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"Thank you for having a vision of taking the gospel beyond the four walls of our church."

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Ministries that help bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to our city, state, and North America.



COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Ministries that help strengthen, and reach our community.

GLOBAL MINISTRIES Ministries that help impact the world and support our global missionaries.

20 WHAT IS THE RIVER FLOW PROGRAM Go to Jerusalem, and Judea, and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

THE 2024 RIVER FLOW GOAL

Check out the list of all the ministries we will support through your giving in 2023.

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Dear River of Life Family,

God has blessed our ministry efforts in the year 2023. We are thankful for the many miracles we have seen and heard. Our world is in troublesome and difficult days but God has given us many opportunities to reflect, remember, and rejoice.

Throughout this year we have positioned ourselves for a future end time revival like we have never seen before. From Muncie, to Fishers, to the entire world, we are surely poised for growth. The GO ministry effort is going to be the instrument that propels us into the future growth that God desires for this assembly.

This past year we have combined with multiple ministry efforts in our community that we know we lead others to Christ over the course of time. We have amplified many of our ministries that took a hit during Covid. We know that River of Life is going to flow to this world as Rivers flow out of these congregations through you, your discipling, and your giving.

We are aiming for huge growth in our global ministries in 2024. During this past year we were able to make an impact through 5 different crusades with our ministry team. This year we hope to bring more members of the River of Life family to harvest fields that we are investing in such as Mexico, South Africa, and Brazil.

In addition to our overseas trips, our goal is to support more missionaries than we have previously. This is going to require a unified effort but we know that giving to missions is one of the most important things we can do. My fmily and I want to see the world reached and we know that our church family is behind that mission.

We hope to see life changes take place in our local communities, both physically and mentally. And of course, we know that each of these needs will bring people to an eternal and spiritual encounter with Jesus Christ, the mighty God.

Thank you for investing in the River. Thank you for investing in our young people and future generations. Thank you for having a vision of taking the Gospel beyond Muncie, beyond Fishers, and to the entire world. We will be an end time revival church and it will come by prayer, fasting, and sacrificial giving. Together we will see the River of Life flow to our world. Let's have revival in 2024!!!

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Pastor John Martin



GE SUPPORTS

RIVER OF LIFE MINISTRIES

River Giving will flow to all those who cannot come to us. Our River Groups are happening all over the city reaching out to all different people from our church. Our River Reach team reaches out to those who are unable to attend service. Our giving to other ministreis impacts our kids able to attend camps, our Indiana youth, and more.



RIVER GROUPS

River Groups are the lifeline of our church body. We split our River Groups into 3 fferent semesters (spring, summer, and fall). We have bible groups, interest groups, nd our core groups that meet in various locations all around the community.

RIVER REACH

service for any number of reasons. This team makes sure our family is taken care of through prayer and in person visitation.

CAMPS & CONFERENCES

Camp Season is important around River of Life! When camp happens, we participate! Whether it is kids camps, youth camps, or family camp, our church supports with giving, sending, serving, and attending.

MOVE THE MISSION

Move the Mission funds events and ministries locally and nationally for our students, supplies missionaries with vehicles to help them spread the gospel, supports North American Missionaries, supplies Bible School scholarships, assists our Indiana Youth events and more! Thank you for seeing the need and going beyond the walls of our

NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

supports metro missions in cities like Chicago and Washington DC. It supports pastors just starting out planting a church. And we support them as they grow!

SAVE OUR CHILDREN

This funds the General Sunday School Division. 50% of funds remain in Indiana for projects such as Kids camps, children's crusades, teacher training, and Junior Bible Quizzing and 50% goes to the General Sunday School Division for various children's ministries across North America.

MOTHER'S MEMORIAL

life and new beginnings for children, birth mothers, and families through parenting education and adoption. This ministry to birth mothers and adoptive parents depends on contributions from across the g



THE BLESSINGS OF RIVER **GROUPS**

The Scriptures indicate that the Christian life is to be lived out in community with other believers. Within that community, we are instructed to encourage one another, serve one another, rejoice and weep with one another, correct, instruct, build up, accept and love one another. River Groups provide a wonderful context to facilitate involvement in one another's lives and our community.

Hebrews 10:24-25 says, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching." As a church, we are hopeful that our River Group ministry will be one of the significant ways we live out our obedience to this exhortation.

I was running from God for 20 some years. The prayer group had me on a their backslider list and praved for me. When I first came back I tried to come to the church to prav and kept running into the prayer group. After so many times I finally said ok God I will. Over the last year and a half I have grown spiritually. This has been a source of strength and encouragement for me. It has also helped me to figure out my calling.

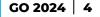


SHANE STIGALL **Current Prayer Grroup Member**









RIVER GROUPS

MARCK AND KENYA HARLESS **River Groups Directorsr**

River Groups Testimony







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Illuminate Campus Ministry

The light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot extinguish

PROVERBS 29:18



Illuminate Campus Ministry at Ball State is my heart and soul. I could talk for hours about the burden that we share as a group for our campus and how God has opened incredible doors for outreach, but nothing can top what God has in store. There have been prophesies spoken over our ministry and visions of our stadium being filled in 2025, but all of this comes with a lot of responsibility, both spiritually and monetarily.

> MADISON BRICKER Illuminate Campus Ministry Leaderr











Illuminate CMI on Ball State's campus completely changed my life. Before meeting the great people I consider lifelong friends in illuminate, I wondered around the campus seeking for communities and deeper understanding in the truth of God's word. At that time I had already received and accepted the call into ministry, but through preaching, teaching, and worship I have been able to go further for the kingdom of God.



CARL TORRENCE Illuminate Campus Ministry Leader







WELCOME TO





DISTRICT





Community Missions giving supports events that River of Life hosts including Easter events, Riverfest, friends services, and more.





First Choice for Women offers a safe, confidential environment for individuals experiencing unplanned pregnancies.





Secret Families Christmas Charity has a mission to provide Christmas to families with school-age children that would otherwise go without a Christmas.







MUNCIE MISSION

Our Benevelence Fund allows us to donate to different community services around Muncie as the need arises.



















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River Fest

















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BRAZIL CRUSADE

12,000 FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST



OVER 30,00 IN ATTENDNECE



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Africa Crusades

3,038 PEOPLE FILLED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST



South Africa and Madagascar were incredible places. Every single day driving around Cape Town I spoke out loud, "This city feels like home. I love this city." God has truly called our church to plant a church in that city of 4 million people. Their worship is inspiring and every one we meet already feels like family. Then, Madagascar is awe inspiring. Imagine 20,000 people praising God in a language you cannot understand, but can intensely feel the passion. My life will forever be changed after seeing the worship of the Malagasy people.

Riley Martin

One Trip: Two Fields. Landing in Durban, South Africa for the first time was very exciting. The largest population of Indian people outside of India reside in Durban. They're hospitality was second to none. A few thousand braved the consistent rains to come. Over 300 we're Spirit-filled, a few dozen were baptized in Jesus' name, & there were many notable miracles. A stop in Cape Town proved very fruitful as River of Life church was given the green light by the Western Cape district board to start a church in Fish Hoek. Arriving in Madagascar, I hadn't researched it like usual & was quite surprised by the abject poverty. This in no way diminished my expectation for a mighty move of God, but rather energized it. Over 25,000 people packed into the coliseum. God filled over 3,000 with His Spirit!



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Justin Wallen



RIVER

MISSIONS

Where the River Flows

EZEKIEL 47:9 (NIV) Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live.







RIVER OF LIFE

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In the book of Ezekiel the Bible talks about a river that flows out from under the altar. This river may start small, but it becomes a great mighty rushing river that's so deep you can swim in it.

We aim to be the River of God. The River of Life. The Spirit flows from our services to our church family, the community, and all around the world. Everywhere we go the River is flowing. Becasue where we, the River, flow everything shall live.

Our local church, community programs, and global missions endeavors all depend on your generosity. This is our special offering in order to let the River flow around the world.

This annual program, named River Missions, will give the church and each giving member the ability to plan and budget for the upcoming year.

River Missions will not replace weekly tithes and offerings. However, we intend to eliminate other special offering requests throughout the year by consolidating these needs into one annual pledge program. Doing so will allow you to budget for the opportunities you would like to support more efficiently. This commitment will enable the church to plan for the year ahead based on the received pledges.

We encourage you to prayerfully consider stepping out in faith. Let God use your generosity to spread the gospel to those in need at home and abroad.

Frequently Asked Questions

SHOULD I LIST MY TITHE AND REGULAR **OFFERING AMOUNT ON THIS PLEDGE?**

No. Continue to tithe and give as the Lord has blessed you! This pledge will cover the opportunities over and above the funds collected through standard giving. You will have the ability to specify on the GO pledge card which ministries you want your funds to support.

WILL I GET AN ANNUAL GIVING RECEIPT **TO USE FOR TAX PURPOSES?**

Yes. You will receive the same giving record as in years past. It will include any designated tithes, offerings, and paid pledges for the year.

It is time for Harvest

JOHN 4:35 (NIV) IDon't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.

WHAT PAYMENT METHODS WILL BE **AVAILABLE FOR THIS PLEDGE?**

We have several ways for you to give, and below are the current options available. Please be sure to mark GO offerings accordingly.



n-Person

You can place your offering on the tithe envelope each week.



You can give at www.riveroflifechurches.in/give.



You can give on our church center app and mark the River Missions tab.

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JOIN US IN RAISING \$30,000

PROVERBS 22:9 The generous will themselves be blessed,

Church (\$7,500)

- River Groups
- . **River Reach**
- Camps & Conferences
- Move the Mission
- Save Our Children
- North American Missions
- Mother's Memorial
- Illuminate Campus Ministry

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- First Choice for Women
- Muncie Mission
- **Secret Families**
- Riverfest
- **Easter Celebration**
- **Kids Events**
- **Homeless Shetler Room**

CREATIVE WAYS TO GIVE





SAVINGS & **INVESTMENTS**

BUDGET

No investment yields returns like investing in God's kingdom, yielding gains for eternity.

REDUCTION What can I cut back on

or give that I don't really need?



- 20 Missionaries Supported
- Church Plant in Oaxaca, Mexico
- Church Plant in Cape Town, South Africa
- Global Crusades





Our local church, community programs, and global missions endeavors all depend on your support and generosity!

When we give faithfully to the Lord, He provides resources we never expected. Trust Him to help you give to the work of the Lord!



Consider selling items that are underutilized or taking up space and turn them into a gift.





The average tax return for 2023 was \$2,753. You can give a return to God.

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