

The Riverchase Family

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Sportsmanship

I was recently asked to announce the football game between the third grade teams from McAdory and Oak Mountain. This honor was afforded me, because our nephew plays on the Oak Mountain team and they could not get anyone else to do it.

The game turned out to be very one-sided with McAdory coming out on top 26 to 6.

Oak Mountain kept playing hard to the very end and scored their only touchdown in the last few minutes of regulation.

McAdory was a much larger team, and on this night, simply out played Oak Mountain.

Jane and I left before the coach of Oak Mountain had dismissed the players. So what happened next was related to us by Jane's niece.

When the coach dismissed the players, our niece noticed that her son had not come back across the field with all the other players. She looked for him but did not see him right away. Only when she looked toward the McAdory team did she see Dash.

She went over to the other team and was told by some of the parents that Dash had come over to congratulate the McAdory players on playing such a great game. "You really whipped us good," was one of the things Dash was heard to say.

Some things are just worth repeating and sharing. Sometimes we are given glimpses into what Jesus meant when he said, "Except you become as little children ..."

-Dewayne

Upcoming Events:

Adventure Club /Pre-Teen

- **Pre-Teen Power Hour:** September 7, 7:00 p.m. in the reception room.
- **AC/PT Supper:** Wednesday, September 14, 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Teen

- **R.U.S.H. (Reaching Unlimited Spiritual Heights)** September 16-18; Cost: \$ 55; Deadline is August 31. All Teens
- **Walk for the Cure;** September 25 at Veterans Park (Hoover). Donations can be made to JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) and give to Mike or Diania Clemmons. Walk begins at 1:30 p.m.

College

- **Tailgate Party at Bryan and Pat Parker's:** Saturday, September 3, 7:00 p.m.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, September 10, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

Adventure Club / Pre-Teen Fall 2016

Details Coming Soon to Your Inbox

R.U.S.H.

Reaching Unlimited Spiritual Heights



September

September 4, 11, 18, 25	Adventure Club
September 7	Power Hour
September 14	AC/PT Supper
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
December 4, 11, 18	Adventure Club
December 10	Caroling to Shut-ins
December 14	AC/PT Supper
December 18	PT Devo

The DEADLINE to sign up for RUSH at Freed Hardeman University is THIS WEDNESDAY, August 31. Cost is \$55 and all teens are invited.

Last year we reached the "Summit," and this year we will be headed to the "Desert" to walk with Jesus through the temptations.

How much do you love Jesus? At Riverchase, we've been discussing over the last couple of weeks the importance of LISTENING TO JESUS. Listening to Jesus and Following Jesus is LOVING Jesus. Jesus is amazing at how He treats people, connects with people, and also compassionately confronts people.

How much do you hate Satan? Consider how Satan came after Jesus in the desert as the Spirit of God led Jesus into the desert to be tempted by Satan. Satan twists, distorts, manipulates and lies about...everything. We all realize that there are a multitude of things in this life that simply are not fair nor right. Thank Satan for that. No...Don't thank him. Hate Satan for that.

There were a few people throughout scripture who "walked with God" or were called "friend of God." **What do I need to do differently to walk with God and allow my relationship with Him to be so obvious that He would call me a "friend" of His?** Meditate on that thought this week as you strive to reach unlimited spiritual heights. Reaching the Summit of Heaven is certainly top priority, but at times, we must do battle in the desert against Satan, but WITH GOD.

¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"

*¹¹ Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.
(Mat 4:10-11 NIV)*

Football Season

1Corinthians 9:24-25 "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable."

You probably already know which games you will be attending, and after talking to some of you, you already know the itinerary for the rest of your Saturdays this Fall. You know where you are staying, which congregation you are going to attend, which friends are going with you and what tailgate food you will be eating. It is actually starting to sound fun! One thing I would like for all of us to remember is that wherever we go, wherever we are, we should always act like a Christian. Whether our team wins or loses. We should remember to be humble in victory and gracious in defeat. We can still have fun. Sports inspire us with displays of grit and grace. Competitive drama moves us in ways that few other forms of entertainment do. Watching sports can be a means of celebrating God's goodness, leading to a spirit of hope and joy. Left unchecked, passion can lead to obsession. Sports reminds us that all of this is temporary and that our hope is eternal.

-David



Congratulations

We rejoice with **Kaitlyn White** who was baptized last week. Kaitlyn, a seventh grader, is the daughter of Creed and Kimberly White.



Welcome to the Family

Welcome to **William, Angela, Kate, Harrison and Merritt Clifford** (FTG #5) who recently placed membership. Their address is 2017 Kirkman Drive, Hoover, Alabama 35242. Their phone number is 615-400-8671.

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 31 and September 21, 28, 6:00 p.m. in classroom 154. 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.

Pictures for Directory

We will be making pictures for our pictorial directory Sunday, September 4, 11, 18 and 25. We will be making them after early service and after Sunday school.

Ladies Bible Class

We will begin our Ladies' Class on Tuesday, September 20, at 10:30 a.m. Come early and enjoy some refreshments and fellowship. We will be studying: **Nobodies** who became **Somebodies**, a study of inspirational people who prove that anyone can be special in God's Kingdom.

For the Record

Sunday, August 28, 2016

Bible Study	433
Early Worship	293
Late Worship	383
Total Sunday Morning	676
Sunday Night	336
Contribution	\$52,800.20
YTD Average	\$35,115.67
Budget	\$34,500.00

Dear Riverchase Family,

We are so grateful for your love shown during the illness and passing of our daughter-in-law, Kellie Aycock. Thank you for the many prayers and cards that were sent on her behalf.

With Love,

Robert & Emma Aycock

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 31, 6:00 p.m. in Room 154.
- **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.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, September 10, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

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Wednesday, August 31

- Spanish Medical Class

Saturday, September 2

- Lisa Walker & Tommy Walker Wedding

Wednesday, September 7

- Teen Supper
- Pre-Teen Power Hour

Saturday, September 10

- Men's Prayer Breakfast

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:

Rejetta Balentine (#1) knee replacement surgery Tuesday, September 13.

Susan Chaney (#7) recovering at home from surgery.

Rickey Davis (#7) back problems.

Lori Fornwalt (#5) recovering from surgery.

Bryce Perrien (#1) torn ACL.

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:

Danny Barber (Angela Davis's brother) stroke.

Billy Black (Donna Strickland's father) surgery on his pancreas.

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 (Jon Rock's brother) health issues.

Benny Rogers (Neisha Dorantes grandfather) health issues.

Howard Rogers (Diania Clemmons father) aortic aneurysm

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.

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.