

RCA IN THE NEWS

RETREATS FOR FACULTY/STAFF & SENIORS BEGIN YEAR WITH A FRESH START

Riverside Christian Academy's faculty and staff and the senior class each began the school year with an annual retreat. The faculty and staff retreat took place at Gunter Hollow Lodge and the senior class retreat was at Grace Falls Church.

Darryl Haney, director of Simply the Truth Ministries and pastor of Grace Falls Church, challenged the teachers and students at their respective retreats with team building initiative games. The games helped them learn more about themselves, their coworkers/classmates, and the way God works in the lives of His people.

Rick Holoway, the Vice President of Enrollment Management at Lipscomb University, spoke to the faculty and staff about their philosophies of education, living out their faith in the classroom, and how to better understand and communicate with the generation of students they are teaching.

The faculty and staff spent time in prayer and in fellowship with one another before beginning "nuts and bolts" planning and preparation for the school year, and the students spent time in prayer and discussed different ways they can lead the rest of the student body toward Christ this school year.

RCA's theme for the school year was introduced to the faculty and the seniors at their respective retreats and they were each given a t-shirt to wear when school started to promote the spiritual theme for the year.

This year's theme is "Not Ashamed" it comes from Romans 1:16 which says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes."

"We love to start the school year with retreats for the faculty and staff and the senior class because it is a good time for everyone to get together after a long summer break and focus on the Lord and our mission as a school without the hustle and bustle of lesson planning or homework and extracurricular activities," said RCA's President, James Bryant. "Our goal is to get everyone singularly focused on honoring Christ in their day to day lives here at RCA before school days begin."

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