

The Connector Newsletter

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Welcome to our Church today!

We're so glad that you've taken time to be with us today. You'll find that Three Rivers Worship Center is filled with great people who are friendly and caring. Thank you for joining us!

Service Times

Sunday

Morning Worship 10:00 am Prayer Service 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study @ 6:30pm

* No Service on Sunday Evening April 5th.

Meet our families!

Throughout the year, we want to take time to profile different families in our church so we can get to know each other a little better. This month we are profiling the O'Quinn family.

Latika O'Quinn is attending Indiana Tech where she has received an Associates in General Studies concentrated in Psychology and continuing for a Bachelors in Psychology. She works part-time at Brighton Collectible and is a part of our praise team.

Taniayah O'Quinn is a 10th grader at Homestead High School. She is an Honor Roll student and has recently received an Academic letter. Taniayah likes to shop and hang with family.

Isaiah O'Quinn, is an 8th grader at Woodside Middle. He is an A and B student who likes football and loves basketball and chicken wings.

We are so honored to have the O'Quinn family a part of TRWC family!



Power of Caring

Thank you to all of our TRWC family who helped contribute so we could feed a family in our neighborhood.

The Romans sent a message; God sent one, too

The rulers of the Roman Empire wanted everyone under their power to understand clearly that it would be very costly to try to overthrow their government. They conceived the idea of crucifixion as a way of sending an unforgettable message to all people under their control. Death on a cross would be a slow, excruciatingly painful death. The cross would be put in a very public place so as many as possible would get the message: Don't even think of defying Roman rule!



That is why Christ was crucified on Golgotha hill close to a busy road where no passerby could miss the shocking scene. Christ was guilty of nothing. Yet his enemies hated him so much that they told Pilate, Rome's representative in Jerusalem, that Jesus was a danger to Roman rule. Christ's enemies said to Pilate, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend; everyone who makes himself a king sets himself against Caesar" (John 19:12). Pilate caved in to the clamor of the crowd and allowed Jesus to be crucified.

But those who saw to it that Jesus suffered death on the cross did not know that God had a message to send as well. God victoriously raised Christ from the dead! God touched the precious body of his Son and infused it with life, glorious, dynamic life, life in all of its fullness.

God turned the cross, the executioner's tool of death, into a dramatic symbol of victory. The empty cross and the empty tomb, along with the resurrected body of Christ, reveal God's victory over the worst deed humans might do — the assassination of the Holy.

That is why we put crosses everywhere: boldly, proudly, joyously, triumphantly. It is why we glory in the cross always. It stands eternally "towering o'er the wrecks of time" (John Bowring).

After the Resurrection, Jesus' friend, Peter, explained God's message to all of Christ's enemies with these bold and certain words: "This Jesus, you crucified and killed But God raised him up, having loosed the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it This Jesus God raised up, and of that we are all witnesses Therefore know assuredly that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified" (Acts 2:23-24; 32, 36). That is what Easter is all about. All Praise to Him!

TRWC³

So what is TRWC³? It stands for Three Rivers Worship Center to the power of three. So what exactly does all of this mean? As we begin with 2015 we need to make sure that we are fulfilling our purpose as a church. Church is more than just a place to worship. The church is living, thriving and active. You are the church and God wants to operate through you.

Here are the three areas that we need to focus on this year...The Power of Three:

- 1. The power of Caring
- 2. The power of Sharing
- 3. The power of Praying

This year, we want to show those who live in our neighborhood that Jesus loves them and so do we. We are going to be feeding some needy families and sharing Christ with them. Our first target feed is during Easter. Sister Latika O'Quinn has put together a menu for 3 days for us. We will be publishing a list very soon of the items you need to bring, I would love for us to be able to feed at least 3 families this Easter. The scriptures teaches us it's wrong for us to tell people (see next page for the rest of the article)

that we care about them and send them on their way. We are called to do more...the world needs to know that Jesus cares about them and it's up to us to display His love.

The Power of Sharing— if we want to see people's lives change, then we've got to share the hope that is within us. The Bible says if the Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost. It's up to us to share the Gospel. It's up to us to invite people to church...it's up to us to share. Think of three friends or family members who need Christ and pray for them, ask God to open their hearts to receive Him and then begin to invite them to church. Watch and see what will happen.

The Power of Praying - One of the saddest scriptures is where the Father says that He looked for an intercessor to stand in the gap that He might not destroy the land, but He found none. We need to be gap fillers for our city, family, friends and church. Your prayers can and do make a difference. God will change circumstances, make a way when there seems to be no way if we will pray.

So let's work together this coming year as we experience the power of caring, sharing and praying...TRWC³

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