



River City Church

LIFTING JESUS UP IN THE INNER CITY

Average Attendance	Adults	Teens	Kids	Total
SUNDAY WORSHIP	28	7	18	53
SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS	31	7	21	59
MID-WEEK GATHERINGS	17	2	14	33

HAPPENINGS FROM THE MONTH

- We had an appreciation Sunday for Don and Deanne Williams as this is Don's last month in a paid role at RCC. Don and Deanne's family were able to come for the appreciation.
- The Sunday before Christmas we had our second Annual Christmas Cookie Fellowship after worship. This was to an enjoyable time for all!
- Some of our members and staff participated in STEP Ministries' Christmas Toy Store as prayer partners to people who were shopping. We also had a few of our RCC families get to shop for their children.
- One of our long time members' adult son died. Keith and Don helped host a memorial service for the family.
- We were offered a matching grant of \$25,000 to go towards youth funds, building repairs, and Christian Trauma Counseling for our members. We are excited to share that we exceeded the \$25,000—raising \$25,525.24!
- Keith spent a lot of time working with people who are in constant need of help. He and Laura took food, visited, and prayed with one of our young mothers feeling overwhelmed with life challenges.
- Keith, Laura, and Cristina went to a dance recital for two of our teen girls.
- We slowed the pace down a bit the last two weeks of December, including not having classes on Sundays and Tuesdays. This gave the staff an opportunity to be with family and recharge.

Operating Contribution for December:

- \$1,762

Benevolence:

SHARE AND CARE DONATION: \$500

- We provided food for one of our young single moms whose food stamps were turned off unexpectedly. (\$113)
- We paid for medicine for one of our members. (\$16)
- We provided a meal from Wendy's for one of our couples with many life challenges. (\$20)
- We provided food and Christmas gifts for a family in desperate need. (\$140)
- We provided gas for a lady. (\$20)
- We bought emergency supplies, including sleeping bags for some in need. (\$116)



Prayer Request:

- For the Lord of the harvest to send laborers to work alongside us.
- For financial support for Cristina. She is \$5,364 away from her goal for 2024!
- For Don & Deanne while they are in the Philippines.
- For Keith & Laura as they take on more responsibility.
- For our church family to love and know Christ as their Savior.



Youth Highlights from Cristina

December was a busy and exciting month for our youth. We celebrated Christ's birth in bible classes leading up to our worship service on Christmas Eve, that was an interactive service with youth participation. I took a group to the Christmas celebration at Windsong Church, where we had snacks, played games, and fellowshiped with other families. Our youth who participate in Silver City's Mentoring Program had a Christmas party with all the other mentees and mentors. Additionally, we had a couple of families benefit from Christmas Toyshops in the area. We are thankful for God's presence and thankful for another great year!

Appreciation for Don and Deanne

Don and Deanne have loyally served our church family—glorifying God through their love and dedication to RCC. They are wonderful examples of Christ-like servants, loving mentors, and friends.

Don and Deanne are one-of-a-kind, irreplaceable, and indeed two of the hardest-working people we know. We are thankful that this isn't a goodbye, and that they will still be part of our church family in a different way!

We see their great faith in God, and we know it is this faith in God that is leading them in this transition. Please join us in prayer for them as they start a new adventure, serving the Lord!



A Note from Don & Deanne

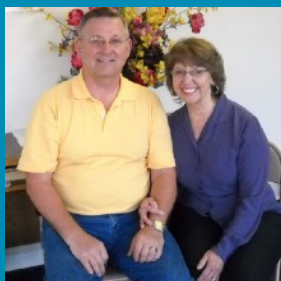
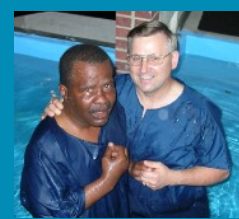
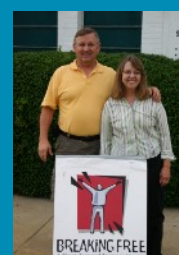
Wow, how time flies. It's hard to believe we have been ministers on staff with River City Church since 2005. Grateful can't describe the feeling we have for all the love and support we have had over the last 18 years. We are thankful for the many lives who have touched us in special ways, some who are still with us, and some who have gone on to their reward.

By the time you're reading this, we will be in the Philippines on our newest adventure of serving the Lord. We will be visiting several churches we helped plant in the 80's and 90's. We also will be involved in a medical mission, plan to visit some longtime missionary families, and hopefully get a little relaxation in. God's richest blessing on each of you!

Love in Christ,

Don and Deanne

Don and Deanne Over the Years



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