The P.R.A.Y. (formerly the God and Country) Program is the religious emblems program for Protestant youth in grades 1 through 12. Its goal is to encourage the Christian spiritual growth of children, youth, and families. The God and Country curriculum is Bible-based. Lessons are based on scripture passages which are then accompanied by exercises and activities and reinforced by a service project of the young person's own choosing. The curriculum is unique in that it is an interdenominational resource. A conscious effort was made to develop the program without theological bias. Therefore, all students use the standard curriculum regardless of church membership.

Four different programs based on grade level:

- God and Me Grades 1-3
- God and Family Grades 4-5
- God and Church Grades 6-8
- God and Life Grades 9-12

Organizational Meeting:

Place: The Fellowship Hall of Salem in Ballwin United Methodist
(14825 Manchester Road, Ballwin, 63011)

Date: October 10, 2019
Time: 7:00pm

Who’s Invited: Open to all youth in grades 1 through 12.
Parents are asked to attend the organizational meeting with their child.

Cost for Program: Bring $20.00 for registration (8 to 12 weekly sessions starting in mid October)
(Covers cost of materials) for those who choose to participate.
The actual days of each sessions will be based on participants availability.

For answers to any questions, please call Bob Vogt
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Scouting Coordinator for Salem in Ballwin United Methodist Church & member of the Protestant Religious Relations Committee.
God and Me

The God and Me Program is designed for children in grades 1 through 3. Children at this age level do not understand many abstract terms and symbols. They can understand that the Bible helps people to know about God, but their understanding of Bible stories is quite literal. Children are also forming an image of both issues and introduces a God who is both gracious and loving. Children who participate in this program are encouraged to recognize the importance and uniqueness of their lives, and they are asked to express their views of God in their own ways.

God and Family

The God and Family Program is for children in grades 4 & 5. The goal of the God and family Program is to challenge young people to expand their concept of family to include friends, church and community.

God and Church

The God and Church Program is designed for young people in grades 6, 7 & 8th. The goals of this program are to provide young people with the opportunity to work with their pastor, to understand the church's structures and objectives, and to participate in service projects that will give them a better understanding of the mission of the church.

God and Life

The God and Life Program is designed for young people in grades 9-12. This is a reflective type of curriculum. The students will study the lives of men and women in the Bible and discover what their lives teach them about God. The young people will then be challenged to integrate their faith into their daily lives.

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Adult Mentor Program is available for all 4 programs. Work with your child and grow spiritually together.