednesday, August 31

- Spanish Medical Class

Please continue to remember in prayer:

Noreen Anderson (Jina O'Clair's mother), **Patricia Anderson** (former member), **Greg Case** (Penny's husband), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother), **Bonnie Daniels** (Turner's friend), **Celia Dorantes** (David's mom), **Joan Harris** (Betz's friend), **Jim Hollon** (Clemmons' friend), **Richard Howe** (Steve's dad), **Butch Johnson** (Dana Jones' brother), **Alice Lucas** (Gaines friend), **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), **Jay Odom** (Kevin Arvin's brother-in-law), **Claudia Sibert** (John's mother), **Matt Snow**, **Maxine Mount** (Darrell's mother), **Deb Rose** (Heidi Bogg's mother), **Kristy Tatum** (Rardin's neighbor), **Olen Vickery** (Kim Ledingham's brother-in-law).

Please pray for our active duty deployed military:

Thomas Balentine (Rejetta's son)
Jimmy Hendley (Jim & Peggy's son)

Riverchase Family:

Darla Bostick (#4) recovering from knee replacement surgery.
Susan Chaney (#7) surgery Friday, August 26, to remove kidney stones.

Rickey Davis (#7) back problems.

Lori Fornwalt (#5) surgery to remove a lesion.

Doris Tucker (#2) recovering from hip surgery at Aspire Room 128. Address: 575 Southland Drive, Hoover, 35226.

Continue to remember these members:

Shirley Bailey (#3), **John Bearden (#2)**, **Erick Boggs (#6)**, **Lynda Cardwell (#1)**, **Jeff Carroll (#4)**, **Becky Carter (#3)**, **Jake Cole (#5)**, **Henry & Vonda Cook (#2)**, **Michelle Dichiaro (#6)**, **David Driskell Jr. (#3)**, **Elaine Evans (#4)**, **David Hare (#3)**, **John Gibson (#6)**, **Don & Jan Haefner (#7)**, **Judy Ingram (#7)**, **Alan Jackson (#4)**, **Grover Jackson (#6)**, **Ray Johnston (#3)**, **Candy Parker (#7)** **Ed & Nina Pitchford (#2)**, **Peggy Rogers (#4)**, **Ollie Scott (#6)**, **Norma Thomas (#4)**, **Jo Wamack (#2)**, **Michelle Whitaker (#1)**, **Shirley Wilson (#5)**, **Sarah Wolford (#6)**.

Add to your prayer list our friends and relatives:

Kellie Aycock (the Aycock's daughter - in - law) signet cell carcinoma.

Danny Barber (Angela Davis's brother) stroke.

Cindy Bourne (Barry Crauswell's sister) breast cancer.

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

Rose Mary Buford (Stephanie Billingsley's mother) health issues.

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

Cathy Crittenden (Dee Davis' friend) brain tumor.

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

Henry DuBose (Kelly Watt's father) COPD.

Robert Garner (Paula Davis' niece, Rebecca Garrick's, father) terminal lung cancer.

Sam Gray (Ward's neighbor) cancer.

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

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

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

Sharon Lawley (Brandy Tuech's mother in law) chemotherapy.

Helen Mellett (Hilary Beason's grandmother) illness.

Wayne Miller (Snow's friend) cancer.

Marlin Murphree (Kelly Skelton's father) serious health problems.

Lowell Newton (Michael's dad) prostate cancer.

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

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

Teresa Richards (friend of the Hills) breast cancer.

Miller Rock (Jonn Rock's brother) health issues.

Benny Rogers (Neisha Dorantes grandfather) health issues.

Deegee Schroeder (Shanda Watts mother) health issues.

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

John Sehon (Helen Haskew's uncle) multiple health problems.

Mary Sharp (Anthony Dotson's grandmother) health problems.

Jennifer Sherrill (Amber Henderson's friend) blood clot in her brain.

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

Mariella Sirmon (Sirmon's granddaughter) health problems.

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

Vivian Stacy (friend of the Vines) 9 month old having open heart surgery August 23 at Children's Hospital.

Roger Thomas (Fabray Turner's uncle) bone marrow transplant.

Nicole Valentine (Ward's friend) cancer.

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

Carol Watson (Fred Langdon's sister) lymphoma.

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

Carolyn Wiley (Mark's mother) UAB room W902.

Craig Windle (Elaine Evans brother - in - law) spot on kidney.

Ann Williams (friend of Georgia Vaughn) breast cancer.

Bill Wright (Georgia Vaughn's father) heart issues.