



The Riverchase Family

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Truth

“Why The Truth Matters More Than You Think” is a subtitle to a book written by Andy Andrews. The book is titled “How Do You Kill 11 Million People?”

I would strongly recommend reading the book. It’s a short book and an easy read.

Truth matters to us in many things. We want our children to tell the truth. We want truth from our spouse. Learning that our doctor, mechanic, minister, contractor and a host of other individuals are not truthful with us is an automatic deal changer in our dealing with them.

From many we insist on the truth.

Do we insist on it with ourselves? Do we determine to be truthful with ourselves and with others?

What a difference it would make in our world if we expected and insisted on truth from ourselves and from others.

God does.

LORD, who may dwell in your sacred tent? Who may live on your holy mountain? The one whose walk is blameless, who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from their heart; (Ps. 15:1-2 NIV)

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. (Ps. 145:18 NIV)
Truth matters more than you think.

-Dewayne

Upcoming Events:

Adventure Club/Pre-Teen

- **Parents Night Out:** Thursday, March 21, 5:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Teen

- **Summer Mission Trips Signups:** Continue THIS WEDNESDAY; Deposit Due at time of Signup.
- **Rainbow Omega:** April 6; 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

College

- **Volleyball:** Friday, March 29, 6:00 p.m. in the gym.



**Parents Night Out
Pizza & Pajama Party
Thursday, March 21
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Family Life Center**

All parents of kids in Adventure Club and Preteens are invited to bring your kids to Parents Night Out. **Kids are encouraged to wear their pajamas!** We will serve pizza, cookies, and fruit for dinner. **Dinner is \$3.00 per child.**

SCHEDULE:

5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Games & Playtime
6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. - 6:50 p.m. Devotional
6:50 p.m. - 7:20 p.m. Craft
7:20 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Games & Movie
8:00 p.m. Pickup in Kid Cave

If you are planning for your child to attend please email eric@riverchasechurch.org.

We hope to see you there!

I Just Wanna Be like...

Scott Pruitt

Over the past several months I have noticed a severe depletion of my t-shirts and socks in their respective drawers. This is the crazy thing; they reappear on Tyler's body. Sure, they are too big for him, but he doesn't care. I noticed him wearing my shirts months ago as he was lying in mine and Whitney's bed.

"Tyler, why do you continue to wear my shirts, my favorite shirts?"

"Dad, they are soooo comfortable. I love them, and I just wanna be like you," Tyler eloquently exclaimed.

What do you say to that? How do you even begin to respond when your middle school child says "they wanna be like you?"

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, **clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**

¹³ **Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.**

¹⁴ **And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.**

¹⁵ **Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.**

¹⁶ **Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.**

¹⁷ **And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Col. 3:12-17 NIVO)**

I hope and pray that is the reason he wants to be just like me, because he sees what I am striving to become. Tyler and I both know this dad has a long way to go.

Who do you wanna be just like? Hang in there. Strive for Jesus, and you can't go wrong.

Men of God Live In Peace

1 Timothy 2:1-4 I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. (NASB)

One important characteristic of men of God, is they are men who seek peace. They look for ways to lead a peaceful life. What that means for us, is that we are men who do not seek to stir or incite trouble. One of the saddest things a man can do is cause trouble in the family. We can do that by not honoring our wives and children. We can incite trouble by speaking badly of our spouse or children. Also in the same manner, we can cause trouble by complaining about someone, instead of talking to them. How do we do start trouble? By not praying.

Don't talk about people, pray for them. When others seem to do that, avoid it and bring their names to God for blessings. Pray and be thankful for everything you have received. By doing that you will honor God. You will be the man who honors God. Seek the peace at home and in the church.

- David

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Tim, Barbara and Candy Parker** in the death of our sweet sister, **Vivian Parker**. The funeral was Sunday here at Riverchase.

Do You Attend The 8:00 a.m. Service?

If so, thanks so much for your cooperation in moving down from the balcony.

We have another request. Please make the two back rows of pews available for those who are handicapped and for our families with small children. Thank you for your help with this matter as well.

Baja Missions Meeting

Join us for an informational meeting on Sunday, March 24 at 4:30 p.m. in room 154. This years trip is scheduled for June 23-27. No commitment necessary. You are welcome to attend if you would like to join our mission team or even if you just want to know more about our efforts in Baja.

**Church
Office
Closed**

**Monday
March
25**

Come out and enjoy an evening of volleyball.
**Friday, March 29,
6:00 p.m.
in the
Family Life Center**

Rainbow Omega

Help make someone's day! Riverchase teens will prepare and deliver care packages to the residents at Rainbow Omega on **Saturday, April 6**, and we need your help. If you would like to contribute financially, please earmark your check: "Rainbow Omega."

Thank you for your support!!

LiveWires! Events

- **Trip to Biblical History Center:** Thursday - Friday, April 4-5.
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday, April 6, 8:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
- **Game Night:** Friday, April 12, 6:30 p.m. in the Reception Room.
- **Day at the Lake:** Saturday, April 27.

For the Record

Sunday, March 17, 2019

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| Bible Study | 407 |
| Early Worship | 223 |
| Late Worship | 402 |
| Total Sunday Morning | 625 |
| Sunday Night | 324 |
| Contribution | \$33,664.00 |
| YTD Average | \$36,735.77 |
| Budget | \$37,500.00 |

Dear Riverchase Friends,

I have truly enjoyed every card that I received for my 96th birthday. It means so much to me to know that Rodney and Sue (Morris) have all of you as precious friends

Love,

Miriam Watkins

Dear Riverchase Family,

Thank you for all the Valentine, Get Well cards and the prayers that I have received. I really appreciate every one of them.

Love,

Sarah Wolford

Summer Mission Trips

June 2-7, a group of teens will be traveling to Bowling Green, Kentucky to **Potter Children's Home**.
June 22 - 28, a group of our High School Juniors and Seniors and their parents will be going on a mission trip to **Baja, MX**.
July 13-20, a group of our teens will be traveling to Orlando, Florida to **Give Kids the World Village**. They partner with Make a Wish Foundation. Throughout the summer, they will also be doing several local mission projects: (**Mission Hometown July 24-27**) to serve in our community. If you would like to donate to these mission efforts, please earmark your check for teen summer missions. You may turn in your checks to any of the office staff. Above all, remember us in your prayers this summer. Thank you.

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- **Bridal Tea for Hannah Crane, bride elect of Preston Sanford:** Sunday, April 7, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Reception Room. They are registered at Target, Pottery Barn and Bed, Bath and Beyond.



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This week at Riverchase:

Thursday, March 21

- Parents Night Out

Sunday, March 24

- Baja Informational Mission Meeting

Monday, March 25

- Church Office Closed

Tuesday, March 26

- NO Ladies' Bible Class

Please continue to remember in prayer:

Patricia Anderson (former member), **Greg Case** (Penny's husband), **Tommie Cleghorn** (Jay's mother), **Bonnie Daniels** (Turner's friend), **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) **Nancy Marlo** (Tami Picantine's sister), **Charles Mills** (Robert and Michelle's father), **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), **Olen Vickery** (Kim Ledingham's brother-in-law).

Please pray for our active duty deployed military:

Riverchase Family:

Morgan Carter (#6) stage 3 brain tumor. Chemo.
Diania Clemmons (#4) recovering from gall bladder surgery.
David Hare (#3) will have a heart cath on Wednesday, March 20.
Grover Jackson (#6) health issues.
Tim Parker (#7) recovering at home from shoulder replacement surgery and heart attack.
Susan Rose (#6) breast cancer. Recovering from lumpectomy and a stent for radiation.
Cindy Snider (#4) will have back surgery on Thursday, April, 11.
Jane Windham (#7) recovering from kidney stone procedure.

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, Victor & Glinda Boone, Vonda Cook, Nina Pitchford, Lance Rushing
FTG #3: Martha Johnston, Becky Carter, Nona Miller, Thelma Moon, Jean Oglesby
FTG #4: Jeff Carroll, Elaine Evans, Gary Evans, Bill Hester, Alan Jackson, Martha Mann, Doug Mears, Norma Thomas
FTG #5: Jake Cole, Norma Nabors, Ron Waddell, Shirley Wilson
FTG #6: Erick Boggs, Michelle Dichiara, Shirley Genry, John Gibson, Grover Jackson, Ollie Scott, Sarah Wolford
FTG #7: Don & Jan Haefner, Lori Lambert, Candy 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.
Sue Berryhill (Melissa Leverett's grandmother) recovering from a broken hip.
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.
Jessica Brown (Glenda's daughter in law) breast cancer.
Becky Carr (Danny Hill's sister) liver cirrhosis.
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.
Leonard & Karen Green (family of Norma Thomas) health issues.
Jan Hall (Helen Haskew's sister - in - law) health issues.
Jane Harrison (Peggy Hendley's sister in law) heart issues.
Patrick Henderson (Amber Henderson Brother-in-law) cancer.
Michelle Howze (Mindi Belmont's friend) throat cancer.
Bob Hull (Howe's brother-in-law) cancer.
Sandra Hunt (Barbie Browns mother) health issues.
Vicki Love (Mary Smith's daughter) breast cancer.
Tonya Masoner (Judy Masoner's daughter) radiation.
Jackie McKenzie (Vaughn's cousin) health issues.
Justin McMicken (friend of the Ball's) had a dirt bike accident and is on life support at UAB.
Paul Meacham (member at Panama Street) brain 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.
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.