



NEWSLETTER

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And so it Begins...

This month has been a whirlwind of activity for our family and our ministry with Rivers Edge Church. We have achieved several important milestones that we are excited to share with you. The first was the official announcement of Rivers Edge being sent out at our home church, Living Water Baptist! I was given the opportunity to preach from Luke 15 and deliver a message that intertwined God's calling in Erin and I's life with the calling that He has given all of His faithful children...to seek those that are lost. This month also included two meetings with the church planting cohort, a collection of mission minded churches that are collaborating with the Waccamaw Baptist Association in the effort to plant 25 churches in the next five years. I was also informed that RiversEdge will be the first of these to officially be sponsored. It was amazing and humbling to be surrounded by these leaders and to be encouraged in our efforts to spread the Gospel in Horry county.

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This month also marked one of our first answered prayers in regards to Rivers Edge ministry. We were given an incredible donation from David Bartion of Creekside Baptist Church in Goose Creek, SC. Through their generous gifting we now have access to many of the physical resources needed to hold service, such as sound equipment, banners, backdrops, and more. Finally, the end of this month will mark our first interest meeting for Rivers Edge Church. We will have more information on that meeting and more in the upcoming issue!

We want to encourage you as you pray for us by sharing how God has continued to be faithful in providing opportunities, resources, and partners. There are many times where the task of planting a church seems to be daunting. With all of the uncertainty that surrounds our world, what a relief and comfort it is that our God would speak into our life with His church. It has been a wonderful and encouraging reminder of the "hope we have in Christ", and why the task of planting new churches is so important. Thank you for your continued support, and be assured that your prayers are and will continue to be answered.

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THE POWER OF PRAYER

As we enter into this season of busy schedules, changing weather, and declining sleep, I would like to encourage you to pray specifically for our family. As the schedule for each month continues to fill up with school, work, extracurricular activities, and ministry opportunities, it is easy for God to get lost in the background of all the noise. Pray that God will grant us moments of peace and stillness amidst the chaos. Pray that our family, and especially Erin and I, will be diligent in the ministering to our children. Lastly, pray that I will be faithful in leading and encouraging Erin with her walk with the Lord.

PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

We would like to give a special thanks to Creekside Baptist Church and their pastor, David Barton. They have so graciously donated to us sound equipment, banners, and equipment that will enable us to hold events and services in the future. Their willingness to bless us will allow Rivers Edge Church to focus on other resources in the future. Thank you so much for your generosity!

WHAT'S NEXT

As impactful as September was, October is equally as exciting. On the 4th of October, I will be preaching in Aynor, SC at The Fellowship Church. We will also be responding to our first interest meeting and preparing for interest meeting number two, taking place on the evening of October 18th. Lakeside Baptist Church has requested that I assist with leading services on the 18th of October, and we are excited to return there again. We will start our family fellowship meetings this month after having to postpone in September due to illness. We will continue to seek out a physical space to begin our weekly bible study and hopefully this will begin during October!



NEEDS:

- Financial provisions
- MacBook Pro (\$2500)
- Projector and screen (\$1000)
- Business cards (\$200)
- Website fees (\$300)
- Covered Trailer for Mobile Church
- A space to meet as a gathered people
- Land for Future Church Site

PRAYER FOCUS

Our monthly needs will vary, so we hope that each month you will take time to pray for these specific circumstances

- A physical space where we can meet as a weekly bible study
- Our community as we reach out with the gospel
- Our future launch team, that God will begin preparing those who would go with us
- Discernment as we lay the foundations of Rivers Edge as a gathering of God's people
- A covered trailer in order to house sound equipment and portable service items
- Land that God has ordained for Rivers Edge that we would be a blessing to our community.

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