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# Welcome

As we witness the earth come alive once more, with flowers blooming and trees budding and turning green, we’re reminded of the powerful theme of renewal. I’ve always seen spring as a powerfully vivid parable of the new life we have in Christ. This season of renewal on earth mirrors the renewal of our hearts and lives through Jesus Christ.

***“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.” 2 Corinthians 5:17 NASB1995.***

In this verse, Paul captures the essence of our faith: transformation and renewal in Christ. As parents, our role is to guide our children through the seasons of the year and the seasons of life, always pointing them to the ultimate source of renewal, Jesus Christ.

As we move through this season of renewal, let’s encourage our children to see the beauty of God’s creation in the changing seasons and to reflect on the beautiful change that God accomplishes in the hearts of His people. Let’s teach them to look to Jesus, the author and perfector of our faith, who makes all things new.

# Upcoming Events

**March**

3/27 - No Wednesday night youth meeting

3/31 - No Sunday School

**April**

4/19 - Friday Night Hang Out at the McKnight home.

**May**

5/10 - Friday Night Hang Out at the Brown Home

5/19 - Graduate Recognition

5/19 – Church Picnic at Joyner Park

5/26 – No Sunday School, Memorial Day

**June**

6/1 - Parent Meeting for Ridge Haven Camp

6/14 - Friday Night Hangout at the Rogers’ home

6/26 – No Wednesday Night activities

6/24-6/29 – Ridge Haven Camp

**July**

7/12 - Friday Night Hang Out at the Hurst home

7/20 - Falls Lake Fun Day

# Prayer Focus

### This season, let us commit to praying for

### Our youth that they will grow in their relationship with and love for Jesus by seeking to submit themselves to His lordship.

### That they will have opportunities throughout the process of building our new church to invest in its future.

# Current Curriculum

### Sunday School

Middle School – G2R God’s Promises – Judges - 1 Kings, *GCP Publishing*

“I will never break my covenant with you.” The Israelites were finally living in the Promised Land, and God reminded them of his never-ending covenant promise. Sadly, his reminder came in the context of abject failure on Israel’s part. Joshua had died, and the people would begin a cycle of sin that would lead to their eventual exile from this fruitful land they had longed for and fought for. God would raise up judges, prophets, and kings to turn his people back to the path of righteousness, but over and over, they showed their need for the Perfect Judge, Prophet, and King—Jesus Christ.

The material can be viewed and purchased [here](https://www.gcp.org/ProductDetail.aspx?Item=SS7131).

##### High School – So What? - A Study of Philippians *GCP Publishing*

“Philippians is a favorite book of the Bible for teens of all ages—great for those who don’t know the Lord and treasured by those who’ve walked with him since they were young. Equip your students to “shine as lights in the world,” “hold fast to the word of life,” and “count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Jesus Christ our Lord.”

This study is excellent for all teens, including middle and high school students. The first six sessions focus on learning Bible study skills while learning life-changing truths. You will never read the Bible the same way again!”

The material can be viewed and purchased [here](https://www.gcp.org/ProductDetail.aspx?Item=SW9412).

##### Wednesday Night Meeting\*\*

“Growing in Grace: Exploring Spiritual Disciplines”

We will study Spiritual Disciplines based on Donald S. Whitney’s book *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life*. This series aims to equip our students with the tools to cultivate a deeper, more intentional walk with Christ. Our students will explore core spiritual disciplines such as Bible intake, prayer, worship, and evangelism through engaging discussions, practical activities, and personal reflection.

This study is designed to deepen their understanding of these timeless practices and inspire them to integrate these disciplines into their daily lives. By fostering a discipline-oriented approach to faith, our youth will grow in godliness and be better prepared to navigate life's challenges with wisdom and grace.

The material can be viewed and purchased [here](https://www.amazon.com/Spiritual-Disciplines-Christian-Donald-Whitney/dp/1615216170/ref=sr_1_1?dib=eyJ2IjoiMSJ9.j9wx9HWsrQOMwQIEYD1TSFlhZOLbScCUXi63OnulktL9OFBeGLUvM_LmU_W9BCKkjRKbqP50nGF0JjxZ0XbsEyfpCOdjtbgGEM3wAhzZ4doYu7Repy0TMLix3uHQ2WEIThhFKT0AqKyEbdFxO1FMFMpT_oEgdRPTPTWMMUZL0OqfD0sf_q6n-eq_b34AmOf7yj9-YHYGlmPUM6TbKWHhSBnSrKD7OufOp8u7sT2l0bs.fG2nGni_qCNb9HUffWYuxpmzOgYirr4WvqsNvQ1QMIs&dib_tag=se&hvadid=580629302790&hvdev=c&hvlocphy=9009718&hvnetw=g&hvqmt=e&hvrand=11155134410674160407&hvtargid=kwd-6073417113&hydadcr=8297_13500812&keywords=donald+whitney+spiritual+disciplines&qid=1710276748&sr=8-1).

**\*\* We will also have short studies on pertinent topics throughout the year. \*\***

# Important Notes

* Please encourage your students to memorize the Scripture memory verses from the Family Worship guide. This is an excellent way for them to internalize the Word of God and earn a scholarship for Ridge Haven Camp.
* Please encourage your students to invite their friends to the Friday Night Hang Out’s.