THANK YOU!

The ministry would like to thank and honor Bob Maxey & Beth Owens for serving two terms (that is six years) on the Board of Directors! According to our by-laws, board members can serve two consecutive terms, but they must take at least one year off after their second term is completed.

Many of you know Bob & Beth and have witnessed their heart for the ministry of Richland Pregnancy Services when you attended events in which they either opened or closed in prayer. They were always helping in some way. Both Bob and Beth have at one time served as Board President and Board Vice-President. Their leadership and contribution to the governance of the ministry has made crucial impacts to better the ministry and those we serve! Although we are sad that their six years of continuous service has closed, we are forever grateful for their impact on the ministry and their continual friendship to Richland Pregnancy Services. Thank you, Beth! Thank you, Bob!





Upcoming Events

Annual Fundraising Gala Tuesday, September 14th at Crossroads Church Featured Speaker: Amy Ford



Giving Tuesday Tuesday, November 30 Online

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Walk for Life Raises More Than \$35,000 for Richland Pregnancy Services

More than 220 friends of Richland Pregnancy Services gathered at North Lake Park in Mansfield on Saturday, June 12th to Walk for Life! The leaderboard changed frequently in the days leading up to the Walk, surpassing the \$20,000 goal before the walk even began!

The final total came to \$35,895!

Prizes were awarded for the most funds raised in each category: Most Funds Raised by a child (age 0 - 12): Faith Wharton Most Funds raised by a teen (age 13 - 18): Caden Clifford Most Funds raised by an adult (age 19+): Matthew Pfeiffer Most Funds raised by a team: Mansfield Church of God - Pastor Tim Houston Thank you to each walker, donor and volunteer who supported RPS through Walk for Life this year!











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What About the Dads?

What About the Dads? Here are some practical ways

you can help the Dads who come to Richland Pregnancy Services.

- \$10 gas gift cards
- \$10 WalMart gift cards
- \$10 restaurant gift
- Donate to provide the Fathering in 15 App -\$199/Year

can help, contact Dick Stedman, Dad-to-Dad Director at (419) 522-8863 or dick@richlandpregnancy.com



More than 50 Dads have come to Richland Pregnancy Services this year for the Dadto-Dad Mentoring Program. Dads are able to earn Daddy Dollars to use in the Boutique, where they can purchase items for their baby or the mother of their baby. Moms who visit the Boutique often receive free toiletries or other goodies.

We would like to provide these same items for our male clients to encourage them as well! In addition to the suggested small value gift cards listed here, we also welcome travel sizes MENS toiletries! Thank you for helping us bless the men working to be the best Dad they can be!



Executive Director's Report

"And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted." **John 6:11 (NKJV)**

If you read my Director's Report last quarter, you may remember how I spoke of focusing on "the one". We are here to serve "the one" rather than try to focus on numbers. Recently, I was attending our Go in Peace healing program. One of the ladies going through the course is a lady whom had just finished our first Embrace Grace semester. During the 12 weeks of the Embrace Grace program, I enjoyed getting to know this woman, hearing about her pregnancy updates each week, and having the opportunity to pray with her and support her. She was "the one". Even if she was the only one to have enrolled in the Embrace Grace program, it would have been more than worth it.



The 12 weeks of Embrace Grace had come and gone, and now this woman is enrolled in our Go in Peace bible-study program for healing. I had the honor of being able to look over her precious newborn baby girl during the recent class. As I was looking at this beautiful, perfect baby, I thought about how we serve a God of multiplication. Here, we were focused on just loving and supporting this one woman during the Embrace Grace semester, and now we have the joy of loving on the woman and her newborn daughter! The one became two.

I think that is often how God works. I think of the story of Jesus multiplying the loaves of fish and bread (John 6:1-14). What seemed like very little to the

disciples was actually of great impact to the multitudes.

In our line of ministry, we may have a woman come in that is frightened she may be pregnant. Our team of staff and volunteers love on her and comfort her. They provide the emotional and spiritual support she desperately needs to feel at peace. Then, she brings in the father of the baby to enroll in our fatherhood program. What began as meeting with the one woman has turned into serving both the mother and father. Typically, by the time they complete our Mom-to-Mom and Dad-to-Dad program, that surprise blessing that brought them through our doors is now a two-year old! The one became serving the two which ends up serving and supporting the three!

We serve a God of increase and multiplication. As I looked upon this beautiful, precious baby, I can testify that this work is amazing because we get to witness the multiplication that God performs in the natural with the gift of new life and in the spiritual with how He works through our clients and their families.

He is always teaching me new things each day in this ministry, and it is a pleasure to have the opportunity to share His great work of multiplication through Richland Pregnancy Services to you.

For His Glory amanda Clark

Wish List

Pack-n-Plays New cribs Booties (Neutral Colors) Swings Baby shampoo Baby lotion Maternity Clothing Diaper Bags Newborn size diapers Miscarriage Box items (Lotions, mini manicure sets, loofas, face masks, nail files, and lip gloss) Travel size toiletries **Baby Grooming Kits** Crib Mattresses New Car Seats **Booster Seats** New High Chairs Strollers

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Team Spotlight



David Rummell began volunteering as a Dad-to-Dad Mentor earlier this year. David was asked by his wife, ludy, to consider volunteering at Richland Pregnancy Services. "I felt God wanted m to step out of my comfort zone. I thought it would give me a chance to talk to others about God."

When David isn't volunteering at RPS, he enjoys taking his two Beagle dogs for walks in the woods and spending time with his grandchildren and greatgrandchild. "I enjoy watching them grown by trying new things in their young lives." David serves as a song leader at his church.

If you would like information about how you can volunteer at Richland Pregnancy Services, please

contact Client Service Director, Lynn Ernsberger at (419) 522-8863, ext. 202 or lynn@richlandpregnancy.com

Bethany Mueller began volunteering as a Mom-to-Mom Mentor in February 2021. Bethany tells her story

"I grew up in a pro life home, but it wasn't until my first child was born at 25 weeks that I truly thought about the life of the unborn. My son spent 110 days in the NICU, and it was truly miraculous to watch his preterm journey outside of the womb. I heard about RPS often from the time I moved to Mansfield in 2008 and always wanted to get involved, but never took the time to do it. In September, 2020 our church ladies' group went for a tour of RPS. There, Amanda shared about the upcoming volunteer training and a friend and I decided to go together. I was intimidated by the

information presented, feeling quite inadequate, but trusted that God would find a place to use

In February, 2021, I began shadowing some

In April I began seeing my own clients. It has been such a blessing to be part of RPS community and to see how they are serving the community so well.

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map to find a place to

serve, it will set your soul

on fire." - Amy Ford

About Our Speaker While you may not recognize our Annual Fundraising Gala featured



speaker by name, you may recognize her by her work. **Amy Ford** is the Co-Founder and President of Embrace Grace, a non-profit that inspires and equips the church to love on single and pregnant young women and their families. She is also the author of two books, Help Her Be Brave: Discover Your Place in the Pro-Life Movement and A Bump in Life: True Stories of Hope & Courage during an Unplanned Pregnancy.

Amy will be coming to the Richland Pregnancy Services Annual Fundraising Gala fresh off of speaking at the **Focus on the Family** See Life 2021 conference.

Going through an unplanned pregnancy in her teens was one of the hardest times in Amy's life. She remembers so well how lonely and ashamed she felt. Friends pulled away and she felt uncomfortable at church. Looking back on those 9 months of brokenness, fueled the passion and desire to change things for young women with unplanned pregnancies. Amy and her friend Salina, started a small group that met weekly with girls in that same situation providing support, friendship, guidance and love. A few years later in 2012, Embrace Grace became a national non profit to equip churches all around the nation to have a pro-love focus and help women be brave and choose life. Since then, thousands of women have gone through the Embrace Grace program and were put back on a path

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