

COMMUNITY CARE MINISTRY

12-STEP PROGRAM: The Riverside Christian 12-step group meets at The Loft on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Christian 12-step is a Christ-centered, support group that uses small group interaction, scripture, and twelve step principles, for those struggling with or relationally affected by alcohol, chemical, or similar dependencies. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Evans George at: 12step@connect2riverside.com

SOZO HEALING MINISTRY: Sozo is a Greek word that means to "save, heal, and deliver." It is a healing ministry that is focused on getting to the root issues of "lies we have believed," and bringing in the light and truth revealed through the power of the Holy Spirit. Prayer is the tool that is used to promote healing and freedom for the individual. If you would like more information about this important ministry, please contact Gina Higgins at: sozo@connect2riverside.com

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: This can be a difficult time, and it is our hope that we can help you as much as possible. If you would like us to assist with a reception or gathering following the service, please contact Esther George at: bereavement@connect2riverside.com

MEALS MINISTRY: The Meals Ministry serves meals to community members on a short term basis who have been hospitalized with the birth of a child or a serious illness. If you know of a member of our community who is in the hospital or has recently returned home, please contact Michelle Woodman at: mealsministry@connect2riverside.com

THE PRAYER MINISTRY: At Riverside, we are committed to seeking God's presence through prayer. We believe that God desires us to seek him through diligent prayer and answers our prayers. In the book of James, the apostle tells us that a the prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective... that the prayer of faith will heal. We have seen so many miraculous healings that we have to believe that God still heals today. We invite all of the body of Christ to join us in the most powerful and freeing discipline that a Christian can partake in - seeking our Lord in prayer and bringing His Kingdom to this earth. God bless. For more information, please contact John and Sonia Roper at: prayer@connect2riverside.com

COUNSELING RESOURCES: If you are in need of a professional counselor please contact Sonia Roper at: s.roper@sbcglobal.net

MARRIAGE MENTORING: Marriage Mentors will minister to couples whose marriages are in need of spiritual growth, leading them in building a Christ-centered marriage. Please contact Robert and Jenni Schmidt at : marriagementors@connect2riverside.com

LIFE HURTS GOD HEALS: If you are a student dealing with current or past pain, then Life Hurts, God Heals is for you. You can heal from your hurts, hang-ups and habits through Jesus Christ, utilizing 8 steps found in the Beatitudes. This group program is specifically for students in middle school through college age and provides lifelong tools for students dealing with unresolved hurts, hang-ups and habits. For more information please contact Denise Whistler at: lhgh@connect2riverside.com

HOSPITAL VISITATION: The Hospital Visitation ministry is intended to carry out the instructions of Jesus to "visit the sick." He said that when we respond to someone in need, we are responding to Him. As His ambassadors, we become His hands and His feet in order to be a blessing to those who are hurting. For more information please contact Angie Barnes at: hospitalministry@connect2riverside.com

AVENUE FOR MEN: "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."
Proverbs 27:17

This program helps men conquer inappropriate sexual behavior or anger by:

- *Creating safe, confidential small group environments
- *Volunteer leadership by men who care about you and your family because they've been there
- *Effectively identifying and healing root causes that transform both you and your detrimental habits
- *Encouragement and reward through accountability
- *Education to overcome faulty beliefs

We don't put a name here to protect anonymity...for more information please e-mail: avenue@connect2riverside.com

THE HOPE CENTER: The Hope Center provides information, direction and support to any person or family in need. As an outreach center, its purpose is to assist individuals in their time of need by connecting them with agencies that can provide assistance. Currently, The Hope Center is in the process of connecting with The San Antonio Food Bank to provide on sight food distribution. For more information about The Hope Center, please contact Pamela Barquest at: rchopeministries@connect2riverside.com

For more information regarding community care, please contact:
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