Assess and Rebuild

Hurricane Relief Efforts from RTS Orlando

An RTS couple is beginning to compile a list of the following things:
1) Folks interested in participating in a future relief trip to New Orleans and the Gulf States.
2) Folks who have other resources (not limited to money) that would bring aid to the hurricane victims. Please email Adam or Beth Young (ayoung@rts.edu or byoung@rts.edu) if you would like to be put on either list. We will send this information directly to Desire Street Ministries. Finally, the DSM web site (www.desirestreet.org) is constantly being updated with new information. They have now listed a physical mailing address where donations can be sent. The address is as follows:

Desire Street Ministries Fund
Whitney National, Northwest Branch
Mail Teller, Attn: Loveda Lockey
1716 Mangum Road
Houston, TX 77092

DSM is also asking for gift cards to Walmart, Target, Footlocker, Academy Sports and JCPenney to help children and families get back on their feet. You can mail the gift cards directly to the address listed above, or give them to Beth and Adam Young here at RTS to be sent to DSM.

Waterlogged Hymnals and broken church buildings reminiscent of another national disaster four years ago this week. Photos courtesy of Peculiar People and Time Magazine.

Counseling Available to RTS Students

If you or someone in your family is struggling emotionally or spiritually, do not hesitate to call or email Chuck DeGroat (cdegroat@rts.edu), or stop in and visit him at his office in the faculty wing. If you’re a student, counseling is encouraged as a part of your growth toward full-time ministry. It’s also discounted for students and their families. Chuck is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor and teaches several counseling and theology courses here at the seminary.

Fall Family Picnic 2

The Annual Fall Picnic has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 24th. So get ready to get together with your family and the rest of the Seminary Community to eat free BBQ, jump on inflatable games (big kids, too), and just have a good time. It would be extremely cool if you RSVP’d to Amy Rozsa at arozsa@rts.edu ASAP. See you there!

Want to get a word out? Info must be received by Wednesdays at 5 pm at news.orlando@rts.edu in order to be included in the following Monday’s newsletter, and the IR staff reserves final editing authority. Any Housing or Employment Advertisements should be sent to Adam Young at community.orlando@rts.edu.

RTS Blog Site

http://blogs.rts.edu/

In order to address the needs and the desire to help those affected by Hurricane Katrina, RTS has created a Forum on the RTS Website to try and help facilitate needs and support to meet those needs. Please visit the link below and distribute to the student bodies at each of the campuses.

Our prayer and desire is that this will help build our community and more importantly help those who are hurting and in need. May the Lord’s face shine on all those who have been affected by this tragedy.

Student Directory

Visit www.rts.edu/whoswho
It’s easy! Just remember that the username is rts and the password is rts2000. Then search away!
“One School, One Book”: One Movement at RTS

This fall the entire seminary community plans to read and reflect together on a common book, both in the classroom and beyond. The book is Truth in All Its Glory: Commending the Reformed Faith, by William Edgar of Westminster Seminary in Philadelphia. It is available for only $9 in the campus bookstore. Start reading, and join the conversation!

Interested in Pursuing a PhD? Have Questions?

RTS Professor Dr. Charles MacKenzie will be holding an information meeting for anyone interested in someday pursuing additional graduate studies when they are done at RTS. The meeting will be held this Wednesday, September 14th, at 6pm. Meet at Dr. MacKenzie’s office or email cmackenzie@rts.edu.

Important Dates To Remember

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BibleWorks Workshop

On Tuesday September 20, 2005, a representative from BibleWorks will be at RTS holding workshops in the conference room for anyone interested in learning more about the software program. The Beginners’ Workshop will run from 9:00 to 12:00 noon and a workshop for advanced users will run from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. There is a $25 fee for each workshop. You must call 888-747-8200 to register for either of these workshops.

FULL DETAILS regarding the training can be found at www.bibleworks.com/training/RTSODetails.htm

Women in Ministry

Women in Ministry is a ministry for all women affiliated with RTS that provides fellowship, fosters connection to the broader seminary community, equips us to build the kingdom in our respective callings, and encourages us to live passionately in submission to Christ. Meetings are held every other Thursday evening at 7pm at RTS. Come join us for the following events:

September 22 - Persevering in Ministry and Marriage: Everyone is welcome to a dessert with RTS President, Dr. Frank A. James and his wife, Carolyn Custis James as they speak on how to persevere in ministry and marriage. You won’t want to miss this special Women in Ministry-sponsored event on Thursday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

October 7 & 8 - Women’s Retreat at Hilton Cocoa Beach Riverfront with Mrs. Becky Hunter, wife of Joel C. Hunter, Senior Pastor at Northland, A Church Distributed. The retreat will begin with a dinner at 7pm on Friday and will last until 2pm on Saturday. The early registration cost is $55 by September 15th. After that date, the cost is $65. Scholarships are available. To register or sign up for carpool, contact Cheryl Crowe at 407-756-4603 or jccrowe@genevaschool.org.

Meet the Job Gurus

Need a job while you’re here at RTS? Contact Adam Young at ayoung@rts.edu

Need a call to ministry when you leave RTS? Churches are looking for YOU. Contact Rachel Blackston at rblackston@rts.edu

Need a place to live? Contact Adam Young, who is not only our job guy but also our housing guy, in the Student Affairs office, or email him at community.orlando@rts.edu

Or check the job/ housing board in the student commons!

Babes in Christ

Great photogenics, Batman! Send in digital pictures of your newborns to news.orlando@rts.edu and we’ll be happy to print them for all to celebrate with you!