WHAT WE LEARN FROM THE CHURCH IN ACTS.

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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 <u>our mission</u> is - To encourage people to **Enjoy God Together.**

And <u>our vision</u> 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

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

- **WE FIND OUR GREATEST JOY IN JESUS**
- **WHAT WE THINK ABOUT GOD MATTERS**
- WE HELP PEOPLE HELP PEOPLE
- WE CELEBRATE QUESTIONS
- **WE EMBRACE INEVITABLE TENSIONS**
- THIS IS FOR LIFE

GIVING UPDATE

Thank you to all of you for investing in RCC's vision and community. As of 06/28/23 our giving vs. budget is:

General Fund Giving	Month to Date	Year to Date
2023 Actual	\$90,956	\$616,535
2023 Budget	\$136,445	\$746,382
Difference	-\$45,489	-\$129,847

HOW TO GIVE

At RCC, we believe that giving comes as a natural, joyous outpouring of worship for what God has done, is doing, and will do in our lives. So whatever is received, we are grateful and truly believe God is honored through our giving.

If you'd like to give, you can:

- 1. Give at richfieldcc.org/invest
- 2. Give through "giving" on The Church Center App
- 3. Give by text to 84321 (and text an amount to get started)
- 4. Give by cash or check in any of the "for God" boxes"



Join us this summer as your kiddos are launched into a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast "shining Jesus' light". We will learn about shining His love and hope in everyday life through fun sciency-gizmos, catchy songs, one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, and much, much more.

Dates: July 10th – 14th Times: 9am - 12pm

Ages: Pre-K – 6th Grade Cost: \$50 per child (scholarships available)

Contact **Heather Brown** at heatherb@richfieldcc.org for any questions.

Register at www.richfieldcc.org/events or scan the QR code



Come join us for our Encore Gathering for summer on **Tuesday**, **July 4**. We will celebrate the freedoms we share, enjoy some trivia about America, and watch the Yorba Linda fireworks! Invite friends and neighbors.

Time: 6-9:30pm **Where:** Outdoor Pavilion (the tent)

Cost: Free* Who: 55 years and over

*Cookies and beverages will be provided. Bring your own dinner, if desired.

Register: www.richfieldcc.org/events

If you have questions, please contact **Julie** at *juliep@richfieldcc.org* or call Sonya at the church office at (714) 524-1744.

SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

Acts 7:51-8:4

⁵¹ "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. 52 Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, 53 you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it." 54 Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. 55 But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." 57 But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. 58 Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. 59 And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." 60 And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Chapter 8

¹ And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. ² Devout men buried Stephen and made great lamentation over him. ³ But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison. ⁴ Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word.

NOTES:

God's Ways, Not Always Our Preference

Acts 7:51-8:4 Todd Chapman - July 2, 2023

Stephen's Sermon Application:	
The Jew's Response:	
Stephen's Response:	
The Early Believer's Response:	

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