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Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."



Christmas Party 2021-Reindeer Game Champs



Christmas Party 2021-Ugly Sweaters



Ski Trip 2022



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What I learned over COVID vacation

If you do not already know, my family began the COVID journey (again) in the middle of January. There are of course a million scenarios that run through your mind once someone on your house gets sick –regardless of the illness. The biggest beingwhat next"? What are we going to do now and then of course that is paired with the "what ifs?". The last time we got stuck at home with COVID-it was a much easier ordeal. It was summer so no school to worry about, we got off of work for as long as we needed without worrying about pay-the girls weren't needing money to pay bills, and they had just moved in with us so it was good to get that time together, and no one really felt sick. This time was a trial. I with I could say I handled it like a champion, but I did not. However, I will learn from my mistakes. I tried so hard to keep everything in my control. Keeping everyone in their designated areas, wearing masks, COVID tests, trying mercilessly to will it away because of the maybes. I selfishly did not want to miss the ski retreat. I did not want the girls to miss school and be behind. I did not want them to miss work and have to work harder latter to make up the difference. I did not want Maxwell to get sick. And I tried to handle it all myself. I prayed a lot, but I do not think they consisted much of "thy will be done"-more like "it would be really nice if my will could be done". If I had just let go of it all earlier, once I was feeling ill, my rest could have been more restful. Van only missed one regular day of school since. Our illness clear up quickly and was not too much to bear. Maxwell and Christian stayed healthy. God is so good. My prayer for myself and for all of you reading is that you will pray now for strength when those moments arise. Those moments when we may not be able to pray with a clear head and it is really hard to pray "Lord thy will be done" Lord give us grace, give us mercy, and give us the nudges we need to surrender our will to yours.

Upcoming Events

January 29-Winter Jam

February 17-Senior Night

February 25-Ice Skating

Ski Retreat Photos Added

Use this <u>link</u> to access WFMY activity photos.

Sign Up Links:

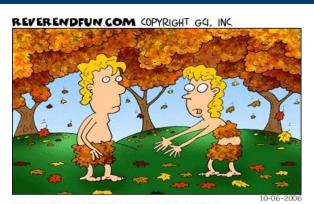
Prayer Breakfast

Prayer Breakfast Driver

Afterglow

What does that even mean?

During the rest of this semester I will be using some of our Wednesday evenings to talk about terms or concepts that our teens —and maybe some adults as well —hear in church or read in the Bible, but may not really understand. I am looking for insight on what some of those things might be. If you have any suggestions please don't hesitate to let me know!



WILL YOU PLEASE PICK UP ALL YOUR CLOTHES?