



All Because of an Easter Egg



“Pastor,” said Shirley Armenise with tears in her eyes. “I just keep thinking that if you hadn’t put that Easter Egg on my doorstep, I would never have come to this church and I would never have found this hope.” This wonderful lady has been attending services at Riverside since our opening day on April 5th. She has a background in a variety of ‘Christian’ faiths, ranging from Catholicism to Pentacostalism. She has searched for true Christianity, for true hope and understanding from the Scriptures, for most of her 72 years. She has finally found the hope, the teaching, and the family that she has longed for at Riverside.

Shirley has been involved in our counseling ministry for several months. She came to counseling with a very severe depression which she had been unable to deal with for over ten years. This depression was brought on by several difficult situations which she had not successfully dealt with. From the loss of two sons, to business and financial ruin, Shirley’s world has been devastated time and again. Through her counseling sessions, and her in depth study and memorization of the Book of Ephesians, Shirley has found hope and healing. God is healing decades old wounds, bringing her the joy He has promised, and cultivating the Fruits of the Spirit in her life.

Shirley is active in the ministry of Riverside, including passing out over a hundred invitations for our recent Family FunFest. She now loves her unsaved husband like the Bible instructs her to, causing Sam to wonder what is different in his wife of almost 50 years. Would you pray with us for Shirley and for her husband Sam? They are both being drawn to the Lord more and more every day, and are a precious part of God’s ministry at Riverside Baptist Church.

Baby Dedication



Our first baby dedication was a wonderful time. Dale and Tammy Motz brought their family and their baby, Landon, to church to dedicate themselves to raising him in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. What a joy it is when a young family welcomes their first child into the world. It is an even more wonderful joy to see them dedicate themselves to raising him in a Christian home and in a loving church. Landon is our only nursery attendee thus far, but he is inviting his friends and building his class. We look for the nursery to double in attendance soon.

Welcome to Riverside Landon!

SUPPORT: Because several of our partner churches have fulfilled their commitments, we are currently receiving around 80% of our financial support goal. Thank you to those who have already responded. If you are not yet supporting the Seydens, please allow us to present our ministry to your church.

If you would like to support the Seydens, send to our clearinghouse, Sauk Trail Baptist Temple.

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