

EPHESIANS

PART OF SOMETHING BIG



April 21, 2024



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**.

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

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 4/17/24 our giving vs. budget is:

General Fund Giving	Month to Date	Year to Date
2024 Actual	\$70,289	\$415,667
2024 Budget	\$74,435	\$414,647
Difference	-\$4,146	\$1,020

NEXT SUNDAY

NEW TO RCC GATHERING

Have you started coming to RCC in the last few months?

Would you love to hear more about who we are and meet some new people and staff members too?

If so, please join us for our New To RCC Gathering **NEXT Sunday**, April 28th after 2nd service. Over lunch, we'll share all about what matters to us and how we go about our hope to help people find their joy in Jesus.

For more info, contact Steven at stevenh@richfieldcc.org.

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Game Night

APRIL 26TH, 2024

Come join the women of RCC **THIS FRIDAY, April 26th, from 6:30-8:30pm** for a fun night of games! It's a great opportunity to bring friends, meet new people, and for reconnecting with old friends throughout the night. Win prizes, share laughter, and enjoy an evening together!

Location: RCC Student Building

Cost: \$5 (game, prizes and refreshments)

You can get in **FREE** if you bring a batch of cookies to share!

Stick around after for a **"NERTZ and ZZERTS AFTER PARTY"**, starting at 8:30pm! Bring a deck of cards if you'd like to stick around and play!

Register: richfieldcc.org/events
or scan the QR code:

If you have any questions, please contact **Stephanie Dunnam** at womenconnect@richfieldcc.org



SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

Ephesians 6:10-13

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

NOTES:

We're at War

Ephesians 6:10-13

Steven Huggins - April 21, 2024

We are in a very real war against an invisible enemy. The only chance of survival is to stand in God's strength.

I. We're at War

II. We Need God

Life Group Discussion Questions

Ephesians 6:10-13

For the week of April 21, 2024

Reading the Text:

1. What has the big idea been for the most recent context in 5:15-6:9?
2. Who DO we, and who do we NOT, wrestle with in v. 12? How would you restate v. 12 in your own words?
3. If this war is primarily waged in the spiritual world, is Paul saying we are never to engage other humans? Why or why not?
4. Read Ephesians 1:3-14 together. What do we already have in Christ that encourages you in this war? How does the reality of 1:3-14 sustain us to stand firm in this war?
5. How would you state the big idea of Ephesians 6:10-13 in your own words?

Living It Out:

1. As you read this text, where does it impact you, personally? Why?
2. Do you tend to be more sensitive or less sensitive to spiritual warfare? Why do you think that is?
3. Do you believe God may be inviting you to adjust your perspective of spiritual things one way or another? How so?
4. How can we encourage one another to live like we are soldiers engaged in a very real war? What does it look like to believe this, and encourage others in this community to live this out?

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