#### The Mother's Day Offering

A Mission of Health, Hope, and Healing for All

#### Week of Prayer May 4-10, 2025

Ingather Sunday, May 11, 2025 Riverside's Goal: \$800

Since its inception in 1924, the annual Mother's Day Offering has been used to assist patients that struggle to pay their medical bills at North Carolina Baptist Hospital. Now known as Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, the Hospital is now a nationally recognized leader in healthcare. The Hospital is a Level 1 Trauma center, meaning the most critically ill patients are transferred here from smaller hospitals across the region. This means, patients from across North Carolina are brought to us when their lives hang in the balance.

The Hospital, through the Mother's Day Offering, endowments, and other special purpose funds has been known as a provider of charity care. Over the last 100 years, more than \$25 million dollars have been donated by congregations to assist patients who often make too much for other patient financial assistance programs, but far too little to pay their medical bills.

In 2024, new charity care programs were launched at the Hospital and now many of the patients who formerly depended on the Mother's Day Offering for assistance are being served by the new programs. This has allowed us to refocus the Mother's Day Offering.

Baptist ministers were among some of the earliest recipients of financial assistance from the Mother's Day Offering.

Beginning in 2025, the Mother's Day Offering will be added to the Baptist Minister's Subsidy to assist ministers with their medical bills at the Hospital. The Baptist Minister's Subsidy may provide a payment up to 25% of the remaining out-of-pocket expense after the minister's health insurance has paid and all other discounts have been applied.

Celebrating 100 Years of Building Christ Centered, Bible-Based, and Ministry Focused Families.

# Riverside

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## Welcome to Worship April 27, 2025

## This Week at Riverside

Sunday:

9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study

Youth Bible Study

Riverside's Weekly Messages can be viewed on Riverside's YouTube Page

#### Our Mission:

Exalt God's Greatness, Equip God's People, Evangelize God's World, and Express God's Love Through Jesus Christ Our Lord

# Welcome to Riverside Missionary Baptist Church



If you are visiting Riverside today, we are glad you are here. Please complete a Connect Card and place it in the

offering plate so we can have a record of your visit. You are invited to come be a part of what God is doing through the family known as Riverside Missionary Baptist Church.

#### **Welcome Pastor Wade**

This morning Riverside welcomes former Pastor Richard Wade to preach in Pastor Scott's absence. Pastor Wade served at Riverside from 2012 to 2014.

# Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup 2025



Items for the Baptist Children's Homes Food Roundup are due today. Items can be placed in the Old Fellowship Hall. Cash, gift cards and checks (made out to Baptist Children's Homes) can be placed in the envelope located in the office.



Two thousand years ago, Jesus met a woman at a well in Samaria, offering her the good news of His love and grace. Today, in a South Asian village, a woman, unable to read or write, shared that same message with six other women at the well using an Ek Rasta SD card, meaning "The Way."

IMB missionaries Brooks and Julia West use Ek Rasta SD cards to share the gospel and help believers grow, especially in regions where nearly 50% of the population is illiterate. These SD cards contain audio lessons in the local language, guiding listeners through the Bible from creation to the new creation in Revelation.

The Wests aim to equip the local church to distribute these cards. One group reported sharing with over 170 people in just four weeks. "It's special when a believer who cannot read or write realizes God can still work powerfully through them," Brooks said.

\*Names changed for security.

When Riverside gives through the Cooperative Program (CP), we help families like the Wests answer the call to go and make disciples to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Pray for the Wests and other Southern Baptist missionaries who are taking the gospel to sensitive and sometimes dangerous places in the world.

#### **Nursery Workers**

April 27 - Wendy Jones May 4 - Aneva Conner

#### **Ushers for May**

Alan Lewis & Dean Thomas