

“Becoming... Like Jesus”

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Week 36

September 13, 2021

Men's Cornhole Event

**This Thursday, September 16
at 6:30 pm**

RBC North Parking Lot

You don't want to miss this!

(private RBC event—please contact office for more information)



Dear RBC family,



This coming Sunday afternoon at 5PM, we are starting our Pray and Go outreach. What is Pray and Go? Pray and Go is an opportunity to have a prayer meeting through the neighborhoods of Richland. Our goal is to pray for every home on every street, starting in the neighborhood around the church and eventually extending throughout the Tri-Cities. We will meet up at the church at 5PM and split up into groups of 3–4 each. Your group will be assigned a particular block to walk. On that block, you will be praying for every house and family. We aren't knocking on doors, we are simply praying for God to move in our community. Of course, if you see someone out and you feel led to talk with them, go for it! Then after you pray for a house, you will put a door hanger on their door that says on the front, "We Prayed for You." On the back, it says, "We love our community, so we are praying for our community. Is there a specific way we can pray for you?" And then we give four options for people to submit a prayer request: email, text, phone call, and website. The door hanger also contains our church name, logo, and address. Our goal is to love our community, pray for our community, and ask the Lord to do a mighty work in our city in these dark days.

Didn't make it to the training? That is OK. It's very simple. Just come out, bring your walking shoes and an expectant heart, and let's hit the streets for Jesus.

With love as your Pastor,

Travis



NW*i*MPACT

A MISSION OFFERING OF THE NORTHWEST BAPTIST CONVENTION

Northwest Impact Offering

RBC Goal: \$6,000

**Everything given goes toward
supporting the cause of Christ
in the Northwest!**

This Sunday Morning

More Diagnostic Questions for

**AUTHENTIC
CHRISTIANITY**



Mathew 23:13-36

By Dr. Travis Southern

Words from Wells...



Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. (Matt. 11:28-30)

We started on this passage a few weeks ago in my article. Let's continue with another part. "Take my yoke upon you" is the next section. I learned about yokes! Yes, that's the part that fits over the shoulders of the animal doing the pulling. A yoke was not just a set pattern, or a one-size-fits-all. A good yoke was hand carved for each animal. Yes, there are great differences between a horse and an ox, but even the difference in two oxen was taken and dealt with. The yoke was tailor-made for each animal. And remember, the yoke was made so the animal could work for his master.

I think we could draw some parallels with this part of the verse. God is our Master. We are His *slaves* (to use the actual Greek word). We are to take His yoke upon us so we can work in His kingdom. Each of us are different and we have different works to do in God's kingdom. Therefore, in following with this illustration, we all have different yokes designed just for each of us and our characteristics. Then we put on that yoke and get to work. The ox didn't wear the yoke because it looked nice on him! In the same way, we were made to serve the King of kings; not to just sit around and enjoy being a part of His family. Jesus had a yoke, and we are to follow His example.

So, to boil this all down..... Get that yoke on and get to work! God has designed something just for you, so get after it! Any questions?




rbc GROWkids!

Sunday's 4:00-6:30 pm beginning October 4th

**Please register online at
rbcgrowkids.godaddysites.com**

PASTORAL CARE COUNSELING



During difficult times, please remember our Pastoral Care Counselor, BJ Olson, is here to help.

Contact BJ at 509-521-9374 or bj@richlandbaptistchurch.org.

If finances are a problem, help is available.

Financial Summary for Second Quarter of 2021

Your RBC Finance Committee has summarized the church's finances for the second quarter of 2021 (April, May and June) and for the year to date (January - June). The giving and ministries are summarized under three categories: general budget, property debt reduction (building fund and 92 Wordrop) and special mission offerings. More detailed summaries are available by request.

General Budget

RBC has an annual budget that is the financial plan for most RBC activities (with major topics of Missions, Personnel, Education, Services and Facilities and Equipment).

2021 General Budget

Month	Giving	Payments
April - June	\$270,440	\$237,878
Jan - June	\$565,521	\$518,281

Property Debt Reduction – Building Fund

RBC also receives designated giving to pay off our building debt. While most of our facilities have been paid off for years, we have a loan with the Northwest Baptist Foundation on our newest facilities (in the basement, on the main level, on the second level and the expanded parking). Based on designated giving, income above expenses for homes owned by RBC, and money from the Building Fund Reserve, this debt was reduced to \$364,906 at the end of June. This reserve was \$18,102 at the end of the second quarter.

2021 Building Fund

Month	Giving	Payments
April - June	\$ 32,824	\$ 40,410
Jan - June	\$ 92,327	\$ 95,090

Property Debt Reduction – 92 Wordrop

This house was purchased in December 2017 and RBC has a loan with the Northwest Baptist Foundation. The monthly payment of \$1,333.16 is funded by the rental income from the houses owned by RBC. Any shortfall can be taken from the General Fund Reserve with church approval. This debt was reduced to \$195,740 at the end of June.

Special Mission Offerings


Special offerings were given to the Lottie Moon offering for foreign missions, the Annie Armstrong offering for North American missions and the missions offering for Northwest Impact. Giving to these mission offerings was \$11,087 in the second quarter. When added to the giving during the first quarter, \$28,508 was given by the end of June.

Summary

We hope you are encouraged to see the results of your generous giving to God's ministries and are excited about the opportunities we will have to participate in His ministries through RBC. While the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has lasted longer than most expected, God's work through RBC has continued. Giving during the second quarter was about 6% below the second quarter of last year and about 1% below the giving during the first half of last year. We will continue to strive to be good stewards of your giving to God's ministries through RBC. Thank you for continuing to honor the Lord through your giving.

Your RBC Finance Committee

Kraig Jones (Treasurer), Jerry Ingham (Chairman), Lorraine Shelby, Mike Harty, Fitsum Gebretatios, Jay MacLellan and Malaina Giger.



Thank you for faithfully giving to the Lord!

Save the Date

REDEEM | KBC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Date

OCTOBER 8TH - 9TH, 2021
FRIDAY EVENING - SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Location

KENNEWICK BAPTIST CHURCH

Cost

\$20 PER PERSON
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Registration

DETAILS TO FOLLOW



All disciples of Christ need to stay connected to the Vine in order to grow as we ought. One of the primary ways God has provided for us to continue this growth is by being connected with each other. Join with women from across the northwest of all ages for worship, encouragement from the Word, and an opportunity to connect with other women as a means of grace as we all seek to dwell together.

Coming Spring 2022

Women's Retreat at RBC



Jesus Loves Me Preschool has openings in Pre-K and Kindergarten. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Amy Olson, the JLM director, at jlms@richlandbaptistchurch.org or 509-943-9177, option 7.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study in Room 150

Wednesday: **5:30 Wednesday Night Dinners Resume**
6:30 pm Prayer Meeting in the Choir Room
6:30 pm Student Ministry in Gathering Place
7:30 pm Worship Choir Practice in Choir Room

Thursday: 9:30 am Women's Bible Study Choir Room
5:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
6:30 pm Men's Cornhole Event at RBC

Friday: 5:45 am Men's Bible Study in Office Foyer
6:45 pm CM52 Kid's Ministry Training
(see newsletter page 12)

Saturday: **8:30 am CM52 Kid's Ministry Training**
10:00 am Evangelism at Howard Amon Park

Sunday 8:00 am Classic Worship
9:15 am Life Groups for All Ages
9:15 am Prayer Time in the Choir Room
10:15 am Fellowship Time
10:45 am Contemporary Worship
5:00 pm Pray & Go
6:00 GROWkids Meeting



Please join us as we celebrate the blessing of our beloved Scott Wells and his amazing 30 + 1 years of service on Sunday, September 26th, at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



Wednesday Night Dinners Begin This Wednesday at 5:30 pm!

We need **YOU!** There are several different tasks from which to choose! Help is needed with *prep, welcoming, purchasing and especially with clean up.* For some of the responsibilities a food handlers permit card is required. This can be easily obtained online. Financial assistance is available if needed.

If you would like to be a part of the Wednesday Night Meal Team, please contact BJ Olson at 509-521-9374.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT Schedule

Beginning September 15th

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Meal (by donation)

6:30 PM Prayer Meeting in the Choir Room

6:30 PM Student Ministry in The Gathering Place

**7:30 PM Worship Choir Rehearsal in the
Choir Room**



Preschool and Children's Life Groups Need Subs!

This is a great opportunity to work with kiddos occasionally but not have the weekly responsibility. When the need arises, subs make all the difference!

If you would be willing to service in this important role, please contact Mandy Southern at 405-795-8440.

Chief Jo Ministry Manna Market News

20 food sacks were handed out last Friday at Chief Jo. We are so thankful to be able to help in this way.

You can help by providing food for the Manna Market.

Items needed this week:

Cake mix and canned frosting

Cereal

Peanut butter

Jelly

Granola bars

Oatmeal

Thank you so much! Manna Market



Unshakable

CM52

September 17-18, 2021
Richland Baptist Church
In-person and Online

#GodisUnshakable

Northwest Baptist Convention
Cooperative Program & Kids Ministry
<https://www.nwbaptistkidmin.com/>

Register online today or at the door!

CM52 SCHEDULE

Friday, 9/17

6:45 Registration (Count Down Video for Virtual Viewers)

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm General Session

[Facebook Live Stream @nwbaptistconvention](#)

Saturday, 9/18

8:30 Registration (Count Down Video for Virtual Viewers)

8:45 General Session [Facebook Live Stream @nwbaptistconvention](#)

9:45 Break (Virtual Viewers Join Zoom Meeting listed below)

10:00 Core Conferences

12:00 Dismiss

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- September 15—Wednesday Night Dinners Resume at 5:30 pm
- September 17 & 18—CM52 Training for Kid's Ministries at RBC
- September 16—Men's Cornhole Night at 6:30 pm in N Pkg Lot
- September 19—Pray & Go (Sunday Evening)
- September 23—Book of Numbers Women's Bible Study Begins
- September 25—Men's Breakfast at 8:00 am in FH
- September 26—Scott Wells' 30+1 Anniversary Celebration
- October 3—Ask Anything Sunday (Sunday Evening)
- October 7—Men's Fellowship Seahawk Game
- October 10—Pray & Go (Sunday Evening)
- October 16—Men's Breakfast at 8:00 am in FH
- October 17—Movie Night: Jesus in Athens
- October 24—Pray & Go (Sunday Evening)
- October 31—Harvest Party Outreach at 4:00 pm at RBC
- November 4—Men's Fellowship
- November 7—RBC Night of Worship
- November 14—Pray & Go (Sunday Evening)
- November 21—Thanksgiving Meal/Fellowship
- November 28—Family Night
- December 5—Business Meeting: Budget/Team Nominations
- December 12—Pray & Go (Sunday Evening)
- December 19—Life Group Parties
- December 24—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- December 26—Christmas—(No PM Activities)



Thank you to each of you who prayed for my great granddaughters, Evelyn and Charlotte, while they were ill with Covid. I am thankful to report they are now doing well.

Darlene Tracy



RICHLAND

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Hospital, Rehab & Hospice:

Doty Ross– Guardian Angel

Scott Samuelson– ALS progressing/infection/blood transfusions/ICU

Dave Weaver- (Emily Piatt's dad) low blood pressure/feeling ill/tests

At Home:

Keith Berry– lymphoma

Jennifer Burnett- (Cousin of Virginia Sparks) Covid

Liz Butcher– constant, unrelenting, severe pain

Mary Beth Dage- (friend of Gene & Laura Wilson) pancreatic cancer

Margie Goehring– infection

Grace- (Kendal Piatt's aunt) recovering from broken hip/salvation

Nancy Humphreys- (Larry & Mavis' daughter-in-law) breast cancer

Rick Humphreys- (Larry & Mavis' son) blood clots in legs and lungs

John & Burnadette- (Betty McFarlane's siblings) both have terminal cancer

Gus Kruse- (dear friend of Travis & Mandy) recovering from Covid

Craig & Shanine Lang- (relatives of Langs) Covid, pneumonia & stroke

Unborn grandchild of Tom & Scotta Latka– serious heart defect requiring surgery

Dana Wood Leverett– covid and double pneumonia

Kelli Lowe- (Whiskers Lowe's wife) recovering from cancer surgery

Tom Moore Sr.- (Tom Moore's dad) cancer & chemo

Chris Saisslin– weakness & health issues

Preston Southern– recovering from shoulder surgery/physical therapy rehab

Shawni Sumner- (Tim & Sandi's DIL) recovering ankle surgery/pregnant

Gavin Vaughan II- (Gavin Vaughn Sr.'s son) probable cancer)

Carole White– lung cancer surgery at UW in Seattle on 9/23

Special Requests:

Athalia & Randall Clower and Ezra Project

S– for safety, protection and peace

Amy Olson & JLM staff, kids & families

Mandy Southern & RBC Children's Ministry

Greg Sullivan– (Sparkling Sensation) for God's favor in decision

All medical staff exhausted in all ways from dealing with Covid

Pray without ceasing.

Pastor on Call

September 12—18, 2021

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