

***"For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility." Ephesians 2:14***

**Elders**

Harold Carman ❖ John Durkota  
Bob Keen ❖ Ray Rowan  
John Schmitt ❖ Ross Mackenzie

**Evangelists**

Tom Brown ❖ Jeff Hickman  
Jordan Massey ❖ Kendall Knight

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Kelly Brown ❖ Lin Ottenweller  
LaToya Massey

**Missions Teacher**

Dr. Douglas Jacoby

**Worship & Creative Arts Ministry**

Sherwin & Debbie Mackintosh

**Youth & Family Ministry**

Chase & Sarah Mackintosh

**Campus Ministry**

Jordan Massey ❖ Cody Porter

**Children's Ministry**

Melissa Tulloch

**Administration**

Vivian Hanes ❖ Megan Famodun

**YES! Ministry**

Jasmine Jackson

**Supporting Mission Efforts In:**

Africa, Auburn-Tuskegee,  
Chattanooga, Europe, Knoxville

Headlines read:

January 24, 2019 — Two Illinois Men Plead Guilty to Bombing of Islamic Center

April 28, 2019 — Synagogue Shooting: One Dead, Three Injured at Chabad

November 5, 2019 — Man Pleads Guilty to Burning Cross in Black Mississippi Neighborhood

After reading these headlines from last year, it is easy to see that hatred is real. Our world is full of racial, social, economic, and cultural division. Our headlines scream the unquestionable reality. We see the result of it everywhere. We live in a world where men act out their hatred. But Jesus saw it too. He lived it, and he died a victim of it.

Jesus came to break down the walls that divided the Jews and Gentiles, to bring together people of all nations. Few things speak more powerfully to the world about the heart of God than seeing people from all backgrounds united by Him. And yet, we have a lot to learn to genuinely try to understand and love each other and carry each other's burdens.

**North River's Vision Statement begins with "We are a diverse family of believers who answered the call to be disciples of Jesus Christ."** We are a work in progress. Each of us comes with our own story, our own hurts, and our own prejudices. We come as a church to learn how to love like Jesus. In the past year, many of us have had the amazing experience of being in the diversity training where we have begun to see ourselves clearer, learned to listen to each other more intentionally, fought to understand each other better, and learned to love each other more genuinely as we do life together, God's way, celebrating our differences and learning from each other.

Next weekend, we have a tremendous opportunity to continue to grow in our sensitivity to each other as we come together to hear Michael Burns teach on, "All Things to All People." As we allow God to continue to break down "the dividing walls of hostility," we will be a light to the world, a safe place where people can see their value in the eyes of God.

**Communities**

**Central**

Jeff & Kristi Hickman  
Dennis Pickens

**East**

Jacinto & Rochelle Hall

**East Cobb (Sandy Springs)**

Tom & Kelly Brown  
Stephen & Susan Adkins

**Intown**

John & Vivian Hanes

**Northwest**

(Kennesaw, Acworth)  
Sherwin & Debbie Mackintosh

**Marietta Square**

Alex & Jasmine Jackson  
Adeoye & Megan Famodun

**North Marietta**

(South Woodstock)

Matt & Enid Tchir

**South**

Gary & Dena Adams

**West Cobb**

(Smyrna, South Cobb)  
Teregi & Anne Coleman

**Community leader/staff emails**

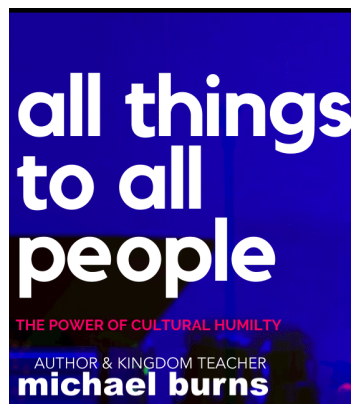
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**All Things to All People: Childcare, This Saturday 10am-2pm**



North River Church of Christ and Bridge Pointe Church are excited to welcome Michael Burns to speak about culture and diversity inside and outside of the church for a special Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend workshop, "All Things to All People."

A few campus students have volunteered to provide childcare on Saturday on-site, but we do need an RSVP for those with children to plan accordingly. Please fill out the form at [bit.ly/workshopchildcare](http://bit.ly/workshopchildcare) by THIS WEDNESDAY (January 15)! Also, please consider giving a donation to the students who are helping, but if you are unable to do so, do not let this hinder you from planning to come! Another way to help if you are a parent is to consider volunteering to babysit for one of the 3 hour-long sessions on Saturday starting at 10am, 11am, and 1pm. We would love for everyone to be there, so mark your calendars!

**Agape Ball 2020: A Special Valentine's Dance for All**



It's all about love! Love for our God, our brothers and sisters, spouses, friends and relatives — and that's what we want to celebrate next month! We invite you to "A Night Under the Stars" — North River's first ever Valentine's Day Ball! It's a celebration of love that will take place on Saturday, February 15, 2020 in the North River Lighthouse!

With no marriage retreat this year, this is a fun alternative for any married couples seeking a fun evening! But it's not just for marrieds. Campus, singles, young and old, friends of the church, and your next door neighbor — everyone is welcome! We also are aware that there is an Atlanta singles event this same weekend, giving many of

us great options to celebrate the weekend of love, so save the date!!

Registration is open at <http://bit.ly/35wJCwC>. We hope to see you there!!

## For Your Future Calendars:

- **January :** All-Church Midweeks at 7:30pm
- **Jan. 18-19 :** Michael Burns Diversity Weekend
- **Jan. 26 :** The Lighthouse Grand Opening
- **Feb. 7-9 :** "Restoration of the Heart" Weekend
- **Feb. 14-16 :** "Ransomed" Singles' Weekend

- **Feb. 15 :** Agape (Valentine's) Ball
- **Feb. 29 :** Parenting & Marriage Workshops
- **Mar. 1 :** All NR Family Group Leader's Meeting
- **Mar. 20 :** Latin Women's Day, 7pm
- **Mar. 21 :** Women's Day, 9am



## WORSHIP NIGHT

Hosted by NORTHVIEW CHURCH

Saturday | January 25  
Event starts @ 7:00PM  
1000 Northfield Ct.  
Roswell, GA 30076

## Learn Sign Language!



Are you interested in learning American Sign Language (ASL)? To be added to the group and join us for our next session which meets every two weeks in the FLC, please contact Shay Rowe (678-920-3838), Jamie Mullis (770-366-1881) or visit <https://forms.gle/EXDodCSg6P66W81j9>.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for many in our church family who are themselves or have family members who are experiencing sickness and/or losses at this time:
- Debora and the rest of the Childs family are experiencing very challenging times with the health of both her parents. Debora and the family have generously served the ministry and continue to serve while taking care of her parents in this difficult season of their lives. Pray for their strength to match their spirit in the work of honoring their parents.

Have any prayer requests? Email [Newsletter@nrcoc.com](mailto:Newsletter@nrcoc.com)

## Attendance and Contribution

Average Giving in December was \$40,877

Weekly Goal in January is \$47,000

Date	Attendance	Contribution
Dec. 22	1,310	\$41,951
Dec. 29	865	\$32,047
Jan. 5	1,073	\$50,550

## Weekly Bible Studies

### Tuesday Women's Bible Study (10am, FLC 101)

Join us for a series on Proverbs, based on a book by Timothy Keller called *Proverbs: Understanding God's Wisdom for Navigating Life*.

Jan. 14: Money and Work, Part I

Jan. 21: Money and Wealth, Part II

### Tuesday Men's Bible Study (10am, FLC 204)

Join us for lessons especially geared toward men on "Living Effective and Productive Lives as Disciples." Bring a friend with his spouse for the women's study as well, which happens at the same time in a different room!

### Charla en español de los miércoles (9am, FLC 101)

En esta nueva serie estudiaremos las parábolas de Jesús. El Buen Rabí nos enseñará a través de descubrimiento en vez de explicación. ¡Te esperamos!

## Something Missing in the Newsletter? Not Getting Church Emails?

For the full newsletter, check the online version to find more important news, updates, prayer requests and resources. Visit [www.nrcoc.org](http://www.nrcoc.org), click "Resources" tab and then "Newsletters." If you are not receiving church updates through email, please check your spam folder (these messages most often come from [marietoussaint@nrcoc.com](mailto:marietoussaint@nrcoc.com)) or contact your Community leader to get your name added to the list.






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## “FIX YOUR EYES ON JESUS” IN 2020 (HEBREWS 12:2)










January 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>IN THE KNOW:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All-Church Midweeks and First Wednesday classes at 7:30PM</li> <li>North River New Year's Fast: Jan 8<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>			1 New Year's Day  <div style="font-size: 2em; color: gold; text-align: center;">2020</div> No Midweek	2	3	4
5 Children's Ministry Rotation Starts 	6	7	8 *NR Fast Begins*  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; color: green; text-align: center;">7:30PM</div> All-Church Midweek	9	10	11
12 Appointment of New NR Elders	13	14	15  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; color: green; text-align: center;">7:30PM</div> All-Church Midweek	16	17	18 All Things to all People w/ Michael Burns 10am-2pm 
19 All Things to All People w/ Michael Burns 9&11am 	20 MLK Day 	21	22  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; color: green; text-align: center;">7:30PM</div> All-Church Midweek	23	24	25
26 Teen Worship 11am  <b>Lighthouse Grand Opening!</b> 12:30pm-2pm 	27	28	29 *NR Fast Ends*  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; color: green; text-align: center;">7:30PM</div> All-Church Midweek	30	31	

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February 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>IN THE KNOW - MIDWEEKS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*First Wednesdays* - All-Church</li> <li>*1st &amp; 3rd: MS, HS and Parents at the Lighthouse</li> <li>*2nd, 3rd, 4th: Community Midweeks</li> </ul>						1
2 Superbowl Sunday Outreach Parties	3	4	5  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; color: green; text-align: center;">7:30PM</div> "First Wednesdays Midweek"	6	7	8 Restoration of the Heart 9:30am-4:30pm 
9 Restoration of the Heart 9&11am	10	11	12  Midweek by Communities	13	14  <b>RANSOMED</b> Atlanta Metro Singles Weekend	15 Agape Ball 2020 8pm  <b>RANSOMED</b> Atlanta Metro Singles Weekend
16  <b>RANSOMED</b> Atlanta Metro Singles Weekend	17	18	19  Midweek by Communities	20	21	22
23 Teen Worship 11am @ The Lighthouse	24	25	26  Midweek by Communities	27	28	29 Parenting Workshop 10am w/Steve & Sue Shoff Marriage Enrichment Night 7pm w/Shoffs  Campus Retreat

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### ✿ March 2020 - WOMEN'S MONTH! ✿

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All-Church FG Leaders Workshop w/ Steve/Sue Shoff 12:45PM  Campus Retreat	2	3	4  All-Womens Midweek <b>7:30PM</b> NR Men in the Gym	5	6	7
8 Daylight Saving 	9	10	11  Womens Midweek by FG/CM	12	13	14
15	16	17	18  Womens Midweek by FG/CM	19	20  Latin Women's Night 7-9pm: Arlene Markowski, NYC	21 Simplify: Women's Day: Arlene Markowski, NYC 9-2pm 
22	23	24	25  Womens Midweek by FG/CM	26	27	28 Father/Daughter Dancel 
29 Teen Worship 11am @ The Lighthouse	30	31	IN THE KNOW: • Communities are encouraged to have follow-up events after the BIG WOMEN'S DAY			

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April 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <b>7:30PM</b> "First Wednesday Midweek" including Intown & East	2	3	4 YES! Servapalooza 11-2p 
5 Campus Parent Honoring Lunch 	6	7	8 Midweek by Communities	9	10  Good Friday Seder	11 YES! 11a-5p
12 Easter Sunday 	13	14	15 Midweek by Communities	16	17	18 YES! 11a-5p  3v3 Basketball Tournament Middle School Dance 
19 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation	20	21	22 Midweek by Communities	23	24	25 YES! 11a-5p
26 Teen Worship 11 AM @ The Lighthouse New Teacher Orientation 9-12p	27	28	29 Midweek by Communities	30	UPCOMING EVENTS... • Generosity Sunday 5/3 • Mother's Day 5/10	





## North River's Vision Statement

We are a diverse family of believers who answered the call to be disciples of Jesus Christ. We are being transformed by God's Word, His Grace, and the Holy Spirit. Through small groups and deep relationships with one another, we join in Jesus' ministry and mission to make and mature disciples while we care for the needs of people. We do this to save as many as possible for the glory of God.

## 2020 VISION

This year we are planning to have a clear 2020 vision with our sermon series, "Fix Your Eyes on Jesus." For January and February, we will be taking a journey through the book of Hebrews, because *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever!"* Hebrews 13:8

### Fix Your Eyes On Jesus

### Needs in our North River Family

*"Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ."*

-1 Corinthians 12:12

With our growing church, additional building, and ongoing outreach, we have many growing opportunities to help. Please give a read of the following opportunities and see where God might want you to serve or help. Thank you for being the toes, the nose, and the elbows!

•**HEAD USHER:** Our head usher who served for several years is retiring. This person organizes the passing of communion and contribution plates as well as seating. Please email [meganfamodun@nrcoc.com](mailto:meganfamodun@nrcoc.com) to help!

•**NEWSLETTER HELP!:** Editors, printers, publishers needed to keep this publication running smoothly and to keep our members and friends in the know. Email [Newsletter@nrcoc.com](mailto:Newsletter@nrcoc.com) to inquire. Thank you!

•**MUSIC LIBRARIANS:** People to help file and manage the music for the worship team. Contact Sherwin at [SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com](mailto:SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com).

•**SECURITY TEAM:** Monitoring in and around our three buildings. Contact Megan at [meganfamodun@nrcoc.com](mailto:meganfamodun@nrcoc.com).

•**YES! PROGRAM:** To do one of the regular Saturday events with your group or for ongoing help, email [northriveryes@gmail.com](mailto:northriveryes@gmail.com).

•**SHEPHERDS FOR SINGLES' FAMILY GROUPS:**

Contact [JohnHanes@nrcoc.com](mailto:JohnHanes@nrcoc.com) or [TomBrown@nrcoc.com](mailto:TomBrown@nrcoc.com).

•**WORSHIP TEAM:** Thursday night rehearsals required. Contact Sherwin at [SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com](mailto:SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com).

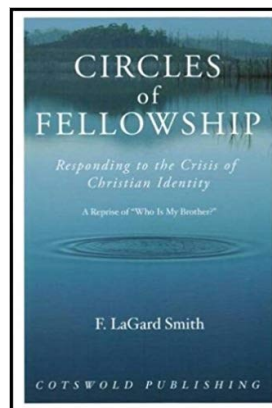
**HAVE ANOTHER IDEA OR NOT SURE HOW TO HELP?** No problem! Hit me up with your interest at [MarieToussaint@nrcoc.com](mailto:MarieToussaint@nrcoc.com). Thanks.

### JANUARY 26: Lighthouse Grand Opening



We are excited to share that our new building, The Lighthouse, will have its official grand opening January 26. You may see some groups testing out the facility before this time, but we want you to mark your calendars for the church-wide celebration that day, after the second service. Thank you for your dreams and contributions for this new light on our campus. Please continue to pray for how God is preparing to use The Lighthouse in Atlanta for our families and friends!

### New Book of the Month!



This month, biblical teacher Douglas Jacoby is featuring a title by fellow author F. LaGard Smith called *Circles of Fellowship*. Among other things, the book gives us a practical paradigm for relating to believers in other fellowships. Normally priced at \$15, you can grab this at the book counter in the lobby for \$12 in January or only \$10 for those who read and subscribe to Douglas' weekly newsletter. To sign up for this free newsletter, text disciple to 66866 or visit [www.douglasjacoby.com](http://www.douglasjacoby.com).

### WITW: Where In the World is Douglas Jacoby?

2020	
Jan. 24-26	Memphis, TN
Feb. 1	AIM New Testament at NR
Mar. 4-7	San Antonio, TX
Mar. 8-10	Myrtle Beach, SC
Mar. 28	AIM New Testament Interpretation
Apr. 17-19	Asia Pacific Leadership Academy—Manila, Philippines
Apr. 20-26	China Tour

## FEBRUARY 7- 9: Restoration of the Heart

*"The story of your life is the story of the long, brutal assault upon your heart by the one who knows what you could be, and fears you."* -John Eldredge

Everyone has a story. The events and relationships in our story have shaped who we are and how we think about God. Not everything we experience is "God's will." There is an enemy who means to harm us. He uses events and others to break our hearts. No matter how much we want to love God with all our hearts, those wounded parts of our hearts keep us from loving God the way we want. There is an aching, a longing in us to be healed, to be whole.

Join us at the **Restoration of the Heart**, where we will model how to experience healing from Jesus. Healing can result in freedom from the addictions and distractions we sometimes use to numb the longing for the life we sense is just beyond our reach. God desires to heal us and bring us into that life. Save the date for the weekend of February 7-9. This will include events Friday night 7:30-9:45pm and Saturday all day from 9:30am-4:30pm.



## FEBRUARY 14 - 16 : "Ransomed" Singles Weekend

Tickets for "Ransomed," the Atlanta Metro Singles Weekend, are now available! Join 200 singles from across the country for a weekend of fellowship February 14 -16, right here in Atlanta. Our limited-time, early bird price is \$25, which includes our Valentine's Party Saturday evening, featuring DJ Ron Michael! Our weekend culminates with our singles- led Worship Service, Sunday, February 16.

For helpful updates leading up to "Ransomed", you can visit our [Facebook event](#) or the [Registration Page](#).



## JANUARY - MARCH 2020: New AIM Course

Don't miss out on this great opportunity starting now: an all-new cohort of students in the Athens Institute of Ministry (ASOM)! Why AIM? Bible study with an emphasis on careful teaching (2 Tim. 2:15), constitutes nearly 40% of the AIM course. You can register now at [www.athensinstitute.org](http://www.athensinstitute.org).

**First Course:** New Testament Survey (January-March)

To register, send an email to [dj@douglasjacoby.com](mailto:dj@douglasjacoby.com).



**What is AIM?** AIM emphasizes biblical study — Old Testament, New Testament, Interpretation (Exegesis), and also includes Church History, Apologetics, Counseling, Marriage & Parenting, Public Speaking (Homiletics), World Religions, Denominational Doctrine, Holy Spirit, Church Building, and Pastoral Counseling. Students take part in a specific program, and admission is "rolling," so people can join the program at any time. Online dialogue between teachers and students provides continuity and follow-up. Currently, participants from 27 nations are involved in AIM.

## JULY 2 - 5: World Discipleship Summit: Vision

Join us for the 2020 World Discipleship Summit July 2-5, in Orlando, Florida as disciples from around the world share God's vision to bring the love of Jesus to as many as possible. [Check the website](#) to register and to find more helpful information:

- Singles, Youth, Women's and Men's classes
- Artist Showcase, Worship, and Animate events
- Chance to Dance program for those with special needs
- ICOC (campus) and Stronger (mental health) conferences
- How to register as an exhibitor
- Even discounted park tickets! What parks? Oh you know...



You can also join in now on [Facebook](#) where people from around the world have been sharing their excitement for months in anticipation of this extraordinary event.

## SUMMER 2020: RevivEEasternEurope Mission Team

**RevivEE** is a program designed to invigorate the faith and growth of our churches in Eastern Europe, which consists of 21 countries, 270 million people, and 24 fellowships with over 3,000 brothers and sisters. We have 12 countries with no church or a fellowship of less than 100 disciples.

Shawn and Lena Wooten have spent more than 27 years planting and leading churches in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. They are looking to build teams that will move to a specific country for 10 months, to help us build a critical mass of growth and faith.

Is God calling you to change the vector of Christianity for a country? We are praying for you to consider Eastern Europe! The deadline to apply for Phase 1 is **February 15, 2020** with a planned start date of August 15, 2020. There are also opportunities planned through 2022. Prayerfully consider being a part of this dream to help revive Christianity for a nation! Visit

[www.reviveeasterneurope.org](http://www.reviveeasterneurope.org) to see all the details, timelines and to apply to be a part of a life-changing team.





## Follow @NorthRiverCOC



If you want to join the Media Team (social media, photography, videography, graphic design, internet outreach), please email [Media@nrcoc.com](mailto:Media@nrcoc.com). But you don't have to volunteer to help! **Simply follow @NorthRiverCOC on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter.** But don't stop there. Engage! Of course, all things in moderation, but comments, likes, and shares increase the likelihood of people finding our church online, and we also encourage each other. Happy posting!

## 3 Easy Ways to Give Online



# TITHE.LY

- Online: Visit <https://tithe.ly/give?c=467483>
- pp: Download the BLUE Tithe.ly Church App, then search for North River Church of Christ
- Text: Text the word GIVE to (470) 460-6991

You can set up recurring gifts and also cover the processing fees for your donation if you wish. If you have any questions about setting up your giving on Tithe.ly, please call the church office at 770-792-8133 or email [meganfamodun@nrcoc.com](mailto:meganfamodun@nrcoc.com).

## A Special Way to Support Camp Swamp



Did you know you can help Camp Swamp when you do your online shopping with one simple extra step? Simply visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), do your shopping, and upon check out, Amazon will donate a share of your purchase to Swamp Camp Services Inc. No extra fees! Shop till you drop and support Camp Swamp.

*Thanks, Jeff Rorabaugh*

## 2020 Biblical Study Tour: Turkey



Travel to Turkey (Ephesus, Attalia, Laodicea, Istanbul) with our teacher Douglas Jacoby and brothers and sisters from around the world to go on a journey that will bring the world of the Bible to life. It is

over a year away, but spaces go very fast.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.douglasjacoby.com/2020-biblical-study-tour-turkey/>.

October 19-26, 2020  
(Pre-tour: October 16-19)

## Need a Place to Stay? Have a Room for Rent?



There are several people in the North River family who are looking for housing or roommates. (This includes single women, single men, and sometimes couples.)

There ALSO might be those among us who have a spare room, a basement, or an in-law suite. We would love to match people up and even help start some new spiritual households! If you would like to help or need help, please send any info to our hospitality volunteer to Sierra at [sierrapierce19@gmail.com](mailto:sierrapierce19@gmail.com). Pulling all togeth-

## It's Not Too Late! "Sermon on the Mount" Reading Plan

If you haven't started a Bible reading plan for the new year yet, consider digging into the "Sermon on the Mount." This section of the New Testament (Matthew 5-7) is widely agreed to contain the very heart of Jesus' kingdom message. The teachings were and still are remarkable and revolutionary.

There are daily podcasts (5-15 minutes) for 40 days; the first 10 days are free. Click or go here for the intro and more info: <https://www.douglasjacoby.com/the-sermon-on-the-mountain-00-introduction/>.

"It's been fantastic!" - Brother from Columbus, Ohio

## Lost & Found Corner



There are some current items that were in the Lost & Found closet in December. Text Marianne Elliott at 404-229-9837 to inquire. Any items not claimed by **January 19** will be discarded or donated.

## KIDOGO Online Videos & Content



At ICOC HotNews, a group of disciples took a leap of faith and began a YouTube channel they believe will help young Christians looking for advice and guidance. The channel is called [Kidogo](https://www.kidogotoolbox.com) and is run by volunteers. Check out these helpful tools and find out how to support Kidogo at [www.kidogotoolbox.com](https://www.kidogotoolbox.com).

## How to Get Your Kids in Children's Classes

**REGISTER NOW!**

We are thrilled to announce a new digital check-in process. Please watch the video at <https://bit.ly/2Zu7Xo9> to learn how to register your kids into our program. You can access the form to sign up your child at <http://bit.ly/riverkidsregistration>. **If you do not re-register your kids using these forms, we won't be able to check them into class, so this is very important.** Please feel free to reach out to myself or anyone on our team at [childrensministry@nrcoc.com](mailto:childrensministry@nrcoc.com) or [melissatulloch@nrcoc.com](mailto:melissatulloch@nrcoc.com) with any questions!

## Facilities and Requests

The challenge to fit and arrange all that the membership wants to do on our campus continues!

As good stewards of all that God gives us, let us keep the following in mind:

- Treat the buildings as though they are your home. (They are!)
- To request a spot on the North River campus, please go to [nrcoc.org](http://nrcoc.org), click on Resources and select Facility Request (<http://nrcoc.org/facility-request/>). Easily fill out and submit our new form from a phone or laptop.
- All private events for members – weddings, birthday or grad parties, showers, etc., will incur charges.
- HVAC systems (there are six in the FLC) are programmed on Mondays for the week. That means that all requests should be in **at least by the Friday of the week before your event**. Most requests are processed within 48 hours.
- Don't assume all rooms are available to use if they are empty. You may get booted or those rooms may be considered off limits such as some children's ministry or staff rooms.
- Bear with each other if you don't get your desired spot – or for the time you need it. Until we get more space, flexibility is key!
- **Reminder!** The FLC is a NUT-FREE facility. Please keep this in mind when bringing lunch or potluck meals. Thank you for keeping those with serious food allergies safe.

Thanks for cooperating. Please send your questions to [events@nrcoc.com](mailto:events@nrcoc.com).

## Do You Have Trouble Hearing the Service?

### FRONT-ROW HEARING NOW INSTALLED!!

North River installed a hearing loop system to deliver clear sound to users of hearing aids or cochlear implants and others who have hearing loss. The hearing loop is installed under the carpet in a section on the left side of the auditorium. Please see an usher to identify which seats are within the loop. In this section, any telecoil-equipped hearing device (most hearing aids, all cochlear implants, and some personal receivers) can receive a clear transmission of the message and music without background noise.

If your hearing device has a telecoil, then use your telecoil input when sitting in the looped section. If you do not have a hearing device with a telecoil and need hearing assistance, request a receiver from an usher, and sit in the looped section.

## Book Corner

**To all new members:** Please go to the North River book area (at the Welcome Desk) to collect your complimentary copy of **THRIVE: Using Psalms to Help You Flourish**, by Douglas Jacoby. You will find it under the *Thrive!* poster.

**College students and high school seniors**, your gift book is **Campus Core: How to Have Impact on Your Campus, Get Good Grades, and Figure Out Your Future**. See your campus minister, or Douglas (who can usually be found at the book corner between services and after second service), to receive a copy.

## Contact the Newsletter Team

Like this newsletter? Have something you'd like posted here? Want to help out? Awesome! **Please email:** [newsletter@nrcoc.com](mailto:newsletter@nrcoc.com). **Requests sent to other email addresses may or may not find their way to the newsletter team in time!**

We try to accommodate everyone and would hate to miss an important announcement sent to an email address not checked regularly. **The weekly deadline is Wednesday at midnight to [newsletter@nrcoc.com](mailto:newsletter@nrcoc.com).** Announcements or requests received after the deadline may not be possible. Thanks, the Newsletter Team.

## Parking Spaces!

The leadership team has been monitoring the parking lot each service, and we are finding that spaces are filling up fast! This is a good problem to have, but when you are able, please help us keep more spaces open for visitors by parking in Howard Street Parking for All-Church Midweeks and especially for the 11am services. Thank you.