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PRAY WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR RBC AND OUR COMMUNITY.

> We pray with passion from the finished work of the cross

> > Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am-10:45am in the prayer room



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