



"Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10-11



Merry Christmas from Riverside!

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, may we ever be reminded that joy, forgiveness, grace, healing, hope, and life are found in faith in Christ alone! Each year, we see Christ's life-changing power through His work at camp, which is one of the many reasons we were so thankful to welcome campers and staff back this year for an incredibly fun, engaging, relational, and Christ-centered camp experience. Hear the words of parents reflecting on their child's camp experience:

"My children experience the love of Jesus in action at Riverside. Jesus changes lives there!"

"My child was able to build friendships with children from many different backgrounds and renew his faith in Jesus."

"Thank you for the gift you gave our daughter this week. She made new friends, became more confident in her faith, and was changed by the Holy Spirit."

Thank you for being a major part of these testimonies as you continue to give toward the Lord's work in and through this ministry.

I'm reaching out earlier than usual this year to share some exciting news — **Riverside is expanding with the purchase of new land!** Our staff and board have been working on a long-range Master Planning process for two years and were recently presented with a unique opportunity to acquire 17 acres of land for future ministry growth, as well as potential for additional lodging and recreation areas.

While this opportunity came sooner than we expected, after prayer and discernment, our board approved the purchase of the land and we will take possession next month at a purchase price of \$278,564. This land is located on the north side of our existing property, is out of the flood plain, and has blacktop access (see the photo at right). We're excited to see how the Lord will use our now 140 acre property for His purposes for many years to come!

We invite you to partner with us this year end to reach a goal of \$425,000! Here's how your giving this year will make an impact not only for the year ahead, but for many years to come:

- **THIS YEAR ONLY:** Be a future builder and help us purchase this new land mortgage-free.
- Support our incredible year-round staff to do the ministry the Lord has called us to do.
- Continue to offer camperships, so that all campers who desire to come to camp can, regardless of finances.
- Hire, train, equip, and send out 90+ summer staff every year to be Kingdom leaders across the world.
- Continue to steward our 40 existing buildings, and 140 acres of grounds for excellent camp experiences.
- Continue to lead life-changing ranch camp experiences for guests and other ministry partners.



Thank you for your continued partnership in the gospel and blessings to you as you celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

May God be with you & bless you,
Chris Dahl, Executive Director

Prayerfully consider how you can help us reach this exciting goal & then return this slip in the envelope provided.

Name _____

Email _____

Street _____

Add me to your email list.

City, State, Zip _____

Check enclosed

Invoice me

I'll give online at RiversideLBC.org/donate

Please charge to my credit/debit card

Card Type: MasterCard Visa Discover

Card Number _____

Expiration ____ / ____ Security Code ____

Signature _____

My/Our year-end gift is:

- \$100 \$250 I want to be a "12:1 Partner" with my ongoing monthly gift of \$_____ beginning _____ (date)
- \$500 \$1,000
- \$2,500 \$5,000
- Other \$ _____

I am a Thrivent member & will allocate my Thrivent Choice Dollars to Riverside. (Simply Call 800-THRIVENT and say "Thrivent Choice" when your call is answered.)

Contact me about including Riverside in my estate planning.