

ROCK CHURCH OF FRANKLIN

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A New Day Dawns...

2 Corinthians tells us that "if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, and see, the new has come." The same is true when it comes to the passing of a year; 2017 is passing while 2018 is dawning. Just as a beautiful sunset is followed by the darkness of night, and night is followed by the beauty of a sunrise, the faithfulness of our Father is never ending. His promises never fail, they are new each and every day.

2017 brought many surprises to us but God is never shocked. A tiny seed can bring an entire fruit tree to life., A bulb planted in the ground can birth a flower in due season. A raging storm eventually produces the rainbow! He gives beauty for ashes. He makes all things new. 2017 brought us a greater love for one another and a deeper knowledge of His faithfulness, The ground for the Ben S. Dillon Life Center has officially been broken, seeds have been planted... and now we wait with expectation for the harvest to break forth.

2017 brought about drastic changes in the physical profile of our church body. In 2017, we declared that our faith can move mountains. We declared that He is worthy of ALL of our praises. We stood on a mountain and shouted "Blessed be Your Name!" We stood on the foundation that He is the same yesterday, today, and forevermore. We broke up the fountains of the deep and raised up a heart's cry for God to MOVE NOW! We will continue to declare His might acts and proclaim His goodness from generation to generation!

Out of the fallow ground will come life. 2018 is on the horizon.



RCF UNITED YOUTH INFO.



Youth Schedule

Wednesday, December 6th
Friday, December 8th
Wednesday, December 20th
Saturday, December 31st

United Life Group
United Christmas Party (6:30 - 9:00 p.m.)
R.C.S. Christmas Program - No Life Group
Extravaganza @ The Rock - Happy New Year!

UNITED LIFE GROUP

WED. December 6th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

ROCKY'S CAFE: In light of the Christmas & New Year holidays, Rocky's Cafe will be closed for the month of December. We will be having our Annual Christmas Party on Friday, December 8th.



United Youth Christmas Party: On Saturday, December 8th, the United Youth will be having their annual Christmas Party. Youth, bring a \$10 unisex gift to swap. (No gift cards, please.) Parents, check out the App to sign up or you will be contacted on what food items are needed. Let's celebrate the Christmas season together!

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Daniel Fast begins Friday, 1/5
Fella's B.Y.O.S. Night - Wed., 1/24
Dr. Jay Leroux - Sat. & Sun., 2/10-11
Encounter Weekend - March 2018



STAY CONNECTED...

**DOWNLOAD THE ROCK CHURCH FRANKLIN APP
REQUEST ALL NOTIFICATIONS TO GET REMINDERS.**

**LIKE US AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK
IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, SEE AMBER BALLANCE!**

Welcome To Rock Church

*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace,
good will toward men."
Luke 2:14*

Lockup Duties: Micah Dillon & Amber Ballance



Rock-n-Breakfast - December 3rd

Join us on Sunday, December 3rd,
for a continental breakfast from 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.
The Home Life Groups of Derrick & Holly Ledbetter
and Micah Dillon will be hosting this event.

Mid-Week Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, December 6th: Home Life Groups
Monday, December 11th: Ladies Banquet
Wednesday, December 13th: Fella's Dave & Busters
Wednesday, December 20th: R.C.S. Program
Wednesday, December 27th: No Evening Activity
Sunday, December 31st: Extravaganza @ The Rock



Home Life Groups

43rd Annual Ladies Banquet - Monday, December 11th

As we have entered into the Christmas season, we look forward to our 43rd Annual Ladies Banquet. This year's banquet will be held on Monday, December 11th. Tickets are on sale now for \$15.00 each. Please see Jo Anne Buchanan to purchase your tickets for this special evening by Sunday, December 3rd. Men, sign up in the Info Center if you are available to assist with serving the ladies for this evening.

This year's meal will be catered by The Airfield Conference Center and served by the Rock Church Fellas! The women will receive special ministry by Pastor Jill Dillon.

KIDS NIGHT AT ROCKY'S CAFE

Christmas Party

Friday, December 15th ~ 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. ~ AGES 8-11

N.O.W. "Night of Worship", Saturday, December 16th



Fellas' Dave & Buster's Father/Son Night - Wed., Dec. 13th

Fellas, at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13th, let's meet and head to Dave & Buster's. Bring your sons and let's get in some Pre-Christmas "Fella" time.

Christmas Turkey Blessing

On Saturday, December 16th, we will be distributing our Christmas Turkey Blessings and we need your help! We will have an assembly line production to fill the bags to prepare the food for distribution. Kids and adults can all be of assistance. This is a great time to get into the spirit of serving just before the Christmas season.



Rock Church School Christmas Program

On Wednesday, December 20th, Rock Church School students will be presenting their annual Christmas program. Join us at 7:00 p.m. for a special production in which the students honor former Principal Ben Dillon, followed by light refreshments. Come support the R.C.S. students and staff on this festive evening.



Franklin Police and Fire & Rescue Blessings

Once again this year we will be preparing a blessing for the Franklin Police and Fire & Rescue workers at Christmastime. As we have done in the past, we are asking the church body to write a personalized thank you note, expressing the church's appreciation and donate \$15 per card (the church will purchase gift certificates to enclose within the card). Families with children are encouraged to have their children draw pictures on the cards, as well. If you are willing to help us bless our local heroes, please see the Information Center to get a card. We will collect the cards before December 17th, so we can deliver them to them prior to Christmas Day.



EXTRAVAGANZA @ THE ROCK - DECEMBER 31st



WHO HAS A HIDDEN TALENT THAT NEEDS TO BE EXPOSED? WE ARE EXCITED TO BE PREPARING FOR THIS YEAR'S NEW YEAR'S EXTRAVAGANZA @ THE ROCK AND WE NEED TALENTS FOR THE BIG SHOW! TO REGISTER YOUR TALENT, PLEASE SIGN UP USING THE ROCK CHURCH APP! WE WILL BEGIN AT 9 P.M. WITH SOME TALENTS, SOME WORSHIP, AND SOME FINGER FOODS. BRING SOME SNACKS AND LET'S RING IN THE NEW YEAR TOGETHER!