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Riverside Church Votes to Keep Weekday School Open for 2025-2026 Academic Year and Forms Committee to Plan Its Future

NEW YORK – Jan. 21, 2025 – In a special congregational meeting held on Sunday, Jan. 19, The Riverside Church voted overwhelmingly to continue operations of its Weekday School for the 2025-2026 academic year.

To assess the school's operations, viability, and alignment with the mission of The Riverside Church, a Weekday School Committee has been established. This committee will evaluate and make recommendations regarding the school's future, presenting its findings and a detailed plan, including a timeline and financial budget, to the congregation during the annual meeting in May 2025.

The Weekday School Committee members will include:

- The head of the Weekday School
- Riverside's chief operating officer
- Representatives from the church council, education commission, mission and social justice commission, clergy, and Weekday School families
- Two representatives from the congregation, selected by the church council

To ensure diverse expertise, the council will consider candidates with experience in early childhood education, business, financial operations, and marketing.

The Riverside Church invites families to enroll their children in the Weekday School for the 2025-2026 academic year. The Church values its partnership with families and looks forward to working together in shaping the school's future. To learn more about the Weekday School, visit https://www.wdsnyc.org/.

About The Riverside Church

Located in Morningside Heights where the Upper West Side meets Harlem, The Riverside Church in the City of New York is one of the leading voices of Progressive Christianity, influential on America's religious and political landscapes for over 90 years. Built by John D. Rockefeller Jr. and currently led by senior minister Rev. Adriene Thorne, the interracial, interdenominational, and international church has long been a forum for important civic and spiritual leaders, including Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela, President Bill Clinton, the Dalai Lama, and countless others. Visit www.trcnyc.org to learn more.