



Conversations With Dad

Zech Riggs

Some of my fondest conversations with my Dad didn't happen on the couch, in the garage, or even in a fishing boat. These great exchanges happened late at night when our neighborhood would rest its weary eyes for the evening. You see, my dad loved to go for walks and still

does to this day. He would often lace up his sneakers at ten or eleven o'clock at night and just stroll around the lonely streets. When I was in middle school and high school, I was allowed to join him on these evening promenades.

Sometimes, our loud gaits hitting the pavement would be the only thing you heard from us as we gazed up into the starry night sky. Other



nights, we wouldn't stop talking as dialogues on life and the challenges we face would make those walks feel like only a minute. It was on these nights that my father would inquire as to what challenges I was facing and offer sage advice that I still appreciate to this day. Being a young boy, I didn't always take the advice and apply it right away as I thought my ways were "always right." As

the years pass on, I am more thankful for those walks and talks than I ever thought I would be at the time. As I watch my children grow (way too fast), I catch myself saying and remembering these tidbits of advice my Dad imparted on me.

These chats with Dad will be the topic of focus for our Father's Day sermon. I am excited that I will get the privilege of sharing the stage with my father, John Riggs, as we preach about "Conversations with Dad" to everyone that day. Please join us as we address the passing of astute advice and Godly wisdom from a father to his children on June 18th during all three services.

New Sermon Series

Life lessons come in many shapes and sizes, they also come from unexpected places. In this unique sermon series we will learn a series of life lessons from the road trips of the Bible. As millions of Americans prepare to take to the highways, sky ways and byways on summer vaca-



tions, we will be exploring some famous road trips of our own, recalling amazing stories and remembering the lessons learned, sometimes les-

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sons learned the hard way! So we invite you to join us on a journey--sometimes humorous, sometimes reflective, always relevant and meaningful. Join us in June and discover what lessons you might learn from those traveling on the roads of the Bible.

Baptistery "On the Move"

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On Sunday May 21st, Ogilville Christian Church presented John Riggs (Zech's Father) with a portable baptistery from ARM Ministries for his work at the Madison Correctional Facility. John Riggs is the Assistance Warden of the female-only facility and personally leads three women's Bible studies throughout the week, one of which was the "End of Me" series recently completed by our church-wide small groups.

During this four-week small group, 52 women were in attendance and the books are currently spreading around the prison like a wildfire. Since he began this ministry in Madison, Indiana, 32 women have made the commitment to follow Jesus Christ and show this dedication in humble

obedience to the waters of baptism.

These amazing decisions have not come without complications. The prison's one available baptistery was in extreme disrepair and organizing the baptisms meant pushing out these decisions for several months. The baptistery itself, although deemed portable, could barely be carted a few feet. Others were not able to view the baptisms because of all these difficulties. John researched and found a wonderful solution, a portable baptistery, but another challenge arose. The portable baptistery was expensive so he reached out to the eldership for assistance and asked if there was anything that Ogilville Christian Church would be able to do that would help make this dream a reality.

The elders were more than willing, but instead of just covering a portion of the cost they covered the whole cost and of-

fered the baptistery as a gift to the prison. With this new baptistery (pictured below), John will be able to not only perform baptisms within a few days of a decision but will also be able to take the baptistery directly into the housing units for all the women to witness. This is a wonderful opportunity for so many of the ladies to begin planting the seeds of Christ's love in the hearts of those with which they share a home.



Sabbatical Update

Virgil Clotfelter

Last month I told you about the "heart song" that our Sabbatical time away from home would bring us as we travel extensively. These multi-cultural trips WILL NOT let "hope deferred make our heart sick," but instead bring joy as they fulfill longings and life-long dreams. (Proverbs 13:12)

The same rationale helped me plan a three-faced emphasis for our Sabbatical time of rest and renewal spent at home. Those days close by will focus on

"God, garage and granddaughter," but not necessarily in that order. Along with much more frequent time and new experiences with Calla, I am committing myself to reading 3 books on Christian grand-parenting. For those who know me, my lack of passion for reading is a personal trademark, so this makes this a formidable challenge for my 15 weeks of renewal.

A quick glance at our garage would make the "garage" ele-

ment of my plan obvious—it needs much in the way of culling, cleaning, and reorganization. Such efforts are long overdue.

I hope I don't need to explain the "God" portion of my objectives. In particular, I want to mimic His creativeness and dedication to rest. "Nuff said." It all begins July 24 and concludes Nov. 11. Thank you for your support of this opportunity.

Christian Education this Month

All are invited...bring your Bible

9:30 a.m. in the OCC Café

Our elder-led 1-2-3 John study has concluded. Virgil Clotfelter will now lead a 3 week Bible study on "NOTABLE 3:16's," June 4, 11, & 18. Following that, Nelson Lee will begin a 6-week study from the book of 1 Timothy, June 25-July 30.

10:30 a.m. in the OCC Café

David Weaver will lead a 9-week study, June 4 thru July 30, based on Andy Stanley's book, "**CHRISTIAN: IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK.**" Synopsis: "According to Andy Stanley, the words used to describe Christians today often bear no resemblance to what Jesus wanted his followers to be known for. In this video-based Bible study, Andy explores the truth and fiction behind one of the most famous brands in all of history."

Hilltop Camp Schedule

Scholarships are available for camp all summer

Day Camp I — June 28
Day Camp II & III — June 29 & 30
Day Camp Wilderness — June 29
Ice Breaker — June 25-27
Ice Breaker Wilderness — June 25-27
Junior Discovery Lab — June 4-9
Junior — July 16-21
Junior Wilderness — June 4-9
Junior Girls — June 11-16
Intermediate — July 9-14
Junior High — July 2-7
Junior High Wilderness — July 2-7
High School — June 18-23
High School Wilderness — June 18-23
Fit 4 Christ, Fit 4 Life (Jr/Sr High) July 23-28

Sunday Morning Fall Schedule

One aspect of the Lilly Clergy Renewal Grant programs is that your proposed program can include special events for the pastor's church during his Sabbatical absence. I am pleased to announce two very special and relevant Christian Education classes that will take place while I'm away. Both classes will allow us to focus on our unique IDENTITY in Christ. I encourage you to plan to attend both electives.

1. **CHRISTIAN WORLD VIEW** is a 6-week elective to be taught by one of our area pastors, Al White. The class dates are August 6—September 10. Synopsis: As believers, we look at the world in a far different way than non-believers. This biblical, faith based perspective affects every aspect of life and it is very important we know WHO we are, WHAT we believe, WHY we think the way we do, and HOW we apply this unique and spiritual outlook to all things. It's a valuable and important subject to discuss and study.
2. **RESTORATION MOVEMENT HISTORY AND PRINCIPLES** is a 5-week elective to be taught by Cincinnati Christian University Professor, Dr. Jim North. It will meet October 15—November 12. Synopsis: OCC traces its heritage to a spiritual awakening movement of the American frontier that came to the forefront in the early 1800's. It is a movement with a fascinating history and it built primarily on the eternal goal of the unity of all believers under the authority of the Scripture. Dr. North is an amazing teacher who has a gift of making church and R. M. history come alive.

Our guest teachers will teach at both morning hours when they are with us. So, the time choice is yours—come learn from these wise and godly messengers at 9:00 am or 10:30 am in the OCC Café. Please consider this my personal and heartfelt appeal. What a great opportunity for us at OCC!

Missing an item???

If you are missing a coat, jacket or dish, you may want to check the coat closet. All items left after Sunday, June 18 will be donated to San Souci. There are a lot of small jackets, sweaters, and coats in the coat closet, many have been there for a long time.



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birthdays &
anniversaries



...on the calendar



- ◇ 6.4 Honoring our Graduates
- ◇ 6.10 Breaking Bread Ministries
- ◇ 6.17 Men's Breakfast
- ◇ 6.18 Father's Day

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| 2 | Cinthia Taulbee | 16 | Hattie Peck |
| 3 | Katie Bacon | 18 | Sandy Hundley |
| 5 | Travis & Brooke Mouser | | Phillip & Katie Bacon |
| 6 | Nelson Lee | 19 | Adam Otte |
| | Nash Murphy | 20 | Shanyn Murphy |
| 7 | Ethan Barriger | | Alli Robertson |
| | Chuck & Brenda Fleetwood | 22 | Brenda Bruner |
| | Cody & Emily Surenkamp | | Tami May |
| 12 | Chloe Pacek | | Isaac Miller |
| | Blayne Reynolds | | Andy Robison |
| | Elijah Wright | 23 | Keith Russell |
| 13 | Isaac Carter | | Karrick & Kimberly Hutchinson |
| | Carol Gearhart | 24 | Nathan Long |
| | Wyatt Hutchinson | | Elijah Morrison |
| 14 | Ava Pruitt | | Martin & Mona Peterson |
| 15 | Barty & Kathy Moffett | 25 | David & Melinda Foust |
| | Eric & Tammy Carlson | 27 | Larry & Debbie Fleetwood |
| | John & Vickie Fox | 29 | Nancy Baldwin |
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spotlight...

Honoring Our Graduates Sunday, June 4, 2017

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Madelynn Marks
Madison Moore
Marcus Murray

EAST HIGH SCHOOL

Zachary Bolte
Kary Horner
Logan Smith
Kaitlin Wagner
Nicholas Wagner

BROWN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Baylee Mosier

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

Lauren Moffett Doctor of Physical Therapy

