

Round Rock Christian Church Worldwide Candle Lighting Service
done in Conjunction with Compassionate Friends

Do you or someone you know have a hard time getting into the spirit of the Christmas Season because there is a special someone no longer here on earth? Many people grieve the loss of a loved one; grandparents, parents, siblings, spouses, a child you only held for a short while or even a child you only dreamed of watching grow. The holidays can be especially hard for those who are grieving such losses.

This year, here at RRCC, we plan to help grieving individuals by giving them a place and time to remember and honor their loved one who may be gone, but will never be forgotten. We are providing an opportunity for the grieving to come light a candle, lifting their loved one's name during a special Candle Lighting Service in conjunction with the Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting event.

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December 8, 2019

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Service begins at 6:30

Reception to be held afterwards

All participants are encouraged to bring a photo of their loved one to be displayed on our memory table (hung on a string of heavenly lights.)

Not all display their grief openly; many carry their pain deep inside. Although it is expressed differently as time passes, grief is never ending. Those who are grieving miss being able to share in the everyday activities of life, while their friends and families may avoid conversations with grievers on special days for fear of causing pain to the grieving.

We all know someone who has suffered a loss, it might even be you. We want to encourage you to reach out to those you know are missing a loved one. Let them know they are not only welcomed but *encouraged* to come share in this time of remembrance.

1. All are welcome, regardless of their religious beliefs. We are merely hosting this special event.
2. We are not a grief support group that meets on a regular basis
3. The first candles will be lit at 6:30 with the group lighting to begin shortly before 7:00 P.M.

About Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting Services: Now believed to be the largest mass candle lighting on the globe, the 21st annual Worldwide Candle Lighting, a gift to the bereavement community from The Compassionate Friends, creates a virtual 24-hour wave of light as it moves from time zone to time zone. TCF's WWCL started in the United States in 1997 as a small internet observance but has since swelled in numbers as word has spread throughout the world of the remembrance. Hundreds of formal candle lighting events are held and thousands of informal candle lightings are conducted in homes as families gather in quiet remembrance of children who have died, but will never be forgotten.