# "Becoming... Like Jesus" RICHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

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Scott Wells, Associate Pastor and Worship Leader BJ Olson, Pastoral Care Counselor Travis Muse, Student Pastor

Week 28

Jesus Loves Me School

We are hiring!



August 1, 2022

We are in <u>urgent</u> need of a <u>kindergarten teacher</u>!

We are looking for a person (or even possibly a team of 2):

Who loves Jesus!

Loves His people!

Desires to live out their gifts and calling to reach, teach and minister to these little ones!

JLMS grade schoolteacher is a paid/ministry position that works 28 hours a week, from 8am-3pm Monday through Thursday. There is no school on Fridays.

There is a war being raged on our children and The Church should be at the forefront of the battle.

Will you take courage and join our team?

Please contact Storm Hughes 509-943-9177 ext. 7

### Dear RBC Family,

In December 2019, I was able to complete a significant milestone in my life by completing my PhD. With such credentials often come new opportunities. The choice is often whether to pursue full-time pastoral ministry in the church, or to pursue ministry in Christian academia. And a point of prayerful decision has arrived in an unexpected way.



Since the beginning of the pandemic, Christian schools at all levels have flourished with unprecedented enrollment. This has caused there to be a great need for Christian teachers and professors to invest in the next generation. After much prayer, consideration, and soul-searching, I believe it is time for me to answer that call full-time.

Because of this new sense of calling, I submit my resignation as Senior Pastor of Richland Baptist Church, effective August 18, 2022.

I am thankful for my time at RBC. I have made many wonderful friends and have had the privilege of leading the church through one of the deepest crises it has faced in its history in Covid. And to be transparent, this season has left me wearied and in need of healing. But thankfully, it's ok not to be ok, and the Lord won't leave me that way. As Mark Dever has remarked concerning pastoral burnout, "The church can find another pastor. But your kids can't find another daddy nor your wife another husband." It's time for me to refocus on those roles as well.

We have shared many joys together and have all been sharpened in the faith by one another. I pray the good seeds sown will bring the fruit of righteousness in the years ahead. Know confidently that this decision comes with no moral or financial impropriety of any kind.

I will be praying for you. You will find a fantastic pastor who can take the baton from here in the race and run the next few laps until the last undershepherd completes the final lap at the Chief Shepherd's return. Then we will be gathered around the throne to the eternal praise of Christ's glorious grace.

With Love as your Pastor,

Travis



Hey RBC Fam,

I want to say thank you for all of the help and support that you all showed to the students to make so many things possible. Specifically, youth camp this summer. It was a big change for us, but the students really grasped a lot from camp. I originally wanted some youth to share a testimony of camp this year, but instead I would like to share a personal testimony.

Moving back to Tri-Cities has brought many challenges, from conflict to losing people you care about to sickness and health. Repeatedly, I watched how seeing young people cling to God's word as a lifeline or source of motivation to change, helped me remember how important that should be to us all.

The culture in the Tri-Cities is not the same as it was growing up and we are all longing for truth. I remember this from 1 John 4:10 where John says, "Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins." This is so important as we cling to the teachings of God. It is because of His love and perfect sacrifice that we are called to love. We must continue to show the people around us the love of the Lord and share the truth of Jesus. Amid struggle and change, Gods love remains. Don't lose hope. Pray, Let us Pray, No Greater way than to know the one that paved a way. So let us pray.

Monday, August 8- Silverwood Trip \$30.00 Meet at RBC 7AM

Wednesday, August 10- New 6th Graders Attend Youth Group at 6:30PM

Friday, August 26- B.T.S.B.O.S.



Tuesday- 6:30 PM RBC Men's Softball Games

7:00 PM Men's Bible Study in Room 150

Wednesday- 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting in Choir Room

6:30 PM Youth Ministry

Thursday-

Friday- 5:45 AM Men's Bible Study in the Office Foyer

Saturday- 1:00 PM Witnessing in the Park

Sunday- 8:15 AM Classic Worship Service

9:15 AM Life Groups for All Ages

10:15 AM Fellowship Time

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service

4:30 PM Church Underground

5:30 PM PAT Team/Deacon's Meeting

in the Choir Room



Pastor on Call This Week
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## August

7-PATTeam/Deacon's Meeting in Choir Room at 5:30PM

8- Gouth to Silverwood at 7:00 AM

9-Ladies Luncheon at Dairy Queen on Fadwin at 11:30 PM

10-Worship Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 PM

12-Blanket Ministry at RBC at 10:00 AM

20-Men's Breakfast at RBC at 8:00 AM

24-Worship Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 PM

26-BTSBOS

Sermon This Sunday by Dr. Travis Southern

"Marks of an Authentic Church"

2 Corinthians 11:1-15

I want to thank you for all the prayers, visits, and cards since I have been here at Canyon Lakes Rehab they are very much appreciated. Also a very BIG Thank You to the ladies that brought me the lovely blanket I really appreciated the thought.

God Bless you all.



Henry Clark

### **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

There are some super sales on school supplies right now and this is a great time to start buying items for your OCC shoeboxes. Your shoebox for a child will mean so much to them!





New and Coming for Ladies!
Fall Bible Study
Starts September 8
9:30AM
in the Choir Room.
Cost of Book is \$15.00.
Sign up at the
Welcome Desk.
For questions contact
Barbara Marsh.

Following God isn't about striving; it's about trusting. As you study the chapters Isaiah wrote—from his challenging words to the nation of Israel to his prophecies of the Messiah to come—learn to rest in God's promises and grow in trust. In this 7-session study, Isaiah's words will reveal that you can trust God more than your own human effort or the counterfeits the world suggests. You won't be striving harder, but instead trusting more deeply the Faithful One who is so worthy of our utter dependence. In Him you'll find the comfort and peace you need to sustain you.

### Ladies Luncheon

Ladies, please join us for Ladies Luncheon on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 11:30 am at Dairy Queen on Jadwin.

For more information, please contact Karen Noble at 308-7850.



Hospital, Rehab & Hospice:

<u>Don Caldwell</u>– (former member) B-cell non-Hodgkin's/building strength <u>Henry Clark</u>– recovering from surgery for injury/Canyon Lakes Rehab Walt Crayne– Covid (out of town)

Declan- (from Pastor Travis) newborn in NICU born very early

Eyen- (from Kim Barnes) 9yr. old trauma victim, improving, pls pray

Sandy Jeffers- (Susan Hamon's sister) recovering from stroke

Vi Lloyd- recovering from surgery for broken hip/Richland Rehab #213

Lois Mudd- Prestige/aggressive, reproductive cancer

Pedro- (from Helen Marie Berry) in rehab/pray for heart and physical

Doty Ross- Guardian Angel, Vintage #11 (please note new room #)

At Home:

Dale- Toni Stacy's former husband) prostate cancer/healing & strength Kim Dean- (Tammy Dean's sis-in-law) cancer Kori Edison- (from Virginia Sparks) cancer/chemo/complications Duke & Pat Ellingson- serious health difficulties

Lori Fink- possible stomach cancer, CT this Friday

Rene'e Glassmyer- (Deanna Moberg's sister) aggressive cancer/chemo Donna Harrod- (Tammy Dean's sister-in-law's mom) lung cancer Patty Hedrick- (Julie Ward's mother-in-law) lung cancer/chemo Cathy Heritage- lung cancer/radiation & chemo

Jackie Hooper – medical issues Savannah Johnson – dislocated hip Pam Keener – recurrence of cancer Many, many RBC folks with Covid

<u>Barbara Marsh</u>– fractured foot not healing well & heart issue <u>Elizabeth Means</u>- (Mary McGown's mom) leukemia

<u>Lisa McCurdy</u>– aneurysm in brain/doctor appointment & test in August <u>Dean Rowland</u>– (friend of Patrick Brinkman) prostate cancer/chemo <u>Randy Saisslin</u>– (Lynn Huisingh's brother) non-Hodgkin's lymphoma <u>Jim Schildknecht</u>- (Lynn Ibatuan's brother) lung cancer

<u>Kathleen Schildknecht</u>- (Lynn Ibatuan's sis) non-Hodgkin's lymphoma <u>Beth Sparks</u>- (Virginia Sparks's daughter-in-law) medical tests <u>Linda Waltman</u>- (Danielle Nalle's mom) cancer stage IV/chemo <u>Laura Wampole</u>– gall bladder removal 8/26

Joe White- (Bill A. White's brother) carcinoma lungs/chemo/rad/blockage

### **Special Requests:**

Pastor Travis & family
Athalia & Randall Clower and Ezra Project
Mandy Southern & RBC Children's Ministry
N, E, T & L and S— health and encouragement
JLM transition in directors, teachers & students
Scott, Amy & family hiking in the wilderness