

### **WELCOME TO HOMECOMING - 176 YEARS!**

It is with the deepest appreciation we welcome each of you-our friends and family-to Rockford Baptist Church's ANNUAL HOMECOMING. Each year we have several great and incredible gatherings, yet Homecoming is the highlight of the year.

We gather for this celebration of 176 years of ministry and missions in the community, county, state, and nation. Through ministries locally and around the world, we are shining the light of Jesus as we exalt the Savior, equip the Saints, and evangelize the Sinners. Being families founded in faith we commit ourselves the very principles which those before us built this great church upon.

May God continue to bless this great church as we keep moving forward with the timeless message of hope and life found in Jesus Christ. We are seeing God do great things here:

• Through Manna Ministries we are providing food for over 500 neighbors each month;

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- Our monthly Community Dinner is a time of fellowship, as we make new friends and encourage each other;
- Beginning last November through May of this year, there were many who participated in a study of Experiencing God;
- Worship services are a time of Celebration as never before;
- Shepherd's Closet is providing clothing and hygiene items for families in need;
- The Prayer Ministry is alive and active, seeing results that only God can provide.

RBC is a partner with Samford University to host the Rockford Extension of Samford Ministry Training Institute. Through the MTI program we are offering a quality, comprehensive training program for those who are in ministry through Continued on Page 3

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. -Philippians 1:6

### 2 We are Gathered | We are Scattered

Families Founded in Faith ... Exalt the Savior | Equip the Saints | Evangelize the Sinner

THROUGH... CONNECTION | CONVERSATION | COMMUNICATION

Deacon's Meeting 11/9 | 9:00 AM Baraca Conference Room

Business Meeting November 19 6:00 PM | FLC



Intentionally praying for Community





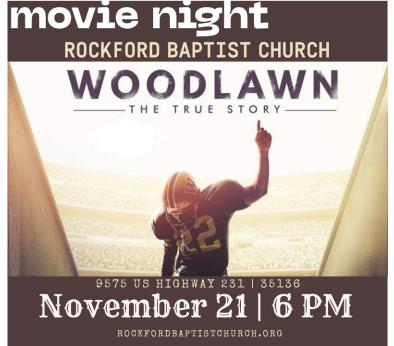








Fall Semester Term B Gary Miller-Instructor



Join Us

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
10:00 AM Sunday School | Bible Study
11:00 AM WORSHIP CELEBRATION
(Sanctuary/Online Campus)
6:00 PM SHORT-TERM DISCIPLSHIP

WEEKDAY

9:00 AM Standing Firm Devotion (Online)
WEDNESDAY

6:00 PM Prayer and Inspiration (Atrium)





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the local churches. Students include preachers, teachers, church leaders, and individuals who desire to grow in their faith. At the completion of every two years, successfully completing the prescribed course of study, students are awarded one of four diplomas from Samford University. This is a ministry of the local church to make disciples.

Sunago has become a much needed ministry of RBC. Gathering together on a regular basis, individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one (marriage partner, child, or friend, etc.), are afforded an opportunity to find encouragement in a journey which is difficult and brings pain and sorrow. Through this ministry we are seeing individuals who have a common connection assist each other, building meaningful relationships.

Yes, God is doing a wonderful work through His local church in Rockford. We truly are seeing a new day, new life, new hope within the church family and in the community around us.

As we face the future, pray for us to make connections, engage in meaningful conversations, and communicate the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is to His Glory we are a people of God meeting on this corner, to be a light to a dark world.

May God bless us all as we shine for Jesus!

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

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#### PRAY WARRIORS UNITE!

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month, join together with Pastor Fuller and others as we pray as one body. Our prayers will focus on specific needs within the community, and prayer for our governmental leaders, first responders, and law enforcement. We will lift our hands, hearts, and voices in public square for the God of Heaven to break every chain!

### **Special Guest**



Today, let's welcome Rev. Brett Oakes as our guest preacher. Bro. Brett is

pastor of Central Coosa Cowboy Church at Hanover. He is no stranger to RBC and is a dear friend and helper to the ministry and mission. Brett, thank you for bringing your sweet folks with you today, as you assist us in celebrating this Homecoming.



Welcome, Promised Land! Virgil Williams, Ken Spencer, and Douglas Veal are family, sharing with us in several services and events here at RBC. They return to share with us for this special Homecoming. These dear brothers are going to inspire and challenge us today in music and message.



# WELCOME TO HOMECOMING @ ROCKFORD

**November 2, 2025** 

Prelude by Debbie Mullins RBC Choir Welcome | Prayer

VICTORY IN JESUS #426
Scripture Reading

**RBC Choir** 

PROMISED LAND

**BLESSED ASSURANCE #334** 

Message by Brett Oakes

BECAUSE HE LIVES #407 AMAZING GRACE #330

PROMISED LAND

**BENEDICTION | BLESSING** 

Postlude by Debbie Mullins

Please join us in the Family Life Center to enjoy a time of food and fellowship.