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A Family Rooted in Christ and Reaching Out in Love

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Youth News

The youth enjoyed an outing in Rockwall to see the movie His Only Son. In the movie Abraham is commanded by God to sacrifice his son, and finds his faith tested during the three-day journey to the mountain of Moriah. Afterwards, we enjoyed a meal together at Whataburger. Those in attendance were Sophie Nychka, David and Johanna Cartwright, Jana Davis, Frances, Frank, Marguerite, and Robby Groover. The following week in youth group we made a comparison how the movie portrayed Abraham to what the Bible tells us of Abraham.



More From the Youth

The youth took a break from their apologetic study to play a competitive game of Bible Trivia Kickball. In order to kick the ball the youth had to answer Bible Trivia questions to earn points for their team. Those that competed were Frances and Robby Groover with Andrew and Joseph Hammons, playing against Maggie McDonald, Frank Groover, Sophie Nychka, and Johanna Cartwright. A special thank you to Marguerite Groover for being the official scorekeeper.



Proclamation

Whereas the work performed by administrative professionals requires diverse skills that are acquired and perfected by extensive training; and

Whereas administrative professionals are the true backbone of an effective, healthy church system; and

Whereas Jackie Cockerham and Nancy McDonald have given themselves tirelessly and faithfully to the administrative ministry of Russell Memorial, repeatedly performed above the call of duty, accomplishing critical tasks that mostly go unseen to the public, and persevered with great patience in support of the church pastor;



Therefore I, David Cartwright, pastor at Russell Memorial Methodist Church, do proclaim Wednesday, April 26, 2023 is Administrative Professional Appreciation Day and do encourage all people to express their gratitude to Ms. Cockerham and Ms. McDonald.

Dear RMMC family,

Thank you so much for the two gift cards to Home Depot. As you know Damon and I have just recently completed building a new home. This generous gift will help us complete several projects to finish our house.

I have enjoyed working with our youth over the last almost year. It has been a blessing and a privilege to watch our youth grow and mature into outstanding Christian young men and women. Thank you,

Jana Davis

A street in White Rose Cemetery was named after long-time board member and past President F.G. Hardy.



Dates to Remember for May



Monday, May 1, 6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting Monday, May 8, 5:00 p.m. Day School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting Saturday, May 13, 9:00 a.m. Methodist Women Meeting 10:00 a.m. Safety Team Meeting Thursday, May 18, 9:30 a.m. Games in the Deen Building Saturday, May 20, 11:30 a.m. Linda Glover White Gloves and Hats Tea Sunday, May 21, Senior Sunday with Potluck following Worship Saturday, May 27, 10:00 a.m. WPHS Graduation at Ken Autry Davis Field Sunday, May 28, 2-4 p.m. Graduation Party for Maggie McDonald

Happy Birthday!

Jerry Tavor	5-1
Carolyn Hawkins	5-2
Leslie Nychka	5-2
Jack Fleming	5-10
Martha Hesse	5-13
Becky Hardy	5-14
Ken Aulich	5-14
Scott Teel	5-15
Margaret Fleming	5-16
Jim Hawkins	5-18
Dean Hesse	5-18

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Gary Keller	5-18
Janet Nantze	5-18
Debbie Faulkenbury	5-21
Betty McCormick	5-22
Betty Manning	5-22
Bob Bobbitt	5-26
Ed AuBuchon	5-26
Kelly Teel	5-27
Kathleen Bobbitt	5-29
Jordan Teel	5-31

Right Now Media

Don't forget about the amazing offer of rightnow media offered through the church. Text RMUMC to 49775 for an invitation to set up your account, or contact the church office to request help.

Our Presence and Our Gifts						
	April 2	April 9	April 16	April 23	April 30	
Worship	103	164	87	95	98	
Giving	\$5,557.00	\$7,109.00	\$5,462.00	\$4,586.00	\$8,023.00	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 p.m. Trustees meeting	2	3 6:00 pm Choir Practice	4	5	6 George Hall in use
7 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service	8 5:00pm Day School Meeting 6:00pm Finance Meeting	9	10 6:00pm Choir Practice	11	12	13 9:00 am Methodist Women 10:00 am Safety Team
14 Mother's Day 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service	15	16	17 6:00pm Choir Practice	18 9:00am Games	19	20 11:30am Linda Glover Tea
21 Senior Sunday 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 11:15am Pot luck	22 7am Deen Build- ing in use	23	24 6:00pm Choir Practice	25	26	27 10:00am WPHS Graduation
28 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 2:00-4:00 p.m. Graduation Cele- bration for Maggie McDonald in Deen Building	29	30	31 6:00pm Choir Practice	Graduation Gathering You are cordially invited to a come and go graduation party for Maggie McDonald on Sunday, May 28, from 2-4 p.m. in George Hall at the Deen Building. We will have light refreshments and would love to see you there!		

Memorials

In memory of Jim Lathem Given by Jim & Barbara Lamb, Fritz Gilbreth, And FG & Becky Hardy.

> In memory of Virginia Cockerham Given by Jim & Barbara Lamb.

In memory of James Brown Given by Fritz Gilbreth.

In memory of Richard Briley Given by Fritz Gilbreth.

Servers Needed

The 12th Annual Linda Glover Hats & White Gloves Tea is scheduled for Saturday, May 20th, 11:30 a.m. Tickets are sold out, BUT, we are still looking for a few good men to help as servers. If you, or someone you know, is interested in helping, please contact the church office, or Fritz Gilbreth.

Thank You

The youth would like the thank the Lamb family, Debbie Faulkenberry, and the McDonald family for providing dinner to the youth for the month of April. Thank you, RMMC Youth

Revive Children's Camp

Glen Lake Camp Revive Children's Camp will be held at Glen Lake Camp in Glen Rose, Texas, Sunday, June 4 through Thursday, June 8, for students entering 3rd through 6th grade. It is also led by Dr. Freeman and Movement Ministries. Like Revive Youth Camp, it is a Christ-centered, evangelical camp with a biblically-faithful curriculum. ETX GMC fully endorses Revive Children's Camp. The cost is \$400.

https://movementministries.com/children-summer-camp

Revive Youth Camp

Camp Buckner Revive Youth Camp will be held at Camp Buckner, near Burnet, Texas, Sunday, July 16 through Thursday, July 20, for students entering 6th grade through completed 12th grade. It is led by Dr. Rusty Freeman and Movement Ministries. Revive is a Christ-centered, evangelical Methodist camp with a biblically-faithful curriculum that draws churches from all over the state of Texas, especially central and eastern Texas. ETX GMC fully endorses Revive Youth Camp. The cost is \$375. https://movementministries.com/revive-summer/

Remember in Prayer:

Briley Family Linda Godwin & Family **Butler Family** Family of Jim Lathem Family of Virginia Cockerham Family of Joe Rice Family of Nelda Curry Arthur Galope, Jr Alice Kolb **Benny Mitchell Billie** Cade Bobbi Smith Chad Ash Charles & Wynona James Cheryl Bradley Cheryl & David Shaw **College Students** Crestwood Nursing & Assisted Living Darian Richardson

Denny McCormick Eric Johns Harrison Mayone Helen Liston Isaac Bullard Jared McDonald Jeff D'Amico Jenny Bell Robertson Jim & Sandra Smith Justin Baas Karl & Keeta Lybrand Kristin Jackson Lawson & LaNell White Marigrace & Mike Lang Margie Arehart Mark Brown Marty Mitchell Mary Bullard Phillip Young **Randy Daniel** Revival at Asbury College RMMC Staff

Robert Butts Sarah Johnson & Family Scrub (Friend of Doty's) Students, Teachers, Administrators Sunday School & Church Travis Deen





Game Time

Join us on Thursday, May 18, in the Deen building for games and light snacks. We have dominos, cards, bridge, etc. We will gather at 9:00 a.m. and get the games started at 9:30 a.m. We hope to see you there! (as you can see by the picture, we have a good time!)

Youth Mission Project

The youth want to help members of our community by providing hygiene health kits in the blessing box. If you have sample sizes of shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, toothpaste, or other hygiene items with the exception of toothbrushes (we have plenty) we would love for you to donate them to us. We plan on grouping items into ziplock bags for those in need to take from the blessing box. You can drop off any donat-

ed items in the boxes for the Angel Tree. One is located in the Deen building and the other is located in the narthex of the church.



Russell Memorial Methodist Church

Rev. David Cartwright, Pastor John Ross, Minister of Music Vanna Duda, Pianist Jackie Cockerham, Financial Administrator Nancy McDonald, Office Administrator Fritz Gilbreth, Organist Theresa Turner, Ladies Hand Bells Director

Join us Sunday Morning!

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

o a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday

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