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"...to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."

Ephesians 4:12 - 13 NIV

Join us for the CVBM Leadership Development Conference as we gather for dinner, inspiring talks, interactive conversations, and fellowship. This event is designed to enhance our leadership skills and prepare us to think well about ministry in the future. The evening will begin with dinner, followed by two breakout sessions, and will conclude with a time of reflection, prayer and Communion.

Connecting with God and Others

- Repent & Believe: Living the Life of a Disciple: Paul Maconochie
- Following Jesus: Building Discipleship Pathways in the Church: Paul Maconochie
- Sharing Your Faith Story: Maria Lynn

Connecting with our Community

- Working Together in a Diverse Environment: Michael Cheuk
- From Mission Projects to Missional Partnership: Glenn Maddox & Kristen Curtis

Connecting the Church and Pastoral Well-Being

- Loving Oneself: The Key to Ministry Effectiveness: Steve Booth
- Equipping Lay Leaders to Support Clergy: Terry Maples
- Leadership in Times of Transition: Dave Peppler

Connecting with Youth, Young Adults & Seniors

- Collaboration is Key when Resources are Limited: Cadance Tyler
- Reigniting a Culture of Intentional Discipleship among Young Adults: Jennifer Millins
- Older Adults, Family Caregivers & the Church: Heather Turbyne-Pollard & Ellen Thornhill

Register: www.cvbm.org.

Cost*: \$15 by September 10th

\$20 September 11th and following

*If you'd prefer to pay in person at the conference, please register online and use promo code "PAYONSITE" and bring a check or cash with you.

Winfree Memorial Baptist Church 13617 Midlothian Tpke, Midlothian, VA 23113.

Upcoming Events

Please be sure to check www.richmondbaptst.org for all the happenings on the RCFN website!

9/6-9/8 Camper Family Retreat

9/10 - RCFN Board Mtg.

9/24- RBA WMU Mtg

9/24- CVBM Leadership Development Conference

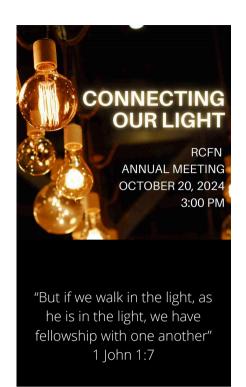
10 / 7 Golf Tournament

10/20-RCFN Annual Mtg.



Did you know..?

Central Virginia Baptist Ministries, Inc. (CVBM) exists to coordinate and to expand the joint mission efforts carried out by Dover Baptist Association, Middle District Baptist Association and River City Faith Network; its goal is to maximize the resources, effectiveness, and participation in multiple missions & ministry projects designed to meet needs in the name of Christ.

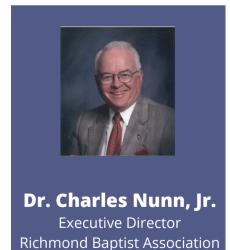


CONNECT AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

The River City Faith Network is a diverse family of churches working together to transform our communities through the love of Christ and for the Glory of God. Just as Matthew 5:14 tells believers that we are the "Light of the world - like a city on a hill that cannot be hidden", it is our collective light, the fellowship among us and shared ministry through us, that is a witness to our city.

As we seek to shine our communal light throughout Richmond, we are encouraged by Dr. Nunn who believed that the local associations were, "Where the spiritual action is among Baptists." He explained that they are "the closest entity to the local church." Dr. Anderson adds that, "Baptists are free people in free churches and the churches as well as the associations are autonomous. The associations offer opportunities for a diverse people to find common purpose and mission, to pool their resources and talents for larger endeavors, to join hands and hearts in Christian missions, locally and even globally".

Our time together at the Annual Meeting will focus on rekindling the connections among our RCFN churches. Following the business portion of our meeting, we will gather in groups to share our church mission efforts and collaborate to create new stories of mission and ministry. You will have the opportunity to connect your light with one another around these topics: community gardening, hunger, unhoused people, mental health, young adult and senior adult ministry. We hope you'll join us on October 20th at the RCFN Office Building at 2828 Emerywood Parkway.



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BRIDGES OF HOPE

We gathered in early August to remember the life and legacy of Dr. Nunn and his 20 years as Executive Director of the Richmond Baptist Association. Dr. Fred Anderson recounted the story of Chuck's life and ministry calling, perfectly capturing the gifts he brought to our association – initiating partnership missions, re-imagining the center ministries within the local church, building relationships with ethnic groups and language churches, building bridges of hope to do ministry "with" and not "for". Our pastors, churches and ministries are better because of Dr. Nunn's leadership among us and we are grateful.

Dr. Anderson concluded his remarks with this insight, "Charles B. Nunn, Jr., could have been an award-winning salesman for his father's firm. Instead, he answered a call to the ministry. Yet he was every inch a salesman for the Lord, selling people on the One who could meet their innermost needs, selling churches on cooperative missions, and selling Baptists on how to build bridges of love. A master salesman has to care about the persons whom he is contacting. A master salesman has to believe in his product. Charles Nunn was a master salesman not only because he knew his trade and cared about people but also because he believed in what he was promoting: the life-changing power of the One of whom he was preaching and teaching, even the Lord Jesus Christ."

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CAMP ALKULANA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Enjoy some time with your friends on the golf course & raise money for kids to connect with God at Camp Alkulana!

Monday, October 7th Richmond Country Club

Tournament Sponsors are Needed
Register at <u>alkulana.org</u> or by calling Beth Wright at 804-329-1701 ext. 114

Registrations must be received by October 1, 2024!

2024 SUMMER CAMP SMILES









RCFN BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS!

It takes a village of volunteers and donors to provide our Richmond Community with backpacks

Thank you River City Faith Network Churches for helping our kids start the school year with the materials they need!

May God provide great teaching and learning opportunities in safe environments led by compassionate educators.

Donors + Packers + Delivery Drivers + Celebration Set-Up Helpers + Students = A Million Smiles!!









MINISTRY AND TRAVEL OPPORTUNTIES

- May Memorial Baptist Church in Powhatan is seeking a part-time *Music Minister and/or Organist*. Send resumes to Pastor Michael Edwards, revmkedward@gmail.com
- **Dover Baptist Association** has an immediate need for a part-time **Administrative Assistant** who will provide support for the efficient and effective operations of the office and member churches. Send your resume and cover letter to doverjobs@doverbaptist.org
- Tour the Celtic Treasures of Ireland with Rev. Mark and Beth Holland, July 8 17, 2025. For more information contact Mark at 804.301.6536.

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RCFN CENTER CORNER

 Church Hill CWC- Your group can help provide a covered dish lunch for the "Best Bible Study in the World!" that meets in the Church Hill community every Friday.

Contact Glinda at 804.329.1701 ext. 104

• Oregon Hill- Help serve a Thursday meal to the Oregon Hill Community!! Available dates are: September 5, September 19, November 21, December 12 & 19.

Contact Jennifer at 804.329.1701 ext. 103

• **South Richmond**- Donate new & gently used clothing for the children and youth and furniture for the families of South Richmond!

Contact Wesley at 804.232.0174

Thank you for your support of our Centers!

River City Faith Network CARE AND CONGRATULATIONS



The River City Faith Network extends their deepest sympathy to the family of Dr. "Chuck" Nunn, retired Executive Director of the Richmond Baptist Association.

Dr. Nunn passed from this life to the eternal one on July 25, 2024.



The River City Faith Network congratulates Rev. Glinda Ford 19 years of ministry at the Church Hill Christian Wellness Center September 16th