



Issue Forty-three

ROL e-News

Please join us Sunday

Sept. 28, 2008

"Caring for a Lot with a Little"
by Pastor Chuck Holliday
Mark 6:30-44

If you missed a sermon, click
[here](#) to listen on-line or
download to your iPod.

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Worship Service
- 10:30 AM Worship Service.
- Nursery for all services
- Children's Programs for Pre-K through 5th Grade during 9AM & 10:30 AM services

YOUTH SCHEDULE

MIDDLE SCHOOL (OBX) YOUTH GROUP

Mon. 6:30-8:30pm
Joey Redd
Joey@riverpca.org

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Wed. 6:30-9:00pm
Adam Young
Adam@riverpca.org

COLLEGE GROUP

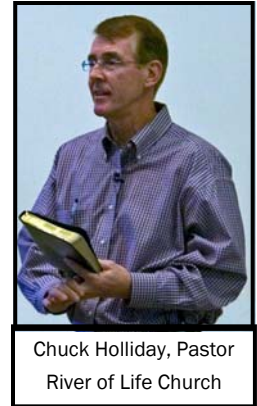
Sun. 6:00-9:00 pm
Brandon Gantt
gantt.brandan@gmail.com

Message from our Pastor

Psalm 109:1-4 "O God, whom I praise, do not remain silent... With words of hatred they surround me; they attack me without cause...**but I am a man of prayer.**"

Even in the most desperate circumstances David knew that all was not lost. This was his secret: he was a man of prayer. Whether facing the terrible giant or surrounded by Saul's

armies, or facing the insurrection of his trusted general, David knew that there was still time on God's play clock. As long as God remained on the throne he knew that he had an advocate on high, a last appeal, a listening ear from the Almighty. Knowing this kept him from despair in situations that would have made lesser men melt in fear. He knew that his story was part of



Chuck Holliday, Pastor
River of Life Church

God's bigger story and that God delights to rescue his children when all seems lost. "For he stands at the right hand of the needy one." (v.31)

Pastor Chuck

PRAYER MINISTRY

In the Gap: Early risers are invited to join Pastor **Chuck and Rich Hawkins** in Chuck's office each Sunday at 7:40 AM to pray before the first worship service. This is ongoing and no reservation is needed.



Prayer Chain: This is a group committed to praying for the needs of our church and community on a regular basis. Prayer requests are shared through e-mail or by phone depending on the urgency of the request. If interested, please send contact information to Rhonette Hukill at 407-625-6943 or click [here](#) to e-mail Rhonette.



ROL AND FUSION

Fusion is an annual event empowering local churches to get involved in community service that clearly demonstrates the power of God's love through acts of empowered kindness and meeting real needs. Home group leaders and church members can sign up to assist with a project by going to www.orlandofusion.org, and click on serve.

River of Life and its members are sponsoring service projects during Fusion weekend. Jim and Rhonette Hukill and their ministry **Lift Disability Network** have a couple of excellent serving opportunities on the Fusion site, and would love to see ROL members participate. One project involves assisting at **Through the Roof: A Conference on Faith and Disability**, volunteering with hosting and registration, among other possible duties.

Another exciting opportunity sponsored by **Lift Disability Network**, in conjunction with Through the Roof, is a build-a-wheelchair team. Wheelchairs will be refurbished and repaired



and sent to places around the globe for use wherever there is need. For more information on these opportunities, please visit www.liftdisabilitynetwork.org. And to sign up for these particular works of service, visit the Fusion site and register for projects 25 and 26.

Another opportunity to **serve is with Emmanuel Baptist Church**. "We Have to do it" These are the words often uttered by the church pastor, Pastor Francois, when discussing the feeding of "his people" living on the streets of OBT. Greg and Annie Singleton met Pastor Francois 18 months ago, and got excited about his passion for the people living near his modest church. It's located at 25th Street and Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando. Greg and Annie quickly started a small group made up of several families to join Pastor Francois in serving those who come for lunch. They have been going to EBC on Saturday mornings to serve food for 25-50 people, while Pastor Francois delivers a message for their souls. Would you consider joining them in this "Fusion Project" by providing and serving a meal. Greg and Annie take their 4 children with them and work as a team! Greg says **"the blessing truly is ours!"** If you are interested as an individual, couple, family, or home group, please contact Annie or Greg Singleton for more information. Send an e-mail to anniechristine@bellsouth.net or call them at 407.822.5245

"...the blessing is truly ours!"

If you know of a service industry that could benefit from Fusion participation, email Russell at russell@riverpca.org and/or Phil at philhissom@gmail.com

OFFICER INSTALLATION

New officers will be installed at the 9am worship service this Sunday, September 28.

Share Christ with a Child in the Children's Ministry!

A great chance for ministry at River of Life is with our own children in Kids Connection. We worship through song, prayer, offering, and sharing the Word of God each week. We are using an exciting new Bible curriculum to teach our kids about the faith.



Grab a friend and decide to teach a class together during one of the worship hours on Sunday mornings. This is an incredible opportunity to experience the Gospel in a fresh way as you lead the children of our congregation. One of the most important things we have the opportunity to do as a church is to tell the next generation about our great God. Pray about how YOU might share in the blessings of leading young people to Jesus. Perhaps you haven't been around children for a while or are an empty nester and think you've been there and done that. But now is when you have the time and energy to have kids in your life again!

Specific needs:

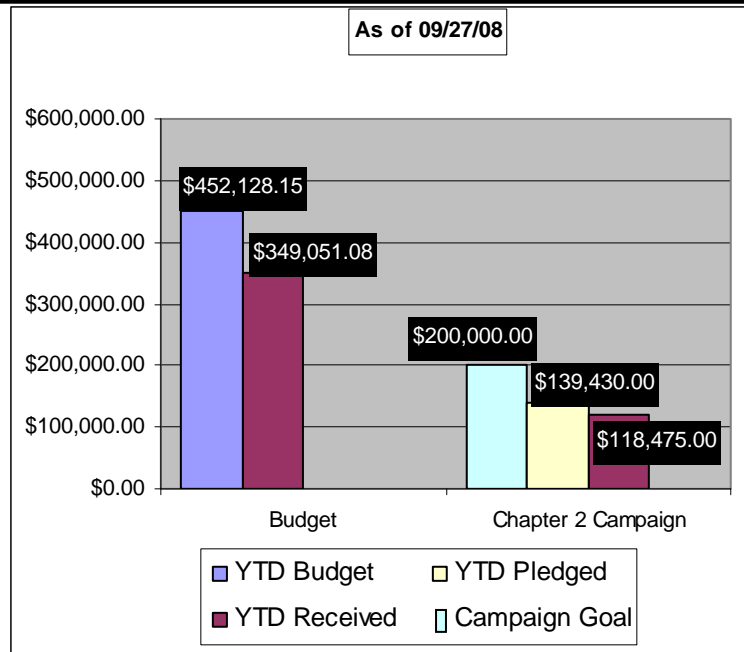
- preschool class of 3-5 year olds during 9 am service
- 3rd-5th grade students during both services

If interested, please contact Adam at adam@riverpca.org or 407.493.4013.

Adam Young
Children's Director

**Serve for
God's Glory**

*Financial
Update*



FROM THE CREATORS OF *FACING THE GIANTS*

FIREPROOF

NEVER LEAVE YOUR PARTNER BEHIND

IN THEATERS SEPTEMBER 26, 2008



Get ready for the rescue of a lifetime. The makers of *Facing the Giants*, the film with a less than giant budget that grossed over \$15,000,000, will release *Fireproof* in 800 theaters on September 26th. Our beloved teen idol all-grown-up, Kirk Cameron (*Growing Pains*), stars in this gospel-message film about a hero firefighter Lieutenant who learns that his true calling as a husband is a personal 911 orchestrated by God. He is shocked to hear that saving people from burning buildings is excellent, but won't reconcile him to a Holy God. Turns out the rescuer needed rescuing by the real hero of this film, Jesus Christ.

This should be a refreshing film with a message that speaks boldly to our culture infatuated with immorality and convinced that divorce is freedom. *Fireproof* is a must-see and unlike others in the past, is produced with excellence and relevant applications to us all about the nature of

true love. The film's focus is on marriage, our most intimate relationship. Every marriage strong or weak, healthy or teetering on the brink of divorce, should be strengthened and encouraged by the truths and challenges of this biblically based film. I am grateful for this movie and pray for its success according to God's will.

With enough support, Sony pictures will pick up the film. Based on the initial response and overwhelming support by such organizations as Focus on the Family, Family Life, and The Marriage Commission, resources based on the movie are already available from the website such as devotionals, small-group study materials and couples kits.

Make plans now to "sit down" for your marriage; in a theater on September 26th.

For more information on the movie go to www.fireproofthemovie.com

Terry Griffo

Fireproof is showing at the following theatres:

Altamonte Mall 18, 433 East Altamonte Ave, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
 Cinemark at Festival Bay 20, 5150 Orlando Drive, Orlando, FL 32819
 Pointe 21 Theaters, Pointe Orlando, Orlando, FL 32819
 The Loop Stadium 16, 3232 N. John Young Pkwy, Kissimmee, FL 34741
 Waterford Lakes 20, 541 North Alafaya Trail, Orlando, FL 32828

Relief for the People of Haiti

Thank you for helping with the Haitian relief fund and refugee camp donations. We received cash donations that have been sent to GCA and we were able to ship nearly 300 pounds of donations for the refugee camp.

Also, one of our River of Life members, Rachael Olivier, who is currently attending Covenant College and from Haiti, raised nearly \$900 last week for the GCA organization.

Thanks for your efforts & God Bless!
 Lori & Emmett Bradford

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

One of the most valued treasures we women have is friends. There is no better place to form and nurture those friendships than being a part of one of the studies that the Women's Ministry at ROL has planned for us. Below are two of the women's studies that are planned for this Fall. Pick the one that fits your schedule and **sign up in the foyer after church on Sunday**. A workbook or book will need to be purchased for the study you attend.

Survey of the Book of Ruth

Debbie Holliday will be leading this small group study on Ruth.

- Where: Debbie's home
Winter Garden, FL
321-217-5845
- Start Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2008

Note new starting date.

- Time: 7:30pm -9:30pm
- 10 sessions. We'll meet every other week.
- This class is limited to about 12 participants.

Survey of the Gospel of John

Dorcas Cepeda will be leading this study.

- Where: ROL Church
- Start Date: Sunday, October 5, 2008
- Time: 9am
- 9 sessions We'll meet every Sunday except October 12 (Women's Retreat.)



Girlfriends

Women's Retreat, October 10 -12th \$175.00

If you are registered to attend the women's retreat, please ensure any balance owed is paid in full by Sunday, 10/05/08. If you would like to make a tax deductible donation to help pay for someone in need of a scholarship, place your check in the offering bag and note "Women's Retreat Scholarship" on the memo line. Thank you.



WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The Women's Prayer Group will be meeting on October 7th at 7pm at the home of Sandi Araujo. Please mark your calendar with this change of date for the month of October. Starting in November, we will resume our regular schedule of meeting on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information, please contact Rhonette Hukill at 407-625-6943.