

April 5, 2009

Welcome to Ridgecrest today!

Whether you are a long time member or a first time attendee, you are welcome. Our prayer for all who attend today will be that they see the love of Christ in the lives of His people at Ridgecrest both in our worship and our small groups.

Ray Pritchard has this to say about disappointment, "Disappointment is a tricky emotion. It's not wrong to remember the past and it's certainly not wrong to grieve over what you lost. If our loss was caused by our own stupid choices, then grieving may keep us from making the same mistakes again. But eventually there comes a time when we must move on. At that point our beginnings are likely to be small and insignificant. Do not despair. From tiny acorns mighty oaks someday grow. When God wanted to save the world, he started with a baby in a manger. Small beginnings are no hindrance to the Lord. Go ahead and get started. You never know what God will do."

Today we are going to be talking about the stress of disappointment. If we went around the room today and asked about disappointment, all of us would have stories to tell about our great disappointments. As we related those stories I'm sure that some of the pain would come back. That is only natural.

But the thing that is so helpful from this quote is that wording, "But eventually there comes a time when we must move on." That is what the Lord wants to say to someone here today. He knows that this disappointment has brought you great pain, but you can stay there for only so long. Then you have to move on. How? Rely on Jesus who is the ONLY person who will never disappoint you. Look to Jesus and you will find all that you need to remove the great stress of disappointment from your life. *God Bless - Bro. Phil*

If you need to reach Bro. Phil other than during office hours, please dial 601-260-4076.

Welcome Guest

Please take a moment during the service to fill out a "Blue Card" located in the pew pocket if...

- ...You would like information about our Sunday School groups
- ...You would like information about Ridgecrest and our ministries
- ...You would like to know how to become a Christian and a member of the church

Please place the card in the offering plate and we will contact you as indicated. Thank you for choosing to worship today at Ridgecrest.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - April 10th, at 6:00pm in the sanctuary. We will partake of the Lord's Supper together as a church family. Come and join us as we reflect on the sacrifice Jesus gave for us.

EASTER EGG HUNT - This Saturday, April 11th - Meet in the RAC at 9:30am. Bring one dozen candy-filled eggs. This is for Pre-school through 5th grade children. If you would like to help us, please be in the RAC by 9:15am. Thank you.

SENIOR ADULTS

KEENAGERS - Tuesday, April 14th - 11:00am in the RAC. Ladies are urged to wear a decorated "Easter Hat" to join the Easter Parade and enjoy the fun. Men can wear just a plain man's hat - no frills. Heather Beeland will entertain with seasonal songs. Bring a friend and let's welcome the spring weather. (In case of rain, the fun will NOT be postponed.)

NEW ORLEANS trip - May 7th & 8th. This trip is full of fun and fellowship and includes elegant dining experiences, accommodations at the Hilton Hotel - Riverside, a unique opportunity to watch your seafood lunch being created at the New Orleans Cooking School, a tour of the World War II Museum, and more. To register for this trip, please contact Jane at ext. 35 or jbeeland@rcbc.org. Bring a friend.



New Arrivals

Congratulations to **Jacob & Lauren McGaugh** on the birth of their daughter, **Alice Evelyn, born March 31, 2009**, weighing 7lbs, 3ozs & 20 ½ inches long. "Evie" is welcomed by her two siblings, Manning and Jake.

Fun Trip to the Audubon Zoo for Families- Saturday, April 18th. Leave the church at 7:30am and return at approximately 8:00pm. Come join us for a day, seeing God's creation at the Zoo.

BUILDING THE ARK for our Preschoolers - Come and help us! "Many hands make light work." We need painters (basic & artistic), individuals with experience using tools, and those willing to care for other volunteers' children while they work. To volunteer or for more info, contact Stacie Albritton at salbritton@rcbc.org or 601.853.1090 x 37.

CREST STUDENTS

MS Grapple (Sunday School) OUTings for 6th, 7th & 8th grades - April 19th from 12:00noon to 2:00pm. Transportation is provided from the church. This is an outreach opportunity to invite friends who will then come to Sunday School each Sunday.

Father-Son Canoe Trip on the Okatoma - Weekend of May 1-2. All Guys Grades 6 thru 12. Register with payment by April 19th for this weekend of fun and fellowship. For details, contact Nathan or Gina at ext. 52.

Girls Sage Conference, Weekend of May 1-2. All Girls Grades 6 thru 12 - A Mother-daughter opportunity at FBC Jackson. Its goal is to equip girls to know and share Christ. To register go to youth@rcbc.org by April 19th.

ShareFest-Madison - April 22 & 25-26. Mission Opportunity for the Family. This is a Ridgecrest-sponsored event in Madison County to visibly demonstrate the love of Christ! Join us in serving others through MadCAAP! Children's and Men's Clothing and Canned Food Drive, April 1-26. Blood Drive: Wednesday, April 22nd from 4 - 8pm. Saturday, April 25th: Family Service Projects from 8am - 5pm. On Sunday, April 26th, we will have a Celebration Service in the sanctuary at 6:00pm. Plan to participate with us in this community event. For information on how you can help, contact Mike McCool at 601.853.1090 x 30 or Nathan Bogue at ext. 52.

Canned Food Drive for ShareFest - April 1st - 26th. Please pick up a list of the needed food items at the Ministry Placement Center or the ShareFest kiosk in the education building walkway. Then bring your canned food donations to the ShareFest kiosk. Our preschoolers will be sorting them each week!

ShareFest Clothing Drive - April 1st - 26th. We are in need of children's clothing for ages birth - 12th grade & MEN'S clothing only. Please NO women's clothing. Put children's and men's clothing in the bin at the ShareFest kiosk.

WE NEED YOU!!! We need 8 to 10 more people to complete our team for the **Mission Trip to Colorado on June 6th - 13th.** This would be a great trip for those who have never been on a mission trip. There are no special skills needed, just a willingness to be used by God. Please sign up outside the Coffee Corner at the Missions kiosk or contact Tim Blocker at 601.853.1090 x 64.

CREST WOMEN

New Bible Study begins this Tuesday, April 7th, at 9:00am in Room 301 - Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed: A Study of David. Each segment of this study focuses on the life of David at different stages of his life. 6 weeks. Childcare is available. Please register with ages of children to crestwomen@live.com.

Weekly Opportunities

Sunday, April 5

Men's Prayer Breakfast - 7:00am - RAC
Iron Sharpens Iron: Men's Adventure - 7:30am - Room 105
Preschool, Crest Kids, Students & College-age - 9:00am
Adult Bible Study - 9:00am & 10:30am
9:00am - Traditional Worship & 10:30am - Contemporary Worship
Youth Choir - 4:45pm - Choir room
Crest Kids on Mission - 6:00pm - RAC
Mission Friends - 6:00pm - Fellowship Hall
Evening Worship & Bible Study - 6:00pm - Sanctuary
Youth LifeSUPPORT - MS @ 6:00pm - HS @ 7:15pm - Living Room

Monday, April 6

Precept Bible Study - 5:30pm - Room 301
Ladies in Prayer - 7:00pm - Bride's Room
RCBC Fast Break Basketball - 7:00pm - RAC

Tuesday, April 7

Men in Prayer - 6:30am - Sanctuary
NEW Ladies Bible Study - 9:00am - 3rd Floor
Metamorphosis (Teens) - 7:00pm - Living Room
RCBC 2 vs Broadmoor 1 Volleyball - 5:45pm - Court 1 - RAC
RCBC 1 vs Col.Hgts 2 Volleyball - 7:00pm - Court 1 - RAC

Wednesday, April 8

Building "The Ark"
Fellowship Supper - 4:45pm to 5:50pm - RAC
The Spot Deli: Middle School 5:00pm - High School 6:00pm
MS *UnPLUGGED* - 6:00pm - The Living Room
HS REVOLUTION - 7:15pm - The Living Room
Men's Adventure - 6:00pm - Room 102
Sign Language Classes - 6:00pm - Rooms 104 & 201
Worship KidStyle - 6:00pm - Choir Room
Preschool Choir - 6:00pm - Fellowship Hall
Swilley Small Group Bible Study - 6:00pm - Room 103
Ladies Study - "Women of Worth" - 6:00pm - Room 105
Adult Bible Study & Prayer - 6:00pm - RAC
Adult Sanctuary Choir - 7:00pm - Choir Room

Thursday, April 9

College Bible Study - 7:00pm - The Living Room
RCBC 1 vs Col.Hgts 1 Volleyball - 5:45pm - Court 1 - Broadmoor
RCBC 2 vs Broadmoor 2 Volleyball - 7:00pm - Court 1 - Broadmoor

Friday, April 10

Good Friday Service - 6:00pm - Sanctuary