



JANUARY 1, 2023



# WELCOME

At RCC, the Bible tells us that God wants us to find our greatest joy in Him and that He desires for us to share this experience with others.

So our mission is - To encourage people to **Enjoy God Together**.

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And our vision is - To **build joy-filled communities of faith** whose very existence inspires individuals to live an abundant Christian life, **made up of three key relationships - r1, r2, and r3**.

**r1** – A deepening relationship with God

**r2** – A life-changing relationship with other believers

**r3** – An engaging relationship with those yet to believe

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To get there, we have a few things that matter to us:



**WHAT WE THINK ABOUT GOD MATTERS**



**WE FIND OUR GREATEST JOY IN JESUS**



**WE HELP PEOPLE HELP PEOPLE**



**WE CELEBRATE QUESTIONS**



**WE EMBRACE INEVITABLE TENSIONS**



**THIS IS FOR LIFE**



# SHARING THE JOY

## 21-DAY INITIATIVE

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**Beginning January 8th, we're going to take part, together, in a 21-Day Initiative, on Sundays and during the week.**

### **What is Sharing The Joy?**

Here's the thing about this Initiative, it's not another to-do list of "churchy" stuff, but a way to encourage each of us to look at our story as valuable to God's kingdom and our everyday life as God-ordained to share both our story and our joy in Jesus.

### **There is a companion guidebook (and it's free)**

As part of this Initiative, we'll be handing out guides on 1/8 with daily moments of reflection, prayer, and opportunity. Each day takes about 5-10 minutes and we believe it will be very encouraging for everyone.

### **This is best experienced with a small group.**

We're also encouraging everyone to share, discuss and support each other in this experience with a small group - your Life Group, Bible Study, or other small group at RCC. If you are currently not part of one, we'll be offering a group at 10:30am and 11:45am on Sundays, led by a staff member.

### **Why do this now?**

We think it's a great way to start the year as a congregation, reflecting on the joy we have in Jesus and the joy of sharing Him with others in this truly interactive way.

# WINTER CAMP

2023



We're looking forward to a weekend of fun in the mountains with our Students as we grow in our faith and community at Thousand Pines Christian Camp.

*To sign up, go to [richfieldcc.org/events](https://richfieldcc.org/events)*

## ROUTE 56

FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup>

COST: \$325

## JUNIOR HIGH

FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>-20<sup>TH</sup>

COST: \$450

## HIGH SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>-20<sup>TH</sup>

COST: \$450

# SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

## Acts 8:26-38

<sup>26</sup> Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. <sup>27</sup> And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" <sup>31</sup> And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter  
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,  
so he opens not his mouth.

<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth."

<sup>34</sup> And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" <sup>35</sup> Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" <sup>38</sup> And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

# **God Keeps Calling**

Acts 8:26-38

Brian Betts - January 1, 2023

The new year gives us a great chance to reflect and look forward to the ways that God has, and will, speak to us.

**Through Scripture**

**Through Relationships**

**NOTES:**

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