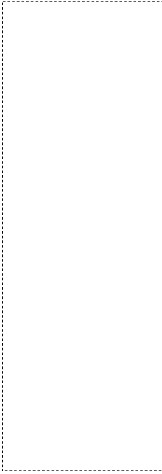


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The Month of May is a significant transition time for the ministry of Richland ARP! Take note of all the changes and dates happening for summer time!

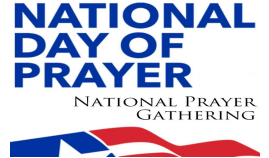
EXPANDED UPDATE FOR MAY
(and beyond...)

- May 1 & 2 - Heaven and Earth Conference at Union University, Memphis



- May 3 - Spring Concert (6:30PM) - Join with the Rosemark Community for a night of praise songs and prayer; TRA PAC

- May 7 - National Day of Prayer (Noon) - The City of Millington will gather at the Baker Community Center to pray for our churches, city, and nation.



- May 9 - Rosemark Men's Breakfast (8AM) - in the Memorial Hall. Please invite a father, son, and brother!

- May 9 - Women's Ministry Flower, Food & Fellowship (3PM) - in the Memorial Hall for a time of flower arranging followed with a dinner excursion into town.



Richland Women's Ministries

- May 10 - Mother's Day

- On Sunday, May 17, our Children's Sunday School program will take a summer break. In May, our children will meet in the Memorial Hall for VBS song practice with Miss Courtney.





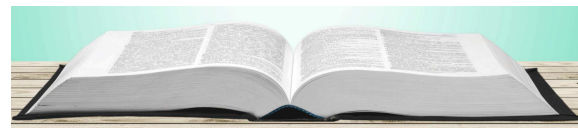
Richland ARP desires to be a faithful expression of "God's Kingdom gathered and equipped for service!" **An Inquirer's Class** will be scheduled as an after-church luncheon to discuss our church history, present ministry, and future goals -- just inquire!



Richland ARP
160th Homecoming!
Nov. 1, 2026!



"Great Salvation Moments" is both a survey of the Scriptures and a detailed look at the who, what, when, where, why, and how of God's saving grace. That grace was established by covenant promises with the saints of Israel, a people set apart for a unique role in the world... We are learning that God's salvation remains the same over all of time, but with new implications... Access past messages at our website, YouTube & Facebook pages. Search: **Richland ARP Church**. [Please "subscribe" to receive notices of new presentations] **REMEMBER:** During our Sunday morning service, our Memorial Hall may be utilized as an "over-flow room."



MAY

Birthdays

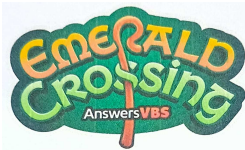
- 3 - Rev. Dr. Meredith Cavin
- 6 - Debbie McGarr
- 9 - Don Tabb
- 13 - Rose Clay
- 17 - Valor Moorlach
- 27 - Audrey Gordon
- 30 - Allie Silence

Anniversaries

- 5/15 - Jay & Karen Rublaitus
- 5/24 - Aaron & Jennifer Clay

EXPANDED UPDATE (con'd, part A...)

- **May 11 & 12 - The Shepherd's Horn Concerts (6:30p):** Many of our own students will be performing with several ensembles at Faith Baptist in Cordova.
- **May 19 - Rosemark Garden Club (10a)** meets at the Hise Home for their season ending fellowship and plant auction.
- **May 23 - VBS Mandatory Meeting for ARP (10AM)** - Our "shared" Summer VBS program will be hosted in Bartlett on **June 15-19**. REGISTRATION AT OUR WEBSITE IS NOW OPEN! All volunteers MUST make this meeting for preparations at Providence.
- **May 25 - Memorial Day**
- **May 30 - Retirement Party** at Providence ARP for Rev. Joseph Donahue
- **May 31 - All Church Luncheon** after our morning service
- **June 5 - First Friday Studies** for YOUTH
- **June 7 - Donuts & Devotions: (10AM)** Our summer family Sunday School class.



EXPANDED UPDATE (con'd, part B)

- **June 8-12 - The 222nd ARP Synod Meeting** at Bonclarken in Flat Rock, NC
- **June 15-19 - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL @ Providence ARP (9AM-Noon)** Please register and attend this shared VBS program that will be a great blessing to all involved! On Friday Night, Richland ARP is hosting the closing celebrations @ Providence ARP. More info coming soon!
- **June 21 - Dad's & Grad's at Richland** We would like to honor the accomplishments of all those graduating and promoting this year! Please turn in details to Miss Stephanie who will be organizing this material Special acknowledgments awarded on this day before the service.



- June 27 - Rosemark 250th Celebration

Preliminary plans are being discussed for a Saturday celebration in our community to commemorate our nation's 250th Birthday. We are entertaining several ideas, so make your suggestions, and join in the festivities!

- **June 28 - Gideon's Sunday**
- **July 4 - Independence Day**
- **July 20-25 - MVP SUMMER CAMP** at



French Camp, MS! Our students from age 8 to 18 are invited to a fantastic

week of camp in which Richland campers will receive a full scholarship this summer! Visit our website to register online and to see all the great photos from past year's! Join us!



Hope in the Community Food Drive is a ministry meeting the needs of families in North Shelby County. Use this box in the Memorial Hall for your non-perishable food donations. See the pastor for info.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

NATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING



This year's **National Day of Prayer** will be hosted by our Millington pastors on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at Noon, in the Baker Community Center on Church St. We invite the congregation to participate in this community event! Lift up our community and nation before the Lord!

Rededicate 250: National Jubilee of Prayer, Praise, and Thanksgiving

May 17

Rosemark's Men's Monthly Breakfast & Fellowship!

All fathers, sons, & brothers will enjoy a great breakfast & Bible devotion @ 8AM. JOIN US (2nd Sat.) May 9 @ Richland ARP!





The **LADIES AM Bible Study** meets most Tuesdays at Miss Ann's home at 9:30AM (Excepting Tuesdays when the Rosemark Garden Club meets! See calendar). Their current study lessons are from Vaughn Roberts series entitled, "God's Big Picture."

Informer Articles

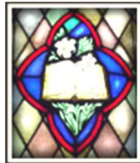
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- & our **YouTube Channel:**
"Richland ARP Church"

YOUTH GROUP

News

- ◆ Youth Sunday School classes meet @ 10AM (***NOTE program change on 5/17!**)
- ◆ YOUTH CHOIR will meet during Sunday School until June.
- ◆ Our next **FIRST FRIDAY** meeting will be on the 2nd FRIDAY of May! Look for the online information and be sure to invite your friends in middle and high school!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat

FIRST FRIDAY STUDIES
Attention all middle and high schoolers!
FOR OUR NEXT First Friday Study

- ◆ **SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN!** Don't miss our MVP Camp in French Camp, MS. July 20-25! Our Session is providing full scholarships! Sign up now!

College Age Students!

Take part in the weekly fellowship and study time with several Presbyterian Churches meeting at Advent Pres. in Cordova, Fridays at 6PM.



Reports from Richland's

Calling Post

Will exTReMe weather prevent us from gathering? Receive a phone message indicating our meeting status! Leave your phone number with the church office to receive our all-church calling service!



"Thank you" to those who access our online giving platform! If you wish to donate online, please visit our church website and click on the "Online Giving" tab to establish & manage an online account. Thank you for being a partner and a blessing!



WM will have a special fellowship on May 9, at 3PM for a time of flower arranging. Afterwards, they will caravan into town for an evening meal together. See Miss Kelly for more...



CONGRATS to:

Ross & Emma Kate Mitchell on the birth of their first child, a daughter, Parker Anne, in the month of April.



Proud grandparents, Elder Keith & Bebe Wilder are sharing in the joy of God's blessings! Praise the Lord!

ALL CHURCH PRAYER MEETING NOTES: 4/30/26

Our stated prayer meeting on the 5th Wednesday of the month included the following prayers of praise, repentance, and intercession - Ann, Anastasia, Justus, George, Soshanna, Parker Anne, Serena, Roy, Christopher, Ben, Ben, Ian, Gail, Dick, Rodney, Anna, Ruth, Joseph, Faith, a father-in-law, nation's leadership, marriages in need of reconciliation, cancer treatments, summer travel plans, Clay family move, health issues, summer camp, VBS, First Fridays, Synod & Presbytery meetings, storm recovery, conferences, Deacons & Elders, fractured families, new employment, graduates & graduations, spiritual renewal and adornment of God's armor, healthy church life, interaction with visitors, being a faithful witness, being protected from temptation, wars & persecutions, insurance coverage, National Day of Prayer, to seek God's Kingdom & righteousness.

You're INVITED!

PLEASE JOIN US TO celebrate THE COLLEGE GRADUATION OF *Alana Gordon*

WHO HAS EARNED HER ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE FROM DYERSBURG STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DATE: MAY 9TH TIME: 10:00 AM LOCATION: DYERSBURG CAMPUS ELLER BUILDING LAWN

BRING LAWN CHAIRS!

We would love for you to come celebrate this special milestone!

Lydia Grace Morgan



MHEA Graduation
May 9 at 10 AM
Bellevue Baptist Church
Memphis, TN



Join us at 10AM for a morning of instruction with great conversation, prayer, & discipleship!

CHANGES IN THE MONTH OF MAY!!

We want to extend our greatest thanks to our 2025-26 Sunday School teachers for their devotion and discipleship! We hope to see you again in the Fall of 2026!

Our Children's Classes on **May 17**, at 10AM will be devoted to preparing VBS songs with Miss Courtney.

On **June 7**, we will begin our summer, "Donuts & Devotions" for families in the Memorial Hall (A very similar program to our just completed Wednesday night meetings. See the Pastor for more info!

◆ **3 Adult Classes:**

- ◇ "Faith" meets in the old Session Room for a study led by class members through the *Bible Expositor and Illuminator* series.
- ◇ "Growing in Grace" is our women's class meeting in the women's parlor. This class is facilitated by Miss Danna, and now teaching through the Heidelberg Catechism.

⇒ Classes conclude at 10:45AM, so arrive on time!



From The DIACONATE

Discussion regarding congregational safety has been a priority; ideas being raised. An AC unit was recently replaced. New paper supply stock ordered. New paper towel dispensers were installed in the bathrooms. Another leak from an AC unit condensation line needs repair. Donation to the Best missionaries made. New placement of first aid cabinet sought. Lightbulbs & batteries always need replacing. Sanctuary refurbishment plans are proceeding with the Design Committee. Prayers lifted on behalf of the congregation. Rosemark Breakfast & Bible Study: May 9; 8AM - Richland ARP
Next Deacon's meeting is May 5, 2026.

From The SESSION

The Session prays for our church members, shut-ins, community, city, nation, and the concerns of the world-wide church. Meetings are held each Lord's Day prior to the morning service, and monthly, typically on the first Tuesday of each month.

Received: Deacons' & Treasurer's Report; Member correspondence; prayer requests
Approved: Preaching schedule; scholarships for summer camp; Gideon's Sunday - June 28; WM event
Discussed: Conferences; VBS venue

SESSION NOTICE: *Session meetings are public meetings; however, some matters discussed are sensitive in nature. Thank you for scheduling your attendance with our Clerk in advance.*

Scenes from Heaven & Earth Conference.



MAY 2026 @ Richland ARP

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes-	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 - Bible Classes - Worship Service	27 - TSH Concerts	28 - Rosemark Garden Club Mtg.	29 - 5th Wednesday All Church Prayer Meeting; 6:16PM	30	1 MAY - Heaven & Earth Conf. in Memphis	2 - Heaven & Earth Conf. in Memphis
3 - Bible Classes - Worship Service	4 - Memorial Hall Use; 6PM	5 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM - Officers' Mtgs @ Richland ARP	6 - Wednesday Family Dinner & Devotions; 6PM	7 - NATIONAL DAY of PRAYER MEETING in Millington, Noon Baker Comm. Ctr.	8 - 1st Friday Youth Study & Fellowship; 6PM	9 - Rosemark Men's Breakfast & Bible Study; 8AM @ - WM Flowers, Fellowship & Food; 3p
10 MOTHER'S DAY - Bible Classes - Worship Service	11 - TSH Concerts	12 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM	13	14	15 - Abide 6:30PM	16
17 - Bible Classes - VBS Choir; 10AM - Worship Service - ReDedicate USA	18	19 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM	20	21 - Memorial Hall Use; 9AM	22	23 - MANDATORY VBS Meeting @ Providence; 10AM
24 - Bible Classes - VBS Choir - Worship Service	25 - Memorial Day	26 - Rosemark Garden Club Mtg.	27	28	29 - Abide 6:30PM	30 - Rev. Joseph Donahue Retirement
31 - Bible Classes - VBS Choir; 10AM - Worship Service - 5th Sunday Luncheon	1 JUNE	2 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM - Officers' Mtgs @ Richland ARP	3	4 - 1st Thursday Prayer Meeting in Millington; 11:45a	5 - Abide 6:30PM	6 <Visit: RichlandARP.org>