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ATTENDANCE

10/11/20: 117

CONTRIBUTION:

09/20/20: \$5,482

SPECIAL

CONTRIBUTION:
\$640

BUDGET: \$7,500



Welcome Visitors!

We would like to extend a sincere “thank you” for attending our worship service today. We consider you an **honored** guest and hope that you can remain after services for a moment so that we can get to know you better.

The Riverside congregation is composed of Christians meeting together with a focus on praising and glorifying God and edifying each other. We use only the Bible as our source of authority and the pattern for how we are organized and how we worship. We would love to answer any questions that you may have about our church family.



Over the past few weeks, I have allowed myself to become anxious over things in our community, nation, family, and even church. I know that I am not alone. I believe that a remedy to anxiousness, stress, and frustrations can be found in many portions of God’s word. Today, in my study of benevolence, I came across this verse and wanted to share it with you, for in it is the idea of seeing others and their needs.

Paul wrote in Galatians 2:10, reminiscing on the commandment that the apostles gave him and Barnabas, *“They only asked us to remember the poor- the very thing I also was eager to do.”* Perhaps we need to underline the word eager in this verse to remind us of the attitude we should have when serving others - others in my community, nation, family, friends, neighbors, and the church. Serving others may not take away my anxiety but it will put my focus on where it should be. In John 13 we find Jesus washing the feet of His apostles, even the one who would lift his heel against Jesus (Ps 41:9). Jesus had a lot on his mind yet He focused on service. People in the world are choosing to say and do things that make things harder for everyone - the riots, looting, name-calling, cursing, blaming, and confusion.

How is your day? How is your social media? How is your time? Are we filling it with eagerness to serve or allowing the noise of a chaotic world to drown out the voice of Jesus?

“You know that those who are recognized as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them; and their great men exercise authority over them. But it is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant; and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:42-45

Jesus served, Paul and Barnabas served, the early church served, and today you and I as brothers and sisters in Christ serve despite the anxiousness of a world filled with chaos. Today, go out and be great by being a servant. Go out and be first by becoming a slave.

— By Raoul Ferris

Wednesday Evening Service Resuming

We are currently planning to resume Wednesday evening worship services at 7 pm, October 21. We will meet in the auditorium for a devotional time, followed by Bible classes. Classes will be held in the fellowship hall for PK-1st, 2nd-5th, and 6th-12th grades. Kevin will continue his Ten Commandments series in the auditorium. We will use the same safety protocols as have been in place inside the building for Sunday services, including masks and social distancing. Hope to see you there!

There will be a special contribution for Eastern European Missions on November 8, 2020.

Helen Wardroup is back at home: P.O. Box 590, Ingram, TX 78025, She appreciates receiving cards.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Jesse Hyde is in the hospital in San Antonio, where his family is awaiting biopsy results. Please pray.

Katy Wharton continues to recover from surgery. **James Wharton** continues to do well with his new knee and has completed physical therapy. **Erin Wharton** is healing from her surgery. She has begun chemo which will last at least until January.

Please remember **Carla Tittle** in your prayers. She had a recent hospitalization with kidney issues. Please remember **John** also as he sees to her care.

Also, please remember to pray for **Jarrell Baker**, who was injured in a fall and in quite a bit of pain.

Charlene Greggerson is scheduled to have back surgery on 10/19. Please pray for her to have a successful surgery and a quick recovery.

Please pray for two of **David and Raquel Moore's** grandchildren, **Jasmine and Jordan**, who developed COVID-19 infections last week.

Let's pray for our members who are in nursing/assisted living facilities. They have been unable to have visitors for the most part since March, and it is very difficult for both the residents and the family members. Our members who reside in a facility are: **Doris Burton, Ruth Herrington, Ann Marshall, Alice McGuire, Nancy Moore, and Kathy O'Hara**. Also, please pray for the healthcare workers in these facilities. In these stressful times, prayers are needed for both residents and staff.

Let's remember all of the health care workers and their families at Riverside: **Rona Barrozo, Ashton Bosse, Jolene Fudge, Kaysi Garrett, Karen Wootton, Karla (Wootton) Carter, Debra Zink**, and those around the nation and world, who are on the front lines of the pandemic. Also, remember **Chad Lovelady**, who is a police officer in Fredericksburg.

Food Ministry If you know of a need for food (meal) for the month of October, please contact Susan Kasperek at 918-470-5879.

If there is a need for food, medications, etc., and a member is unable to get out, please contact either the staff, or one of the elders

Pantry Items: mac & cheese or canned ham

Members' Health Concerns:

Please pray for **LaJean Moore**, dealing with MRSA in a wound on her leg; **Charlene Greggerson**, suffering with a ruptured disc; **Kaysi Garrett**, recovering from knee replacement surgery; **Cheri Pattillio-Leslie Rayburn's** sister, recovering from surgery; **Chrissy Garcia**, recovering from surgery; **Barbara Dodd**, recovering from a broken knee cap; **Jody Wilson**, as she recovers from a broken vertebrae, **Don Taylor**, as he deals with several health issues; **Garland McConal** as he recovers at home from surgery; **Ron Swanner**, in hospice care; **Reba Durbin's** nephew **Terry Beasley**, who is being treated for severe anemia; **Treva Vogl**, Reba's sister, diagnosed with cancer; **Erin Welch, Stephanie Ahrens'** friend, diagnosed with cancer; **Cheryl Shields**, friend of Cheryl Brown, **Rona Barrozo's** friend **Lalaine**, and her daughter **Pia Dapdap**, age 11, who is doing much better. **Leora Meadows**, in hospice care; **Bill Fitch**, son of Katie Fitch undergoing treatment for cancer; **Larry Smith**, friend of the Lovelady family, suffering with colon cancer; **The Vance's** daughter **Shari**, and their son and daughter-in-law **David and Sarah** who are health care workers; **Dennis Lange's** daughter-in-law in Albany, NY working on the front lines in the hospital; **Chris Mulliniks'** sister **Cindy**, a nurse in Tennessee; and **Jeanie Haby's** sister **Julie Browning**, who is an RN at a Houston nursing home.