



MARCH NEWSLETTER

Dear RSM Parents...

Wow, it is hard to believe that we only have nine RSM gatherings left until our last official program and our summer schedule begins. With that being said, your RSM staff and leadership team is working very hard to solidify our summer calendar and next year's ministry schedule; stay tuned!

As spring and summer approach, please be aware of the various dates that RSM will not be meeting due to retreats and holidays. Also, you are encouraged to contact your child's DTEAM leader for information about DTEAM outings that may be taking place outside of regularly scheduled RSM programs (email cseese@gfc.org if you need leader contact info).

One thing that RSM is passionate about is our belief that students have the desire and boldness to share the gospel with their peers and the ability to care for their friends as peer disciples; the only problem is that they don't necessarily have the tools to do it. Therefore, we would like to draw your attention to a powerful opportunity for all current 8th-12th grade students that you absolutely do not want your child to miss. It's called "Lead the Cause" and is an overnight urban mission trip to Washington DC. Students will be trained and challenged to initiate faith based conversations and share the gospel with adults and peers alike. Last year we took a handful of students to experience this trip – it has changed lives in powerful and tangible ways through the course of this year to say the least. This summer, we are taking nearly 40 individuals to "Lead the Cause" and couldn't be more excited about the lasting fruit that will be produced for years to come. Please don't allow your child to miss this opportunity – registration and additional information can be found below.

Thank you so much for the privilege of allowing us to partner with you in the discipleship of your child.

In Him,

Luke C and the RSM Leadership Team

Winter Meltdown 2018...



Events and Opportunities...



March 18th - "Lead The Cause" Mission Trip Information Meeting (High School)

8:20pm-8:50pm in the GFC Mini-Auditorium

SAVE THE DATE: LTC is July 23rd-28th, 2018

High school students (rising 9th graders-graduating seniors) and their parents are encouraged to stay after RSM and learn more about the opportunity to participate in this life-changing missions trip taking place July 23rd-July 28th, 2018. Students will gain the courage and a strategy to really live out their faith, learn how to start and engage others in gospel conversations, and be lit on fire to see everyone in their world know Jesus! Information packets are available to pick-up during the RSM program on Sunday nights.

Questions? Contact [Christine Seese](mailto:cseese@gfc.org) at cseese@gfc.org

[Information & Registration for Lead The Cause](#)



March 31st-April 1st - Easter Services

Serving Opportunities

Easter will be the weekend of March 31st and April 1st! There are many different opportunities for families to serve together: learn more and sign up here!

[Easter Services](#)

April 1st - RSM Easter Break

RSM will not be meeting - enjoy Easter with your family!!

We will see high schoolers on April 8th and both high school and middle school students back on April 15th.



April 8th - "My Story" (High School)

GFC Great Room

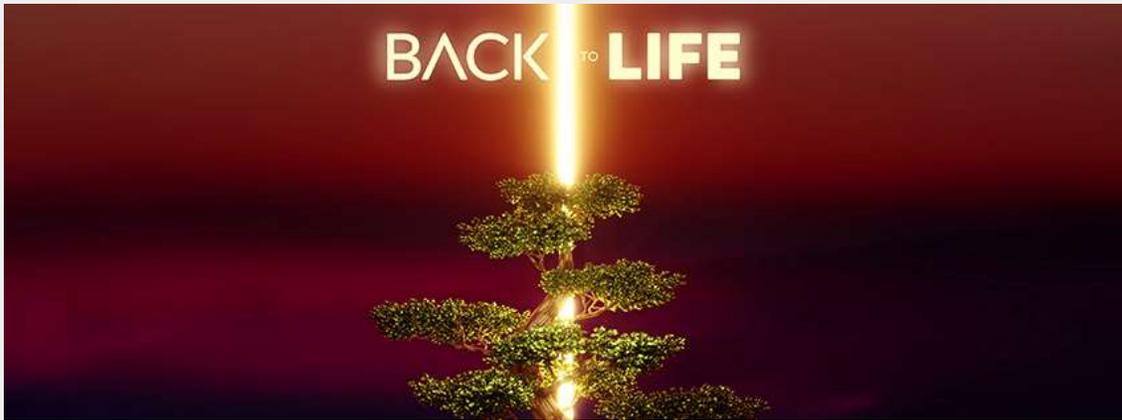
6:30pm-9:00pm // sign-ups start at 6pm

no cover charge // no registration

"My Story" is an open mic outreach event taking place on Sunday, April 8th, 2018 in place of RSM. This unique event is an opportunity for our high school students to invite their friends to experience Christians outside a structured "youth ministry program". Our goal for this night is to embrace anyone willing to share their story and talent as a musician, artist, or storyteller. As students in varying stages in their relationship and commitment to Christ perform or attend, we believe the power of acceptance, hospitality, and commonality will refresh minds and soften hearts towards Jesus and His Church. This is a high school student event only. Middle school Dteams are encouraged to continue in fellowship with one another that weekend.

Questions? Contact [Juli Plugues](mailto:jplugues@gfc.org) at jplugues@gfc.org

Current Teaching Series...



BACK TO LIFE | SERIES OVERVIEW

The death and resurrection of Jesus changed everything. If we embrace the grace and truth found in these events, it changes the way we view God and our part in the world. We will look at the curse of humanity and the only cure for us – Jesus. Jesus reassures us that we now carry the cure and vaccine to heal the rest of the world. Not only have we come back to life, but we carry the power to do the same for others.

Week One: March 18th

Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-6 NLT, Colossians 2:13-15,20 ESV

Bottom Line: Jesus reversed the curse by becoming the cure.

Summary: A curse has fallen on humanity – our sin and trespasses control our minds, hearts, and bodies. There is no way to escape it - not even death because under the curse, we've never even experienced life! The curse of sin was incurable until Jesus. When Jesus chose death he reversed the curse by becoming the cure. Because of Christ's death and the death of sin all together, we have a chance to come back to life!

Week Two: March 25th

Scripture: Romans 8:9-11, Colossian 3: 1- 4, Matthew 6:10

Bottom Line: Jesus became the cure and has gone viral!

Summary: Now that we contain the power of the cure, we can spread the good news of Christ like a virus! The potency of the cure is as strong as the day it cured the curse of sin for all humanity. You carry the cure that can bring others back to life – we are a heavenly vaccine for the entire world.

RSM Calendar Updates...

Please check-out and print our [UPDATED RSM Family Calendar](#) for a peek at the events, activities, retreats, and breaks planned for this winter/spring!



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