

**Pastor Rusty & Laura Rice / Joe & Candy Patterson /  
Matt & Kaysa Pierce**  
**On-Campus Small Group**

**Meeting Time:** Sunday mornings starting January 8th at 11:00 a.m.

**Meeting Location:** Adult Education Building 1st floor room 102 (**See map on backside**)

**Group Description:** Young Married Couples Age 20s—30s

**Meet the Rices**

Pastor Rusty and Laura have been on Oakwood staff for 23 years. They met in CA at The Masters College and were married in 1988. Rusty grew up in Pampa, Tx and Laura grew up in The Woodlands. They have three grown children: Ashlynn, Hudson and Haddon. We love the outdoors, travel, fishing, family and Texas Tech sports. (That is why we are frequently sad). Through the years we have taught and led various ministries but have a love and passion for young couples and their marriage.



**Meet the Pattersons**

Joe and Candy met almost 24 years ago on a blind date set up by a mutual friend. They were married in December 1999 and will always be thankful to God for the second chance He gave each of them with each other. The Pattersons moved to New Braunfels in spring 2005 and began attending Oakwood later that year...becoming members in 2006. Their involvement with the church started with Candy teaching 4-year-old children in the "Kids Kare" Mother's Day Out program and has grown exponentially from there to co-teaching a small group, multiple volunteer opportunities, helping with ReEngage and Merge, and Joe's service as a deacon and on church committees. Joe, a native of Smithville and graduate of Texas A&M University, is a private banker who specializes in financing ranches, country homes, and other rural properties located across Texas to customers from all over the U.S. Candy, a Boerne native, is the assistant director of the Mother's Day Out program at New Braunfels Bible Church and is also a licensed cosmetologist. Their oldest son Brayden lives in Houston with his wife, Mikala, and their youngest son Bryce is a junior at Texas State University. The Pattersons enjoy traveling Texas, great restaurants, a little bit of hunting & fishing, spending time with family, and Texas A&M sports (WHOOPI!)



**Meet the Pierces**

Matt and Kaysa met in high school when Matt was a freshman & Kaysa a junior. They didn't date but became close friends. Six years later when Kaysa was a senior in college and Matt returned from serving in desert storm they began dating and were engaged 3 1/2 weeks later. They began married life at Fort Campbell, Kentucky where Matt was stationed with the army. They eventually moved to Houston after Matt finished his time of service. There they have two sons Holtan (now 26) and Trevor (now 23). Ten years and several moves later they ended up in New Braunfels and Oakwood in 2010. Matt is a Real Estate Broker and Kaysa volunteers at Options For Life. In October they celebrated 31 years of marriage and are enjoying life and traveling as empty-nesters.



**If questions, please contact Pastor Rusty at [rusty.rice@oakwoodnb.com](mailto:rusty.rice@oakwoodnb.com) Or contact Pastor Dale at [dale.bynum@oakwoodnb.com](mailto:dale.bynum@oakwoodnb.com) or 830-625-0267.**

# Location of Rice—Patterson—Pierce Small Group

